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ENGLISH

(COMPULSORY)

[01]

Time Allowed - Three Hours	***Maximum Marks-300***

INSTRUCTIONS

Please read each of the following Instructions carefully before attempting questions.

i) Candidates should attempt all questions as per the instructions given.

ii) The number of marks carried by each question is indicated at the end of the question.

iii) Attempt of a part/question shall be counted in sequential order. Unless struck off, attempt of a part/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.

*iv) Answers must be written in **ENGLISH** only.*

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

vi) Your answer should be precise and coherent.

vii) If you encounter any typographical error, please read it as it appears in the text book.

viii) Candidates are in their own interest advised to go through the General Instructions on the back side of the title page of the Question-Cum-Answer-Booklet for strict adherence.

1. Write an essay in about 600 words on any One of the following: (100)

a) The perils of Historical Amnesia and the Imperative to Learn from the Past.

b) Soft Power Politics: Navigating International Relations with Subtlety.

c) The Thin Line: Discerning Between Destructive and Constructive Chaos in Societal Evolution.

d) The Role of Critical Thinking in the Pursuit of True Knowledge.

2. Read carefully the passage given below and write your answers to the questions in clear, correct and concise language:(Word limit 65-70 words) (5×15=75)

In a world inundated with stories of great leaders, the prevailing narrative often centres around celebrated figures from history or influential business tycoons. Whether extolled as heroes or vilified as threats, these individuals are frequently portrayed as architects of their own destinies, embodying the concept of individualism in leadership. This perspective, deeply rooted in literature and mythology, echoes the timeless tale of King David from the biblical Book of II Samuel, a narrative that grapples with the complexities of leadership, morality, and divine authority.

The biblical account unfolds as King David, chosen and empowered by God, ascends to power through righteous deeds, conquering enemies, and remaining under the protective gaze of the divine. However, the narrative takes a dramatic turn when David succumbs to moral failings, engaging in a scandalous affair with Bathsheba and orchestrating the death of her husband, Uriah. The Prophet Nathan confronts David, unravelling the moral fabric of leadership, and ultimately, divine retribution befalls the once-great king.

Contrasting with this biblical perspective is the Machiavellian worldview, embodied in Niccolo Machiavelli's seminal work, "The Prince". This foundational text ushers in a new era of leadership thinking, emphasizing practicality, political acumen, and the pursuit of objectives. Leaders, as depicted by Machiavelli, navigate a realm where power is shaped not by divine authority or moral constraints but by the pragmatic realities of politics.

This prompts a pivotal question: does the leader shape history, or does history shape the leader? This query sparks a debate between those who champion individual agency in leadership, epitomized by Machiavellians, and those who contend that leaders operate within the constraints of historical circumstances, as articulated by Karl Marx.

While the Machiavellian model suits leaders wielding substantial power and advantages, the nuanced reality faced by leaders in opposition to power is often acknowledged. Whistle-blowers, activists, and individuals challenging authority often embody a different form of leadership – one defined by moral principles and a commitment to justice rather than raw power.

The enduring impact of leaders is often underscored as the ones who, despite lacking formal authority, leave an indelible mark on history. These unsung heroes, guided by morality and principles, challenge the prevailing narrative of leadership driven solely by individualism and Machiavellian realism.

a) According to the passage, what is a common theme in the prevailing narrative about great leaders?

b) How does the biblical narrative of King David differ from the Machiavellian worldview?

c) What event in King David's life marks a turning point in the biblical narrative, according to the passage?

d) What is the pivotal question raised in the passage regarding leadership and history?

e) According to the passage, how does the Machiavellian model apply to leaders in opposition to power?

3. Make a precis of the following passage in one-third of its length. The precis must be written in your own words. A title to the precis is not required. (75)

Learning a second language unveils the complexity of language, revealing a lack of one-to-one correspondence in meaning between words and phrases across languages. The evolution of thought regarding linguistic relativity or the Sapir-Whorf hypothesis is explored by posing the question of whether each language truly embodies a distinct worldview or dictates specific thought patterns. This exploration delves into historical perspectives, tracing back to the Enlightenment era and the notions of the 'genius' of a language, later refined by Johann Gottfried von Herder.

