



SRI CHAITANYA IAS ACADEMY

QUESTION PAPER

Name of the Student : **Adm No. :**

Date : 26-08-18 **Subject: G. S. Paper - IX** **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. As the world faces an unprecedented refugee crisis, the office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees is in the spotlight. Throw light on its mandate and its record in protecting refugees. (150 Words, 10 M)
2. Critically examine the impact of United States' immigration and trade protectionism policies on India. (150 Words, 10 M)
3. What is Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP)? What are India's concerns and why it needs to be extra cautious in inking this mega trade deal? (150 Words, 10 M)
4. India's relations with Bangladesh have witnessed a significant upswing over the past decade, but sticking points remain. Comment. (150 Words, 10 M)
5. What is the significance of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation's (SCO) full membership for India? What are the expected gains and potential challenges? (150 Words, 10 M)
6. Critically examine the geostrategic significance of Bhutan and Nepal in India's foreign policy. (250 Words, 15 M)
7. India's economic and security engagement with Africa is vital for our long term foreign policy goals. In this context, examine India's approach towards Africa and contrast it with China's. (250 Words, 15 M)
8. Is Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) a desirable alternative to South Asian Association

for Regional Cooperation (SAARC)? What steps must be taken for BIMSTEC to emerge as an effective vehicle for regional cooperation?

(250 Words, 15 M)

9. What are the salient aspects of India's Nuclear Doctrine? Does it require revision? Substantiate. (250 Words, 15 M)

10. What are the problems and challenges faced by the Indian Gulf Diaspora? What initiatives have been taken by the Indian government to secure the interests of the Indian migrant workers in the Middle East?

(250 Words, 15 M)

11. 'India's border management would be effective if we institute the concept of 'one border, one force'. Critically evaluate. (150 Words, 10 M)

12. Examine the non - traditional security threats prevailing in the Indian Ocean Region, most notably human trafficking and small arms and narcotics smuggling. (150 Words, 10 M)

13. 'Strengthening preventive capabilities and beefing up rapid response capabilities are critical for national security, and both are possible only through greater coordination between the Centre and the States'. Comment.

(150 Words, 10 M)

14. Write a note on the deteriorating environment in Afghanistan and its implications for India's national security. (150 Words, 10 M)

15. 'India is one of the world's fastest growing telecom markets and a big importer of communication equipment. Do you think import of telecommunication equipment from other countries poses national security hazards? Elaborate. (150 Words, 10 M)

16. 'It is not difficult to visualize a scenario of cyber attacks against the critical infrastructure of India's cities, as they are increasingly run by Information and Communication Technology (ICT)'. In this context, examine the problems, challenges and solutions of 'Critical Infrastructure Protection' in India.
(250 Words, 15 M)
17. 'Electronic media and social media have started to emerge as platforms for fomenting communal riots and ethnic hate crimes'. Comment.
(250 Words, 15 M)
18. India has carried out surgical strikes targeting 'launch pads' for terrorists across the Line of Control (LoC). Do you think these measures would help in combating cross border terror? Suggest measures to tackle this menace.
(250 Words, 15 M)
19. What are the dangers of narco-terrorism to India's national security? Examine the role of organised crime gangs in illicit drug trade. (250 Words, 15 M)
20. 'India needs a National Maritime Authority (NMA) to ensure cohesive policy making and effective coordination among the multiple agencies dealing with maritime security'. Discuss (250 Words, 15 M)

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