

# IAS Mains Public Administration 2007

## Paper-II

Time Allowed: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 300

Candidates should attempt all questions strictly in accordance with the instructions given under each questions. The number of marks carried by each question is indicated at the end of the question.

### Section A

1. Answer any three of the following in not more than 200 words each:  $20 \times 3 = 60$ 
  - a. Kautilya was not only the foremost politico-administrative thinker of ancient India but he was an advocate and preacher of moral values too. Comment.
  - b. Because of several judicial pronouncements, Governors in States are no longer viewed as agents of the Party in Power at the Central level. Evaluate.
  - c. The President of India acts like grandparent in a family. If younger generation does not follow his/her advice, he/she is just unable to do anything. Comment.
  - d. Memorandum of understanding scheme between government and public enterprise has forced public undertakings to improve the overall performance. Comment.
2. There is a separate Central Ministry or Department on each subject allocated to State List. Does it mean supremacy of the Union Government or an emphasis on development administration? Analyze. 60
3. 73rd Constitutional Amendment has provided permanent structural framework to PRIs resulting into silent social revolution. Comment. 60
4. The dispute between Secretariat and Directorate is the result of Generalist vs Specialist controversy. Analyze. 60

### Section B

5. Answer any three of the following in not more than 200 words each:  $20 \times 3 = 60$ 
  - a. The blame for our poor public sector performance can be laid on the way our bureaucracy is structured. Comment.
  - b. Parliamentary Departmental Committees have played their role effectively in analyzing the demands for grants. Evaluate.
  - c. In spite of having Constitutional status the District Planning Committee is not able to implement decentralised planning due to centralized nature of economic planning. Comment.
  - d. A well-designed module-based training for Civil Servants is the best way to achieve the goals of good governance. Analyze.
6. If information is power, nothing can perhaps empower a citizen more than the secret and developmental information held by various public authorities. Analyse the merits and demerits of RTI Act, 2005 in the light of this statement. 60

7. National Commission to review the working of the Constitution has suggested revolutionary changes in administrative culture. Analyse its major recommendations on Civil Services and Administration. 60

8. Answer the following questions

- a. Critically analyse the functions and role of Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment with regard to development of disabled persons in India in not more than 200 words. 40
- b. Define Civil Society. Is it an effective organ to control administrative machinery? Comment. 10
- c. Social (Welfare) Administration in India is witnessing specialization and faster expansion of its administrative agencies. Evaluate. 10