

APPSC GROUP-1 MAINS MOCK TEST-2

2020

GENERAL ESSAY

PAPER-I

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 150

Instructions :

*(i) The question paper is in three sections. Each section has three essay questions. The candidates are required to attempt three essays, one from each of the three sections, in about **800 words each**. Each question carries 50 marks.*

(ii) Each Answer Book contains 48 pages (including cover pages) and the candidate should complete their answers within the paper provided. No additional paper will be given.

(iii) The candidate has to write his answers in the medium chosen by him only. If there is any deviation from paper to paper or part of the paper, the candidature would become invalid.

(iv) Writing of Symbols or any type of Identification of marks etc., anywhere on the Answer Scripts and using other than Blue / Black i.e., using of Coloured Sketch Pens will lead to invalidation of the Answer Sheets. Also only one ink i.e. either Blue or Black (Ball Pen) to be used. Otherwise, the paper will be treated as invalid.

(v) Though the paper in English is taken as standard for valuation under normal circumstances, if necessary, a balanced view would be taken after comparing English and Telugu versions.

SECTION I

1. The novel coronavirus disease pandemic (COVID-19) may have brought immediate relief to some areas related to Sustainable Development Goal 15 to protect 'Life on Land' but the long-term impacts are unclear. Comment.
2. Food is a basic human need, and a healthy diet is a key component of our health and wellbeing. But Global Nutrition Report 2020 finds that India remains severely affected by malnutrition. What is the link between malnutrition and different forms of inequality and how to address malnutrition in all its forms by tackling injustices in food and health systems.
3. National Education Policy 2020 replaces the old education policy which was framed in 1986 and ushering in an era of new educational reforms. Discuss important features of New Education Policy 2020. Also critically analyse the challenges involved in its implementation and its impact on socio-economic growth of India in the future.

SECTION II

4. Whether natural or man-made, women and children are the most vulnerable when a disaster strikes. Evaluate the measures and policies taken by India to eliminate or mitigate hazards within their control, increase community resilience and provide training in disaster risk reduction.
5. In economics, it is widely accepted that technology is the key driver of economic growth of countries, regions and cities. Comment.

6. Bring out the bigger picture of India-China border clashes by tracing the root cause of the military tensions between both nuclear armed nations and also discuss how recent Galwan valley clashes change the security landscape?

SECTION III

7. "The farmer incentive scheme YSR Rythu Bharosa is palliative, not a panacea". Discuss what is YSR Rythu Bharosa scheme and how is it different from earlier such type of schemes in AP and also from Telangana Rythu Bandhu scheme.
8. The Andhra Pradesh state is committed to ensure equal participation of women in the Development. In the light of this statement explain how AP government is promoting Gender Equality in all spheres by highlighting the welfare schemes launched by AP government to empower women.
9. Three capitals concept is an idea to decentralize power across Andhra Pradesh. What is this three capital cities concept? Critically examine the pros and cons of the decision to set up three capitals in the light of the desired objectives of decentralization and inclusive development.