

INTERVIEW GUIDEBOOK

for CSE - 2020



Civil Services Examination

Includes previous years personality test questions including CSE-2019.

Covers:

- Personal, educational & employment profile
- Hobbies
- States
- Optional subjects etc.

Interview Guidebook

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UPSC Members' Profile

Prof. (Dr.) Pradeep Kumar Joshi

Designation: Chairman

Academic Background:

- Post Graduate Degree in Commerce in 1977 and Ph.D. Degree in Commerce in 1981 from Kanpur University, Kanpur.

Professional Career:

- Eminent researcher and educationists having more than 28 years of teaching experience.
- Specialized in the field of Financial Management, Financial Control, Management Accounting, Taxation, Rural Development Management, Management in Panchayati Raj Institution & Khadi Gramodyog etc.
- Professor, Head & Dean, Faculty of Management Studies, Rani Durgavati University, Jabalpur (MP) since May 2000 to 12th June 2006.
- Former Member, National Resource Group for Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA).
- Also worked in field of Distance Education.
- Former Member, Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE) – this is the highest advisory body to advise the Central and State Governments in the field of education.
- He served as Chairman, Chhattisgarh Public Service Commission and also Chairman, Madhya Pradesh Public Service Commission.
- He also served as Director, National Institute of Educational Planning & Administration (NIEPA) now known as NUEPA (National University of Educational Planning & Administration).



Shri Bharat Bhushan Vyas

Designation: Member

Academic Background:

- He has done B.Sc. (Botany).

Professional Career:

- He was born on 15/11/1957. He is an IAS officer of the 1986 batch (J&K cadre).
- He retired as Chief Secretary of Jammu and Kashmir. Before assuming charge as Member, UPSC, he was serving as Adviser to the Governor, Jammu & Kashmir.
- Holds the distinction of serving as Principal Secretary to three former Chief Ministers of the state — Omar Abdullah, late Mufti Muhammad Sayeed and Mehbooba Mufti.
- Before taking over as Adviser, Vyas was the Chief Secretary and shared cordial relations with the top leaders of all political parties.
- Earlier, the Union Personnel Ministry had also amended the service rules to provide extension of three months to Vyas, who was due to superannuate in November 2017 on the request of the then Chief Minister Mehbooba Mufti.
- In his illustrious career, Vyas has held prized positions, including Srinagar Deputy Commissioner, Udhampur DC, Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir, and Principal Secretary Finance. He has spent most of the time of his career in J&K.



Shri B.S. Bassi

Designation: Member

Academic Background:

- Commerce graduate from Delhi's Shri Ram College of Commerce.
- Further pursued a degree in law.

Professional Career:

- 1977 Batch IPS (Indian Police Services) Officer of AGUMT Cadre.
- He served in Delhi, Arunachal, Pondicherry and Chandigarh in various capacities.
- He also served in IB for 5 years.
- He was DGP of Goa from 2009 to 2011.
- Shri Bassi was appointed as the Commissioner of Police, Delhi in 2013.
- Recipient of President's Police medals for Meritorious Service (1996) and Distinguished Service (2002).
- Great work in crime reporting and crime against women.
- Wife is an IRTS officer.



Air Marshal Ajit Shankarrao Bhonsle

Designation: Member

Academic Background:

- M.Sc., MBA and M. Phil from National Defence Academy, Defence Services Staff College, College of Defence Management and National Institute of Defence Studies, Japan.

Professional Career:

- He has rich and varied experience in Command and Staff appointments during the 39 years of service in the IAF.
- His forte is Flying Operations, Pre-commissioning Military Training & Education, Infrastructure development, Counterintelligence, Defence Acquisition, Capacity Building of Training Institutions, Defence Civilian Personnel Management, Cyber Security and Aviation Safety.
- **Recipient of two Presidential Awards:** Vishisht Seva Medal and Ati Vishisht Seva Medal.
- **Key interest:** Traveling, Performing Art, Animal Lover, Golf.



Ms. Sujata Mehta

Designation: Member

Academic Background:

- She has done Master of Philosophy in Political Science.

Professional Career:

- She joined the Indian Foreign Service in 1980.
- She served in Indian Missions in Moscow, Dhaka and at United Nations in New York.



- She also served on deputation to the United Nations in Gaza and New York.
 - She served as Ambassador to Spain.
 - Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the Conference on Disarmament in Geneva.
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Dr. Manoj Soni

Designation: Member

Academic Background:

- A scholar of Political Science with specialization in International Relation Studies.
- Earned his doctorate in "Post-Cold War International Systemic Transition and Indo-US Relations" from Sardar Patel University.



Professional Career:

- Former Vice Chancellor of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Open University.
 - Recipient of several awards and recognitions including the rare honour of "Honorary Mayor-President of the City of Baton Rouge" by Mayor-President of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, USA and World Education Congress Global Award for Distance Learning Leadership.
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Smt. Smita Nagaraj

Designation: Member

Academic Background:

- Smt. Nagaraj completed her Masters in Political Science from Jawaharlal Nehru University in 1979 and a post graduate Diploma in Mass Communication from IIMC, Delhi.
- She also undertook in-service training on Management Control Systems (IIM-Ahmedabad), Energy and development (TERI, New Delhi), basic course on WTO (Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, New Delhi).
- She also undertook an 18-day-long course on Change Management in UK (2005).



Professional Career:

- Smt. Smita Nagaraj joined the Indian Administrative Service (IAS) in 1984.
 - She has over 33 years experience of public service in various positions in the Central Government as well as in the Government of Tamil Nadu.
 - She started her career in the Government of Tamil Nadu, where she held positions in various departments, including in the Energy, Finance, Health, Municipal Administration and Water Supply and Small Industries Departments.
 - In Government of India, she has served in the Ministry of Defence, NSCS and in the Department of Personnel & Training.
 - She has also been Executive Director of the Central Social Welfare Board.
 - Her mother tongue is Konkani, but she is well versed with a number of languages — English, French, Hindi, Marathi, Oriya and Tamil, according to records in DoPT.
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Smt. M. Sathiyavathy

Designation: Member

Academic Background:

- She is a Post Graduate & gold medalist in Mathematics from Indian Institute of Technology, Madras.
- Smt. M. Sathiyavathy has attended several Management Courses like Negotiations for Public Leaders, Ethics in Public Governance, Rural Planning and Technology, International Trade, E-Governance, etc.



Professional Career:

- Smt. M. Sathiyavathy who hails from Chennai, Tamil Nadu was born on 13th May, 1958.
- She joined the Indian Revenue Service in 1981 and thereafter the Indian Administrative Service in 1982.
- Smt. M. Sathiyavathy is an Officer of the 1982 batch of the Indian Administrative Service of AGMUT Cadre and comes to the Commission with a rich and varied experience, having worked in various key positions under the Government during the course of a long career spanning over 35 years.
- She has held several important positions in the Central Government having served as Joint DG in the Directorate General of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Commerce & Industry.
- Controller, ISRO Satellite Centre, Department of Space.
- Member Secretary, Central Silk Board, Ministry of Textiles.
- Additional Secretary & Financial Adviser, Ministry of Civil Aviation.
- 1st woman chief of Director General, Directorate General of Civil Aviation.
- Secretary, Ministry of Labour and Employment.
- Likewise, in her Cadre also Smt. Sathiyavathy has held various responsible positions such as Secretary in the Department of Welfare, Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of Puducherry, Secretary in the Department of Education & Human Resource Development, Government of Puducherry and Chief Secretary, Govt. of Puducherry.

Dr. TCA Anant

Designation: Member

Academic Background:

- Masters in Economics from Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi.
- Ph. D from Cornell University.
- Served as Professor at Delhi School of Economics for more than a decade.



Professional Career:

- Former **Chief Statistician of India** & Secretary, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.
 - Served in a number of Expert Committees of various Ministries and Agencies of Government of India. Dr. Anant has served in the Academic Council and Boards of a number of universities and has been a Consultant to many International Organizations.
 - His publications in the field of Labour, Industry and Economic Theory have appeared in a number of International and National journals. He was also Joint Managing Editor of the Journal of Quantitative Economics.
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Shri Rajiv Nayan Choubey

Designation: Member

Academic Background:

- Post graduates in physics and economic social planning.

Professional Career:

- An IAS officer of the 1981 batch of Tamil Nadu Cadre.
- Shri Choubey during his career spanning over more than 35 years, has held several important positions in the Central Government as well as in the Government of Tamil Nadu. He served as Joint Secretary in the Department of Economic Affairs, Development Commissioner (Handloom) in the Ministry of Textiles, Director General in the Directorate General of Hydrocarbons, Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Power, Special Secretary, Ministry of Power.
- Prior to his joining the Commission, he was serving as Secretary in the Ministry of Civil Aviation, In the State also, he held various important positions in the Revenue, Rural Development, Transport, Finance, Industries, Telecommunications and Personnel & General Administration Department.



Previous Years Interview Questions

1. PERSONAL & BACKGROUND RELATED INFORMATION

1. Tell me about your personality.
2. What are your achievements?
3. Tell us about most embarrassing moment in your life.
4. Tell us about major accomplishment in your life.
5. What keeps you busy nowadays?
6. Meaning of your name.
7. Tell me something about yourself.
8. What are famous places of your district?
9. Tell something about your hometown. Tell us about famous personalities from your hometown.
10. What are the similarities between home state and Delhi?
11. What is occupation of your parents?
12. Should your state be divided into four states?
13. Tell us about industries in your state. Name the World heritage sites in your state.
14. Who was 1st CM of your state? Tell me something about incumbent Chief Minister of your state.
15. How do you plan metro in Chandigarh?
16. Which industry/special thing is famous in your hometown?
17. What is sex ratio of your state and why it is so low?
18. In which state sex ratio is more than 1000 and what is the condition of sex ratio in tribes?
19. Tell us about Precipitation and rainfall pattern of your state.
20. Tell us about works of Samrat Ashok.
21. What are the famous places in and around your city?
22. What is your height in cm, feet and inches?
23. In your state, what is being done by state govt. for betterment of girl child?
24. Name the landfill sites in Delhi.
25. What is the meaning and significance of your name and surname?
26. Name the person belongs to your native place in film industries.
27. Tell us about growth of your village? How will you improve economy of your village?
28. Name the famous tourist spots in your state.
29. Is there any Smart Cities near to your town? If yes, how far?
30. Do the SWOT analysis (Strength, Weakness, Opportunities, Threats) of your state.
31. Why don't you choose profession of your parents?
32. Tell one event occurred on the date of your birth.
33. Why do you feel that you should be selected?
34. What is the one quality in you which makes you different from others?
35. Tell us about your family.
36. How do you keep yourself motivated?
37. What life has taught you?
38. Who is an ideal citizen? Are you an ideal citizen?
39. What is the population of your district? What is the main profession of your district (In which profession most of the people are working)?
40. Tell me one instance where you have shown leadership abilities.
41. Tell us five important qualities of a leader.
42. Tell us three good qualities of an administrator.
43. Tell something about history of your district
44. What were you thinking when sitting outside the room?
45. How do you handle nervousness in some situations?
46. Who is more inspirational your mother or father?
47. What encouraged you to join civil service?
48. You did your 12th in 2009 and graduated in 2014, was there a year gap and why?
49. Don't you think that IPS is challenging job?
50. Why civil services? Did you get inspired?
51. Who was your favorite teacher? What did he/she teach you?
52. What have you done after your graduation?
53. What have you been doing so long in the exam? And why? Don't you feel the need for doing something different? How do you keep yourself motivated and positive?

54. Tell us about your schooling?
55. When did you decided to go for civil services and what motivated you?
56. There is a notion that doctors and engineers from publicly funded institutions like IITs don't opt for their respective graduation subject careers? Don't you think it is a loss to the exchequer?
57. Tell me about your education experience
58. What are the characteristics of a good leader?
59. What is the influence of your mother on you?
60. You have one minute to convince me why should we hire you for this job? What are your qualities?
61. Any demerits with full time preparation
62. You are your best friend. Substantiate.
63. How your manager and your team members review about you
64. Is it good to prepare for civil service without working?
65. I'm disturbed to hear from you that civil service is the most prestigious job in India. Why do you think so? What about doctors and teachers?
66. Can a person just mug up the content prepared by coaching institutes and clear UPSC? Does it not affect the quality of students who get selected?
67. Difference between moral integrity and financial integrity and give examples of both from your personal life.
68. While honesty is important, is it also important to be seen as honest? What is your take? How can you do this especially in today's world with the media?
69. Are you impulsive or calculative?
70. If someone is impulsive, how can that be justified?
71. What is emotional intelligence? Can it be measured? Having emotions is a good quality or bad quality.
72. Would you rather be nice or firm?
73. I see a gap of 6 years after your degree so you haven't utilized your expertise of your field?
74. Civil service has so many challenges, still why do you want to come?
75. Would you like to be a team leader or team member?
76. You have taken subjects English and Sanskrit earlier. Can you tell me the similarities in grammar of these two languages?
77. Tell me thoughts coming to your mind in one and half minute.
78. Why don't you want to join politics? Why only civil services?
79. What qualities of Doctors/Engineers/Lawyers are useful in civil services?
80. Where you will see yourself after 20 years, professionally as well as personally?
81. What are yours extrinsic and intrinsic motivations to join civil service?
82. One thing/event you are proud of that you did during job – and 1 thing/event you are not very proud of?
83. One good and bad experience in your professional career.
84. How can a person who works as an LD Clerk can change the country in next 3 decades?
85. What was the happiest moment of your life?
86. Did you take coaching? Which subject you found toughest to understand while preparing? Why so many engineers as civil aspirants?
87. What if you don't get selected, what will you do? If not selected next time as well then.
88. Tell me four principles in your life. What will you do if you not able to use these principles in field?
89. How will you use your knowledge of your graduation when the mob is out there doing violence?
90. How will courage help you in civil services? It is very rule bound and there is no scope of any innovation? Do you mean to say that all civil servants are lacking in courage?
91. Tell me about yourself for two min but nothing from DAF?
92. Introduce yourself with your educational background and work experience. What have you been doing since graduation?
93. Civil servants are seen by people as elites? What is your opinion about this?
94. How will you tackle corruption in lower bureaucracy?

95. Do you agree that corruption in India started because of British authorities and civil engineers?
96. Do you want to ask us anything?
97. After doing Engineering, were you never interested in pursuing a career in Engineering?
98. After 70 yrs of independence, service delivery lacking, why?
99. What role we as bureaucrats have in ensuring public service?
100. How do u rate current service delivery?
101. In how many years will you think the service delivery going to improve?
102. How do you think you can deliver better services and reduce corruption?
103. If you penalise the bureaucrats, will it have a deterrence effect?
104. What else is needed? Is people's awareness important?
105. How to make people aware about it?
106. What are your qualities apart from good student?
107. Why did opt for civil service rather opt for self employment?
108. What are your service preferences?
109. Why IAS as first choice?
110. Do you think technical domain will help you in generalistic civil services?
111. There are people much more experienced than you and know tricks of the game. If they happen to your subordinates, what will be your approach? They may dupe you.
112. Why people don't want to work and how will you motivate them?
113. Tell me difference between 'Tell leader' and 'Sell leader'?
114. Your name is Sachin. Any other great personality of same name?
115. What do you know about his academic records?
116. Should a person who has failed 10th exam be a role model for youngsters?
117. Coming back to leadership. Let's assume that you have qualities of a leader but still you commit a mistake. How will you respond?
118. Whatever measures we take corruption prevails in the country...How we should address Corruption?

119. Whose tie is this? What's the brand of tie you are wearing?
120. Does your name justify your personality?
121. Why people from technical background are coming to this general job? What are benefits?
122. You are 21 and graduated in 2019 only. Don't you think that you should do some research, gain some experience in a job and then appear for Civil service exam?

2. EDUCATIONAL & EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

Education

1. Tell about the placement statistics of your college.
2. What do you understand by academic excellence as you got this award in academics?
3. In university, don't you think that students should study rather than speaking on current affairs and other things? Their main motive should be studies, isn't it?
4. Why your performance declined from class Xth to XIIth to college?
5. Tell us about your M.Tech project, objective of project and results of projects.
6. Why you did M.Tech?
7. Difference between B.Tech and B.E.
8. What is your vision as a civil engineer?
9. Regarding your college name, who was Harcourt Butler?
10. Regarding your university name, who was Gautam Buddha? And what are his teachings? What was childhood name of Gautam Buddha? What was the name of Gautam Buddha's wife? Who was he before becoming a monk?
11. Why your CGPA is low?
12. In which type of school you have done your 10+2?
13. Why aren't you going for higher studies?
14. Why did not you opt for campus placement?
15. What is full form of AICTE?
16. What is UGC?
17. What you have done in Engineering?

18. Where is your college in Allahabad? Explain historical places near your college.
19. What is unique thing about your collage?
20. Why did you take Civil Engineering?
21. Why your college name is so?
22. What is a deemed university?
23. You have good percentage, why don't you go abroad for higher studies?
24. You are an electronics and communication student, tell me a few new technologies from electronics.
25. Who are the stakeholders in your college?
26. Why alumni connect is low?
27. Any example in India where alumni have contributed significantly?
28. Do you think management study should be included in engineering?
29. Which management subject do you study during engineering?
30. What do you learn from management?
31. What ethics do you study during engineering? Tell its applications?
32. What is difference between IT engineering and Computer Science engineering? Why there was need of two streams rather than one?
33. Should reservation be provided to girls in education sector especially in IIT's?
34. India produces so many engineering graduates, most of them are unemployed. Why?
35. When did you graduate and from which college?
36. Weren't you placed somewhere during graduation?
37. What is the difference between Science and engineering?
38. Difference between B.E and B.Tech?
39. Many students are not working in their graduation subject. Many of them also coming in civil services. Why so? Don't you think it as a failure of our education system?
40. Wouldn't mechanical engineering become obsolete with the advent of robotics and AI?

IIT

1. What ethics you learnt in mechanical/chemical/IT degree that can help you in civil Service?

2. Tell me something about 'Madan Mohan Malviya'. How he established B.H.U?
3. You are from IIT, why is there no good research there? What are IITs doing to improve research?
4. So you have done B. Tech from an IIT. Tell me some history of IIT Roorkee?
5. How many IITs are there in India? Do you think we need so many IITs?
6. Why are you supporting creation of new IITs when recently 450 colleges have been closed by govt?
7. How do IIT students differ from non-IIT students?
8. Do you think we have island of excellence in education in terms of IITs and IIMs? Do you think there is difference between these institutions and other normal colleges?
9. South Korea does not have IITs. Still good in technology? Why so?

Medical

1. Being doctor you are doing good working in village but doctors don't want to go to villages why? How to change that?
2. What about compulsory internship after MBBS?
3. Ayush doctors are allowed to practice allopathy. Is it good or bad?
4. Mohalla clinic your views about it.
5. Do you think this concept would help improve the situation in Bihar if implemented there?
6. You worked 8 yrs as medical officer, then you joined this service, now you are appearing again.. do you think its worth losing so many years of seniority for?
7. What is the problem with public hospitals?
8. What is Ayushmann Bharat?
9. What are the details of the scheme?
10. How many people from your area are covered under the scheme?
11. If a person is BPL, will he automatically be enrolled in ayushman Bharat?
12. Govt is spending a lot on making a single doctor. But more and more doctors are coming into civil services. Do you support this?
13. How can medical expertise help in administration?
14. On one hand we have overburdened and inefficient public hospitals, on other hand we have expensive private healthcare.

15. What is the remedy for this?
16. Suppose you have to set up a hospital investing 10 crore, what will be your considerations?
17. What is a break even point in investment?
18. Should the break even point be early or late?
19. There have been talks of training Ayush practitioners for Allopathic medicine. What is your take on the bridge course?
20. Why is Ayush lagging behind?
21. People say homeopathy is a farce. The medicines are fake. What is your take on it?
22. What is nanomedicine?
23. We are suffering from lifestyle diseases. The world is appreciating yoga, but we Indians are not practising it much. Why?
24. There are many sticking points in case of US and india especially in terms of healthcare. What are those?
25. Are all medical devices included?
26. What is the issue with stents?
27. What about IPR?
28. What is the issue with trade in drugs?
29. The reasons for increasing rage against doctors
30. What are the advantages and problems in implementation of PMJAY?
31. Increasing share of private sector in Education also. How do you view it?
32. Despite health and education being equally important necessities of people, there is violence against doctors, but not against teachers. Why so?
33. Can you tell any other country which has insurance based health care delivery system?
34. What is the difference between USA and India's Insurance based delivery system?
35. Are there any problems with US insurance system also?
36. What are the major malpractices in education in your state?
37. Malpractices in coaching institutes?
38. Medical education takes a long time to complete. Can we reduce the duration of the courses?
39. What can be done to address the dearth of doctors in rural India?
40. What have you done after graduation? So your training had community health, so tell me what is Incidence and Prevalence of disease? What is elimination and eradication of disease? Which diseases have we eradicated? Tell me one more disease that we have eradicated (hint-Delivery related)
41. Among the 4 Vedas which is related to Ayurveda?
42. Difference between Ayurveda and Siddha? Principles of Siddha? Can Ayush practitioner practice Modern medicine? Why there is out of pocket expenditure? What should be done to reduce it?
43. Difference between Allopathy and Modern Medicine?
44. Should Allopathy syllabus include some part of Ayurveda or traditional medicine?
45. India is Sun-soaked country but still people have Vitamin deficiency, which Vitamin is it? Tell me why doctors dont practise in rural areas?
46. What is PNDT Act? Features?
47. What does PC in PCPNDT Act means?
48. What is difference between quality of a generic drug and a branded drug?
49. Why do we brand a drug?
50. Which drugs (generic or branded) did u prescribe when you practiced?
51. Why do females live more than males, is there any genetic basis for this?
52. What is mission indradhanush?
53. Why name indradhanush?
54. Which disease are covered?
55. Why are we continuing OPV vaccine?
56. What is the difference between eradication and elimination?
57. Which diseases have been eradicated or eliminated from India?
58. Why many doctors now-a-days go to USA and other countries for further studies?
59. Is it because there is no ethical education in medical curriculum?
60. If you have to work in community medicine, apart from your state, where will you work? Why?
61. What will you do to improve health status in chhattisgarh?