The Herderian thread emphasizes the unique character of each language and its connection to the national mentality of its speakers. It introduces the concept of 'inner form', developed by Heymann Steinthal, suggesting that understanding a language's character requires tracing words back to their etymological origins. However, this approach fell out of fashion in the 19th century, giving way to comparative-historical grammar focused on external features and genealogical relations.

The mid-20th century witnessed a shift away from discussions linking language to mind, with Noam Chomsky advocating for universal grammar. The Sapir-Whorf hypothesis, despite lacking precise, testable propositions, gained attention as Sapir and Whorf sought to explore the influence of language on thought. There are concerns about language's potential to mislead and their desire to break its spell during a period marked by propaganda and political upheavals.

While mid-century linguistics largely separated language from thought, contemporary research has rekindled interest in linguistic relativity. Recent studies, exemplified by Gurindji speakers, suggest that language might influence perception, challenging the notion of distinct

worldviews but raising questions about how language shapes our experiences. This tension is viewed between ineffable feelings that language shapes our world and the scientific demand for rigorous, testable hypotheses. It emphasizes the complementary nature of past and present scholarship in understanding the intricate connections between mind and language.

4. a) Rewrite the following sentences after making necessary corrections. Do not make unnecessary changes in the original sentence. (10×1=10)

i. The students was diligently preparing for their exams and each of them have their own unique study strategies.

ii. Neither the coach nor the players were aware of the new rules that's been implemented by the league.

iii. Despite of his exceptional skills, John failed to impress the judges at the talent show.

iv. The data, as well as the analysis, were considered inconclusive, leaving the researchers perplexed.

v. Each of the books in the library are organized according to their respective genres.

vi. The committee members has differing opinions on whether to proceed with the proposed changes.

vii. Having been presented with various alternatives, the decision between the two options are proving to be challenging for the team.

viii. Not only the students but also the professor were astonished by the unexpected results of the experiment.

ix. One of the main challenges in the project is the scarcity of skilled workforce in the current market.

x. Sarah, along with her friends, are planning to attend the upcoming seminar on advanced quantum physics.

b) Supply the missing words. (5×1=5)

i. Despite the turbulent weather, the pilot managed to _____ the plane safely onto the runway.

ii. The intricate puzzle required immense concentration to ____ each piece into its designated place.

iii. The scientist conducted numerous experiments to _____ the hypothesis put forth in her ground-breaking research paper.

iv. In order maintain confidentiality, the lawyer advised his client to ____ the sensitive information from public disclosure.

v. The artist meticulously studied the intricate details of the landscape in order to _____ them onto the canvas.

c) Use the correct form of verbs given in the brackets. (5×1=5)

i. Despite facing numerous challenges, the team of researchers _____ diligently in their quest to unravel the mysteries of the human genome. (persevere)

ii. *The orchestra*, renowned for its precision and harmony, _____ a flawless performance at the prestigious concert hall last night. (deliver)

iii. Amidst the chaos of the storm, the sailors ____ valiantly to keep the ship afloat in the treacherous waters. (struggle)

iv. With the arrival of spring, the lush meadows and vibrant flowers ____ the countryside into a picturesque paradise. (transform)

v. Despite the odds stacked against them, the underdog team _____ remarkable resilience and determination throughout the gruelling season. (demonstrate)

d) Give the antonyms of the following: (5×1=5)

i. Alleviate.

ii. Winsome.

iii. Urchin.

iv. Immaculate.

v. Taciturn.

