



SRI CHAITANYA IAS ACADEMY

QUESTION PAPER

Name of the Student :

Reg. No. :

Date : 15-07-18

Subject: G. S. Paper - III

Medium:

Time Allowed : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 250 M

INSTRUCTIONS

(Please read each of the following instructions carefully before attempting questions)

- There are twenty questions printed in English.
- All questions are compulsory.
- The number of marks carried by a question/part is indicated against it.
- Answers must be written in the medium authorised 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 authorised one.
- Word limit in questions, if specified, should be adhered to.
- Any page or portion of the page left blank in the Question-Cum-Answer (QCA) booklet must be clearly struck off.

Total Marks Obtained:

Remarks :

Signature of Examiner

Answer questions in NOT MORE than the word limit specified for each in the parenthesis. Content of the answer is more important than its length:-

1. What were the major differences in the approach towards development at the time of Independence? What were the major criticisms directed against the 'mixed economy' model by those on the left and the right?

(150 Words, 10 M)

2. The 1960s witnessed some of the most serious economic and political challenges ever faced by Independent India. Critically examine.

(150 Words, 10 M)

3. What were the reasons behind Indira Gandhi's decision to order the Subterranean Nuclear Explosion Project (Pokhran-I)? What was the response from the international community? (150 Words, 10 M)

4. Assess the importance of extreme nationalism and selfish ambition as causes of twentieth century wars. (150 Words, 10 M)

5. 'No imperial power has ever granted independence to a colony unless the forces were such that no other course was possible'. To what extent is this view of post war decolonisation accurate? Support your answer with at least two examples. (150 Words, 10 M)

6. 'Partition was a tragic event which left millions homeless'. In the context of the above statement, discuss the steps taken by the Indian Government to accommodate refugees pouring in from West Punjab. Also comment as to why partition related violence was more pronounced in the Punjab province as compared to the Bengal province. (250 Words, 15 M)

7. Linguistic conflicts were a major threat to our polity in the early years after Independence. Do you agree? What legislative measures were initiated in the 1950s and 1960s to address these tensions? (250 Words, 15 M)
8. While Industrial Revolution made imperialism more necessary for the European Powers, Social Darwinism rationalized and legitimized it. Discuss.
(250 Words, 15 M)
9. 'Peace impossible, war improbable'. To what extent is this quotation applicable to the events of the Cold War from 1947 - 62? (250 Words, 15 M)
10. Critically analyse the major distinguishing features of the capitalist and socialist economic systems. (250 Words, 15 M)
11. Minimum Support Price (MSP) and farm loan waiver policies are mere palliatives, neither sustainable nor particularly effective. Critically analyse.
(150 Words, 10 M)
12. What are the current challenges in the Public Distribution System (PDS) in India? Should we review the PDS in order to make a transition from food security to nutritional security? Explain. (150 Words, 10 M)
13. What is blue revolution and what are its prospects in India? What are the initiatives of the Government of India to promote it? (150 Words, 10 M)
14. Critically examine the effects of economic liberalization on agricultural growth in India.
(150 Words, 10 M)
15. 'Inland waterways will prove to be a game changer as this would reduce the cost of transportation, reduce road congestion as well as play a vital role in reducing pollution'. Critically examine. (150 Words, 10 M)

16. Do you agree with the view that giving Direct Income Support (DIS) to farmers is a better option than the Price Deficiency Payment (PDP) scheme or higher Minimum Support Price (MSP) to address farm distress? Explain. Also evaluate the pros and cons of Direct Income Support (DIS)?
- (250 Words, 15 M)
17. Discuss the role of Mega Food Parks and Integrated Cold Chain Units in arresting post-harvest losses and developing food processing industries.
- (250 Words, 15 M)
18. 'India needs a workable, inclusive system of land titling and records to allow land markets to function effectively and reduce judicial burden'. In light of the above statement, examine the need for clear land titles. How can the Digital India Land Records Modernization Programme (DILRMP) help in improving land records system in India? (250 Words, 15 M)
19. 'Although there has been a concerted 'solar power push' by India in recent years, nuclear power remains an important part of our energy security architecture'. Do you agree? List out the steps taken by the Government of India to increase nuclear power capacity. (250 Words, 15 M)
20. What are the Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) policy changes heralded recently by the Government of India in Single Brand Retail Trading, Construction Development and investments by foreign airlines? Are the fears being expressed about the impact of FDI changes in Single Brand Retail Trading justified? Comment. (250 Words, 15 M)

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