62. What is PPP model in health?
63. As a health secretary what step would u take to ensure better availability of faculties in medical colleges?
64. Tell me something about reproductive tourism?
65. Who was first female doctor of india and of world?
66. Is it ethical for a government doctor to do private practice (few cross questions).
67. Despite of conduct rules banning private practice why most government doctors practicing in private.
68. Is it correct for a doctor to get favours from medical representative.

Journalism

1. Utilisation of exit poll agencies in the social development.
2. Instruments of social media and which platform is used for mass communication the most.
3. For what Magsaysay award is given.
4. How electronic media is regulated?
5. Is paid news regulated?
6. Should it be regulated?
7. What is Responsible Journalism
8. How do you explain 'Journalism', and 'Good Journalist' to a 10 year old?
9. Are there any regulations for social media?
10. In your opinion should there be regulations? We also have freedom of speech; so what is your take?
11. Is there an objective reporting in Journalism today?
12. Most of the media houses are owned by political parties and they take sides, what is your opinion on this?
13. Will you be an objective reporter when you go out and narrate the personality test to your friends, family etc?
14. Who is your favorite Journalist/ Anchor?
15. Do you also follow English news.
16. There are many allegations against NGOs, they indulge in anti-national activities... Is there a need of NGOs in society?
17. Why do you think so?

Pharmacy

1. What is the source of stem cell?
2. Which diseases it is given?
3. Embryonic and placental cell are same?
4. Should we legally permit organ donation?
5. Why not if we can help poor patient as well as the poor donor?
6. In current situation what role can pharma industry play?
7. What are the challenges and opportunities we are having?
8. Why we Still have costlier medicines despite having DPCO?
9. What you will suggest to improve this?
10. (I told that hospitals should reduce the surgical procedures cost)
11. What if hospitals are saying we are in business?

MBA

1. You have done MBA. What is organizational behavior.

Employment

1. Where are Headquarters and branch offices of your current organisation?
2. Don't you have issues with the profit making objective of private companies?
3. How to fix time limit in the project at your work?
4. Don't you think, this engineering, PGDM, work, then civil services is a very, if I may use the word, inefficient way of getting here? I mean you could've done better in engineering field?
5. You are working in this particular company, earning X lacks per month. Do you realize that you will have to go for a salary cut when you will join civil services? Explain me the logic why you want to quit this high earning job and come to civil services?
6. How to assess economic feasibility of project?
7. If you have conflicts with your team members, how will you resolve?
8. What were major key points in your project?
9. Which software are you using in your present job?
10. What are you doing at present?

11. What is your job profile?
12. Why you don't want to work your present organisation?
13. Why you left the job?
14. Why are you not doing job currently?
15. Describe your job profile.
16. Anything worth you done in your present job? How can you justify it is worth?
17. Why you joined as Assistant Professor?
18. What is your job profile in DMRC? What are parameters used to check alignment of track in DMRC?
19. Why are you specific about govt. jobs?
20. Why you joined teaching? Why left?
21. What is your contribution in your company?
22. Are you permanent or temporary at your job? How will you be confirmed?
23. What kind of work do you do?
24. Tell us incidences during your work experience which impacted you the most?
25. What is professional ethics?
26. What is the revenue of your organisation?
27. How many employees are there in your organisation?
28. Why the Tata is so respected group?
29. Government is spending so much on IITs thinking that they need engineers. Don't you think you will waste resources of government by coming in civil services?
30. People having profile like yours go for MBA. Why? Is B.Tech necessary for an MBA? Is there any gender distinction for MBA?
31. Are you already working in a government job?
32. You are already working as a police officer for around one year. Why do you think police have such a bad image? What can be done to improve it?
33. Are doctors not public servant? What is the difference?
34. Why do you want to join IAS when already you are in government service?
35. What are EPF, PPF and GPF? What is the difference? How fund is managed in the EPFO? What is the investment pattern? What are the ways to know the balances in EPFO?
36. How can private companies help in nation building?
37. Why you want to be a Civil Servant you are already a doctor? Then don't you think you have blocked MBBS seat? There are already less doctors you could have opted for any other graduation?
38. What do you do in your free time?
39. Do you think parents are pressurizing their children to pursue engineering?
40. If 13 years child come to you and say that I want to do engineering. What would you suggest him?
41. Your profile remind me of Three Idiots movie, was engineering accidental to you? What about civil services? Are you doing it due to family, friends or peer pressure?
42. You can contribute to the society even being in the private sector, why civil services?
43. How do you manage variation in efficiency of people under you? How you can improve the less efficient people? Do you prefer to work in a team assigned to you or a team you choose? What do you value more, loyalty or ability?
44. What do you understand by work-life balance? How will you achieve it in your life?
45. You have done IIT, Why do you want to join IAS?
46. Difference between public and private company.
47. Is there any Max number of members in a Pvt company? How many?
48. Suppose all members of a company die in an Air crash, what will happen to the company?
49. Tell me about your work nature.
50. What have you learnt during your job?
51. Tell us about Job seekers vs Job creators.
52. What is govt doing for Job creators?
53. What is use of your 1.5 year job in chennai in administration?
54. You're working in your company since long, is it from starting or joined later?
55. What have been your experience there?
56. Why want to join here?
57. Why is ability to study and gain domain knowledge important?
58. Which sector would you like to work and how your job will help?

59. If you're posted in UP how will you improve education using technology?
60. Is your company listed in India?
61. How would you launch the Business Analyst, what do you do?
62. Are credit rating agencies credible?
63. Major fall of institution due to failure of rating agencies.
64. Are they reliable?
65. How would you suggest me to buy a stock?
66. Invisible hand theory? What is it? Do we really have it?
67. How did you adjust in South Indian culture and place?
68. Tell me the difference between women folks of Vellore and Dhanbad.
69. Do you think south indians do not learn language easily?
70. Why leave PSU after 7 years that too in same field as graduation.

Software Engineer in Cisco

1. So, are you still working for Cisco?
2. So, you did your preparation while working?
3. What's your role in Cisco?
4. Are those applications for internal use or does it have other clients?
5. Do you get to work on a lot of projects?
6. What is Machine learning?
7. How will the machine be able to understand data?
8. Can you give examples of those algorithms
9. As you work for a corporate, do you think it's easier to promote diversity In India than globally?
10. 15 years back, Cisco was alleged of using data that passed through its switches and routers?
11. Do you think it's possible?
12. So, do you think that Huawei can do it through 5G network?

Data Analytics

1. You worked with a Data analytics firm right. So were most of your clients based out of India and did you work with multiple clients at the same time or you just associated with a single client alone at a time.

2. Could you please describe the project with each client?
3. So what does data analyst do here and what's their role here and what algorithms and all you used.
4. Fair enough, tell me 2 applications where data analytics can be used in Public Sector.
5. That is all ok, but what's the point of all these data analytics if there is no data in rural areas since digital literacy is low.
6. In India there is no indigenous search engines, data storage is a problem. What can be done?

3. SPORTS/PRIZES/MEDALS/ EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

1. What is importance of extra curricular activity in the life of students?
2. We have performed very poor in Olympics, why is so? What can be done to improve?
3. Why should India promote sports when there is already so much socio-economic problem in India?
4. What is the significance of sports in India?
5. What is the reason for poor performance of India in international sports event?
6. Tell me three recommendations of Lodha Committee?
7. What do you see condition of India in Sports? We are not able to win medals at international stages, what are your views on it?
8. You have been maintenance secretary of your hostel. What you did? How did you monitor the complaints?
9. What is your opinion on sports culture in India?
10. How can we improve poor sports performance in India?
11. Do you think today schools don't have large playgrounds? Do you think school grounds are important?
12. You have achieved national award of research? For which contribution you have got it?
13. What is SAI-INDIA?
14. What is India Award mentioned in DAF?
15. Have you won 1st prize in any activity?

16. What are effects of increasing temperature in Indoor Stadium?
17. You have NCC 'C' certificate then why don't go for Army?
18. What is highest rank in NCC?
19. Who were good performers for India in Rio Olympic?
20. What Dipa Karmakar did? Name of the technique?
21. Why some Indian women refused to go to Rio Olympic?
22. Have you seen Rio Olympic events?
23. Which event did you organize in college?
24. How many medals did India win in Olympics?
25. Do you still continue with sports? How it has influenced your personality?
26. What leadership did you showed in the field of sports?
27. How you have managed the disagreement between players during game?
28. What is importance of NCC.
29. What is conscription? In which countries it is practiced? Should we have it compulsory in India also?
30. What is method of NCC?
31. What did you learn from it?
32. You're an NCC cadet. Did you do shooting? Which rifle? Rounds of the magazine? Self loaded or manually loaded?
33. You were part of NSS in your college, tell me about NSS. What is it's objective?
34. What had you done as a member in NSS? Do you think NSS has achieved it's objective? Whatever you have done in it, is it sustainable? NSS as a scheme, a success or not?
35. Could you name few more organizations like NSS?
36. In which wing did you serve in NCC?
37. What did you learn from NCC?
38. What are the qualities of NCC cadet?
39. Should NSS or NCC be made compulsory?
40. Why have you not participated in sports/NCC/ NSS at university level? Don't you feel that you missed a lot?

4. HOBBIES

Playing Cricket

1. Tell me about new development in cricket.
2. Learning from cricket & use in admin.
3. Who is the leading wicket taker in test cricket?
4. Since you are interested in Cricket, what will you see in two players to be selected across all formats of the game?
5. Cricket is very popular (hobby), how can we make other sports also popular?
6. How does a cricket bowl spin?
7. Why Ravichandra Ashwin not in one day or T-20?
8. Don't you think M.S. Dhoni is a burden now?
9. Compare Sachin Tendulkar and Virat Kohli?
10. What is the principal behind swing ball? How to bowl reverse swing? What is Ball tempering controversy?
11. You play cricket, do you support women's IPL?
12. Why everyone is saying that IPL is spoiling Cricket?
13. According to you, who is the best leg spinner in the world and in India?
14. The sports movies which you have watched?
15. What is googly? How to identify googly and off break? What is Chinaman?
16. Is IPL good for India? Should BCCI be exempted from tax liabilities? Don't you think tax exemption amounts to wastage of taxpayers' money?
17. Do you watch IPL? Is it helping for improving Indian cricket? Don't you think it is monopolizing cricket? What is role of TV in it?
18. Tell me field positions in cricket.
19. Who won recent IPL and who is the owner?
20. Should we ban IPL as there are many malpractices in game?
21. What law apply during bowling?
22. Why BCCI is against the UDRS?
23. Why cricket is getting much focus than other games?
24. Why BCCI was against DRS? How does "Hot spot" technology work? Why no "Hot spot" technology in India?

25. What is the size of Cricket pitch?
26. What is the difference between captainship in ODI cricket and test cricket?
27. What is the difference between captainship of M.S. Dhoni and Virat Kohli?
28. Name the recent biopic on cricket.
29. Tell us about recent changes in test cricket.
30. What do you think about T20? Is it necessary or not?
31. Why pink ball used in day-night Test match? Are day-night tests necessary?
32. How cricket pitch is related to soil deformation?
33. What is difference between spin and swing?
34. Tell us about Anil Kumble, his achievements.
35. Why cricket is regarded as a religion in India?
36. Is IPL good for cricket? Do you think it facilitates corruption in the game?
37. How many matches are there in recent India-S.A. series?
38. Where did the Cricket originate?
39. Why do the fast bowler have long run-up?
40. Why do you watch cricket matches?
41. Do you still play cricket?
42. What have you gained after watching so many matches?
43. Which technology is used to measure the speed of ball in a cricket match?
44. Tell us about winners of recent BCCI awards.
45. You play cricket, so are you a batsman, bowler or all rounder?
46. What is India's rank in Test Cricket, ODI and T20?
47. What are the standard dimensions of cricket bat, ball, stump?
48. Who is CEO of BCCI?
49. Do you like Virat Kohli's captainship? Why he is so aggressive?
50. Is better talent being left out during the cricket team selection?
51. What is in-swing and out-swing in cricket?
52. What is your view on women's cricket? Who is the women cricketer who made a difference in semifinal in women's world cricket?
53. What all are the issues related to BCCI?
54. Indian cricket team is on a winning spree and people say it's because of the captain, What do you think?
55. What is a chinaman bowler?
56. Which is number one T20 term in the world?
57. Compare Tendulkar and Kohli? Choose one from them?
58. Should India and Pakistan play cricket?
59. Do you think Lodha committee recommendation were implementable?
60. Have you heard of "Duckworth Lewis"? How does it calculate target for team batting second?
61. Tell us about Lodha Committee on BCCI Reforms? Who is he?
62. Who is present Chairman of IPL?
63. Name the present members of Committee of Administrators of BCCI. Who is its chairman?
64. Tell us about Women's Cricket World Cup.
65. Why women's cricket is not popular in India?
66. Who is captain of Indian women's cricket team?
67. Tell us about recent achievements of Jhulan Goswami.
68. Which team/player is your favourite? Why?
69. What is your opinion about match fixing?
70. Should betting be legalised or not?
71. Tell us about recent changes in ICC financial rules?
72. Why India dominates in ICC?
73. Should India play cricket with Pakistan?
74. Tell us about recent tournaments, Champions Trophy.
75. What are upcoming series in cricket?
76. Who is present coach of Indian men's and women's cricket team?
77. Is cricket hampering other sports growth?
78. Where next ICC ODI world cup will be held?
79. Should politicians barred as cricket administrators? Why?
80. Tell us about 100 ball cricket.
81. Which form of cricket do you like and why?
82. Why test cricket is losing popularity?
83. Can you tell me what is the maximum runs a batsmen can score in a T20 match hypothetically (no extras counted)?

84. T-20 cricket is seen as graveyard of bowlers. Do you agree?
85. What is difference between Chinaman and googly?
86. Tell me about day and night test match?
87. Why pink ball is used?
88. What are the security issues in day and night test match?
89. You follow cricket, tell me what are the technologies used in cricket?
90. How does bails flash? What is the technology used in it? How is it connected?
91. Tell me the skills needed for a cricket player?
92. Do u think cricket is a game of chance or skill?
93. Tell me about Sledging. In IPL players from different nationalities are playing together, tell me its impact on their international games vis-a-vis sledging.

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Watching Movie/TV/Soaps/ Programmes of Different Genre

1. Do you watch movies? Which one is your favorite? What did it teach you? (hobby documentaries)
2. You watch movies.. what would a movie about gender equality include?
3. Which is your favorite TV series?
4. What is this Aerobat gaming?
5. Do you think gaming can be used for teaching or it is just a waste of time?
6. Is it good to make fun of people in stand-up comedy? How does stand-up comedy help?
7. What is meaning of short film?
8. What kind of genre you watch?
9. You have also mentioned about a film-making competition, tell us about it. How many members were there in your team? How did you divide the work? What was your role?
10. Where do you watch standup comedy?
11. Who is your favorite standup comedian?
12. Tell me lessons you have learned from 2 Bollywood & 2 Hollywood movies?
13. What do you mean by critically acclaimed movies? Say some examples.
14. Do you know the film which was nominated to OSCAR last year? Tell me name of the Director and the language of the film?
15. Your hobby is rapping, tell me the recent movie, its actors, director and producer.
16. Do you rap? Would you be comfortable in doing one right now? (Rapped for 2 minutes).
17. So your name has both Arjun and Mohan (correlating to Mahabharata). And your hobby is documentary making. So if you are going to make a film on Mahabharata which character will you choose to make about. Why?
18. When you make films on mythology, there is a chance that public may protest against you. What will you do then? If you are a civil servant how will you face such a situation?

19. Freedom of speech has reasonable restriction. How will you apply these in films?
20. Why Bahubali movie was a success? Is technology becoming predominant in films?
21. Which movie you liked most in last one year. Provide reason for it.
22. Have you watched Adoor's movies?
23. There were good parallel films coming in Kerala. Like Adoor, Gopalakrishnan and all. But now days films like those are less. Reason?
24. The mode of distribution and release of films and documentaries changed a lot. How and why?
25. Which technology according to you brought huge change in film industry? Why?
26. Do you like yoyo Honey Singh? He asked the reason.
27. Have you watched the movie Dangal?
28. Who do you think is the real hero in the movie? I said the father of the two girls. Asked to justify it.
29. (a) Don't you think the girls were the real hero?
(b) Don't you think the father did everything for his personal ambition?
(c) Make a case for the mother being the real hero in the movie.
30. What is web series? How to check its authenticity? What is copy righted and copy lefted?
31. Which kind of movies do you watch?
32. Name your favorite movie and give reasons.
33. How online platforms like Netflix etc. are influencing movie watching experience?
34. Who are your favorite actors?
35. What is parallel cinema?
36. Why Hindi movies do not win Oscar despite bollywood being the biggest film industry?
37. What are your views about censorship in India?
38. Which two movies you watched recently?
39. What type of movies do you watch generally, what kind of genre?
40. Difference between Art films and commercial films.
41. Can mainstream directors produce art films and become successful?
42. Have you watched Article 15? What was it about? Was it based on real story? Should we show such movies? Are they authentic? Don't they portray our country in bad light?
43. What is role of social movie on society?
44. Tell me about Movies based on cricket
45. You said Parasite has made Korean govt invest in housing for poor. Did any Indian movie have an impact like that?
46. Is there an actor in India trying to do socially relevant movie through comical approach ?
47. Do You know Satyajit Ray? Tell me his movies. What is his contribution ?
48. Do you know Charlie Chaplin? Why is he adored ?
49. Netflix and other digital platforms currently seem to be crossing the line in terms of content that they are bringing up. What is your thought on it? Should there be regulation on content?
50. What is that line crossing which would amount to violations of content ethics? How do you select a movie for watching?

■ Practice Questions

1. *Why there is a controversy surrounding "Padmaavati" movie? Can you tell us history of queen Padmavati? What about the Allauddin Khilji?*
2. *Which is your favourite movie and why?*
3. *Tell us about your favourite actors.*
4. *Tell us about difference between Bollywood movies and Hollywood movies in terms of originality and techniques.*
5. *Why Hindi movies do not win Oscar despite Bollywood being one of the biggest film industry?*
6. *Who was Dadasaheb Phalke? Tell us about his contribution to Hindi cinema.*
7. *Who is recent winner of Dadasaheb Phalke award? When it was established? Who was first winner?*
8. *What is parallel cinema?*
9. *What is contribution of Satyajit Ray in Indian cinema?*
10. *What is the difference between a feature film and movie?*
11. *What was the first talking movie in India and who starred in it?*
12. *Which movie you recently watched?*

- 13. *Why regional cinema is losing ground?*
- 14. *Do you watch regional film? Who is your favourite actor?*
- 15. *Who is present chief of Censor Board?*
- 16. *What is your opinion about censorship of various kinds in cinema; whether they are an assault on creativity or a necessity?*
- 17. *Who has won the most Academy Awards?*
- 18. *Tell us about recent winners of Academy Awards?*
- 19. *Why Academy Awards are also known as Oscars?*
- 20. *Which is your favourite TV show? Why?*
- 21. *Who is your favourite TV actor?*
- 22. *What is TRP?*
- 23. *Do you watch news on TV? Which channel? Do you think media is biased?*

Jogging/Walking/Running

- 1. What are the differences between jogging and yoga?
- 2. What is current World record of 100 m running?
- 3. What are the differences between walking and Marathon?
- 4. How many types of walking events held in last Olympic?
- 5. Who is Budhia Singh?
- 6. Who is lead road actor in film Budhia Singh?
- 7. How your running hobby helps you?
- 8. How much do you walk?
- 9. What is the distance of Marathon?
- 10. Usually people prefer jogging, why do you prefer walking?
- 11. What do you like about jogging? Have you run any marathon? What speed do you jog at?
- 12. What is the difference between Judo and Karate?
- 13. What are all the belts given in karate?
- 14. What is aesthetic body building?
- 15. What is one difference you can say between a long distance runner and a normal person?
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- 27. What are the benefits of jogging?
- 28. Is jogging beneficial in early morning or evening?
- 29. Are there enough jogging areas in your city?
- 30. Why are people not taking care of good health and becoming obese?
- 31. What is the difference between Jogging & Running?
- 32. At what time, you start jogging?
- 33. How much time you spent for jogging?
- 34. Do you prefer jogging alone or with someone? Why?
- 35. Do you interact with people/strangers who come across/pass by?
- 36. What should be precautions taken while running?
- 37. Are you fitness freak ? How long do you do jogging daily?
- 38. What are the other benefits of jogging than physical fitness?

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Listening to Songs/Music

1. Do you listen music? Bollywood songs?
2. I see you like listening to music. What kind of music do you listen to?
3. How is Carnatic and western music different?
4. Why do you like listening to music?
5. What kind of music do you listen to?
6. Who is your favorite singer and why?
7. Tell us Intellectual Property Right (IPRs) related issues in music industry?
8. How do you see quality of today's music?
9. Do you play any musical instrument?
10. How music can help in administration?
11. What are different types of musical instruments?
12. Which songs of Arijit Singh and Atif Aslam are your favourites?
13. What's India music?
14. What's DIY music?