5. a) Rewrite each of the following sentences as directed without changing the meaning: (10×1=10)

i. The renowned scientist discovered a ground-breaking theory. (Change into active voice)

ii. She will have completed the challenging task by tomorrow. (Change into negative interrogative)

iii. The detective solved the mysterious case. (Rewrite using non-finite verb form)

iv. He found the ancient artifact. It was buried deep in the jungle. (Change into complex sentence using a relative pronoun)

v. The mountain peak is extremely high. (Provide an adverb to modify the adjective)

vi. She painted a beautiful mural. She displayed it at the art exhibition. (Combine using gerund)

vii. He never exercises and that's why he is unfit. (Change into conditional sentence)

viii. She exclaimed, "What a magnificent view!". (Change into indirect speech)

ix. The actor delivered his lines brilliantly. (Transform into exclamatory sentence)

x. I have never encountered such a challenging puzzle before. (Convert into double negative)

b) Use the following words to make sentences that bring out their meaning clearly. Do not change the form of the words. (Ambiguous and meaningless sentences will not be awarded) **(5×1=5)**

i. Fulminate.

ii. Oppugn.

iii. Sartorial.

iv. Vestal.

v. Alacrity.

c) Choose the appropriate words to fill in the blanks. **(5×1=5)**

i. He spoke _____ during the meeting. (eloquent/eloquently)

ii. The orchestra played _____ throughout the concert. (magnificent/magnificently)

iii. She handled the situation _____. (adroit/adroitly)

iv. The detective solved the case _____. (ingenious/ingeniously)

v. The crowd watched _____ as the magician performed his final trick. (awe/awed)

d) Use these idioms/phrases in sentences of your own to bring out their meaning clearly. Do not change the form of the words. (5×1=5)

i. One swallow does not make a summer.

ii. Like a cat on hot tin roof.

iii. To have sticky fingers.

iv. Shoot from the hip.

v. The pot calling the kettle black.

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ESSAY

(COMPULSORY)

[02]

Time Allowed - Three Hours	*Maximum Marks-250*

INSTRUCTIONS

Please read each of the following instructions carefully before attempting questions.

*(i) Write **TWO** Essays, choosing **ONE** from each of the Section **A** and **B,** in about **1000-1200** words each.*

(ii) The Essay must be written in English medium in the Question-Cum-Answer (QCA) Booklet in the space provided. No marks will be given for answers written in medium other than the authorized one.

(iii) Word limit, as specified, should be adhered to.

(iv) Any page or portion of the page left blank in the Question-Cum-Answer Booklet must be clearly struck off.

Write **TWO** Essays, choosing **ONE** from each of the **Sections, A** and **B**, in about **1000-1200** words each. **(2×125=250)**

SECTION - A

1. We are not just consumers of good governance; we must be active participants-co-creators shaping a better future.
2. The essence of education is to transform mirrors into windows, expanding our view beyond self-reflection.
3. Nothing so weakens a government as inflation.
4. Scarcity breeds both revolution and crime.

SECTION - B

1. No nation was ever ruined by trade.
2. The direction in which education starts a man will determine his future life.
3. We have one asset, and that's people.
4. We share a commonality in the Earth we inhabit.

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GENERAL STUDIES

(OPTIONAL)

PAPER - I

[03]

Time Allowed - Three Hours	*Maximum Marks-250*

INSTRUCTIONS

Please read each of the following Instructions carefully before attempting the paper.

*i) There are **Twenty** questions. **All** questions are compulsory.*

*ii) Answers to Questions No. **1** to **10** should be in **150** words, whereas answers to Questions No. **11** to **20** should be in **250** words.*

iii) Keep the word limit indicated in the questions in mind.

iv) If you encounter any typographical error, please read it as it appears in the text book.

v) Candidates are in their own interest advised to go through the general instructions on the back side of the title page of the Answer Script for strict adherence.

vi) No continuation sheets shall be provided to any candidate under any circumstances.

vii) No blank page should be left in between answers to various questions.

