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Paper II

Section A

- 1. Comment upon any three of the following in not more than 200 words each:
 - a. The purpose of Clives famous double government was to mask Companys sovereignty.
 - b. The Indian Constitution is a bag to borrowed materials.
 - c. While discussing the Presidents position in the Constitution, the model of the British monarch being impracticable and the model of the French Presidency having been ruled out, the compromise model had to fall back upon some such device as the German one.
 - d. The departmental public undertakings have necessarily been placed under the full control of the government and Parliament.
- 2. The purists have criticized the Indian Constitution as not conforming to the conception of a federation and so being unduly rigid. Examine the statement.
- 3. Answer the following questions
 - a. The Secretariat system of work has lent balance, consistency and continuity to the administration and serves as a nucleus for the total machinery of a ministry. Explain.
 - b. The Satish Chandra Committee made a valiant attempt to correct the imbalances unnecessarily introduced in the selection process for civil servants during the late 1970s.

Comment.

4. Conceptually district planning introduces a spatial dimension to the planning proc ss at the state level. Examine, in this context, the role of district planning in practice in different states.

Section B

- 5. Comment upon any three of the following in not more than 200 words each:
 - a. The Estimates Committee merely gives a big list of advices.
 - b. The most important feature of the second generation panchayats is their change from local developmental organization to local political institutions.
 - c. Special development programmes seek to solve special problems but their successful implementation depends on complex inter-institutional linkages.
 - d. In rural development, people are the starting point centre and end goal of all development programmes.
- 6. Critically review the evolving relationship between the district magistrate and the superintendent of police in the field of law and order management in a district.
- 7. Answer the following questions
 - a. Development administration ultimately boils down to effective project implementation, and it is implementation that has been badly neglated hi Indian planning. Critically examine the statement.

- b. The emphasis in womens development programmes has in recent years shifted from a purely welfare and consumption, oriented one to a realistic one which recognizes women as contributors to the countrys economy. Elaborate.
- 8. Between social background and administrative culture, it is the latter that has a dominating influence on integrity in administration in the Indian situation. Review the statement in the light of research findings in this area.