Practice Questions

1. *Why do you prefer old songs and not the new? Why old is being said as gold?*
2. *What is the difference between lyrics and music?*
3. *What is your opinion about plagiarism and piracy of music?*
4. *Who is your favourite singer/lyricist/music director and why?*
5. *Do you think training is necessary for being a good musician/artist?*
6. *Quality of music in today's movies: improving or worsening?*
7. *What is the impact of talent competitions like Indian Idol?*
8. *What do you think about evolution in technology of music recording/composing?*
9. *If you listen music in your phone and computer, then how do you download it? Isn't it illegal?*
10. *Difference between qawwali, ghazal and bhajans.*
11. *Tell us about Sufi music and its significance.*

12. *Which part of song you give the most importance – lyrics, melody, music or the voice?*
13. *Why do you listen to music?*
14. *Specify the types of songs or music you listen to, Hindi, classical, Ghazals, Filmy songs, Western Rock, Jazz Tell us difference between them.*
15. *What are Gharanas and their significance?*

Playing Badminton

1. How to play cross court shot in badminton?
2. How to hold racket while hitting smash, and while playing a drop?
3. Who is your favorite Badminton player?
4. You play Singles or Doubles?
5. You seem to take active interest in sports (badminton). Do you think sports is being encouraged enough for children?
6. Do you think families have anything to do with discouraging sports?
7. Do you think some sports get more attention than others?
8. Generally sports bodies are headed by political leaders. Why do you think this is so?
9. Some reports and allegations claim that sport persons are not treated well and not properly accommodated during national and international events, but the high officials of sports are given royal treatment, what is your take on that?
10. You are playing badminton; now tell me how it will develop your personality?
11. Tell me about best Indian badminton players at present.
12. What is Badminton league (PBL)? What are its uses for Indian badminton?
13. You play badminton, I have come from Africa, I don't know nothing about Badminton, I want to play badminton, how will you teach me, about Badminton?
14. Please tell dimensions of badminton court.
15. Why badminton is less popular than cricket? What can be done?
16. What are benefits of playing badminton?
17. Who is your favorite player?
18. How badminton can help administration?
19. Do you know about Uber cup in badminton? Is it Individual or Team competition?

- 20. Tell me about Grand slams in Tennis.
- 21. Tell me about Indian badminton players who won Olympic medals. What resulted after their victories in Olympics?
- 22. Tell me about Govt initiatives to promote sports.
- 23. Why only women players excel in badminton and not men from India?
- 24. Name a few badminton players. Who is their coach?
- 25. Why is Gopichand famous?
- 26. Where is Prakash Padukone from?
- 27. So you play badminton at what level?
- 28. Can you tell any success stories if badminton?
- 29. Who are main competitors of India in badminton?
- 30. What can India do to achieve higher success in badminton?
- 31. Is badminton an expensive or cheap sport?
- 32. Do u see badminton's stature has improved?

■ Practice Questions

- 1. *Why do you like to play Badminton?*
- 2. *Why it is called badminton and after whom?*
- 3. *Tell us about rules related to badminton.*
- 4. *What are the specifications of Badminton Court?*
- 5. *Tell us about general information related to court length, Racquet and Shuttle specifications, Height of the Net. (Does this gives advantage to tall players?)*
- 6. *Tell us about famous Indian Badminton players? And their recent achievements.*
- 7. *Is it indoor game or outdoor game? For indoor, is there any limit for ceilings?*
- 8. *Why Racquet is oval shaped, is there any rule for the shape, size and weight of the Racquets and Shuttles?*
- 9. *Tell us about international player names, their ranking (top 3 men and women Singles and Doubles).*
- 10. *Tell us about Indian player names, stadiums, famous teams.*
- 11. *Tell us about Premier Badminton League. Which team won last edition?*
- 12. *Why badminton is not so popular though is played by most of us? What can be done to make it popular?*

- 13. *Why China dominates in this game?*
- 14. *What are the health benefits of playing badminton?*
- 15. *What is the role of P. Gopichand as a private coach and Indian team coach?*
- 16. *Name are the recent important tournaments held. Who were winners?*

Teaching

- 1. What and whom do you teach?
- 2. What are the qualities of a teacher according to you?
- 3. Which method of teaching do you prefer? Talk and chalk? Power point? Online?
- 4. What are the traits of a good teacher?
- 5. What kind of experience do you have in teaching? What is this Teacher's Day? Why it is celebrated?
- 6. What is Status of primary education sector? Are we successful in achieving quality education in primary? But still we see in many schools one teacher is teaching whole school. How to solve this?
- 7. How do you teach blind students?
- 8. What are qualities of good teacher?
- 9. What do you teach?
- 10. What are different styles of teaching?
- 11. What are issues with present teaching methods?
- 12. What is importance of 5th september?
- 13. Please tell us about Draft New Education Policy 2019.
- 14. Why do you like teaching the children ?
- 15. What is your opinion regarding private coaching and tuition?
- 16. What can we do to improve the education system?
- 17. What will you do as a DM of a district to improve the education system?
- 18. What all teaching experiences do you have till date ?
- 19. How do you adjust the teaching methodologies while switching from school level to college level students ?
- 20. Do you think that urban students require same kind of educational and teaching strategies as that of rural students?

21. Suppose you are a school principal in a rural locality, then what will be your priorities for betterment of education in that area?
22. How do you assess the Right to Education (RTE) Act with regard to its efficacy of fulfilling the objectives of the act?
23. Did all your knowledge or information regarding teaching pedagogy in India comes from theoretical studies or some ground level experiences from rural, tribal and urban areas?
24. What do you think is the reason that government schools are not able to teach children properly?
25. Where were you teaching underprivileged children? What changes did you bring to make them understand concepts better?
26. Did you try to change teaching methodology of the school teachers as well by talking to those teachers?

■ Practice Questions

1. *What teaching techniques do you use for effective learning?*
2. *Teaching is considered as profession, how it can be a hobby?*
3. *When Teacher's Day is celebrated in India? Name the related personality after whom it is celebrated.*
4. *Don't you think there is need of change in Education policy? What will be your suggestions?*
5. *Why teaching is known as noble profession?*

Cooking

1. What do you cook?
2. If you want to put a hoarding in your village to convince people to come and have food there. What will be the tagline you will use?
3. What is the food culture of Pune?
4. What are the Issues of adulteration and spurious products?
5. Which agency is responsible for food standards? Can it punish offenders?
6. How do consumers choose which food products to buy? What is behind the rapid rise of Patanjali products? Are consumers easily swayed by advertisements?

7. You have mentioned food as one of your interests. Cooking or eating?
8. Where did you cook?
9. What do you cook?
10. Which types of dishes you like to cook?
11. How to cook one of the South Indian dish?
12. How do you cook Daal Baati?
13. You cook vegetarian, is it only because you eat only veg or something else?
14. In what dishes you are good at?
15. How will cooking help you in administration/ life?
16. What is important – taste or presentation or nutrition?
17. Tell us something about the specialty of cuisines of your region/state.
18. Tell us about the influence of western cooking in Indian cuisine.
19. Can you prescribe me a balanced diet?
20. Can you tell us about the latest technology in the food industry?
21. What are the different methods of cooking?
22. Why are Western food and Chinese food so popular in India, but Indian food is not becoming so popular in western countries?
23. What is a good calorie intake for a human being?
24. What is your favorite dish?
25. What is your opinion on packaged/processed food? What is FSSAI?
26. Tell us about Maggi controversy.
27. What shall be the optimum cooking temperature?
28. How can the problem of malnutrition in India be tackled?
29. Tell us something about the Mid-Day Meal scheme.
30. Differentiate between baking/frying/roasting/ poaching.
31. How did you develop this hobby of cooking?

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Yoga and Meditation

1. What is yoga?
2. What is the Vipassana?
3. You have read Sanskrit- how the word Vipassana has originated? How you do the Vipassana?
4. Who is the founder of Yoga? What was his Ashtanga principles?
5. Compare yoga with other physical exercises
6. What are the 7 chakras and the 3 Nadis?
7. What is meditation? Why is it necessary?
8. Vivekananda talked about Gnana Yoga. What is it?
9. Will you suggest meditation as a solution to mental health issues?
10. You have done Vipassana meditation. How is it different from other meditations? Who taught Vipassana?
11. Do you find any difference between yoga you practiced as a child and now?
12. How did declaration of Yoga day contributed to world?
13. Since you are practicing yoga and meditation, tell what is mindfulness?
14. You do Vipassana. You are too young to do that. Why do you do it?
15. But people get happiness from many things, some dance, some smoke. How is this different?
16. Is Vipassana your academic interest or you just practice it? What you get from practicing it?
17. How Vipassana will help you in administration?
18. If Vipassana teaches you to remain neutral to external stimulants then how will you react to corruption situation?
19. What is difference between Dhyana and Ekagrata?
20. What do you mean by Vipassana?
21. Is it possible for an administrator to remain detached during work?
22. What is Rajyoga Meditation? Why it is called Rajyoga? From where did you learn it?
23. Do you think in today's scientific scenario there is place for Spiritualism?
24. Have you seen lifestyle of people who teach Yoga? They live in such a grand manner, even their seminars are organized in Five Star Hotels, Don't you think there is difference in what they preach and what they practice?
25. These people show pictures like a person's hand is cut for lying in one imaginary world where so called god punishes, what is the relevance of such things for an educated person like you?
26. What is the difference between Kapalabhati and Bhastrika?
27. What is Mandukasana?
28. Which Mantra you recite before and after Yoga?
29. What is Sudarshan Kriya?
30. How yoga helps you? How much time you spent on Sudarshan Kriya?
31. Name the some Yoga gurus in India.
32. What is yoga? Explain different types of Yoga and Pranayama.
33. Is there any limitation that who can perform Pranayama?
34. What is Sahaja yoga?
35. What benefits you got there after joining Art of Living course?
36. What is the difference between yoga and meditation?

37. How meditation helps you? When you started doing meditation?
38. Why you do Meditation?
39. You are an fitness enthusiast, what you do to keep yourself fit?
40. How many asanas are there in Surya Namaskar? How many steps are there and name them?
41. Is Surya Namaskar related to other religion also? Name the similar asanas in that religion if there is any.
42. What is the difference between yoga and gyming?
43. Which slogan is used in Surya Namaskar?
44. What do you do for chest, shoulder exercise?
45. What is the benefit of Surya-namaskar?
46. When is yoga Day? What is the relevance of it?
47. What is the difference between Yog and Yoga?
48. What is mindfulness meditation?
49. How did it help you in becoming a better person?
50. Yoga and diplomacy: does yoga diplomacy has any economic benefits for India?
51. Are Yoga summits good for promoting yoga?
52. What are the various kinds of meditation and which one do you practice?
53. What are the benefits of meditation?
54. What is the relation between meditation and spirituality?
55. Should meditation and yoga be made part of the educational curriculum in schools and colleges?
56. Who was Patanjali? Tell us about his works.
57. What are Aasan, Pranayama, Mudra and other aspects of yoga?
58. How did you learn Yoga?
59. What is the effect of Yoga on mind, body and physiology?
60. How is Yoga different from physical exercises, aerobics etc?
61. Tell us about International Yoga Day. What was slogan/theme of this year's Yoga Day?
62. What is Yoga? Tell about origin of Yoga.
63. What is effect of Yoga on mind, body and physiology?
64. Yoga is being made into a commodity for sale. Comment on it.
65. You have written Yoga as hobby, so I will ask you

two asanas, tell me benefits of Bhujangasan and Shalabhasan?

66. How did you start doing meditation?
67. What is vipassana? What have you learnt? Why at such young age? Would you consider yourself as a spiritual person?
68. How many times you went to Vipassana and where?
69. What type of meditation you practice?
70. You heard about vipassana, transcendental meditation, etc. how are they different? Why should one practice one over the other?
71. Since you are spiritual, define IQ, EQ, SQ.
72. How Meditation will help you in civil services?

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Reading Newspaper

1. Did you read today's news? Tell us the main News?
2. Any sensational news? Did you read the print version? Aren't you active in WhatsApp groups? Don't you have Facebook account? (He was referring to the IAF Attack on Pakistan which broke out in news after I went inside UPSC. He said some loose comment which sounded like 'you will know once you get out'). Then thankfully he went into social media.
3. Which Hindi Newspaper do you read?

4. Tell me the name of chief editor of Hindustan and Dainik Jagran newspapers?
5. What is headline of today's newspaper?
6. Who is editor of The Hindu newspaper?
7. What can you do to get more people to read?
8. How reading newspaper helps you?
9. How much time you spent on reading newspaper?
10. Have you read newspaper in any vernacular language?
11. Tell us something about Press Council of India? Who is its present chairman?
12. Which is more effective; Print media or electronic media?
13. Don't you think e-paper should be promoted?
14. Do you follow any e-paper?
15. Which newspaper do you read?
16. Why have you chosen this newspaper particularly?
17. Why do you consider reading the newspaper as a hobby?
18. Don't you think that the television is a good alternative for a newspaper?
19. Do you read any vernacular newspapers as well?
20. How can this hobby be beneficial to you as a civil servant in the future?
21. Tell us about Vernacular Press Act 1978.
22. Please tell us role played by newspaper in Indian freedom struggle.
23. Tell us name of major pre-independence newspapers.
24. Tell me about fake news, how to control it?
25. How did media including newspaper performed during Covid-19 time?
26. Do you think increased corporate ownership of newspaper has decreased its independence?

■ Practice Questions

1. *What is CMYK?*
2. *How reading newspaper helps you?*
3. *How much time you spent on reading newspaper?*
4. *Have you read newspaper in any vernacular language?*
5. *Tell us something about Press Council of India? Who is its present chairman?*

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Solving SUDOKU

1. What type of puzzles do you solve? How does it help you? Do you solve Sudoku?
2. What type of puzzles? What is special with cubes? Does knowledge of engineering helps in puzzle solving?
3. Solve a puzzle if a monkey climbs, a pole of 100m, 3m in one step and then slides 2m then how many steps will he take to reach top?

■ Practice Questions

1. *What is the meaning of SUDOKU?*
2. *Where it was originated?*
3. *Do you play other mind games apart from SUDOKU?*

Singing

1. What is the difference between Classical and Carnatic song?
2. What is Raga?
3. What type of music do you like? Who is your favorite singer?
4. You like listening to the classical music. Do you identify ragas? Is Bhoop the same raga as Bhoopali?
5. Differentiate between Classical song and Folk songs?
6. Can you name some important classical music singer that passed away last year?

■ Practice Questions

1. *What is the reason for decline of regional/folk music?*
2. *What is Sur, Raag, Taal?*
3. *Is classical music declining? Give reason.*
4. *What is the main difference between Hindustani and Carnatic classical music?*
5. *Is Bollywood music overwhelming every other form of music in India today?*

6. *Tell us something about music therapy.*
7. *Tell us about evolution of music, Sama Veda.*
8. *What is your style of singing – light music, Ghazal, Bhajans, folk songs?*
9. *Are you self-taught or have received some kind of formal training?*
10. *Who is your Guru and in which Gharana you were trained?*
11. *Have you participated in any competition at local or state level? Have you won any prize?*
12. *What qualities should a singer possess? What are most important aspects of singing?*
13. *Tell us about accomplished Indian/western singers, depending on your choice.*

Trekking

1. What challenges did you face during mountain trekking?
2. So you trek, what was your last trek.
3. What were the issues you faced in Ladakh (High altitude) trek.
4. Why pulmonary edema does happen at high altitude?
5. What kind of adventure sports have you done?
6. Which mountain have you climbed?
7. Why to give yourself so much of emotional & physical pain?
8. How do you use technology while trekking?
9. Is trekking an adventure sports?
10. How infrastructure can be improved in major trekking routes in India?
11. Should adventure sports be regulated?
12. Tell about some famous Indian personalities in this field.
13. How trekking has contributed to your personality?
14. What is trekking? How is it different from walking, jogging? Is it to be done in mountains?
15. Tell me about Trekking and its effect on environment and solution?

Travelling

1. Tell me something special about any of the places you visited in the past few years.

2. Which part of your journey do you love the most and why?
3. What is the farthest place you have traveled? Why did you travel there? Difference between that place and your hometown?
4. Why you like travelling?
5. Which villages/places have you visited in the past few years?
6. What is difference between tourist and traveller?
7. Tell us about your experience of travelling in North East India?
8. Which place attract the tourist most?
9. What are the economic effects of tourism?
10. Where all have you travelled? How has it changed you?
11. What is backpacking? Where have you been?
12. What is the difference between travel and exploration?
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27. Where did you travel?
28. What is your most favorite destination?
29. What do you make out of this hobby?

30. Tell some names of historical travellers in India during ancient/medieval times.
31. Is there any specific TV channel on traveling and which telecast company owns it?
32. Have you heard about “Musafir Hoon Yaaron” programme?
33. Which magazine is most famous in traveling field?
34. Which city in India received maximum tourists last year?
35. What precautions should a person take while traveling with family?
36. Are travel agencies in India governed by law?
37. Is there any national tourism policy? Tell few points of that policy. If you are asked to make a policy, what will be your priorities?
38. Despite great cultural-geographical diversity why we are not able to develop tourism in our country?
39. Why we receive very less foreign tourists in comparison to some tiny countries like Singapore, Mauritius?
40. Do you think Indians are very responsible travellers? How?
41. What is eco-tourism? Can it be a career? Why are you not looking for a career in this field?
42. How has tourism affected in Jammu and Kashmir?
43. How Covid-19 affected the tourism sector?
44. Is it safe to travel during Covid time?
45. What can be done to decrease Covid-19 induced stress in tourism sector?
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1. Name 5-6 books you have read.
2. What do you read? What kind of fiction?
3. Why do you like reading short stories?
4. Any other authors? Manto, Roald Dahl? Which foreign authors?
5. Name any stories you've read.
6. Which was the recent novel you read? Give us the gist in 2 minutes.
7. So do you read newspaper, so which newspaper you read?
8. What are today's headlines?
9. Which page of a newspaper do you read very first?
10. Why civil service aspirants prefer the Hindu a lot?
11. Which one is last English novel that you read?
12. Which newspaper is your favorite?
13. Which Novel you last read in Hindi and what did you learn from that?
14. You read, why do you read motivational books? Don't you have internal motivation? Which areas you need motivation in?
15. Why English novels and literature is more famous in India?

16. Have you read any Chetan Bhagat books? Which ones? Why is he so popular?
17. What kind of books do you read?
18. Name some books you have read. Who are their writers?
19. Why don't youngsters now a days read something in vernacular languages?
20. How do you choose a book to read? Do you read book reviews?
21. Name the recent novel you have read. Who is your favourite author? What are the themes of that author's novels? What are your takeaways from their writing?
22. Why you read motivational books?
23. Have you read novels of Rabindra Nath Tagore?
24. Have you read any books on which movie has been made?
25. Which is better, movie or book?
26. Name the novels you have read.
27. Did you like the novel God of Small Things?
28. Which type of Novel you read? How do you read novel? e-book or Handbook?
29. Tell me why should we read books?
30. Which kinds of books do you like to read?
31. Don't you think 'reading comics' is a very childish hobby?
32. Describe Munshi Prem Chand literature and his working theme. How his writing is useful to our society?
33. Which is your favourite novel? What message did you get from it?
34. What language you prefer for reading novels?
35. Name the famous Hindi writer who wrote a story on chess.
36. Narrate the story of 'Satranj Ke Khiladi'
37. What is difference between fiction and non-fiction?
38. Tell us about your favorite authors /novels?
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45. What do you like to read?
46. Which was the last book that you read?
47. What is the book about?
48. What did you take away from this book?
49. Which book is your favourite?
50. What do you like about that book/series?
51. Who is your favourite author?
52. Why is he/she your favourite?
53. Have you read book an anthropology?

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Debating

1. So you are a good debater? Do you agree "Parents are responsible for poor education of their children? Take a stand and speak. Who else has role in shaping in children education?"
2. Talk about need for inculcating value education in children.
3. What are qualities of good debater?
4. Who is your favorite debater and why?
5. Have you ever joined any debating group?
6. Tell me about debates in American Presidential candidate?
7. Should such debates be held in Indian election?

Practice Questions

- 1. What is the difference between debate and declamation?
2. What are the ingredients of a good debate?
3. Which debate programme is your favorite?
4. Do you watch parliamentary debates? Are they worth?
5. How does debate help in one's personality development?
6. What is importance of debates in democracy?
7. How do you think does debating help you once you become a civil servant?
8. Why debates and declamations do not get much attention at school and college level despite being mentally stimulative?
9. Why as a nation we are shy of debates?

Diary Writing/ Writing/ Blog Writing

- 1. Your hobby is Creative Writing. What do you write?
2. What is his style of writing?
3. So you write as well, what do you write on?
4. What is use of writing? Did you publish any article? Gist of the article?
5. You write blog, what do you write about?
6. Tell me some Advantage and disadvantage of diary writing.
7. What kind of blogs do you write?
8. What is you latest blog post?
9. Who is your favorite blogger?
10. How does blogging help in administration?
11. What kind of poems do you write?
12. How many poems have you written so far?
13. What role did poetry play in freedom movement?
14. Who is your favorite poet?
15. Please recite your favorite poem.
16. In which language do you write poetry?
17. Can you recite an original work?
18. Tell me about dastangoi.
19. Do you go to mushairas?
20. What is different in dastangoi?
21. Origin of dastangoi?
22. See that you write poetry, what else do you write?

