

GENERAL STUDIES**PAPER - II**

Time Allowed : 3 hours

Full Marks : 100

Mark for each question is indicated against it.

Attempt any 10 (ten) questions taking at least 2 (two) but not more than 3 (three) questions from each Unit.

UNIT - I

1. Discuss the powers, privileges and immunities of the Indian Parliament. (10)
2. Article 324 of the Constitution of India enshrines and vested the Superintendence, direction and control of elections to Election Commission of India. In the light of this statement, critically examine the powers and function of the Election Commission of India. (10)
3. "The Indian Constitution is federal in structure but unitary in spirit." In the light of this constitutional provision, describe the federal and the unitary features of the Constitution of India. (10)
4. Analyse the genesis and working of the Autonomous District Councils under the provision of the Sixth Schedule to the Constitution of India in Mizoram. (10)

UNIT-II

5. "The Mid-Day Meal (MDM) scheme has been given impetus in most states in the last two decades." Critically examine its twin objectives, latest mandates and success. (10)
6. What are public policies and what role do they play in the development of the state? (10)
7. Give an appraisal of the working of the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (NCST) in India. (10)
8. How far is the Mizoram State Health Care Scheme (MSHCS) beneficial for the poor people in Mizoram? Discuss the main features. (5+5=10)

UNIT-III

9. What are the institutional measures to ensure transparency and accountability in Governance? Discuss. (10)
10. What is e-governance? Examine the importance of e-governance in a age of digitisation in the twenty first century. (5+5=10)
11. Critically examine the role of Civil Services in policy development and implementation in India. (10)
12. Examine efforts taken by Government of Mizoram in fighting against Covid 19 pandemic. Discuss the impact of covid-19 pandemic in socio economic life of Mizoram. (5+5=10)

UNIT-IV

13. Explain the role of India's Diaspora in making India self-reliant. (10)
14. Critically examine the aims and objectives of BRICS. What importance does it hold for India? (5+5=10)
15. Discuss the Indo-Russian relations in the post disintegration of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republic. (10)
16. Do you think that revocation of Article 370 of the Constitution of India is an effort by the Centre Government to contain growing influence of Chinese domination in Asia? Discuss the consequences of revocation of Article 370 and reaction from China and Pakistan. (3+7=10)

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