

General Studies

Paper – II

Introductions:

- The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
- Answer **eight** questions, selecting **three** from each Section-I and Section-II and any **two** from Section -III.
- Candidates are required to give their answer in their own words as far as practicable.
- All questions have been printed both in English and Hindi. In case of any ambiguity in Hindi version, the English version shall be considered authentic.
- Parts of the same question must be answered together and must not be interposed between answers to other questions.

Section -I

- 1) The Indian Constitution postulates in its preamble that India shall be a socialist, secular, democratic republic.” What are the constitutional provisions to enforce this declaration?
- 2) Critically examine the role of Governor in the State politics in India, particularly in Bihar. Is he a mere puppet?
- 3) “Judicial activism is a recent phenomenon in the Indian governance.” Comment and bring out the main argument in favour and against of Judicial activism.
- 4) “Too many political parties are the bane of Indian politics.” Explain this fact in the context of Bihar.

Section-II

- 5) Critically examine the need of ‘food security’ in India.
- 6) Explain the role of WTO in the context of Indian economy.
- 7) Evaluate the principal achievements of Indian economic planning.
- 8) “Unless the growth is checked in India, the economic development cannot be judged in its true perspective.” Examine the statement.

Section- III

- 9) Despite the fact that India has got a very good network of rivers, there are several regions that suffer from water shortage and particularly potable water. Discuss the role of science and technology in water management to address this problem citing examples.
- 10) With ever-rising electricity demand and depleting conventional energy resources, country is facing acute power shortage at present. Describe in detail the means provided by present-day science and technology to overcome the grueling energy demands.
- 11) Present day government is trying to develop smart cities in different States. What are your visions about smart cities? Elucidate the role of science and technology in the development of ideal smart cities.

12) Manifold increase of population and non-planning has led to disproportionate garbage generation. Discuss the different types of wastes. Can the country eradicate this problem with the help of science and technology? Describe in detail.