- 23. In which language do you usually write?
24. Can you narrate one of the poems which is close to your heart? What kind of poem you write? Is it on romanticism, chayavaad, hasya etc?
25. Shayari just as it sounds good, is it mainly related with urdu poetry?
26. Tell me one sher of ghalib. Tell me one more.
27. Complete this sher by Ghalib.
28. What things you write in Diary?
29. Why diary writing?
30. Since how long you are writing; any famous diary writer (Anne Frank).
31. You maintain a diary, so is there anything new in that, I mean you write because you want to reflect upon your day, you gain experience, anything different?
32. So you maintain diary everyday, how many lines are there in your diary.
33. How many lines do you write?
34. Do you write everyday 26 lines

Practice Questions

- 1. How dairy writing help you?
2. Do you write it every day or just on special occasions?
3. Which events you usually mention?
4. Does anyone in your home knows about it?
5. Do you write blogs? Why?

Dancing

- 1. What is your opinion about reality dance/singing shows? Do they have any negative implications?
2. Name the famous folk dances of your state? Have you learned these?
3. Do you practice dancing daily? How has it benefited you? Did it help in your exam preparation? How?
4. Can you tell us something about Natya Shastra?
5. What has dance taught you?
6. What kind of dances have you performed?
7. Difference between kathak and Bharatnatyam?
8. Difference between Bharatnatyam and Odhisi?
9. Name all classical dances?
10. How did you learn dance? Did you perform on stage?

11. What are the differences between Kuchipudi and Bharatanatyam?
12. What is the difference between Western choreography and Indian choreography?

■ Practice Questions

1. *How does dancing helps you?*
2. *How many classical dances in India? Name their region and famous dancers.*
3. *Do you like western dance?*
4. *What is Samba? It belongs to which country?*
5. *What is difference between Indian and Western dance styles?*
6. *Who is your favourite choreographer?*
7. *Why don't you participated in any dance reality show?*

Volunteering for NGO/ Social Initiative

1. What type of volunteering do you do?
2. You participate in social initiatives. What do you do?
3. What is your specific role in the group?
4. Since you participate in social initiatives, tell me one initiative you would like to take as an administrator, which has a gender aspect within it.
5. What were your volunteering activities?
6. What qualities are needed to be a volunteer?
7. How do you select the right people for volunteering?
8. Tell me about a bad experience you have faced during your volunteering activities.
9. You have worked in voluntary sector, can you tell me what your work profile there was.
10. What did you learn from your work experience there?
11. If our government is doing so much for welfare, why should we involve civil society in governance?
12. Many NGOs are working in the same sector- like health, sanitation, how to improve coordination?
13. Some NGOs are not doing good work. Suggest Measures?
14. What kind of NGOs are you associated with? What services do you provide to this NGO?
15. You have worked as a volunteer for drought relief. What type of work you did and in which region?

16. What did you learn from your working with the NGO?
17. Do you think your role has had any impact on the NGO?
18. What was your role in the NGO?
19. You will face similar issues as an administrator. How will you handle them?
20. What are the operations of your NGO?
21. What is the budget of your NGO?
22. What is the funding pattern of the NGO?
23. Corruption in private sector. How to curb it?
24. What are the limitations of NGOs?
25. Why many successful people later on join NGO?
26. What kind of social initiatives do you pursue?
27. Which NGOs have you worked with?
28. How do you arrange funds for your work?
29. Have you thought of crowdsourcing from outside?

■ Practice Questions

1. *In which NGO you worked for?*
2. *Name some NGO who are working against child labour?*
3. *What you have learned from working with NGO?*
4. *Tell us about Act of Parliament which regulates financial transactions of NGOs.*
5. *What is FRCA? Tell us about its provisions.*
6. *Do you think some NGOs are involving in corruption? How?*

Web Surfing

1. What is Facebook? Do you think it is a distraction?
2. What is Quora? How do you contribute in it? What about the authenticity of answers on Quora?
3. Differentiate between Twitter and Facebook.
4. Why Facebook was named Facebook and same for Twitter?
5. Name the political persons who landed in controversy because of Twitter?
6. What are current issues related to Facebook?
7. Why Google can't filter the content?
8. What is cyber crime? Give example of cyber crime.
9. What is cyber terrorism?

10. What is cyber warfare?
11. What is full form of Yahoo?
12. Which websites do you visit?
13. What is internet protocol?
14. How internet can be used for development?

■ Practice Questions

1. *What contents do you look for during surfing?*
2. *How does Internet surfing relaxes you as a hobby?*
3. *How does internet work?*
4. *What is client-server technology?*
5. *What is full form of http and www? Why these codes are used?*

Poetry/ Shayaris

1. Tell one English poet and one Hindi/Urdu Writer you have been inspired by. (I said Nida Fazli)
2. What is difference between Shayari and Ghazal?
3. Why do you think poets should come to civil services?
4. What makes a good poet?
5. Greatest poet according to you?
6. Tagore, the nobel made him great? Controversies regarding Tagore?
7. When did you start poetry writing? Do you publish as well?
8. Who is your favorite poet? Why? Quote some lines from your favorite poem of his.
9. You have mentioned Urdu poetry? You read in Devnagri or Urdu script.
10. What's government doing to promote Urdu?
11. What is the difference between shayari and wazm?

■ Practice Questions

1. *What do you write (poetry, prose, etc.)? In which language you write?*
2. *Who is your favorite poet? Why?*
3. *What do you think of regional poems writing in India?*
4. *Tell us something about the ancient poets through the ages in India. (Ancient, medieval, etc.)*
5. *Can you talk about the role of poets in the Indian freedom struggle?*
6. *What is a Sonnet and a Ballad in English poetry?*

7. *What are the various forms of hindi poetry? Which are based on verses?*
8. *What is Chhand, Chaupai, Doha, Haiku etc?*
9. *Tell us about poets like Valmiki, Vidyapati, Tagore, Nirala, Dinkar, etc.*
10. *Who is considered as Rashtra Kavi?*
11. *What is Chhayavaad?*
12. *Is art of poetry and its readership on decline in modern times? Why?*
13. *In the present instant age, are poems relevant as an artistic manifestation of human emotion and expression? How?*
14. *What is the main difference between a poem and a poetry?*
15. *Name some famous Urdu shayars, poets.*
16. *Who is your favourite Urdu shayar? Tell us his famous ghazal, shayari.*

Painting/ Sketching

1. Mughals contribution to painting.
2. When was miniature painting introduced.
3. So you do abstract painting? What does abstract mean?
4. Name any famous abstract painter?

■ Practice Questions

1. *What kind of painting you do? (Oil, water colour, fabric, etc.)*
2. *What is the difference between painting, drawing, and sketching?*
3. *Tell us about the famous painters like Picasso, Monet, Rembrandt, Van Gogh, Hussain, Raza, etc.*
4. *What are the different art movements like impressionism, fauvism, cubism, realism, romanticism?*
5. *Tell us your opinion on artistic freedom of expression? What do you think of censorship?*
6. *What measures can be taken to promote art in India?*
7. *What is water colors painting?*
8. *What has contributed to sudden resurgence in the demand and price of Indian art? Is there a sudden change in Indian art or is it merely a perceptual shift?*
9. *Why don't you opt it as profession?*

Computer Games/Programming

1. Which computer games do you play? Explain the Counter strike.
2. What is flash player? Is flash player is used in computer games?

■ Practice Questions

1. *What is the benefit of playing computer games?*
2. *It has been found that video games cause obesity, visual problems to children. Is it true?*
3. *How do you play game, offline or online?*
4. *Where do you get the games?*
5. *Do you think you have violated the copyright of the game developer?*
6. *What are the positive and negative effects of video games?*
7. *What is the current video game market in India?*
8. *Do you think that developing video games can become a profession?*
9. *Video games are very addictive, how do you deal with it?*

Playing Musical Instruments

1. How piano produces tune?
2. What is the difference between Piano and Harmonium?
3. Do you have piano? Of which type? Name the famous song in which piano is used.
4. Tell us recent technology used in Tabla and Guitar.

■ Practice Questions

1. *Which instruments you like to play most?*
2. *What are the essential elements of Indian musical instruments and how is it different from western instruments?*
3. *What is Guru-Shishya Parampara in learning musical instruments?*
4. *Will electronic music overshadow traditional instruments?*
5. *Traditional instruments like Iktara, Saranagi are losing patronage. Is it true? If so, what can be done?*
6. *What type of guitar do you play?*

7. *What is the difference between acoustic and electric guitar?*
8. *How does guitar produce sound?*
9. *Who is your favorite guitarist?*
10. *From where did you learn it?*
11. *Name the renowned guitarists.*

Cycling

1. What kind of safety measures do we have to take during cycling?
2. What should be the optimum no. of gears for cycles?
3. What is difference between cycling and mountain biking?
4. Have you watched mountain biking? Where it is held?
5. Tell me names of some famous cyclist.
6. Suppose you are riding a bicycle from bottom to up on a hill? Then what is velocity ratio?
7. Which Biryani do you like Chettinad biryani or Chennai Buhari?
8. What is Kongunadu Cuisine?

Gardening

1. What do you do in gardening? Explain the procedure.
2. You talked about transplanting. Do we transplant coriander?

Acting/Theatre/Drama

1. Difference between dramatics, drama and act.
2. Did you read anything on dramatics?
3. Tell me your favourite play and its author?

■ Practice Questions

1. *What are the different forms of theatre?*
2. *What do you know about the history of theatre in India?*
3. *Which states in India have been traditional bastions of theatre?*
4. *What do you know about NSD, Sangeet Natak Akademi?*
5. *Do you think theatre can survive the onslaught of films?*

6. Name a few eminent theatre personalities.
7. You have directed 2 dramas? So tell me who said "All the World's a stage"?

Photography

1. What kind of photography do you do?
2. You have photography as an interest. Do you know what depth of field is? How do you control it?
3. What do you like to click?
4. What's the depth of field you use?
5. What do you think had been the watershed development in this field?
6. Portable cameras are okay, but don't you think digital technology is a breakthrough?
7. What is photography?
8. Tell us about different types of cameras.
9. Which is your favorite photograph till date and why?
10. Tell us names of some famous photographers of world/India.
11. How did you develop this hobby?
12. What are challenges in photography?
13. What is modern day photography?
14. Are expensive cameras really necessary?
15. Which type of photography do you do?
16. Have you won any awards?
17. What do you understand by shutter speed?
18. You mentioned that street photography can communicate a story. How can story telling benefit administration?
19. How portrait photography is different from other photography?
20. Do you think coming of digital phone led to reduction of portrait photography?
21. Which lens will you prefer for portrait photography?
22. Which one do you like more, portraits or landscapes?
23. Which lens will you use for landscape photography?
24. How the photography changed in last decades with the advent Mobile with good camera ?

Practice Questions

1. Famous photographers of world/India.

2. Tell us about Different types of cameras, pixels. Their uses.
3. Which is your favorite photograph till date and why?

Coin Collection

1. How many coins you have?
2. What you understand from coins?
3. Which is your oldest coin; describe it denomination, composition, period?
4. What did you get from your hobby coin collection?
5. What is numismatics?
6. Should we be collecting coins in digital age when we can store images?
7. What do you understand from coins?
8. What are commemorative coins? Give some recent examples from India.
9. Tell us about bitcoins.
10. Tell me about other cryptocurrencies?
11. What is the stand of RBI & Govt. on cryptocurrencies?
12. Which country has legalised cryptocurrency?
13. Commemorative coins released in 2020?

Bird Watching

1. Bird watching sites in Mumbai?
2. How many bird species in Mumbai?
3. How many bird species you can identify?
4. Difference between kite, falcon and eagle?
5. There is a concern about dwindling numbers of birds and it is said that insecticides and pesticides are one of the important causes for it. How do you think they hamper the bird population?
6. Do you think bird's population is declining?
7. What are probable reason behind it?
8. What are the best places in India for bird Watching?
9. Tell us about ebird.

Learning Languages

1. So your hobby is language learning? How many languages do you know?
2. Is Tamil derived from Sanskrit?

3. But many words like Neer (Tamil – water) is derived from Sanskrit? What is your view? Learning Hindi should be easy for you right?
4. What is the difference between language and literature?
5. Where does grammar fit in? Language or literature?
6. Why did you decide to study the German language? What can we learn from the Germans?

Astronomy

1. Are you aware about extraterrestrial life?
2. Why the scientists are so excited about it? (Fermi paradox).
3. According to you what are chances of extraterrestrial life? Is it 50:50?
4. Are you aware about fast radio wave burst?
5. Why there are so many radio signal/noise are coming to earth? (cosmic microwave background). What is the significance of these signals?
6. How did you get interested in astronomy?
7. Did you read Carl sagan's book? And another 2-3 astrophysicists.
8. Are you aware about scientists discussion of different forms of life in the universe?
9. How will you detect life on other planets?
10. Suppose life is a very different on other planets then how will you detect it? Then what is life?
11. How will you define this is living thing and this is nonliving?
12. I think radio waves may be signals of different form of life. What's your opinion?
13. What is dark matter? How will you detect it?
14. What is dark energy? How will detect?
15. What are impact of dark matter and dark energy on universe?
16. What is Big bang?
17. What is Hubble telescope? What Hubble had to do with big bang?
18. What is black hole?

Gardening/ Tree Plantation

1. Do you know the different types of plants used for plantation?

2. Which plants have you planted? From where have you collected those plants?
3. What is van Mahotsava?

Sports and Hobbies in General

1. Why do we need politicians heading the sports administration? Do we need that? Why not sportspersons?
2. Khelo India Programme (KIP). Why do we need it?
3. Do you know about some cricketers who have made some ugly comments at some show?
4. So tell me why such comments. Do we need to book them for such kind of acts?
5. India performed very badly in international sports. What are reasons?
6. How psychological support is helpful in sports?
7. Issues of drugs in sports?
8. What is the difference between NCC and NSS?
9. What is the head of NCC called? Who is his equivalent in Army?
10. What is the personality development? And how would you develop personality especially through sports?
11. What are all the activities you have done in NSS? What are all the precautions required in blood donation camp?
12. Did you follow commonwealth games? What are the reasons for girls winning many medals?
13. Tell me whether IPL is beneficial for the sport or not? Advance your viewpoints pro and against this?
14. What is the reason for so much league cricket?
15. You have many hobbies related to arts and literature. How do you assess the latest government efforts to promote arts?
16. Name some culture promoting institutes? What do they do?
17. Do you think the efforts by government in arts promotion are enough?
18. If you're in charge of sports department in your state, what steps will you take to promote sports?
19. How can we revive sports like Kabaddi and kho-kho?
20. Why does India not fare well in sports? What are basic issues which lead to such poor condition of sports in India?

21. You are a good sport man. Tell me difference between team games and individual games?
22. What lessons you have learnt from team games?
23. Why today people not listening to classical music and dances?
24. Are classical arts like music and dances dying?
25. You do jogging, trekking, fitness. What do you understand by health? What do you think is the health condition in India? Do you know the number of children who are malnourished?
26. How to convince people so they don't protest against nuclear plants?

Playing Chess

1. You also play chess have you ever played at some state or national level? You Have Got some medals?
2. Do you know some of the chess players from India?
3. Name some attacking openings in chess.
4. Name any chess-player from India. What is his world ranking?
5. Who is the number one at present?
6. What is castling in chess?
7. How many queens can be in a game of chess?
8. Who are the famous chess players in the world (men and women)?
9. Why chess board have sixty four square blocks?
10. Name some famous chess players?
11. Where the game of chess originated?
12. Tell us about FIDE.
13. How many times Viswanathan Anand won the World Championship?
14. Magnus Carlsen belongs to which country?
15. Why Russians dominate in Chess?
16. Tell us some terms used in chess.
17. What is a Zwischenzug?
18. Have you seen web series Queen's Gambit?
19. What did you learn from this web series?
20. What is the name of protagonist?
21. Why did she loose against Russian player in the Paris?

Practice Questions

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Playing Football

1. Why Football is not as popular as Cricket in India?
2. What is Hand of God?
3. Tell something about Lionel Messi, Maradona, Cristiano Ronaldo.
4. What is difference between football, soccer and Rugby?
5. So your hobby is football why is India not able to win in olympics?
6. If infrastructure is not there in rural areas how is north east performing well?
7. Do tall players possess any inherit advantage in football?
8. What are the attributes of good Centre Back?
9. What is the science behind football manufacturing?
10. How many hexagons and pentagons on football?
11. What is complete football?
12. Who is your favourite footballer?
13. Do you know the signature move of Pele?
14. What is futsal?
15. Difference between football and futsal.
16. Linkage between shrinking playing space and popularity of futsal.
17. Why football? Enlighten me on the future of football in India
18. What role does it play in the society?
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35. What are dimension of football field?
36. What is status of football in India and how it can be improved?
37. What are various government initiative to promote football?
38. Tell me about Pele and his health and financial issues.
39. What is India's current rank in football?
40. Can you name Some states known for football?
41. What is Swami vivekananda's quote about football?
42. Your hobby is Football, so which club do you support?
43. So, currently what is their standing in PL Table.
44. You follow premier league football , which teams you follow?
45. Who is liverpool coach?
46. Who is tottenham coach now and before?
47. Who is man city coach now and before?
48. What is the status of Barcelona in European league?

■ Practice Questions

1. *Since when you follow football and have you ever played football?*
2. *Which Club you follow?*
3. *What is full form of FIFA? Where its headquarters located?*

4. *Who is chairman of FIFA? From which country he belongs?*
5. *Recently, an Indian jurist joined FIFA governing body. Name that person.*
6. *What is the standard size of football ground?*
7. *Who won last FIFA World Cup? Who was runner-up? What was final score in that match?*
8. *Where next FIFA World Cup to be held?*
9. *What is current rank of India in FIFA ranking?*
10. *Who has won recent Ballon d'or Award?*
11. *Why football is so popular in South America continent?*
12. *Name some famous Indian football players.*

Table Tennis/Lawn Tennis

1. Tell me the greatest tennis player ever?
2. Tell me 3 great names and compare.
3. Who is the top Indian male player at the moment?
4. What are grand slams?
5. Name the major grand slams and the type of courts.
6. Why is lawn tennis not very famous in India?
7. Why do you think is the best Indian singles player?
8. How would you promote lawn tennis in India?
9. Are Indians physically weak for games like lawn tennis?
10. What is the weight of tennis ball?
11. What material is tennis ball made of?

■ Practice Questions

1. *Who have won recent Grandslam tennis men's and women's singles title?*
2. *Who has won maximum number of Grandslams?*
3. *Why India is dominating in doubles game in Tennis but not in Singles?*
4. *Name some famous tennis players from India.*
5. *Which Grand slam is oldest in the world?*
6. *Tell us about types of court in tennis.*
7. *What are specifications of a tennis court?*

Playing Volleyball

1. Tell us about Volleyball game.
2. Draw Volleyball ground and explain rotation. What is Libero?

3. Tell something about current happenings and rule change in Volleyball.
4. How many players each team have in beach volleyball?

■ Practice Questions

1. How much time do you spend practicing Volleyball?
2. How did you first get interested in Volleyball?
3. Describe the teamwork involved in Volleyball.
4. How many players are on a court and what are their jobs?
5. How many points do you need to win?
6. Tell us the name of famous volleyball players.
7. What are the terms used in volleyball game?
8. Why it is not popular in India?
9. Is there any sporting association for Volleyball in India? Name if any.

Swimming /Rafting/Paragliding

1. Do you swim? Which principles apply while swimming? Explain them?
2. Which is your favorite swimming style and what is your best time?
3. Name some famous swimmers from India as well as abroad.
4. Why India is not able to generate top swimmers?
5. What is the Swimming pool size in Olympics?

■ Practice Questions

1. What are the types of swimming?
2. Who is Michael Phelps? How many medals he has won in Olympics?
3. Name famous Indian players in swimming.
4. Where is English Channel? It connects which countries?
5. Why swimming is easier in oceans than in rivers?

Playing Basketball

1. At what level have you played basketball?
2. Why Basketball is not famous in our country?
3. What shall we do to promote Basketball?
4. Tell 5 famous players of basketball.
5. Have you tried playing basketball for Indian railways basketball team?

6. What teams have you played for?
7. Recently, a mishappening struck the basketball community. What was the tragedy?

■ Practice Questions

1. Tell us about specifications of basketball court.
2. What are the terms used in basketball?
3. Why taller players are preferable in this game?
4. Why is it not famous in India?
5. Name some famous basketball players.
6. Is there any sporting association for basketball in India? Name the organisation if any.

Playing Kabaddi

1. Is there any future of Kabaddi in India?
2. Name the platforms Kabaddi has right now?
3. Tell us about Pro-Kabaddi League and Kabaddi World Cup.
4. Which sport similar to Kabaddi is famous in Maharashtra?

■ Practice Questions

1. What are the terms used in Kabaddi?
2. Tell us about specification of court used in Kabaddi.
3. How many players are in the game of Kabaddi?
4. What is India's rank in Kabaddi?
5. Where the last Kabaddi World Cup held?

Playing Hockey

1. Why is Indian Hockey lacking?
2. Do you think the style of Indian Hockey need to be changed as the game is changing on the international stage?

Squash

1. Top players in squash?
2. Which country dominated squash?

Hockey

1. Why cricket dominate Indian sports?
2. Why Hockey lost it's popularity?
3. What are other sports that has potential in your state?

4. As a Sports secretary how will you promote sports?
5. What is Khelo India and Fit India movement?

Bike Riding

1. What is this bike riding for a cause?
2. What causes you have promoted?
3. Which bike do you own? What is the capacity(cc) of the bike?
4. What is your riders group name?
5. Where do you assemble in the city? Doesn't it create traffic problem for others?
6. At what speed do you ride?
7. 40-50Kms in a 373cc bike...?
8. When you are alone you ride 80-100kms? What is the speed limit on highways...? Is that a highway or Express way in Bangalore? Are there no highway patrol controlling speed there?
9. What are the equipments used for riding...?
10. Why don't you wear a rider jacket...?

Following F1 Motorsport

1. Can you tell me which Indian company currently has an F1 team (humbly told that it's Formula E and not F1)?
2. What is the current scenario of F1 in India?
3. Any prominent Indian racers?
4. Whats the future of F1 in India?