[Indian Heritage and Culture, History and Geography of the World and Society]

1. Write a short essay on Purusarthas.**(150 words)** **(10)**
2. Write a note on the significance of Dholavira, the World Heritage Site.**(150 words)** **(10)**
3. Write a short essay on the Nilamata Purana.**(150 words)** **(10)**
4. Vedangas are last treatises of Vedic literature. Elaborate.**(150 words)** **(10)**
5. Distinguish, with illustrations, between the arcuate and trabeate system of Indian architecture.**(150 words)** **(10)**
6. Highlight the contributions of Aruna Asaf Ali during and after India's struggle for independence.**(150 words)** **(10)**
7. What are heat waves? Discuss the impact of heat waves on the energy sector in India? **(150 words)** **(10)**
8. Discuss the concept of air mass and explain its role in macro-climatic changes.**(150 words)** **(10)**
9. What are the significance and concerns regarding lithium discovery in the UT of Jammu and Kashmir? **(150 words)** **(10)**
10. Aeolian landscape evolution is primarily concerned with the formation and extension of pediments. Comment. **(150 words)** **(10)**
11. Write a short note on Shankaracharya Temple of Kashmir. **(250 words)** **(15)**
12. Why is Samudragupta called 'Napoleon of India'? **(250 words)** **(15)**
13. Write an essay on Kashmir's Sufi traditions with special reference to Sheikh Nooruddin Noorani. **(250 words)** **(15)**
14. Examine the statement 'One Caste, One Religion, One God for All' in the context of socio-religious reform movements in late 19th Century. **(250 words)** **(15)**
15. Explain the impacts of Anglo-Sikh wars on Jammu and Kashmir. **(250 words)** **(15)**
16. What are the challenges in millet production and consumption in India? Suggest steps to enhance millet production in India apart from current initiatives in place. **(250 words)(15)**
17. Spreading of 'Dead Zones' has serious consequences on marine ecosystems. Elaborate. **(250 words)** **(15)**
18. India's rapid urbanisation calls for sustainable and effective urban planning reforms to improve the process of urban planning in India. Discuss. **(250 words)** **(15)**
19. What is One Water Approach? Discuss its advantages in tackling water crisis in 21st century. **(250 words)** **(15)**
20. Despite India being one of the countries of Gondwanaland, its mining industry contributes much less to its Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in percentage terms. Discuss.**(250 words)** **(15)**

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GENERAL STUDIES

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PAPER - II

[04]

Time Allowed - Three Hours | ***Maximum Marks-250***

INSTRUCTIONS

Please read each of the following Instructions carefully before attempting the paper.

*i) There are **Twenty** questions. **All** questions are compulsory.*

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iii) Keep the word limit indicated in the questions in mind.

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[Governance, Constitution, Polity, Social Justice and International Relations]

1. "Finance Commission symbolizes Centre-State fiscal relations." Examine this statement in the light of the constitution of 16th Finance Commission. **(150 words)** **(10)**

2. "Social justice has become a catch-all term for welfare measures." Examine.**(150 words)** **(10)**

3. Critically analyse judicial activism in the light of the eventful month of May 2023 when the Supreme Court of India, in only two weeks of time, delivered more than 100 judgments, including 4 important Constitution Bench matters. **(150 words)** **(10)**

4. "The New Criminal Law Bill will discard colonial vestiges and instill an Indian spirit in India's criminal justice system." Discuss. **(150 words)** **(10)**

5. Critically analyse the relationship between India and Maldives in the light of the recent war of words between the two countries. **(150 words)** **(10)**

6. Find out the merits and demerits of caste survey in the light of the caste enumeration exercise by the provincial governments of Bihar and Andhra Pradesh. **(150 words)** **(10)**

7. Critically examine the powers of the Director of the Enforcement Directorate (ED), a government institution which has been in the limelight in the recent times.**(150 words)(10)**

8. Do you think the India-Middle East-Europe Economic Corridor will be "a passage of possibilities"? **(150 words)** **(10)**

9. "Indo-Pacific will continue to remain the global flashpoint in the coming times." Critically analyse the above statement in the light of the recent Taiwan presidential elections.

