

# IAS Mains General Studies 1998

## Paper-I

Time Allowed: Three Hours Maximum Marks: 300

Candidates should attempt questions from all the Section I, II, and III. The number of marks carried by each question is indicated at the end of the question.

### Section-I

1. Did Jawaharlal Nehru really 'speak' the 'language' of Gandhi? Locate the points of their agreements and departures. Or How did economic nationalism mirror the work of the early nationalist leadership in India (About 250 words)? 35
2. Answer any two of the following:  $15 \times 2 = 30$  (About 150 words on each)
  - a. Why did the moderates lose appeal with the Indians and failed to elicit desired response from the British?
  - b. How did the Policy of free trade hurt Indian textile industry and crafts in the latter half of the 19th century?
  - c. Trace the origins of the R. N. I. Mutiny and evaluate its impact on the political situation in India.
3. Answer any three of the following:  $10 \times 3 = 30$  (About 75 words on each)
  - a. Examine the ideas of Rabindranath Tagore on democracy.
  - b. How did the Swadeshi Movement in Bengal influence the nationalist politics?
  - c. What was the significance of the Prajamandal movements in the Indian States in the decade preceding India's independence?
  - d. Assess the role of C Rajagopalachari during the pre-partition years of Indian public life.
4. Answer the following questions (About 20 words on each)
  - a. What do you know about the following:  $2 \times 15 = 30$ 
    - i. Nil Darpan
    - ii. Sarda Sadan
    - iii. Sabarmati Ashram
    - iv. Hunter Commission
    - v. Bandi Jiwan
  - b. Why have the following become famous?
    - i. Khan Abdul Gaffar Khan
    - ii. Seth Jamanlal Bajaj
    - iii. S Satyamurti
    - iv. Udham Singh
    - v. Sarojini Naidu

- vi. Kulu School
- vii. Gopuram
- viii. Wahabi Movement
- ix. Bharat Dharma Mahamandal
- x. Communal Award

## Section II

1. Examine the reasons for the non-introduction of Women's Reservation Bill in the Lok Sabha (About 250 words). 35 OR Discuss the implications of Israel's expansion plan. How have the major western powers reacted to it (About 250 words)?
2. Attempt any three of the following:  $10 \times 3 = 30$  (About 100 words on each)
  - a. Examine the fall out of population explosion in India at the close of twentieth century.
  - b. Discuss the justification for the creation of new states in U P and Bihar.
  - c. What are the reasons for the slow progress of SAPTA?
  - d. Describe the problem of KOSOVO.
  - e. What is ASEAN PLUS? What is its nature and duty?
3. Attempt any five of following:  $6 \times 5 = 30$  (About 50 words on each)
  - a. What were the circumstances leading to the promulgation of Prasar Bharati ordinance in August 1998?
  - b. Who has claimed the responsibility for the recent bomb attacks on American embassies at Nairobi and Dar Es Salam? What are their demands?
  - c. What is the significance of Pope John Paul II's visit to Cuba?
  - d. What are the significant features of Lokpal Bill recently introduced in the Lok Sabha?
  - e. Why was a variant of Basmati rice in news recently?
  - f. What solution has been arrived at recently in the Cauvery water dispute?
  - g. Bring out the issues involved in the appointments and transfer of judges of the Supreme Court and high Courts in India.
4. Answer the following questions (About 20 words on each)
  - a. Explain the following:  $2 \times 15 = 30$ 
    - i. Netizens
    - ii. Shehab-3
    - iii. Planet-B
    - iv. W. H. O.
    - v. Greenpeace
  - b. What do you know about the following?

- i. Chattisgarh
- ii. Article 356
- iii. Bentota
- iv. Narmada Sagar dam
- v. Full monty
- vi. Pamirs
- vii. Nelson Mandela
- viii. Bacharuddin Jusul Habibie
- ix. E. MS Namboodripad.
- x. Jnanpith Award

### Section III

1. The total population of a country is 357 million of which 62 million live in urban areas. Of these who live in rural areas, 234 million are agriculturists including 124 million earning members. Among the urban population, 12 million are agriculturists of which 7 million are earning members. Among the non-agriculturist rural population 43 million are earning are earning members whereas among non-agriculturist urban people 14 million are non-earning members. Represent the above information in a tabular form. 12

2. Answer the following questions

a. The following table shows annual profits (Rs. In crores) of two investment companies A and B during the given 5 years:

Person	Year 1993	Year 1994	Year 1995	Year 1996	Year 1997
Person A	Profit 70	Profit 60	Profit 70	Profit 60	Profit 70
Person B	Profit 60	Profit 50	Profit 60	Profit 80	Profit 80

If someone plans to invest Rs. 50, 000, which of the two companies should be preferred and why? 8

b. An investor bought shares of a company at a premium of Rs. 20. If the par value of the share is Rs. 120 and the company declares 21% dividend in a given year, find the rate of interest received by the investor.

3. Answer the following questions

a. Mention, in each of the following cases, the most appropriate diagram to represent the data: 5

- i. Number of AIDS patients in a country detected during the last 10 years.
- ii. Monthly production of eggs in a poultry farm in a given yaer.
- iii. Yearly export and import (in dollars) of a multinational firm during the period from 1990 to 1997.

iv. Distribution of weights of 500 school children in the age group 15 – 18 years.

v. Political party-wise percentage of votes cast during a parliamentary election.

b. The following table shows the IQ scores of adolescents aged 15 – 17 years. Based on this Find: The cut-off point above which 25% most intelligent adolescents fall and the cut-off point below which the 25% least intelligent adolescents fall. 8

Interval	Frequency
Range 121 and above	Frequency 15
Range 116 – 120	Frequency 35
Range 111 – 115	Frequency 50
Range 106 – 110	Frequency 60
Range 101 – 105	Frequency 100
Range 96 – 100	Frequency 75
Range 91 – 95	Frequency 70
Range 86 – 90	Frequency 60
Range 81 – 85	Frequency 25
Range 80 and below	Frequency 10

4. Answer the following questions

a. State whether the following statements are true or false. Give reasons. 6

i. A person's monthly income first increases by 20% and then decreases by 20%. There is no net change in his income.

ii. All facts expressed numerically pertain to statistics.

iii. If A stands 50 % chance of getting through Test I and Test II independently, then A stands at least 50 % chance of getting through both the tests.

b. The following is the series of index numbers taking 1992 as base year:

Year: 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997

Index: 100 120 135 170 180 210

How would the index numbers be changed if 1993 is taken as base year? 7