Ted Talk

1. Which areas of ted talks you watch generally?
2. Can you tell me about a talk that you liked?
3. What is the procedure to give TED talks?
4. You might be having lot of ideas to give Ted talks, share some ideas.

Writing Letters to Editor of Newspaper

1. How many letters published till now?
2. Which letter you wanted to get published but it is not published?

Puppetry

1. Types of puppetry in South East Asia?

2. No one watches it anymore, what is the future like?

Mentoring

3. How is it different from coaching?
1. Your interest in mentoring. Can you tell me what is that?
2. Is Mentoring always one to one or can it be in large group too?
3. What is the difference between coaching and tutoring?

Graphology

1. Define it?
2. Why its not a pseudo science?
3. Brought in a comparison with astrology.

Recreational Cycling

1. So your hobby is recreational cycling, whats the difference between other types?
2. What type of cycle?
3. What benefits did you gain?
4. Any adventurous stunts in cycles?
5. What happens if your safety in any activity is not guaranteed?

Bharat Scouts and Guides

1. You were in Bharat Scouts and Guides. What they do?
2. What are all the activities you took part as a scout?
3. How do you think scout movement can help the society?

Sudoku

1. Which type of Sudoku do you solve? (Easy/Medium/Hard)
2. What is your source for Sudoku?
3. How much time do you take to solve Sudoku?

Pencil Sketching

1. So you do pencil sketching? What do you sketch/draw?
2. Do you use colors? So just use pencils for drawing and shading?

3. Are you doing anything professionally?
4. How long have you been doing it?
5. What is English pen calligraphy?

Rangolis

1. Why do we make rangolis?
2. Why on festivals?

5. STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES

1. What is your greatest strength? How will your greatest strength help you perform?
2. Why are you the best person to get in IAS?
3. What motivates you? Who inspires you most?
4. What are you passionate about?
5. What strength will help you most to succeed in the Civil Services?
6. What is your greatest weakness?
7. How do you plan to overcome your weakness?
8. Tell me about something you would have done differently at previous job.
9. What do people most often criticize about you?
10. When was the last time you were angry? What happened?
11. What do you find are the most difficult decisions to make?
12. What is the biggest criticism you received from your senior?
13. How do you handle failure?
14. How do you handle success?
15. How do you view yourself? Who do you compare yourself to?
16. Describe a difficult work situation/project and how you overcame it.
17. Describe a time when your workload was heavy and how you handled it.
18. What major challenges and problems have you faced? How did you handle them?
19. What was your biggest accomplishment or failure in your current position?
20. What have you learned from your mistakes?
21. What are your weaknesses and strengths?
22. What are five strong points of your personality?

23. How your strengths can help you in becoming a better administrator?
24. Tell us five achievement and failures of your life.
25. How can you use your tech knowledge in administrative job?

6. SERVICE PREFERENCE

1. Why don't you join an NGO to serve people? Why civil services?
2. You have given IPS as preference, how will you reduce corruption in police?
3. What changes do you propose in recruitment of police officials (below IPS)?
4. You have filled IPS at 2nd preference. Any incident wherein you encountered police at any level?
5. Suppose you are made an IPS officer, how will you reform the system?
6. Civil servants have the perception of being elitist? Why it is so? Why do we need ethics at all? What are your ethical values? How would you use?
7. What qualities you learnt from your work which would be applicable to civil services?
8. As an IAS officer, what ethics and etiquette you should have?
9. As an IAS officer, how you will motivate your subordinates to give their best at work?
10. How will you deal with conflicting priorities in your job as an IAS? How will you decide the level of priorities?
11. Do you think you are fit to join IPS?
12. What do know about IPS training?
13. Don't you think there should be separate exam for IPS as it requires really tough people in areas like Chhattisgarh, J&K?
14. Should government keep faith in its officers? Should officers be given free hand?
15. What do know about All India Services?
16. Any inspiration from IAS, whom you have seen working and you are impressed from him?
17. You want to become civil servant, what attributes do you see in a civil servant?
18. Have you ever met any government servant?
19. Do you think 3 months' ministry attachments for new recruits IAS officers is sufficient to make them understand the working of the ministries?

20. You said that the IAS offers wide domain in terms of work, but you know as you move up the ladder, your area of work may become narrower, let's say when you reach the secretary level. How will you cope then?
21. Don't you feel there is too much hierarchy in IAS? Let's just say that you are stuck in a remote area and cannot do much without getting clearance from above and above?
22. What suggestions do you give to UPSC for improving the exam process? Any suggestions related to interview?
23. What is the motive behind having an All India Services? Why not let the IAS work completely under the control of states?
24. Do you think that you are suitable for IAS or IPS?
25. What do you think about the challenges of the Civil Services in the present age?
26. Don't you think your education is wasted, your knowledge of medicine and all your effort will go in vain once you join civil services?
27. Why it is called "Servant" as in civil servant?
28. What is your first service preference and why?
29. Did you take any coaching for CSE?
30. Why IAS?
31. Do you think that only IAS can bring changes in the system?
32. If IAS provides so many opportunities then why you have opted for other services too?
33. You have put IFS as 3rd choice! What is the work profile of IFS officers? How do they protect national interest?
34. What is the perception of people about police? Why is it so?
35. What are the issues being faced by police? How will address these issues?
36. Have you seen Dabang? What's the image of police it portrays? Is it correct?
37. Why did you keep IFS as a first option?
38. Why you left IRS for IPS? Why now IAS?
39. What is difference between Force (CRPF) and Service (IPS)?
40. Mandate of CRPF? Why CRPF is called in states to manage elections and riot control?
41. Suggest two reforms in police service?
42. We need to appear again and again for getting into desired service? What do you think? Do we need to change the existing pattern or is it ok?
43. What do you think about govt officials taking popular decisions?
44. What is ICLS? Why the name changed from company affairs to corporate affairs? What is your view regarding corporate issues in recent past?
45. Why some people prefer IRS (IT) over IPS?
46. How do you see police: as a service or a force?
47. West Bengal has WB police and WB police service? What's the difference?
48. Why civil service after medical? Isn't it success to be good in one domain (medical)? what is use of medical knowledge in IRS? What did you learn in IRS in these 2 months?
49. Was that how you decided on civil service? A lot of people come here for an illusion of what it is.
50. Where all have you travelled? Have you traveled abroad?
51. Imagine a scenario where you have two choices, You believe for sure that one is right. But your team is completely against it. What will you do?
52. Won't your ego come into play and make you stick on to your decision?
53. Choose between two: (i) job satisfaction; or (ii) career progress. And justify why?
54. Why not IFS as first choice? Why IAS first? Functions of IAS.
55. What is your top service preference? What if you get IPS?
56. What are your service preferences?
57. Difference in AIS vs Central services.
58. Let's say you get the Postal Service – will you join?
59. Tell me the three key qualities of a public servant.
60. Since your preference is IFS, what do you think about Indian foreign policies trajectory over the past 2-3 years? Will you substantiate your answer?
61. Is knowledge of law necessary (for becoming an IAS)? Can it be taught?
62. What did you know about IDES?
63. Your preferences are IFS first and IAS second? Any reason?

64. Will you go to northeast if posted? Why? What are the measures you will take there?
65. What is the role of the Indian Information Service? How is it relevant today?
66. Do you think the service is fulfilling its role in the era of fake news? Have we found a solution to the fake news problem?
67. What diversity and public exposure you will get in ordinance factory services?
68. Which service is your preference and why?
69. If selected in IAAS then how will you serve public?
70. What are the provisions for civil services disciplinary actions?
71. What are the articles under constitution with respect to civil services?
72. Explain 311?
73. If you are in IFS, and all people around you are speaking Chinese and keeping you aside, how will you respond?
74. Why you have opted for services other than IAS IPS IFS IRS?
75. Why IPS over IFS?
76. Is AIS a main source of integrity and unity of India. I don't think they are. What do you think?
77. When did you first come to know about the roles and responsibilities of IAS /IPS?
78. You told civil servants must be flexible. Will showing too much flexibility be beneficial?
79. What are the functions of a district collector?
80. What is so glorious about district collector?
81. If so many collectors have worked efficiently then why India is not developing?
82. What public service will you do in IPS?
83. Will you be satisfied in IPS?
84. Convince me that civil services is a bad job.... Speak for 2 mins. You have to convince...there is no escape.
85. Suppose u become a civil servant how your life will change?
86. Why do people still look at civil services with such respect?
87. Who is better in civil service -engineering from IITs or arts graduate?

7. OPTIONAL SUBJECTS

Geography

1. What Continents are there and how they have been formed?
2. India is surrounded by Himalayas in the North and by Ocean on three sides. What is the problem related with Himalayas that India faces?
3. GPS vs GPRS.
4. How Google Maps estimates traffic density?
5. Do you know about the peninsular India.
6. Tell me about the two ranges of the peninsular India.
7. Global warming and freezing temperatures happening at the same time in different parts of the world. Why is it happening? Give an example.
8. What is polar vortex?
9. River interlinking views? Name rivers already interlinked? Where is Ken betwa located?
10. Explain El Nino in brief.
11. Regarding floods, what are the major flood prone river basins of India.
12. What are the major causes of flood in Kosi? What impact does it have?
13. Steps taken by govt to control desertification.
14. Geography and impact of Culture and economics.
15. Geography will help you in administration.
16. What is EEZ? Please define Nautical miles.
17. How can you use your knowledge of geography in agriculture?
18. Green Revolution why happened? Positives and negatives of it?
19. White revolution why happened?
20. Which crops are grown in your area?
21. How to improve irrigation facility? Why people not adopting drip irrigation?
22. In rhino vision exactly what strategies are taken to increase their population?
23. What is time zone? How many time zones in India? In USA?
24. Have you heard of P C Mahalanobis? Who was he? What did Mahalanobis say about requirement of more time zones in India?

25. Do you think we need more time zones?
26. How one time zone affects productivity of northeast?
27. Importance of Geography in administrative decision making?
28. Why did you opt Geography?
29. Role of Geography in investment decision?
30. Name Great lakes?
31. Where is the North sea? Changing Geography of the North sea?
32. Tell me about Indo Pacific and its significance?
33. Is farmer distress associated with Geography?
34. There is clear North-South divide, how would u explain it?
35. Tell me about Geography of Iran and where do you see Israel in it?
36. What do you find geography so interesting?
37. Tell 5 passes of J&K.
38. Tell 5 places related to Gautama Buddha.
39. Is the relevance of growth pole theory decreasing?
40. How is CPT theory relevant to Gangetic Plains?
41. Different types of Forrest and region.
42. What is Tarai region? Which type of Forrest is there?
43. Why good Agriculture in northern India but not in South?
44. What is Alluvial Soil? How it's form?
45. What are faults in geography? Are faults good?
46. Which area of Geography you like?
47. Who owns Suez Canal?
48. Who owned it before?
49. Where does Nile originate?
50. What countries are involved in Nile dispute?
51. Largest dam on Nile?
52. Issues that came up because of Aswan Dam?
53. Where is Panama Canal?
54. What is maximum weight of ships that can pass through Panama?
55. Which language in North West of India is of Dravidian origin?
56. What is the difference between weather and climate?
57. What is effect of climate change on structures?
58. What is the latitudinal extent of India? Why is it important?
59. Does equator pass through India?
60. Geography is such a interesting subject, Why people are no longer taking geography?
61. Why ranking of universities in India is bad? 3 reasons.
62. What is differences between science and arts?
63. What do students learn in arts?
64. Why have you taken science in graduation. And not pursued arts at that time?
65. How do we Classify rivers of our country?
66. How to implement Geography knowledge in administration?
67. Why you choose geography as your optional despite having technical background?
68. You have Geography as your optional subject and Rajasthan as home state, then tell me the role of geography as the contributing factor in backwardness or non-development of Rajasthan?
69. Suppose you are the DM of a district that involves illegal mining under your jurisdictional area, what will be your priorities to curb the same?
70. What benefits geography offers to an administrator in governance and policy making?
71. As a geography student tell me the difference between geography and geology?
72. Tell me about the evolution of himalayas and shiwaliks?
73. Why are glaciers melting? Its impact on rivers.
74. Apart from high debt, what are the reasons that farmer suicides happen in our country?
75. If you are DM of a district, what measures will you take to improve water table and reduce water wastage?
76. How are fold mountains formed?
77. Are Himalayas young or old mountains?
78. When did you study Geography?
79. Have u read some standard books?
80. There is a thing like shortcut to crack an examination. What are those tricks in the Geography you believe?
81. As a geographer which problem can be solved with geographical knowledge?
82. How to ensure development of tribals?

83. You are geographer, so do you know what our former PM Nehru had said to laid down development policy for tribals?
84. What are the problems of the tribals? Should we do then?
85. How to involve tribe in the developmental scheme?
86. Do you know ethnobotany? What it is? Can it be used for tribal development?
87. Upto which standard we should give them education in native language?
88. How soil is affected by vegetation?
89. You mentioned about Carbon in the soil. How much is the carbon percentage in soil?
90. Is carbon present inside the soil or not?
91. What do you think, the impact of Climate change on India particularly forest and soil?
92. Soil erosion is there but what about dry region? What will be the impact on The Himalaya?
93. What is Hotspot?
94. Why they are known as hotspot?
95. Which are hotspots in India?
96. Tell me the regions most affected by the CC?
97. Do you know the language of few tribals? How to preserve them?
98. Do you know any project to preserve and conserve languages?
99. Difference between intensity and magnitude of earthquake. How do we measure them?
100. In how many earthquake zones India is divided? Delhi in which zone?
101. Why do we observe more cyclones in East coast of india than west coast?
102. Which is the most spoken language in the world?
103. Which is the highest populated country? What is their language?
104. Which is the second most spoken language?
105. Which is the most spoken language in India?
106. Which Indian language after Hindi is spoken more across the world? Where is Bengali spoken in the world outside India?
107. Who was Christopher Columbus? Why he navigated?
108. Can we increase total volume of water present in Earth?
109. Who discovered solar system? Are you aware of any Indian scientist who contributed it this? What about Galileo's contribution?
110. What is sustainable development? Is it possible to achieve it considering the resources are getting exhausted etc etc?
111. Which topics in Geography appealed to you so that you opted it?
112. Difference between tornadoes, hurricane, typhoons?
113. What is a tornado? Why are they so violent? Regions in the USA Where they are prevalent?
114. Who produces maps of India?
115. How remote sensing can be useful in disaster management?
116. Any ministry of India that uses remote sensing in its working?
117. How Geography of India played a role in development of Vedic civilisation?
118. What about the role of Vindhyas in Vedic period?
119. Why cyclones are more frequent in Bay of Bengal than Arabian sea?

Commerce

1. What's GDP? What's GNP?
2. What if a person marries a working woman and she leaves job what effect it would be on GNP?
3. What is inflation? Is it good or bad? Good for whom bad for whom?
4. What is price index. Who issues CPI and WPI. Whats frequency of revision of inflation?
5. How financial position is analysed?
6. What is Current ratio, quick ratio?
7. What is cash flow and funds flow?
8. What is mechanism for compliance n performance audit?
9. What is internal and external audit?
10. AGR issue is going on, I think this is all fault of Chartered Accountants. They advise them to not pay this dues.
11. All this billionaires, the top 10 percent are accusing the system which has allowed them to garner so much wealth, at the same time they are doing nothing about it. Don't you think it is hypocrisy from their side?

12. Leaving aside those who are doing charity, but what about those who are still accusing the system and not even doing charity?
13. Tell me positive and negative about Internal rate of return?
14. Why so much frauds recently in your profession, what do we need to do?
15. You talked about Mr. Ratan Tata, tell me who has taken over him in charitable purpose?

Public Administration

1. Should Pub-ad become Public Management?
2. What is definition of Public Administration?
3. What is governance?
4. Which is more difficult, Public Administration or Developmental Administration?
5. What is needed, should we change from Public Administration to Developmental administration?
6. How developmental admin be brought into agriculture?
7. What is outcome budgeting?
8. What is gender budgeting? Can u give an example of gender budgeting.
9. People's belief in the political parties. How do they evaluate them? How can the people's trust be gained?
10. What are the issues in delay in projects?
11. Who coined the term Bureaucracy? What is bureaucracy? Tell us some Negative features and positive feature of Indian Bureaucracy?
12. Bureaucracy is often criticized for lack of transparency? Would you suggest ways to increase the transparency?
13. What is feudalistic attitude of Indian bureaucracy? Why it is still there? Is it really changing? After a long sermon that every wants to join civil services for enjoy feudalist power, status etc., What about you, why do you want to join IAS?
14. What is motivation?
15. What is morale? What is the difference between them?
16. How will you use health as a motivating factor in administration?
17. What is Rule of Law?
18. What is meant by Rule?
19. What is meant by Law?
20. Which one is supreme, Rule or law? Explain in detail.
21. What is capital punishment?

History/Arts and Culture

1. What is culture?
2. How Indian culture is responding to modernity?
3. Who is known as Iron man of India?
4. What was the other name of Vallabh bhai Patel?
5. Who gave him the title of Sardar?
6. On what occasion. It was accorded?
7. For what else he is famous for?
8. How many princely states were there?
9. Genesis of Kashmir dispute.
10. What have you learned from history in context of India?
11. Why do you like history?
12. What are the reasons that Empires such as Mughal, Harsha etc have fallen down in past?
13. Prithvi Raj Chauhan Vs Mohammad Ghori (facts asked and what was the impact).
14. Cellular jail and popular revolutionary associated with it.
15. Din-e-illahi, what was it?
16. Ancient India was the golden age - justify it.
17. Ur optional is history. Those who does not know their history, they are often condemned to repeat it...meaning? Can u give me any example?
18. Napoleon and Hitler comparison?
19. History repeats itself?
20. What is war-gaming?
21. Why government focusing on imparting knowledge of history to engineers?
22. Which period of history you like the most and why?
23. China and India border dispute History?
24. What is history? Which section of history do you like more? Why ancient India?
25. What is use of history in administration?
26. Two major incidents happened in 1989, can you tell me what they are? (It was the fall of the Berlin wall and the Tiananmen square protests in China). So tell me about them? How were they significant?

27. Do you foresee Democracy coming in China?
28. Tell us something about Aztec civilization?
29. Tell us about Mesopotamian civilization?
30. Do you know about India's freedom movement? What were Round table conferences? How many were held? What was the role of Gandhi?
31. Some people say Gandhi was responsible for not saving Bhagat Singh. Is that true?
32. Why and who decides periodization of history?
33. Which part of history you like the most and why?
34. How Mughals contributed to India?
35. Which event in history you would like to reverse and why?
36. Do you know Mewar and its history?
37. Has India learnt lessons from history?
38. What is your view on Rewriting of history?
39. There is recent incident of misinterpretation of history? Can you elaborate?
40. Is different interpretation wrong?
41. How government books look towards history?
42. There is classification of history periods such as Golden Age, Dark Age etc. What is your opinion?
43. How should heritage be conserved effectively?
44. Should Padmavat be part of history? What is myth?
45. Why invasions kept happening from North West frontier of India? Name some invaders.
46. Are we a weak state as we don't invade others?
47. Name the foreign travelers who visited India?
48. What Hiuen Tsang has said about India in his book?
49. Should history be labeled as – Nationalist Historiography, Marxist Historiography etc.?
50. What do you mean by 'Past Is present'? How will past help in present times/ in administration?
51. Which history book has interested you more? Why have you read Bipin Chandra's India's Struggle for independence – what interested you? What part you liked most?
52. Did non-violence gain independence for India?
53. What were the difference between extremists and nationalists? Name some extremists?
54. Who was the founder of Maurya dynasty? Which kingdom was there before Maurya empire? What advice Chanakya gave to Chandragupta Maurya to win wars?
55. What was the Kakori Robbery incident? Who were involved in it? Where is Kakori?
56. Kakori is famous for what else?
57. As a student of history how will you see current phase after 50 years?
58. People learn but they forget after sometime like we forget about values of our freedom fighter. What should we do to reverse this?
59. What is Ibadatnama? What was its significance for Akbar?
60. Tell me the Importance of American civil war. Name of important major general who became president of America.
61. After which battle British established their rule in India?
62. What are the reasons for shifting of center of power from Magadha to other part of India or south India?
63. Tell me who are the Heroes of Mughals in chronological order? Have you visited Taj Mahal? Why it is significant?
64. What are 5 Ks in Sikhism and their significance?
65. When did you start reading about Shri Guru Gobind Singhji? What was special contribution of him?
66. What is a co relation between caves of Ajanta and Ellora? Why caves belonging to different religion are there? Weren't they conflicting with each other?
67. Do you know what Indus Valley Civilization is? Can you tell me cites of IVC in Gujarat?
68. Can you name some ancient ports?
69. Describe layout of Dholavira.
70. Have you heard of Lakhpat and Koteshwar?
71. Which is the river that passes near Dholavira?
72. How is oceanography used in the study of ancient habitats?
73. What is the relationship of Maharashtra with Panipat battle? Why Marathas defeated?
74. Why so many battles fought in Panipat?
75. What is the distance between Khyber pass & Panipat?
76. Any other major Battle fought in the region between Khyber pass & Panipat till 18th century.