   (150 words) **(10)**

10. Do you think India-Taiwan technological cooperation will be a boon for India's manufacturing ambitions? **(150 words)** **(10)**

11. The NITI Aayog has emerged as an important institution of the Union government in the last one decade. Elucidate. **(250 words)** **(15)**

12. "In the spirit of cooperative federalism, the Centre must exercise its powers within the boundaries created by the Constitution." Discuss. **(250 words)** **(15)**

13. Achieving the SDGs by 2030 could be a roadmap to Viksit Bharat @ 2047. Discuss .

    (250 words) **(15)**

14. "The Red Sea region has become a cauldron of conflict." Elucidate the statement in the light of the recent attacks by Houthi rebels of Yemen on the commercial ships. **(250 words)** **(15)**

15. Critically analyse India's role and contributions in resolving the recent Israel-Palestine conflict. **(250 words)** **(15)**

16. India-Canada relationship has descended to a new low in the last few years. Elucidate in the light of the accusations made by Canadian Prime Minister and the counter accusations of India. **(250 words)** **(15)**

17. Evaluate India-Russia Special and Privileged Strategic Partnership in the light of Indian Foreign Minister's Moscow visit in the last week of December last year?**(250 words)(15)**

18. Analyse India's decade-long bid to become a veto-wielding member of the UN Security Council in the light of UN General Assembly President's recent remarks on India as a "mature, highly respected member." **(250 words)** **(15)**

19. While Bharat takes a quantum leap towards digitisation under Prime Minister Modi's leadership, prevention of cyber crimes is a key security challenge." Examine.**(250 words)** **(15)**

20. French President as guest of India's Republic Day 2024 demonstrates the widening and deepening Indo-French strategic partnership. Discuss.**(250 words)** **(15)**

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GENERAL STUDIES

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PAPER - III

[05]

Time Allowed - Three Hours	*Maximum Marks-250*

INSTRUCTIONS

Please read each of the following Instructions carefully before attempting the paper.

*i) There are **Twenty** questions. **All** questions are compulsory.*

*ii) Answers to Questions No. **1** to **10** should be in **150** words, whereas answers to Questions No. **11** to **20** should be in **250** words.*

iii) Keep the word limit indicated in the questions in mind.

iv) If you encounter any typographical error, please read it as it appears in the text book.

v) Candidates are in their own interest advised to go through the general instructions on the back side of the title page of the Answer Script for strict adherence.

vi) No continuation sheets shall be provided to any candidate under any circumstances.

vii) No blank page should be left in between answers to various questions.

[Technology, Economic Development, Bio-diversity,Environment, Security and Disaster Management]

1. Describe how the Internet of Things (IoT) is helpful for India's Smart City Mission.

   (150 words) **(10)**

2. Do you agree with the statement that 'the Indian economy is so far insulated from the recessionary trends of many major world economies'?**(150 words)** **(10)**

3. Why have the basic objectives of planning remain unfulfilled in India? Suggest measures to achieve these in the coming years? **(150 words)** **(10)**

4. Examine the socio-economic infrastructure programmes launched after 2015 to restructure rural economy and combat poverty? **(150 words)** **(10)**

5. Do you think that agricultural income in India should be taxed? Give reasons.**(150 words)** **(10)**

6. Evaluate the role of commercial banks in disbursing agricultural credit from various institutional sources in India? **(150 words)** **(10)**

7. Examine the merits and demerits of prohibiting manufacture, sale and distribution of fixed dose combination (FDC) medicines. **(150 words)** **(10)**

8. What are the challenges faced by India in achieving sustainable development goals (SDGs)? Discuss the ways to overcome the barriers in achieving SDGs. **(150 words)** **(10)**

9. Write a short note on India's Mars Orbiter Mission (MOM). **(150 words)** **(10)**

10. What are the challenges and opportunities of 'space tourism' as envisioned by "Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)" **(150 words)** **(10)**

11. How is cloud seeding undertaken? Discuss its issues and benefits. **(250 words)** **(15)**

12. What do you mean by financial inclusion? How far the Government's initiatives to promote mobilisation of savings and disbursement of credit through the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojna have contributed to the growth of Indian economy?**(250 words)** **(15)**

13. What policies are required for doubling farmers income in India? Discuss the major agricultural reforms to increase agricultural productivity? **(250 words)** **(15)**

