

IAS Mains Public Administration 1998

Paper-II

Candidates should attempt Questions 1 and 5 which are compulsory, and any three of the remaining questions selecting at least one question from each Section. All questions carry equal marks.

Section-A

1. Comment on any three of the following in not more than 200 word each:
 - a. Kautilyas Arhashastra has significant relevance to the contemporary Indian administration.
 - b. Art. 78 of the Constitution confers Executive Power on the President.
 - c. Central Services are more All-India in character than are the All-India Services.
 - d. State and district planning bodies in India have bot been effective in achieving their goals.
2. It is argued that the recruitment and training of All India and Central Services have not kept pace with the changing needs and time. Give suggestions for improving these proocesses in order to make administrators more effective, committed and honest.
3. Answer the following questions
 - a. Indian public enterprises are neither adequately public nor truly enterprising. Comment.
 - b. The Indian Constitution considerably influences the nature, role and structure of Indian administration. Elucidate.
4. Explain the role and structure of the Ministry of Home Affairs of the Government of India. What are the challenges being faced by this Ministry? Give suggestions for enhancing the capacity of this organization to meet these challenges.

Section-B

5. Comment on any THREE of the following in not more than 200 words each:
 - a. The success of administrative reforms in a country like India depends upon political as well as administrative will.
 - b. Rural development programmes in India suffer from lack of coordination and a sound appraisal system.
 - c. Corruption is more of an environmental than an administrative problem.
 - d. CAG should be watch-dog and not a blood-hound.
6. In tune with the winds of administrative change blowing throughout the world, the Indian administration has also taken certain noticeable initiatives in administrative restructuring in the nineteen nineties. What are these initiatives and how effective have they been?
7. Do you think that the Indian police legislation. Structure, technology, altitudes and behaviour are appropriate: To meet the law and order problems in the country? What fundamental

changes would you suggest in these realms to make the Central and the State police forces more effective in their role-performance?

8. The State Finance Commission under Panchayat Raj Law is designed to ensure regional balance in the distribution of State and Central Funds. Comment.