77. Do you heard about Somnath? Who looted it?
78. Did Gandhi make a mistake by supporting Khilafat movement?
79. Didn't it lead to Muslim sentiments like strengthening of Muslim league?
80. Did INC made a mistake by accepting Lucknow pact?
81. Why Gandhi didn't do any satyagrahas for Bhagat sigh, Sukh Dev and Rajguru?
82. Why Asoka was called great? Why Asoka is important for India?
83. Who spread Buddhism in Nepal and Srilanka?
84. Name three mistakes of Lord Mountbatten.
85. Was India right in annexing Goa in 1967?
86. Who founded Agra?
87. What was the route taken by Babar to India?
88. Whom did Babar defeat?
89. What technique Babar used to defeat Ibrahim Lodi?
90. Why Mughal / Akbar shifted capital from Fatehpur Sikri to Agra?
91. Why Taj Mahal is so famous so as to be one of the 7 wonders?
92. Can Taj Mahal with stand the earth quake?
93. What will happen to Taj Mahal if earth quake come?
94. Tell me three events between 1755-65 that impacted history.
95. Why did Ahmad Shah Abdali win?
96. How Maratha supplies were cut off?
97. Was Battle of Plassey even a battle? Who was the British Commander in Battle of Plassey?
98. Should Indus valley Civilization be called IVC or something else?
99. A site in India is of the scale of Harappa and Mohenjodaro. What is that site?
100. Every peace treaty has seed of next war explain after World War 1, WW2 and Russian Disintegration.
101. Colonialism effects on India both positive and negative.
102. What is the difference between truth and justice?
103. Why those regions which were under Mauryans and Gupta are backward now?
104. Which part you consider as golden era of India?
105. Is growth of regional parties a problem too in this regard? (rise of regional empires).
106. What are the employment avenues available for a history post graduate?
107. Why didn't you go into the history research field?
108. Why should we do research if that creates controversy and disturb harmony?
109. Which history do you like most?
110. What's the one lesson modern indian history teaches us?
111. Was india a nation before britishers came here?
112. History is written by the winners, what's your advise to the losers?
113. What is the deal about History, right winger and Left Wingers, what are they fighting about?
114. Why so much emphasis on Medieval Indian History?
115. So dearth of sources is the reason?
116. Which is your favourite part of History?
117. Who is your favourite Historian?
118. What is special about Vedic Period in 600 BCE? Was it was dominated by a Symbol Sign and Logic?
119. Who is your favorite social reformer?
120. Who is satyarthi. What was his contribution?
121. What about Nazi Germany, some of their dark period has made them what they are?
122. Have you visited Concentration camps?
123. Tell me about 1857 revolt.
124. Tell me about Subhash chandra bose.
125. Tell me about Veer Savarkar.
126. Tell me about Governor Genral of india
127. Why didn't India industrialize along with European nations?
128. When in 1857 there was a revolt, three universities were opened at the same time. What is the connection?
129. You have done your graduation in history and your optional is also that. However, administration is becoming techbased, how will you face the challenge?
130. What if INA had succeeded with German and Japanese help, what would India look like?

Physics

1. What is a black hole?
2. What is Hubble telescope?
3. What is Engineering Physics
4. Tell me what is Schrodinger Wave Equation?
5. How do you determine that an electron is both a wave and a particle?
6. What is the difference between mass and weight? What is 'g' here?
7. Tell me the philosophy of Physics? How is it different philosophy of chemistry?
8. What is Game theory?
9. In physics, what is this laminar flow?
10. What is the difference between data compression and data encryption? What is the purpose of the data encryption?
11. What are the issues in encryption? If the algorithm is so strong then why they are failing?
12. Tell me some other reason for weak security? What is quantum communication?
13. How it is different from today communication? How the today communication is done?
14. How the photons transfer the data?
15. What are the advantages of quantum computing?
16. You are a student of physics. Do you know who has won Nobel prize for India?
17. What is Raman Effect?
18. Why do we not see 7 colors in rainbow? As light is made up 7 colors but we see only 2-3, why?
19. Tell me some practical applications of General theory of relativity.
20. What are gravitational waves?
21. Something about encryption and prime number theorem.
22. What is dark matter?
23. What do you mean by 'God particle'?
24. Why is the study of neutrino important?
3. Why there was need for a separate Art 370 for J&K?
4. When and how was Art 35A incorporated in Constitution?
5. Why can't Art 35A be amended like any other Constitutional provision?
6. What are major differences between Indian Constitution and J&K constitution?
7. What are the minority rights mentioned in J&K Constitution?
8. What attracted you towards Political Science and International Relations?
9. What is the relation between State sovereignty and Human Rights?
10. Is it right for international community to intervene? What is the procedure for that?
11. What was the last time when UNSC intervened and what were the consequences of that intervention?
12. Now, considering the reports of Human Rights violations in Kashmir, if China and Pakistan try to convince UNSC to intervene militarily in Kashmir, What will be India's stand?
13. Why shouldn't India allow such intervention?
14. Changes in India's foreign policy in last 2 to 3 years.
15. On what basis foreign policy of country is based? Explain with examples.
16. What is cooperative federalism? Explain with example.
17. What do you mean by constitutional morality? What is our constitutional ethos? Explain them.
18. Is the preamble enough to guide us?
19. Is protectionism a viable option?
20. Is brexit protectionism?
21. Why don't we put tariffs on China?
22. How can India improve deficit with china?
23. Power controls power. Explain.
24. What is Separation of power doctrine?
25. What is basic structure?
26. Why do you think SC/ST act is over reach? What provisions in SC/ST act did judiciary try to include?
27. 3 Examples of judicial over reach?

Political Science

1. Since you are Political Science student, tell me what is Art 370 and Art 35A about.
2. When was J&K Instrument of Accession signed? When was Art 370 incorporated?

28. Why is judiciary judging upon the power of constitutional amendments made by sovereign parliament? Justify.
29. How do you assess India's foreign policy over 70 years? Is it a success or not?
30. On both hard power and economic considerations, how would you assess India's foreign policy - is it successful?
31. How do you judge our neighborhood policy? How are our relations with them?
32. Why are our relations not in so good shape with some of the neighbors? What is the reason?
33. You must have read about Plato in western political thought, tell me the idea in his book "The Republic".
34. What is the difference between State and Nation?
35. According to you what is the power of a nation?
36. Don't you think Military is the power of a Nation?
37. Is BRICS moving in correct direction?
38. Why USSR collapsed all of a sudden? What were the reasons for USSR's disintegration?
39. Do you know the names of any two leaders who emerged after collapse of USSR and became world famous?
40. Why would we call it Political Science? Where is science in it?
41. How International Relations help a country in Economic development?
42. Should we be grateful to British for uniting India?
43. Why India pulled out of RCEP?
44. What do you mean by the term "thinking out of the box"?
45. Have you ever thought out of the box in your life?
46. Two women centric problems of society and how can you solve them?
47. What is the state of polarity/balance of power in the world now?
48. Which socio-pol arrangement would you prefer at world level & state level?
49. Do you think borders of nations should be redrawn?
50. Tell me about Catalonia issue.
51. What is Social Contract theory and who gave it?
52. Talk two minutes about Indian Foreign Trade.
53. What is Import basket & export baskets?
54. How much is India's foreign reserves?
55. Tell me why not you go into politics after learning political science and why into civil services?
56. What is your view on RTI? Has transparency and accountability increased? Officers are not happy about it.
57. What is your take?
58. What is coffee club? Which all countries are there?
59. What is the name for countries which are standing for reforms?
60. What are the qualifications based on which India is asking for reform? Aren't we trying to build consensus for the last 20 years. What else we could do?
61. Is Russia a democracy?
62. Is communist manifesto is a dead document? Why?
63. Who is your favourite Indian Political Thinker? Why?
64. What is Gram swaraj?
65. Is that practical at the time of globalisation to have self sufficient village?
66. Do the countries having local self governments have higher level of peace?
67. What changes were brought to MEA under Sushma Swaraj?
68. If you are selected for IFS, what changes will you bring?
69. What is the problem in Lakshadweep? Apart from natural dangers like rising sea levels? Is there a smuggling problem?
70. What is our present mechanism to ensure coastal security?
71. The merging of MoOIA and MEA, was it a right step?
72. We are cosyng up to China despite its support to Pakistan, is this a right policy?
73. Do you think we can break the Pak-China nexus?
74. Is Indian diplomacy successful in dealing with Pakistan challenge?
75. Asked about Look east to Act East policy transformation in Indian foreign policy?
76. What is Indo Pacific?

77. Should India go for participating in Indo Pacific- is that in India's interest (because primarily the fight is between USA and China. Why should India get involved?
78. Communism or capitalism which one is best and why?
79. Tell me about Friedrich Engels.
80. Tell me name of some communist countries in the world.
81. What is constitution?
82. So, a country cannot run if constitution is not there?
83. Is IFS as a service still relevant?
84. Is NAM dead?
85. Tell me about political philosophy of Aurobindo Ghosh?
86. Is Plato's Republic relevant in modern times?
87. Should we go for presidential system? Give reasons?
88. Should India also have federation like that of USA?
89. Tell me about role of Bismarck and Sardar Patel.
90. What is Realpolitik?
91. What is geopolitics?
92. Does more corruption is happening at top most level of administration?
93. What is your opinion on US intervention in South China Sea?
94. What is comparative politics?
95. Compare India's politics from the past to till date.
96. Are Regional parties good or bad?
7. Human evolution various levels from past, link it with Intelligent Design.
8. What is the meaning of Anthropocene?
9. Chimpanzee vs gorilla? Which is intelligent? Which uses tools? Types of chimpanzee?
10. Some author, research work on 3rd type of chimpanzee.
11. So you are anthropology student! Do you think we should shift tribal to urban areas for providing all the urban amenities as we are enjoying?
12. As an anthropology student how you see the J&K and north east issues?
13. What are the branches of anthropology?
14. What is legal anthropology?
15. In which tribe the practice of human sacrifice and head hunting is common?
16. When were gorillas our ancestor?
17. What is the recent research on Neanderthal?
18. What are the famous Anthropological sites in India that are recognized by UNESCO?
19. There is a perception of intolerance and divisive tendencies in the society. Freedoms are under threat. What are the reasons for it?
20. Do you know about criminal tribes? Why are they called so?
21. Is there any scientific evidence that their criminal traits are hereditary? Is there any gene responsible for their criminality?
22. What is social anthropology in anthropology? Name any famous social anthropologist?
23. What is the status of tribes in India? How are they rated in the Indian society?
24. What is FRA, 2006? What are the challenges in it?
25. Are tribal genetically pure?
26. We are trying to bring tribal into mainstream society, how will they adjust to the new surrounding?
27. Recent study on Aryan Migration theory based on DNA analysis? What's the truth?
28. Have you heard of Verrier Elwin what his theory of tribal development was?
29. Tribals are saying that we have treated them as show piece, kept them secluded are they justified?
30. What is the sex ratio among tribal? Why is it high?

Anthropology

1. Why have you chosen Anthropology over Civil Engineering as my optional?
2. What is India's approach given that there is a lot of talk of integration of the tribals in the mainstream?
3. What is the Tribal Panchsheel?
4. Are the tribals threatened?
5. What is being done by the government for the tribals of Andaman and Nicobar Islands?
6. Name the various tribes inhabiting Andaman and Nicobar Islands?
7. Human evolution various levels from past, link it with Intelligent Design.
8. What is the meaning of Anthropocene?
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31. Do you think having caste system have impacted the way we see tribal?
32. In Homo sapiens Yuval Noah Harari says that plant domesticated humans not other way around. Do you agree?
33. Recently there was a new finding of a black race fossil in the UK. Are you aware of that?
34. There is one theory which talks that all the Europeans were earlier Negroid. What is your view?
35. North Indian vs South Indian racial origin theory.
36. What do Aryan means?
37. Where is the word Aryan originated from?
38. There was controversy about evolution. Do you support the theory of evolution?
39. You are in favor of evolutionary theory. What changes can you imagine in next 5000 years? How about next 5 million years?
40. What are the Andaman tribes which can sense earthquake?
41. Why did you take anthropology? What did anthropology teach you?
42. Have you heard of Malinowski?
43. Have you heard of Radcliffe brown?
44. Why do we have ILP even today? Why not integrate tribes from North East?
45. What do u know about harappan civilisation?
46. Any other important site belonging to this civilization and it's uniqueness?
47. Is Anthro used in Administration?
48. Why is Anthropology not used In administration?
49. Demographic Demand vs Demographic Disaster. Are we in the phase of Demographic Disaster?
50. What is this idea of 'Impatient India'?
51. Cultural Relativism is a dear concept for Anthropology. Do you see any relevance if it today?
52. What is the between PVTG and normal tribes?
53. Should we do away with the benefits of tribes other than PVTG?
54. What is Anthropology as a discipline?
55. Is there any connection between Archaeology and Anthropology?
56. How will you use the knowledge of Archaeology in Anthropology?
57. Will you use only fossils to study anthropology?
58. What are the techniques used in Anthropological studies.
59. Did you read sapiens book? What it talks about?
60. What do you think about Aryan invasion?
61. How actually then today's population pattern emerged in India?
62. Then who were original habitants of India?

Sociology

1. Since you studied Sociology. Tell us what is social engineering in politics?
2. Name a party which did it successfully in India?
3. Can you sociologically explain the savings pattern in our country?
4. What are the characteristic features of Indian society that make it unique?
5. What are the ill effects of caste on Indian society?
6. What is the role of caste in the present society? How does it vary between rural areas and urban areas?
7. What has the govt. done in this regard? What more can be done?
8. Can you name a few thinkers that you have read in your optional sociology?
9. Is Karl Marx relevant in contemporary India?
10. Can you apply a few of his concepts to show that he is relevant in contemporary India?
11. What is Marx's idea of socialism?
12. Why so you think in some states, NGO are more prominent than other states? Give me sociological reason.
13. Should NGO be regulated? But they are voluntary organizations?
14. What do you know about Contraceptive Jewellery? Any hormone related to this?
15. What is Macivers view?
16. Weber on bureaucracy and attributes of bureaucracy.
17. Talcott parsons and his view on social institutions.
18. Comparison between functionalism and structural functionalism.

19. Do critical analysis of Mahatma Gandhi.
20. What is Sanskritisation?
21. What is Ambedkar's views on caste? Do you know about the books written by Ambedkar?
22. Sociology and bureaucracy? What are the issues? How to reduce complacency? What did you do in your job to reduce complacency?
23. Is casteless society possible?
24. The society is becoming modern, yet we find caste and community becoming important. Why?
25. Do you think religion is helping bind the country today or making things worse?
26. Tell me contribution of Jyotiba Phule? Tell me some books written by him?
27. As a sociology student how do you see the changing social relationships? How do you explain the relationship between Democracy and Social Media?
28. What is diversity? Explain it as a sociologist?
29. Tell me about Contributions of M.N. Shrinivas.
30. Delhi is called rape capital, what we need to do?
31. Tell me about Interstate migration issue.
32. Tell me about MGNAREGA.
33. Why did you opt for sociology even after having an engineering background?
34. Associate Durkheim's Suicide with Farmer Suicide.
35. Is Classeless Society a Utopian Idea?
36. As a sociology student, what changes will you do in district?
37. How will you empower women multi dimensionally?
38. What will you do for education sector in rural areas?
39. Tell me about child marriage.
40. What is social movement?
41. How do you understand poverty. How do we measure it?
42. Tell us sociologically. Compare the indices with our neighbours like Bangladesh and Sri Lanka.
43. How is the female labor force participation rate in India? Why is it low?
44. Tell me the difference between culture and civilization.
45. What is inclusive culture?
46. What is "sanskar"? It's English term.
47. What are three things world can learn from india which can lead to peace, stability and development?
48. In which village did MN Srinivas did his study? In which district? What are his theoretical contributions?
49. Can you please explain sanskritisation?
50. What is your views on sanskritisation?
51. You told that there are some negative aspects of sanskritisation. What are they?
52. Can you back up your claim with any empirical evidence?
53. What is the difference between sociology and anthropology?
54. I think anthropology has an element of racism as it studies only primitive societies. What do you think?
55. You have sociology as an optional. Why is Indian family system becoming nuclear?
56. What is organic solidarity? What are the values associated with it?
57. What are the social faultlines you see in today's society?
58. How are the caste inequalities being manifested in the society today?
59. Would you consider caste as a determinant for marriage?
60. What is vote bank politics and how is it affecting caste system?
61. Does caste system only have dysfunctions?
62. Caste based inequalities - are they because of social or economic factors?
63. What are the best achievements of the indian republic?
64. Is inequality rising in India?
65. Give me a sociological explanations of the naxalite movement.

Law

1. Difference between civil law and criminal law.
2. Difference between bill and act.
3. Why didn't you want to continue in legal profession?

4. How many ways bank frauds can happen with respect to their inventories (Chairman started counting the points, okay 1,2,3..?)
5. Have you heard of the surrogacy law? Why is it controversial? What about the organ donation law?
6. What is the difference between a law and a code?
7. Let's talk about law. Are you comfortable with jurisprudence?
8. What is the relationship between law and morality? In case of a conflict, what would you choose?
9. Any recent law that shows this dichotomy? That was changed.
10. Are all fundamental rights part of the basic structure? If you were a judge deciding the EWS Amendment, what would be your stand?
11. What are your views on the sedition law? But law commission advocates its scrapping.
12. What is Section-377? What are your views on the SC judgement?
13. What is Section-497? Why did the SC declare it unconstitutional?
14. Difference between bailable and non bailable offence?
15. Are you happy with the legal aid system? Have you ever provided legal aid?
16. What is the difference between section 34 and section 149 of IPC?
17. What is the current international scenario of Arbitration?
18. Why Singapore is preferred for arbitration?
19. Why has Singapore been able to grow the way it did?
20. What is the problem in defining terrorism in international law?
21. Why has India not signed refugee convention?
22. What is the current situation of the Sri Lankan constitution?
23. Privacy is a big issue today. Do you think Aadhaar encroach privacy?
24. What about the directive of the government giving ten agencies powers to intercept data?
25. What are the constitutional articles relating to national commission for scheduled castes and scheduled tribes? What are the functions of the two commissions? The chairman of the two commissions is ex-officio members of what? Is NHRC constitutional?
26. What is the difference between statutory and constitutional bodies?
27. What is subordinate legislation?
28. What is competition law? What was its precursor legislation?
29. What does the competition act regulate?
30. Why so much pendency in courts?
31. Where did you practice?
32. How long does a civil case last?
33. Should cases be restricted to five hearings?
34. What are the four pillars of democracy? Are they transgressing on each other's mandates?
35. Is judicial activism necessary?
36. Why are people against all India Judicial Service?
37. Do you think our constitution has outlived its value? Do we need a new constitution?
38. What is the difference between Balance of Payment and Balance of trade?
39. Which country do we have a deficit with? Which do we have a surplus with?
40. What are the changes being made to labor laws?
41. Have you read the book 10 Judgements that changed India?
42. Can you guess the cases mentioned in it?
43. What is the biggest criticism of Keshavananda Bharti judgement?
44. A question on judges accountability-is it justified in an elected democracy?
45. What is the relationship between law and governance?
46. What are the advantages and disadvantages of a law background for a career in the government?
47. What is opinion on rising divorce rates?
48. What is important for you in the Constitution?
49. What is Constitutional Morality?
50. What is Governance?
51. How can we increase the implementation of law?
52. Do you have any mechanism for people's participation in law making?
53. Tell me some important Supreme Court judgements in the past 2 years.

54. How the constitutional amendments are made? Tell me in detail.
55. What is your opinion on All India Judicial Service?
56. What are the major changes in lawyer's profession considering 21st century?
57. What is the difference you felt in Moot Courts and Original court proceedings?
58. Is it Justifiable to kill General Sulliemani in foreign soil? Tell me in the context of International law.

Environment/Forestry/Botany/ IFoS

1. What is entomology?
2. What is post harvest technology?
3. Is it used only for crops or also can be applied in forestry?
4. What is KVK? What is vana vigyan Kendra?
5. What is forest habitat?
6. How wildlife is important for forest management?
7. What is environment impact assessment?
8. Role of chemistry in forest produce management?
9. How would you use tribals knowledge in forest management?
10. What is scope of wildlife tourism in India?
11. What are provisions of Indian forest management bill, 2017?
12. What is forest inventory?
13. What are soil colloidal properties?
14. What is natural binding capacity?
15. What is ex-situ and in-situ conservation?
16. Opinion on rehabilitation of tribals from protected areas.
17. Mangrove cover of Maharashtra. What are threats to mangroves?
18. What is green army?
19. What is ecotourism? Should we promote it and why, how can you ensure minimum impact of ecotourism on environment?
20. How to deal with such types of tribes if they are not even allow people to land on their island?
21. How to achieve right balance between protecting their identity & addressing their developmental needs?
22. If they become hostile how to deal with them?
23. What should be threshold to use the force?
24. What should be the guiding principles to use the force?
25. According to you which national park is better managed in your state? What should be parameters to assess management of national parks?
26. Tell me about core, buffer & transition zones.
27. Do you know about JFM?
28. What is Biosphere reserves and its importance? How they are different from National parks? Number of Biosphere? UN and India designated?
29. Have you heard about CRZ (Coastal regulation zone)? What is its importance?
30. Difference between terrorism vs eco terrorism?
31. What is NAPCC? What are the missions under it?
32. What is forest rights act?
33. What is wild life protection act?
34. What is the forest cover area?
35. How much population lives in forests?
36. Which are bird watching sites in Mumbai?
37. How many bird species in Mumbai?
38. How many bird species you can identify?
39. Difference between kite, falcon and eagle?
40. What is biological hotspot? What is the criteria needed for it?
41. What is EIA? What is its significance?
42. Tell me the salient features of the Draft National Forest Policy?
43. Which exotic animal you have treated and where?
44. Large Dairy farm concept in the West, should be done in India?
45. But there is problem to handle unproductive animal, what is it and how to handle it?
46. What are Invasive Alien Species?
47. Nilgai comes under cow? What is the issue of there regulation?
48. What is Photosynthesis? What are the raw materials required for the process? How do non chlorophyll plants make food?
49. What are Equatorial rainforests?
50. What is special about Amazon rainforest?
51. What is Hornbill festival?
52. What do you like the most about Northeast?

