



UPSC

2010 - MAINS - PAPER - II

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

INSTRUCTIONS

For each paper: Time Allowed : Three Hours Maximum Marks : 250

There are EIGHT questions divided in two Sections and printed both in HINDI and in ENGLISH.

Candidate has to attempt FIVE questions in all.

Question Nos. 1 and 5 are compulsory and out of the remaining, THREE are to be attempted choosing at least ONE question from each Section.

The number of marks carried by a question/part is indicated against it.

Answers must be written in the medium authorized in the Admission Certificate which must be stated clearly on the cover of this Question-cum-Answer (QCA) Booklet in the space provided. No marks will be given for answers written in medium other than the authorized one.

Word limit in questions, wherever specified, should be adhered to.

Attempts of questions shall be counted in chronological order. Unless struck off, attempt of a question shall be counted even if attempted partly. Any page or portion of the page left blank in the Question-cum-Answer Booklet must be clearly struck off.



Section A

1. Attempt the following in not more than 200 words each: 20 x 3 = 60

(a) "Over-dependence on bureaucracy for bringing about socio-economic development in India has proved to be dysfunctional." Comment.

(b) "The performance of Lok Ayuktas in various States has been uneven." Comment with examples.

(c) Explain with appropriate illustrations the interface between political culture and bureaucratic culture in contemporary India.

2. (a) Discuss the evolution of the role of the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) since independence. 30

(b) "Administrative reforms get diluted because of constant tinkering on the margin rather than a holistic transformation." Discuss the statement in the context of reforming district administration in India. 30

3. (a) Comment on the following statement: 30

"The Comptroller and Auditor-General (CAG) of India is a prosecutor with a law that hobbles its functioning, a judge without the power to sentence and a litigant with no right to appeal."



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(b) "Indian federalism is passing through a state of potential maturity." Discuss this statement in the context of the views of the Commission on Centre-State Relations (Justice M. M. Punchi). 30

4.

(a) "The theme of Police Reforms continues to haunt the Parliament." In the light of this statement, discuss the state of Criminal Justice System administration in India. 30

(b) 'Performance Appraisal Systems' with special reference to the Performance Management and Evaluation System (PMES) are expected to transform the bureaucratic culture of Indian administration. Do you agree? Give reasons. 30

Section-B

5. Attempt the following in not more than 200 words each: 20x3=60

a) "The real problem of administrative reforms in India at the State and the local levels is that they are imposed from above." Comment.

b) Discuss the basic principles of 'New Localism' as a part of the global-local debate.

c) "Absence of District Planning Committees in a large number of districts has prevented convergence of planning at the district level." Examine the above statement with examples.

6. (a) (i) "One Lok Pal, howsoever strong I it may be, cannot eliminate corruption in the , politico-administrative system in India." Comment. 15

(b) "Community policing has become a victim of elite capture." Discuss the concept of community policing and bring out the implications of the above statement. 30

7. (a) Can the holding company's structure act as an institutional change to add to efficiency? Give your answer with appropriate illustrations. 30

(b) Examine the institutional vulnerability of municipal. governance in the midst of an _emerging spectre of multiple partnerships. 30

8. (a) (i) Identify the different conceptual categories of disasters. 15

(ii) Write a note on the the new culture of disaster management. 15

(b) "Disaster insurance is 'desirable but not an easy proposition to implement.'" Illustrate with suitable examples. 30