14. What is fiscal spending? Suggest suitable measures to contain fiscal deficit, which has become a serious cause of concern for the government. **(250 words)** **(15)**

15. "Inclusive growth strategy can address several challenges to Indian economy." Critically analyse . **(250 words)** **(15)**

16. Find out the major differences between the recommendations of 15th and 14th Finance Commission. **(250 words)** **(15)**

17. What are the advantages and disadvantages of quantum technology? Discuss India's quantum technology initiatives? **(250 words)** **(15)**

18. What do you understand by "green credit"? Discuss the objectives, advantages and concerns of India's green credit programme. **(250 words)** **(15)**

19. Discuss the potential benefits and challenges of Generative Artificial Intelligence (AI) for India's development and security. Suggest measures India should take to harness the opportunities and mitigate the risks of generative AI. **(250 words)** **(15)**

20. Explain the term "e-waste" with suitable examples? Discuss its impacts on human health and environment. What measures the Indian government has taken to tackle e-waste problem in the country? **(250 words)** **(15)**

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GENERAL STUDIES

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PAPER - IV

[06]

Time Allowed - Three Hours	*Maximum Marks-250*

INSTRUCTIONS

Please read each of the following Instructions carefully before attempting the paper.

*i) There are **Twelve** questions divided into **Two** sections.*

*ii) **All** questions are compulsory.*

iii) Marks carried by a Question/Part are indicated against it.

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

v) Any page or portion of the page left blank in the Question-Cum-Answer Booklet must be clearly struck off.

vi) Answer must be written in English in the Question-Cum-Answer (QCA) Booklet in the space provided.

SECTION-A

1. a) Some people believe that values keep on changing with time and situation, but for others values are universal and eternal. Give your views to justify it. **(150 words)(10)**

   b) What do you understand by the principles of "Satyam Vada Dharmam Chara"? How can this principle be implemented in public life? **(150 words)** **(10)**

2. a) Discuss how anger and ego, which are harmful to both personal and professional life, lead to negative emotions and undesirable behavior.(**150 words**) **(10)**

   b) Do you believe in the Nishkama Karma Yoga doctrine of the Bhagavad Gita that "You have a right to perform your prescribed duties, but you are not entitled to the fruits of your action." **(150 words)** **(10)**

3. a) Give your opinion, with illustrations, on the statement that 'politics' and 'ethics' do not go together.**(150 words)** **(10)**

   b) How does ethical responsibility play a role in environmental sustainability?**(150 words)** **(10)**

4. a) What are the benefits and ethical issues of using Artificial Intelligence (AI) in the banking and finance sector? What ethical questions you must ask when you build your AI? (**150 words)** **(10)**

   b) Digital detoxification will increase creativity and a sense of responsibility. Comment. **(150 words)** **(10)**

5. a) What are the major ethical issues that a business faces today? What is more important- profit making or accountability, honesty, transparency, and respect for the rule of law? Give a detailed justification. **(150 words)** **(10)**

   b) What is agricultural ethics and why does it matter? What are the five biggest ethical issues facing the agricultural industry? **(150 words)** **(10)**

6. Discuss the moral of the following statements given below:

   a) "The issue of national unity and indivisibility are central to our existence. We will not leave any stone unturned in achieving this goal." Deendayal Upadhyaya. **(150 words)** **(10)**

   b) "The spiritual life, the religious life, and the ordinary human life of which morality is a part are three quite different things and one must know which one desires and not confuse the three together. ..." Sri Aurobindo. **(150 words)** **(10)**

   c) "The moment I have realized God sitting in the temple of every human body, the moment I stand in reverence before every human being and see God in him - that moment I am free from bondage, everything that binds vanishes, and I am free." Swami Vivekananda. **(150 words)** **(10)**

SECTION-B

7. A manufacturing company provides jobs for many people in a small town where it is difficult for people to get a job. The company decided to stay in the town even though it could find workers who could take less payment elsewhere. The workers are loyal to the company due to the jobs it provides. Over the years, the company has developed a reputation in the town for taking care of its employees and providing them facilities required by the workers.
The manufacturing process used by the company produces a by-product that for years has flown into the town river. The by-product has been considered harmless but some people who live near the river have reported illnesses. The by-product does not currently violate any anti-pollution laws.