Psychology

1. You have studied psychology. So you understand unconscious, subconscious and conscious. Now tell me how you'll use this understanding in administration.
2. Do you think administrators work more with their heads and less with their hearts?
3. Why did you take Psychology as optional?
4. Do you think leadership can be taught? Can we make any layman a leader?
5. What are dreams? What do the modern theories say about dreams?
6. Do you think the dreams that come in the morning will come true?
7. What is OCD? What psychological theories can be used to explain such disorders?
8. How did you study philosophy, through primary sources or notes?
9. What did you find interesting about philosophy?
10. We have a high tolerance for failure, do you agree?
11. Do we get too philosophical and neglect our duties?
12. Why people are turning to gurus these days?
13. Who is the most important Western philosopher? Which philosopher did Kant influence? Which philosopher did Hegel influence?
14. How can you use any Indian philosophy in administration?
15. Your optional is psychology. Why everyone feel comfortable and find it easy to learn it.
16. How is it useful?
17. You know about ID, ego, superego of Freud. What are they?
18. There are many quotients like intelligent, emotional and spiritual quotient. Whats the difference?
19. You are from mechanical. There also psychology is present in organisational research. Where would you place intelligent and emotional quotient there?
20. How is psychology adequate science? Is it on the same level as other basic sciences like physics etc.?
21. Is psychology an inadequate science?
22. Which branch of psychology do you prefer more? Social or clinical? Why?

23. Which are the 3 most important psychologists according to you?
24. What is child psychology?
25. What is eidetic memory?
26. There is Stress in workplace. How will you reduce it?
27. Tell me about Maslow's need of hierarchy.
28. Tell me about Perception of humans.
29. What is the difference between Psychologist & Psychiatrist?
30. What kind of therapies are used by Psychologists?
31. Do you think you are a good psychologist? You have studied Psychology for almost 3 years. You are like a graduate.

Philosophy

1. Could you explain what is Occam's razor to me?
2. You have philosophy as optional, tell me about postmodern philosophies? What is your view about it?
3. You did it for UPSC only, but did it affect your life?
4. Tell me the two philosophers prior to Socrates.
5. Do you know about what is body language and the theory about eye contact?
6. It is said that Genetics play larger role in human behavior than culture. What is your view?
7. What is management by objectives?
8. What is management by Exception?
9. I am a layman. Take your time and explain Indian philosophy in 5 lines.
10. They say "no philosopher is perfect as well as no philosophy". Explain.
11. What is mandarin?
12. Which philosophy China follow?
13. With such great philosophy, why Indian society dragged into evils like caste system? What went wrong?
14. What is ethical hacking? Can hacking be ethical?
15. What is SAP? What is hedonism?

Agriculture

1. Can you explain about uses of agricultural waste?
2. What do you think about collective farming?
3. How to address price fluctuations in Agriculture?

4. What is integrated farming?
5. Difference between Hybrid and Cybrid?
6. Difference between Agro forestry, Horticulture and Agriculture?
7. How electricity is produced from Bajra?
8. Why collective farming is successful in India?
9. What is your suggestion to make it successful in India?
10. What is the technical reason for crop stubble burning?
11. What is the difference between MSP calculation suggested by M.S. Swaminathan and GOI?
12. Why government not taking M.S recommendation?
13. What is the status of Agriculture land market?
14. What is the progress of PM Sinschayee yojna and PM Fasal bima yojana?
15. How we can increase awareness about millets and pluses? Who should work to improve awareness, government or private players?
16. Why should we replace present cropping pattern with millets? Is it viable to replace?
17. What is advantage of microfinance?
18. What is the Structure of microfinance in India? Who sponsors them, government or private?
19. What is Maharashtra government doing for watershed management?
20. Why co-operative culture in India is vanished?
21. What are the basic principles of cooperatives? What is government doing to promote cooperatives?
22. Which of our neighboring country has world's best microfinance modal?
23. Should agricultural income be taxed? Why?
24. Is doubling farmer income possible? What should we need to do to double farmer's income? How can we provide them alternative employment?
25. In which areas the government is providing subsidies in agriculture?
26. Should we rationalize subsidies in agriculture?
27. Why should we rationalize them? Is it because of pressure of developed countries and WTO or its about our policy related to agriculture demanding to rationalize? Should we rule out all our subsidies directly?

28. About GM crops and health impacts associated with that.
29. Tell me the Israel Model of Agriculture. Can we replicate the same in India?
30. Tell me about Climate smart agriculture.
31. Is cooperative farming possible in India?

Economics

1. What is the difference between tax avoidance and tax planning?
2. Tell me the measures to boot Tax revenue?
3. What is the Hecksher Ohlin model? Explain.
4. Tell me the difference between external and internal economies of scale?
5. What are the factors of production?
6. Explain me the marginal utility theory? What are the methods to measure utility?
7. Tell me some names of renowned Indian economists. Do you know Mehta? Tell us about Jagdish Bhagwati's contributions.
8. What good the demonetization has achieved? Whether RBI was ready for demonetization? Why RBI has failed as a regulator?
9. How notes are printed? Why we are not going for non-Gandhi bank notes?
10. There is a general perception that the police are too corrupt, but I say RBI is too corrupt than police".
11. What is corporate governance? What are the key issues at present time? What have been the recent amendments in the Companies act, 2013? How independent director will help?
12. Why do we have to make CSR compulsory? Which law made it compulsory? What are the criteria for CSR?
13. What is GST? How is it different from previous tax? Do you know the overview of it?
14. What is the difference between GDP and GNP?
15. How inequality is measured? Is Gini coefficient a good measure? Is inequality good or bad? How does it impact?
16. Is export led growth really necessary? Why should we care about exports instead of focusing on domestic market?

17. What is the percentage of Indian export in global trade basket? Has it gone up or down in recent times?
18. What is meant by per capita GDP? How much is India's per capita GDP and total GDP?
19. What is meant by GDP? Which country has highest GDP and what is India's rank in world GDP?
20. What do you understand by inclusive growth? Does this mean we exclude the rich and well off?
21. What is innovation? What is the Role of disruptive technologies in employment scenario?
22. What is 4th industrial revolution and strategy of India in skill building? How can technology increase employment?
23. Fiscal stimulus vs private investment? Which is better?
24. How to improve tax collections and reduce revenue deficit?
25. How to correct irony of situation that consumer is paying huge money for food and farmer not getting price?
26. Do we have sufficient legal framework to deal with data security? Which Committee gave the report on data protection recently?
27. What is e-way bill?
28. What is the composition of GST Council?
29. Retail inflation has hit an 18 month low. It is mainly because of fall in vegetable prices. While it is good news to consumers, farmers are being hurt. What should be done to help farmers?
30. Why in your opinion should RBI governor be head of the board? Should there be an autonomous payment regulatory board?
31. What are three major issues between RBI and government?
32. Why should RBI be independent? What about central bank of other nations? What about Bank of England? Is it independent too?
33. Who in your opinion will be better as RBI governor, an economist or bureaucrat?
34. Tell me some benefits of GST? Should we bring petroleum and liquor in GST?
35. What do mean by Microfinance? Have you heard about famous success story of microfinance of Bangladesh?
36. Tell me one thing why defense manufacturing is important as a part of make in India? 5 points.
37. What is our defense budget as a % of GDP? What do you think it should be?
38. Where do we stand in terms of spending on defense budget?
39. Tell me what is green budget and some innovative ways you would like to promote as an administrator?
40. Have you heard about RBI and SBI? What is the difference between them?
41. Something with respect to RBI is happening today. What is it? (Monetary policy committee was scheduled that day). What is repo rate? Why should RBI fix repo rate?
42. Inflation is actually good for the economy. Why do you say that inflation is bad for the economy?
43. Explain me what will happen when inflation goes beyond the range you spoke about?
44. Are you saying that economy will slip into recession if inflation is not controlled?
45. What actually happened in PNB scam? What are functions of RBI?
46. Tell me difference between microfinance bank and scheduled commercial bank?
47. Tell me difference between investment banks and commercial banks?
48. What penal actions RBI took against PNB?
49. What is the eligibility for a company to be given a banking license?
50. What is role of RBI? Why it couldn't stop PNB debacle?
51. Under BR Act, RBI has many powers, why didn't it use them?
52. Your optional is Economics. Is Ricardian theory of Rent relevant in today's world?
53. Who sets the interest rate?
54. Is frequent repo rate reductions good for India?
55. What are the factors that inhibit growth in rural areas? Do cultural and traditional factor play any role in this?
56. Don't you think cultural factor play a major role in preventing growth in rural areas?
57. Why education is poor in rural areas. What can be done especially for girl child?

58. What measures would you take to bring in online education to rural areas?
59. Given a choice, what would you choose:
 - a) set up higher education centres in rural areas or
 - b) set up manufacturing with huge employment potential?
60. What are the factors that inhibit leveraging benefits of demographic dividend?
61. You know there are some states which give free power. Is it a good idea and why?
62. What is Finance commission and what is their role?
63. What are the issues of economy? Why rural consumption demand is poor?

Literature

1. Can you name the ancient manuscripts of Sanskrit?
2. Have you read Manusmriti?
3. You have read Sanskrit in 10th and 12th. Was choosing Sanskrit a conscious choice? Why did you continue with Sanskrit even for 12th?
4. Tell me about the history of Kannada.
5. Which dynasty contributed towards Kannada literature the most?
6. Why there's always a controversy when any government wants to revive Sanskrit?
7. Do you think that there is a thing called identity politics based on language? Why it happens?
8. What is literature? Can I consider newspaper as literature?
9. Why do we need to study literature? How it helps in understanding the society?
10. Do you think literature over a period of time deteriorated?
11. Why Kannada literature (any literature)?
12. What is difference in literature in ancient time and present time
13. New forms of literature? Name some of your favorite writers.
14. Why did you choose Kannada literature as optional despite engineering degree?
15. What is literature?
16. What are the differences between prose and poetry?

Sanskrit

1. Can you please explain official language policy? Can we have sanskrit as official language?
2. Why have you taken sanskrit optional after computer science. Can you please name some of the scholars?
3. Why students don't want to study sanskrit? What's wrong with our education system?

Maths

1. Which prize is given for people working in Maths below a certain age? Do you know who got it recently?

8. STATES

Andhra Pradesh

1. What is your opinion on three capitals for Andhra Pradesh?
2. What about having executive & legislature in one place and judiciary in one place?
3. What about some reports on buying of land with insider information?
4. Tell me why Andhra Pradesh got bifurcated?
5. Tell me about Constitutional provisions for state bifurcation, creation.
6. What are the five steps involved in process of state bifurcation?
7. Why was India invaded from Northwest?
8. Why do South India has so many lofty temples? Why not in North India?
9. Why do we read more about Magadha and North Indian history during ancient phase?
10. Tell me about Greatness of Ashoka.
11. How can Andhra Pradesh use it's coastal area for revenue generation?
12. What about fifteen finance commission?
13. Women movements in Andhra Pradesh, be it SHG or some other, are considered to be very successful. What's special about women in Andhra Pradesh? Why women's movement are not as successful in other states?
14. Why southern states tend to have law abiding citizens compared to North?

Assam

1. What are the issues in Assam?
2. What is the problem of internet in Assam?
3. What are the reasons for current violence in Assam?
4. Why so many frequent cases of gun fire & what are its implications & how to prevent such cases?
5. Give a picture of Indo China relation from independence till now.
6. History repeats itself. How is it correct? Why history repeats itself?
7. What is golden butterfly?
8. In recent years, rhinos number has been increasing in kaziranga. So, should we shoot some of them? Otherwise it will lead to man animal conflict.
9. What are the causes of rhino poaching?
10. What is the main market and route of smuggled rhino products?
11. Tell me two major problems of Assam?
12. What will be that one thing you will do for Assam and India if you become an IAS officer?
13. Describe problem of illegal immigrants very shortly.
14. What to do with NRC?
15. Tell something about bihu. What are the types of bihu? How is it celebrated?

Bihar

1. Tell me about your village.
2. Tell me about your priorities in Jehanabad?
3. How will you ensure attendance of doctors?
4. What about law and order?
5. What about hero worship habit in Bihar?
6. What is the difference between murder and homicide?
7. What is the difference between dacoity and robbery? Is dacoity still being prevalent?
8. Bihar is lacking on most fronts. What is it that you think is not working for Bihar. What are the three reasons according to you?
9. Why are we not able to stop floods in north Bihar? Your district is at Nepal border so what are the problems faced?

10. What kind of history books do you read (my hobby)? Have You read Great Mughals?
11. Name a famous historian from Bihar.
12. Do you know about Ramdhari Singh Dinkar?
13. Have you read his poems? Recite a few lines of his poem Why USA legalised marijuana?
14. Which is the famous food of Bihar? (Litti chokha) Tell me the process of making it.
15. There are very few hospitals in North Bihar compared to South Bihar, what is the specific reason?
16. Tell me some strength and some weakness of UP.

Delhi

1. Tell me about reasons of Delhi air pollution.
2. What are the steps taken by Delhi govt to reduce pollution?
3. Odd even scheme is success or failure?
4. What is airshed and watershed?
5. You are from Delhi and Delhi has been constantly facing issue of very high air pollution. Stubble burning is one of the cause, do you think that government has taken enough steps to deal with stubble burning or do you think that something more should be done?
6. In other countries stubble is used for various purposes, can you name any such use?
7. You are from Delhi. Recently Delhi elections happened. I happen to watch a TED talk of Ms. Atishi. Tell me all stakeholders are involved in school infrastructure.
8. Do you think a poor person sending his child to school considers infrastructure of school?
9. What is mentoring facility provided by Delhi government in schools?
10. How are teachers involved in this mentoring?
11. Tell me 3 issues you will address in Delhi given a charge?
12. Do you support statehood for Delhi? Why not?
13. Delhi is considered unsafe for women, do you agree? And what is the reason behind it?

Gujarat

1. Tell me about major ports of Gujarat?
2. Who was behind Kandla port's development?

3. Why was Kandla port established?
4. As an SDM, how would you reduce Ahmedabad's air pollution?
5. What is Gujarat model of development?
6. Relevance of Mahatma Gandhi in today's time.
7. What are the qualities of Mahatma Gandhi that separates him from other leaders?
8. If Gandhiji were alive today who would have followed him?
9. How was Mahatma Gandhi as a leader? What is his strategy in Business Management?
10. Who are the other two leaders according to you that can be considered next to Gandhi?
11. What was so special about Swami Vivekananda?
12. How he contributed in spreading in Indian Culture?
13. Who established INC? When?
14. What was his profession before forming INC?
15. Who formed Jansangh?
16. Who started Communist ideology? Where was he born?
17. Where he wrote his book?
18. What are the other evolutions of Harappa Civilization in Gujarat? What led to their destruction?
19. What was the time period when they prevailed?
20. Why Gujarati are always ahead in Business and Trading?
21. Why Marwadi are ahead in Industries and large scale productions?
22. What is different about Gujarati and Marwadi in their business oriented culture?
23. What is trusteeship philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi?
24. Tell me about Bhuj Earthquake. How can we manage disasters in general?
25. Gujaratis are mainly trade oriented, why they are lacking behind or averse to START UPs.
26. Gujarat and Africa has special relationship, how? Why?
27. Why Gujarati have settled in African countries in such a huge numbers?
28. Do you know about Uganda and the mass exodus Gujarati faced? What was the reason?

29. Don't you think diaspora is becoming problem for India in current international happening?
30. Do we always intervene in other countries if Indians have problem there?
31. If People of Indian origin (PIO) have some problem in their country should we intervene that also?

Haryana

1. What are the challenges faced by the Gram Sabhas in Haryana?
2. Are Khaap Panchayats challenging to the authority of Gram Sabhas?
3. Have Khaaps changed their approach in the past? What kind of good work are they doing?
4. Why water intensive crop still grow in Haryana water scarce area?
5. What is the sex ratio of Haryana?
6. What are the lowest sex ratio and female literacy districts in Haryana?
7. What is the Budget of BBBP (Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao)?
8. Why Green revolution impact is still seen in Haryana and not in Punjab?
9. Why Punjab youth migrated towards Canada?
10. What is drip irrigation? Tell me its benefit. Why our farmer use in low number?
11. There are animals like bull and calf. On the street what is the solution and how will you tackle it if you became DM of an district?

Himachal Pradesh

1. Was it ever ruled by foreign state?
2. Is Nepal's demand for parts in Himachal justified?
3. Nepal and domestic polity and its impact on India.

Jharkhand

1. Tell me about Jharkhand economy?
2. What can government do to develop Jharkhand?
3. Tell me status of panchayats in Jharkhand?
4. What can we do to do away with Mukhiya pati culture?
5. Tell me about development vs displacement of tribals

6. Why was Jharkhand formed?
7. Are small states conducive to development?
8. Why couldn't Jharkhand develop?
9. How can people be empowered to participate in development?
10. Is social infrastructure in Jharkhand developed?
11. How much is it developed?
12. Government is spending on advertisement, should it be done?

Karnataka

1. Tell me about Devadasi system, what measures have been taken to eradicate this social evil?
2. So are you referring to Sudha Murthy and her initiatives?
3. What are the other contributions of Infosys Foundation to the society?
4. What is Bhadravati famous for? (Karnataka)
5. Why was steel factory established?
6. Explain about Cauvery water issue.
7. Is declaring rivers of country as national resources will solve the water issues?
8. What other things needs to be do to solve water issue?
9. Why there is so much traffic in Bangalore? What are the remedies available?
10. Why north karnataka has short rainfall?
11. What is the Philosophy of Karnataka Government since independence?
12. Difference between Punjab Model and Kerala of development. Which one you suggest?
13. What are the reasons for Development of IT sector in Bangalore. Was it because of Government support or Complete freedom given to Private sector?

Kerala

1. What must be done to the treasure within Padmanabhaswamy temple, Thiruvananthapuram?
2. Why tourism plays an important role in Kerala's economy?
3. Why not other sectors?
4. Why Kozhikode called Calicut?

5. Differences you have observed between Calicut and mumbai.
6. What is your opinion on Sabarimala verdict?
7. Is SCs right to interfere in religious matter justified?
8. Why despite matrilineal society Kerala women face oppression?
9. Tell me about Vaikom satyagraha. What was Gandhi's role?
10. Tell me Contemporary famous personalities from Thiruvananthapuram?
11. Which tribe is living there?
12. Which Kerala Monk travelled all over India? What is his Philosophy Despite this philosophy, why there are problems like atrocities against women in Kerala?
13. Despite Kerala being progressed why Alcoholism and suicides in Kerala? What is the Solution?
14. How to replicate Kerala's high HDI in other states?
15. If posted in Jharkhand, how will you emulate kerala model there?
16. Why is Kerala called gods own country?
17. Do u think there are issues in orphanages in Kerala?
18. Tell me about the origin of Kerala in relation to the myth of Parasuram?
19. Ayurveda is a main attraction of Kerala, name some of the herbs used in Ayurveda?
20. Why there are so many political murders happening in North Kerala? Especially in Kannur. Why is it only there? Is there any historical background for this?
21. Left wing extremism makes it road to Kerala do you agree with this? Do you support the police encounter action against the maoists?
22. What are the places having cultural importance in Palakkad?
23. Asked about place kalady and Shankaracharya?
24. Tell me something about St Thomas? What is his relation with Chennai?
25. Where in kerala the most ancient muslim mosque of indian subcontinent is located?
26. There are some issues between the fishermen of Kerala and the foreign flaged ships in Kerala coast. What are those and what is the reason for this?

27. What is EEZ (Exclusive Economic Zone)?
28. What is the difference between mile and nautical mile?
29. Tell me two problems faced by your neighbouring States Karnataka and Tamilnadu?
30. What is the population of Indian diaspora in GCC countries?
31. What is the total population of Saudi Arabia and what percentage Indians in that?
32. What is the difference between gulf and middle East?
33. Other than Kerala in which state would you like to settle?
34. What are the similarities between Kerala and north eastern States?
35. How many states are there in North East? Name them?
36. Give an idea about Kerala's historical relationship with foreign countries?
37. What are the major spices cultivate in Kerala?
38. Why Europeans did prefer spices?
39. What are the plantation crops in Kerala?
40. Why did decentralisation work in Kerala and not other states?
41. Why there are less manufacturing industries in Kerala?
42. Why are the other states more successful in manufacturing sector like Eastern states, Southern (TN) and Western states?
43. Why does East India have more industries?
44. How is Kerala govt addressing the problems faced by manufacturing sector?
45. Can you shed light on the recent issue related with Hagia Sophia? And how should international community resolve this?
46. Why southern states tend to have law abiding citizens compared to North?

Madhya Pradesh

1. Tell me about Ujjain, what is so famous about it?
2. Who is one of the most intelligent personality from Ujjain?
3. What government is doing to preserve our heritage and culture?
4. Why should we preserve such heritage?

5. We can protect monuments and architectural sites, how do we protect this value system you are talking about?
6. How this heritage sites are linked to our folk culture?
7. Have you visited last Kumbh Mela? Tell me how will you organize next Kumbh, what will be your priorities?
8. Tell me about Textiles and Handicrafts of MP.
9. Tell me something about Indore.
10. Why indore is cleanest city of india?
11. Tell me five things being done by MP govt to increase women participation in economy.
12. "Jhansi gale ki faansi, Datia gale ka haar, Lalitpur na choddiyo jab tak mile na udhaar". Do you know the meaning of this?
13. What are the problems of Bundelkhand?
14. Tell me about places to visit in Bundelkhand.
15. Which important king of Bundelkhand established Orchha?
16. Have you been to Orchha temple? Which god's temple?
17. Where is the idol sourced from?
18. Name which temples are famous from Khajuraho?
19. What all crops are grown in Bundelkhand?
20. Where ginger is grown in Bundelkhand?
21. What is grown in Mahoba?
22. Reasons for bandit culture in Morena and Chambal.

