

IAS Mains Public Administration 2008

Paper- II

Section A

1. Answer any three of the following in not more than 200 words each : $20 \times 3 = 60$

(a) 'The shift from the Nehruvian to the liberalisation model of development has necessitated reinventing government.' Comment.

(b) 'Economic Development and Social justice are the hallmarks of the 1992 Constitutional Amendment Acts.' Elucidate.

(c) 'District Administration is like a small tortoise carrying the load of an elephant.' Discuss.

(d) 'Some features of Mughal Administration, in essence, do exist in Indian Administration.' . ' Elaborate.

2. There is constant and continuous collision between bureaucratic values and democratic values which adversely affects development. In the light of this statement examine the role of bureaucracy in development. 60

3. (a) What are the tension areas in Union-State relations in Planning?

(b) Discuss the problems in the planning process at the state and sub-state levels. $30 + 30 = 60$

4. 'The Chief Minister is the real executive of the State, whose effectiveness is largely related to his personality traits and equation with central leadership.' Explain and illustrate with relevant examples. 60

Section B

5. Answer any three of the following in not more than 200 words each : $20 \times 3 = 60$

(a) In urban governance, uni-functional agencies and development authorities create a "functional jungle." Explain.

(b) 'In India, there appears to be more disaster of management than management of disaster.' Comment.

(c) 'The Budget is more than the economic horoscope of the nation.' Comment.

(d) 'Right to Information Act has led to greater transparency and accountability of administration.' Comment.

6. (a) 'Training of civil servants for capacity building should be in consonance with the needs of the socio-economic and technological development of the country.' Explain.
(b) What are the basic hurdles and pitfalls in the implementation of the National Rural Employment Guarantee Act ? 30 + 30 = 60

7. Describe the changing character and new orientations of Public Services in India since Independence. 60

8. New Localism is identified with the new Local-State and local activism. Examine how this has impacted city management in India. 60