a) Identify the stakeholders and ethical issues involved.

b) What options does the company have, and what should it do and why?**(250 words)** **(20)**

8. Rajendra was recently posted in a village as a District Development Officer. He quickly became aware of growing tension in the rural areas of the district regarding the education of girls. The village elders expressed concerns that educating girls was leading to various issues, as they believed that girls stepping out of the household environment was problematic. They advocated for the swift marriage of girls with minimal education to maintain traditional norms. Besides, the elders argued that girls entering traditionally male-dominated job sectors were leading to unemployment among the male population. On the other hand, the younger generation emphasized the importance of equal opportunities for education and employment for girls in the contemporary era. This divide between generations and sexes has led to several debates in local bodies, panchayats, and busy crossroads.
Recently, Rajendra received information about an unpleasant incident in which some girls were molested while en route to school. This incident resulted in clashes between various groups and thereby creating a significant law and order problem. Following heated discussions, the village elders collectively decided to prohibit girls from attending school and declared a social boycott against families that did not adhere to their directives.

a) Discuss the ethical issues involved here.

b) Identify the stakeholders in this case.

c) What steps would you take to ensure girls' safety without disrupting their education? **(250 words)** **(20)**

9. Imagine a scenario at a famous urban hospital where Dr. Shabnam, a respected and experienced physician, is faced with a challenging ethical dilemma. She has been treating a high- profile patient, and a well-known public figure suffering from a rare medical condition. This patient's health status has attracted a lot of media attention, leading to speculation and rumours about the diagnosis.
While Dr. Shabnam is committed to keep the patient's details confidential, she is under immense pressure from the media, colleagues, and even hospital administrators to disclose information about the patient's health condition. The hospital has been receiving requests for updates from journalists and the public, raising questions about the balance between the patient's right to privacy and the public's right to know.

a) Discuss the ethical issues and stakeholders involved in this case.

b) How should Dr. Shabnam overcome the ethical dilemma surrounding patient confidentiality and public disclosure in a high-profile medical case?**(250 words)** **(20)**

10. The number of rural residents moving to towns and cities in India is rapidly rising. Serious issues have been raised by this in both urban and rural regions. In actuality, things are getting out of control. Educated youth are trying to shift to urban areas. Landless poor people are migrating to urban slums. Even some farmers are selling off the land and trying to settle in urban areas taking petty jobs.

a) Identify the stakeholders and ethical issues involved in this case.

b) Could you identify the emotional, behavioural, and socioeconomic variables contributing to it after conducting a thorough analysis of this issue?

c) Suggest measures to control this serious problem in our country?**(250 words) (20)**

11. Suppose you are a CEO of a major Research & Development pharmaceutical company. A scientist working in your company finds that one of the company's bestselling veterinary drugs has the potential to cure a currently incurable liver disease which is prevalent in tribal areas. However, developing a variant of the drug suitable for human beings entailed a lot of research and huge investment. It was unlikely that your company would recover the cost as the disease was rampant only in poverty-stricken areas where people do not have much purchasing power.

a) Discuss the ethical issues involved in this case and explain under these circumstances, what will you do as the CEO?

b) Identify the various actions that you could take.**(250 words)** **(20)**

12. Detective James is leading an investigation into a human trafficking ring in a busy city. The criminals exploit vulnerable individuals through forced labour and exploitation. After digging deeper, Detective James faces a tough ethical decision: how to swiftly bring the traffickers to justice without putting the victims at risk.

Detective Reyna has key information that could dismantle the trafficking ring quickly. But doing so might harm the victims. The dilemma revolves around balancing the urgency to catch the criminals with ensuring the safety and well-being of those being exploited.

a) Discuss the ethical issues involved in this case.

b) In the context of combating human trafficking, what ethical considerations should law enforcement, represented by James, prioritize when making decisions? **(250 words)** **(20)**