

# IAS Mains Public Administration Papers 2007

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### Paper I

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 questions is not more than 200 words each:  $20 \times 3 = 60$ 
  - a. Public and Private Administrations are two species of the same genus, but they also have special values and techniques of their own. Comment.
  - b. Taylors scientific management ignored social and psychological factors. Comment.
  - c. The distinction between line and staff is relative rather than absolute. Discuss.
  - d. Delegated legislation is a necessary evil. Examine.
2. Analyze McGregors Theory X and Theory Y. Do you agree with the view that with every passing year, McGregors message has become more relevant and more important? Substantiate your answer. 60
3. What is meant by morale? There is a belief that morale and productivity go hand in hand and higher the morale, higher the productivity. Do you agree? Substantiate. 60
4. Right to information promotes transparency and accountability in the working of every public authority. Explain. 60

### Section B

1. Answer any three of the following questions in not more than 200 words each:  $20 \times 3 = 60$ 
  - a. Peoples participation is crucial to development administration. Comment.
  - b. Training is essential not only for efficiency and effectiveness but also for broadening the vision of the employees. Substantiate.

- c. Not to be comparative is to be naively parochial (Riggs). Comment.
  - d. Implementing a public policy is a process of discovering what works and what does not. Examine.
2. Bring out the various techniques of O & M adopted in India to improve efficiency in administration. 60
  3. The widening gap in the emoluments of government employees versus the public sector corporations and private sector employees has a strong bearing on the motivation and ability to work. Comment. 60
  4. What is performance budgeting? Bring out its merits, limitations and difficulties. 60

## Paper-II

Time Allowed: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 300

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### 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

1. 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. Analyse.
2. 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
3. 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
4. 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

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