Maharashtra

1. Tell us about Mihan project.
2. What are the reasons for Farmers suicide?
3. What are problems of vidarbha and marathwada? Do you think separate vidarbha is the solution?
4. Tell me about the contribution of Mahatma Phule and Shahu maharaj.
5. Tell me something about Maharashtra - Karnataka dispute.
6. Do you know Beed district? What is it known for?
7. What do you think are the reasons? How can the female foeticide be addressed?
8. Sugarcane is a water guzzling crop? Why is it being promoted still? Why is govt not moving away from sugarcane?

9. You come from Karad. Tell me about karad in 3-4 lines.
10. What is importance of Raigad? Related to administration issues?
11. How do you implement any policy in tribal peoples?
12. Tell me about Anna Hazare.
13. Has bureaucracy failed in Maharashtra? Should we promote more people like Anna Hazare to do work? Or bureaucracy should be reformed?
14. Explain about Sugarcane cultivation and problems in Maharashtra.
15. Explain about PMFBY and issues.
16. Tell me about Bhima-Koregaon issue.
17. Tell me about Three problems of Maharashtra.
18. If you are chief secretary, how will you solve it? What will be targets for them and whether you will achieve it?
19. What is special in maharashtra today? (It was shiv jayanti).
20. Tell me two points about nasik.
21. Name all 12 jyotirlingas.
22. Tell me importance of western ghats to India.
23. How are biodiversity hotspots selected?
24. Have you heard about Lonar Lake? Where is it? What is the geological significance of it?
25. You are a native of Marathwada. Have you heard about Razakars? Who were they? What they did and how marathwada got freedom?
26. Was marathwada a part of a Nizam ruler? So when it got freedom? Tell me exact date.
27. What was then with the marathwada between 1948 to 1960?
28. When Maharashtra formed?
29. Is Maharashtra developed?
30. Similarities between Nagpur and Delhi?
31. How people in Delhi are different from Nagpur?
32. You live in Pune, Tell us about historical places in Pune.
33. Some military establishments. Any airforce command there?
34. How will you improve public transport usage in Pune?
35. Why Vidarbha-Marathwada is rain shadow zone?
36. What are grapes producing region in Maharashtra?
37. How will you make the grapes industry more remunerative for farmers?
38. Design a process to make ethanol from grapes? Industrial Process.
39. You are from Akola. Tell me about Dr. Punjabrao Deshmukh, his contribution.
40. Should there be separate Vidarbha? What should be done to address political negligence?
41. Have you ever visited Shaniwar wada?
42. What did you mostly liked about Pune?
43. How was the monsoon in Maharashtra this year?
44. Farmer Suicides in Maharashtra, tell me some out of the box innovative solution to address farmer suicides in Maharashtra.
45. Which Bajirao died on battlefield in 1761? (1 or 2)
46. Tell me about Bhima koregaon history, Tell me about elgaar parishad. And why do dalits go there. Is it anti national to visit that place as they defeated Peshwa?
47. Tell me about Significance of Raigad (birth place) in Maratha History?
48. Trace Maratha empire growth against Bahmanshahis, Mughals and English.
49. What is Attock to cuttock? Where is Attock? Why did Marathas go there?
50. How is Mahatma Gandhi related to Pune?
51. Have you visited Aga Khan Palace?
52. Nashik is located on which River bank? What it is famous for?
53. Where all kumbh is held?
54. The story behind kumbh mela?
55. What is watershed development? How is it doing in Vidarbha and marathawada? Benefits of the watershed development?
56. You are from Maharashtra. Tell me about origin of Vada Pav.
57. Which single leader comes to your mind when you say Maharashtra?
58. Contributions of Savitribai Phule?
59. Tell me about books written by Jyotirao Phule.
60. So you are from Jalgaon, what are strengths of jalgaon? And what are the weaknesses?
61. Maharashtra is famous for?

62. Why cooperative sector is facing crisis?
63. Tell us solutions to revive cooperative sector.
64. Who is Baba Amate? Tell me about his projects.
65. Solapur is famous for?
66. Tell me about GI tags?
67. What is Naxalism? Explain their ideology? Telangana got succeeded in tackling this problem, how?
68. Then why Chattisgadh and Maharashtra were still struggling? Why can't they replicate your state model there? If you are the DGP of Maharashtra what could have been done?
69. Does Central Home Ministry is doing enough in fighting against Naxalism?
70. Define Nationalism and Patriotism? What is the difference?
71. Which one is better according to you and why?
72. Can you provide a live example?
73. Mumbai is named after whom? Where is the temple of Mumbadevi?

Punjab

1. Tell me about three problems being faced by Punjab? And give solutions for that.
2. How to handle political pressure, administrative pressure in cases related to drugs controlling?
3. Tell me about Ground water crisis in Punjab? Should we ban crops?
4. Tell me differences between Culture and civilization.
5. Indus Valley civilization, hall marks? Sites?
6. What is special about Lothal?
7. Why Punjab is being pulled back in sports?
8. What is issue regarding Capital city of Chandigarh between Punjab and Haryana? What is its solution?
9. Why do farmers in Punjab burn paddy straw despite government restrictions?
10. Why should the Government compensate the farmers for not burning stubble? Does it not go against the "polluter pays principle"?
11. Why do we need to remove the stubble before planting new crop?

Rajasthan

1. Measures which can be taken to boost Tourism in Rajasthan.
2. So you belong to Chittorgarh, what is it famous for? Why did they commit Jauhar?
3. How many times Jauhar happened?
4. What is Alwar's Tourism Potential?
5. Tell me about Backward or aspirational Districts rajasthan?
6. Tell me backward regions of Rajasthan?
7. Compare development of South rajasthan and south east rajasthan?
8. What are good administration things in rajasthan?
9. Tell me about coaching industry of kota?
10. What is Rajasthan famous for?
11. Why Hawa Mahal is so popular?
12. Is manual scavenging still practiced in Rajasthan?
13. Is drinking water availability is still an issue in Rajasthan?
14. When did you visited Bhakra Nangal Dam? What is its capacity and why is it famous?
15. Which is the largest Dam in the World? Do you know its power generation capacity?
16. Can India have such type of Dam, what are the challenges?
17. Green Revolution is both pain and gain. Explain it?
18. What is evergreen Revolution?
19. What are the problems in bordering districts of Rajasthan due to Indira Gandhi Canal?
20. Tell me about strengths and weaknesses of Rajasthan.
21. Rajasthan and climate change? Tell me steps to prevent the impact. Describe the geographical regions of Rajasthan?
22. There is one agri research institute in Jodhpur, tell me about it?
23. What is the most important mineral for rajasthan?
24. What do you know about Maanganiyaar singers of Rajasthan. Why their population is reducing?
25. Tell me about Bishnoi community. Why do they do environment protection. Are they still active into environment.

Tamil Nadu

1. Tell me about governance index. Why Tamil Nadu is best in index?
2. Is really your state do well in health and education sector? Cancer status in TN. TB status, MDR TB status.
3. What is the controversy between Periyar and Rajini?
4. Why Cinema stars are entering into politics?
5. Why hero worship culture in India?
6. Why was India invaded from Northwest?
7. Why do South India has so many lofty temples? Why not in North India?
8. Why do we read more about Magadha and North indian history during ancient phase?
9. Tell me about Greatness of Ashoka.
10. One thing you liked in North India that you would like to implement in South India?
11. Tell me about Tourist places in TN.
12. What is position of Tamil Nadu in Tourism and how to improve it?
13. Tell me about Relation between Cinema and Tamil Nadu politics.
14. Where were three sangam meeting held?
15. Features about Mahabalipuram other than tourism, architecture, stone temples?
16. Tell me about Initiatives by govt to link northeastern India with mainland India.

Telangana

1. What is the status of naxalism in Telangana?
2. Why it has come down there and not in other states like CG, Odisha?
3. What are the steps taken at Center and state level?
4. Can you suggest me 5 places of interest in Hyderabad that you want us to visit?
5. Tell me number of tribals in Telangana.
6. Tell me about Constitutional provisions for state bifurcation, creation.
7. What are the five steps involved in process of state bifurcation?
8. Why was India invaded from Northwest?

9. Why do South India has so many lofty temples? Why not in North India.
10. Why do we read more about Magadha and North indian history during ancient phase?
11. Tell me about Greatness of Ashoka.
12. What is mission kakatiya?
13. Tell me genesis of Telangana movement.
14. How is culture of Telangana different from Andhra? Is it the same as UK and USA being two separate countries with the same language?
15. Why was telangana created when we opted for one language one state policy?
16. Just because culture changes every 100 km, should we have new state for every 100 km?
17. Why southern states tend to have law abiding citizens compared to North?

Uttar Pradesh

1. Law & order situation in UP?
2. Why vacancy of DGP post or Chief secretary post?
3. Police commissioner system in UP & its effectiveness?
4. What will be your top two priority as Chief secretary of UP?
5. Tell me something about Agra apart from Taj Mahal?
6. Any other things named as "Taj Mahal"?
7. As DM of Agra, what will you do to stop harmful chemical use in vegetables?
8. You have done your graduation from Varanasi, I think Swachh Bharat Mission was started from Varanasi. What has been the impact of SBM in Varanasi?
9. Tell me about major crops of UP.
10. Tell me about Problems of sugarcane industry in UP.
11. How far has Ganga become clean? Or it is still in the same pathetic condition?
12. Name the things for which Allahabad is known for? What is kumbh?
13. When does Mahakumbh takes place?
14. Being very big state and due to administration Inaccessibility, UP should be divided. What do you think?

15. Is e-governance reachable to all? despite this, UP is still backward in almost all indicators.
16. You come from Varanasi, How will u explain the city to someone and attract them to visit?
17. Why Police Commissionerate system implemented in UP?

West Bengal

1. What is City of Joy?
2. Tell me Nobel prize winners from Calcutta.
3. What was Indigo rebellion?
4. What was permanent settlement?

9. CURRENT ISSUES OF INDIA AND WORLD

General Current Issues

1. What is the difference between innovation, research and investigation?
2. Tell me when the Telegram was started in India and when we stopped using it?
3. What are steps taken by Government to address poverty?
4. Name the countries other than India where Ramayana festival is celebrated?
5. What are the international bodies which are related to IP rights?
6. How WTO is related to Intellectual Property? What was the body before WTO?
7. What do you understand by the quote- "Demography is destiny"?
8. Compare the demographics of India and Japan.
9. What are SDGs? What are the differences between them and MDG?
10. What is sustainable development? Name the 5 pillars of it?
11. Why PAN is linked with Aadhaar? What is its impact on tax base? Should PAN be made universal?
12. When was last time we got Nobel Prize in science? Why no Nobel in science for India for long time? What should be done for this?
13. Amartya Sen has given some important concept in development economics. What are they?
14. What is capability approach? Could you give examples from India?
15. How will Aadhaar benefit you personally?
16. In India, women put turmeric on face often. Why? Are there any medicinal properties?
17. The internet is so successful because it was available to all. Do you think that everything should be open to all? What about traditional knowledge?
18. What is the use of permanent address in Aadhaar?
19. Name of some organization related to space similar to NASA and ISRO.
20. Recently, an Australian research centre has received signals from the universe that show that there might be aliens out there. What do you think about aliens?
21. Do aliens exist? Name any recent event related to it. What were the counter arguments? What are Stephen Hawking's views on aliens? What is he doing in that field? Why? How?
22. What is Corporate Social Responsibility? Why should a company who is investing its own money and also paying taxes, contribute in CSR?
23. Should CSR funds be used in Smart Cities?
24. What is scientific temper? Can a non-engineer develop scientific temper?
25. Why many engineers are non-employable?
26. What are the services provided by post offices? Why are post offices still existing? Have you ever visited the post office in your village and anywhere else? What did you notice? What did you notice in the post office you visited in Old Rajinder Nagar?
27. What is the significance of post office when so many private courier agencies are functioning?
28. Why there is not much recruitment in Cyber Security?
29. What will you choose between "money without fame" and "fame without money"?
30. Tell me some peace prizes from India.
31. Is there any law in India which defines cyber attack and distinguishes the seriousness of different cyber attacks?
32. What are initiatives of government for urban development?
33. Who is responsible for urban development? State or local government? How is state responsible?

34. What is this counter magnet area?
35. What type of local government are we having? What do you expect from it to do for your city?
36. Who is having power regarding water?
37. Whom should have more devolution of powers? Local government or state?
38. Why states not giving power when Constitution says so?
39. What is demographic dividend? Will we be able to utilise it?
40. Make in India in defense, what is performance of it?
41. Recently, Bangladesh has gained some technology in defence, what is it? It has been given recently and obviously from China, what is it?
42. What are gravitational waves?
43. Are black holes finite?
44. What is the nuclear policy of India?
45. What is the status of 4th generation aircraft manufactured in India? Where is it manufactured? Which company manufactures it?
46. What are major defence procurement policy changes recently? What are the reason for such changes?
47. What is difference between administration and management? Give some examples.
48. Tell me some major provisions of Companies Act 2013 which has been newly introduced by the Government?
49. Can you tell me some problems of MGNREGA?
50. What is the role and requirement of independent director?
51. What is NDRF? When army is doing most of the relief work why should we have NDRF? Shouldn't we scrap it?
52. What are the distinct features of North-Eastern states? How many states are there? Is Sikkim a part or not?
53. How to do tribal development?
54. How to integrate Northeast people with rest of the country?
55. What is corporate governance?
56. What is the difference between shareholders and stakeholders?
57. What are instruments of Corporate governance?
58. The generation gap is immense in our generation and yours. We as a society are facing many issues. What are these?
59. Do we make engines for aircrafts in India?
60. Who make these engines?
61. Where are these located? Certainly not in India, isn't it?
62. We can send 104 satellites in orbit but we can't make commercial aircraft engines? Why?
63. Should we start making engines here?
64. What is this Kaveri?
65. Why are we investing in making KAVERI type engines?
66. You know, whenever we take some food item packet we see FSSAI logo, what is it all about? Are there any other standards prevailing in our country?
67. What is BIS?
68. What are the sources of black money?
69. Name two important achievement of ISRO in recent days. Why important?
70. Name two writers in editorial page of newspaper you read.
71. Why Delhi Govt. want full statehood? What are the solutions to this issue?
72. Has Govt. come out with a data on how much black money is back?
73. What are the problems with Land Acquisition Act?
74. What is a waste/land? What is the percentage of wasteland in your state?
75. Tell me what is BSES standard in emission? Is It same for all kind of Vehicles? What are the parameter taken into consideration?

Social Issues

1. Education

1. What criteria is being adopted in ranking as per NIFR? According to you, should any other criteria be added in it?
2. Why industry funding is important for universities?
3. Do you support so many IITs set up by GoI?
4. Tell about new education policy. What is new in it?
5. There have been mass cheating in schools - give solution.

6. In USA, there are no board exams, do we need that in India?
7. What is the difference between Central universities and State universities? Name few central Universities.
8. Have you heard of RUSA? What are the features of RUSA?
9. Do you think that the role of UGC is diminishing due to new agencies coming up in education sector.
10. How much monitoring of higher education institutions are required? At what level the monitoring should be done?
11. How much autonomy should be given to colleges?
12. Do you agree with Govt. policies made in domain of education and social sector, what is your view?
13. What is Difference between knowledge, literacy and education.
14. Why so many people educated, still not employed?
15. What is status of Skilling?
16. Do we have any audit of educational standards in the country for higher education? What is NAAC?
17. What is university, deemed university, college, state university etc? What is role of UGC in it?
18. In our country there is the MoHRD, UGC, AICTE, NAAC and other such organizations, yet the Higher Education scenario is not very encouraging. What do you think about the reason?
19. The private sector has also not been able to prove its mettle in the field of education and you mentioned a few issues with the public-funded institutions, so do you think that this sector is a complete failure?
20. You studied in an IIT. They are provided lot of funds by the Govt. and are also known as Centers of excellence. But why is that the researchers and professors in IITs have not been able to solve the problems of the society? Do you agree with my statement?
21. Do you know anything that IIT people do for the society?
22. Why people generally do not want to enroll their children in government schools?
23. What are problems of government schools?
24. What you would do to address these problems?
25. What government is doing in this respect?
26. How to prevent school dropouts?
27. What do you think about the survey which says engineers are unemployable?
28. Can India provide quality education at affordable costs?
29. Can India absorb all the engineers it is producing?
30. Do you think that creative writing can be induced by courses or classes?
31. What is the function and role of NAAC?
32. How does NAAC accredit a college? Is there any difference in funding based on accreditation?
33. Is it necessary that the NET should be made as the teacher's eligibility for college education, while such a criterion does not exist for private sector?
34. Have you heard about Single Teacher School? What is rational behind these schools?
35. What are your take on no detention policy?
36. At what level of education should we introduce this teaching of oneness? Be specific. Primary, secondary or higher education?
37. How RTE has performed? Have you noticed any change on the ground level after enactment of RTE? Has it brought inclusiveness? What are the areas that it has improved?
38. What are the hurdles in improving women literacy?
39. People from all Engg branches are getting into Software. Is there anything wrong with our education system?
40. Should humanities/social science subjects be introduced in technical course. What should be those subjects?
41. Education-ASER report, what is it? What is the recent controversy? Is it related to Methodology? What they should have done? What is the ideal mechanism of such report preparation?
42. What is the difference in University and UPSC teaching methodology? What is this Guinness record?
43. There is a UK based model of education and another is US based. In first model elementary education is imparted free of cost while in the other upto PHD education is free, do you think India should also adopt such model?
44. Should there be vocational education?

45. Do you think our education system promotes creativity?
46. You were talking about demographic dividend, do you think commercialization of education should be there?
47. What's the issue with research publication of Indian college? What would you do as a policy maker?
48. What is inclusive education according to you? What is value education for you?
49. What values have you learned from your school? DO missionary schools focus on value education? If yes how?
50. In India many people takes private schooling then Why people break red light if they get value education in schools?
51. How to improve women participation rate?
52. What needs to done for ensuring safety of women?
53. Difference between Grading and Percentage marks? (Pointed from DAF). Which one do you feel good?
54. What do you think about girls being weak in mathematics? Why children find difficult to study maths? How should Maths be taught? How do you propose to infuse new methods?
55. Objective of Navodaya vidyalaya? Similar initiative for tribal girls? When did KGBV were established?
56. Do you think that brilliant minds should be promoted to take science and research as their career?
57. How the government could improve private sector's participation in it?
58. Do you know any examples where private players is promoting research?
59. Is it necessary that the NET should be made as the teacher's eligibility for college education, while such a criterion does not exist for private sector?
60. What did PM Modi say recently about exam stress? Do you agree to what he said?
61. How language can become barrier in education?
62. Why more startups in IT sector and not in manufacturing?
63. Why IITs rank low in world rankings?
64. Compare IIT and IISc.
65. Why we Indians lack innovation. Instead of new ideas why are just copying western startup ideas?
66. Why we people are risk averse?
67. How to increase institute-industry collaboration.
68. How RTE has performed? Have you noticed any change on the ground level after enactment of RTE? Has it brought inclusiveness? What are the areas where it has improved?
69. What are benefits of Sainik school? How will you use it in Administration?
70. What is the purpose of education? Told him intellectual development for social upliftment? Swami Vivekananda said that the purpose of education is to bring out the good already there in you?
71. What is difference between private school and kendriya Vidyalaya?
72. What is Problem of teacher absenteeism and how to solve it?
73. Why teacher consider their job as commerce and not as service. Is it not valid for all governmental service?
74. Tell me one biggest deficiency you found in medical education?
75. One university has been named as Banaras Hindu University. There is also Aligarh Muslim University. Do you think this is proper? Shall we name Universities like this?
76. Why despite being so many college's quality of students are not good enough? What steps govt had taken to curb this? Why do people want to spend more in KG but not higher education?
77. Is it feasible to provide universal higher education?
78. Why are their different boards i.e. ICSE, CBSE, regional boards? Is there need of uniform board?
79. Education comes under which list of 7th schedule.
80. What is difference between the Sarva Siksha Abhiyan and Right to education?
81. What are the issues with regard to the Right to education?
82. Which is one provision you will implement in right to education?
83. Why currently we are focusing on higher education rather than primary?

84. Success of Sarva Shikshs Abhiyan and challenges?
85. What are the problems in Secondary Education?
86. Indian schools are not able to provide basic education and learning outcomes are so low what can be done in such a condition.
87. How we can make our Education sector more innovative?
88. How exactly Atal Tinkering Lab works?
89. On the one hand government is opening more IITs and NITs (graduation) and on the other hand other engineering colleges are shutting down why?
90. Do we need more engineering colleges or diploma institutes?
91. How will you rectify the education sector in India?
92. Don't you think the Government should plan and spend more on primary and secondary education than tertiary education?
93. Lack of learning outcomes in our schools is a given fact. Who do you think should be responsible?
94. We all speak of quality. What according to you is quality education for you?
95. Why is there poor research in Indian universities? Why is Israel so competent in research?
96. Do you know about the link between military and start-ups in Israel? How can we develop such a model in India?
97. Three suggestions to improve research in universities?
98. What is HEFA (Higher Education Financing Agency)?
99. Can India provide quality education at affordable costs?
100. What is the status of education policy? Is it final now? What are some of the provisions? What about higher education? So current education policy was enacted on which year?
101. What are your views on value based education?
102. Why do we need values at first place? How about value based education at higher levels of education?
103. Give 3 reforms for education sector.
104. What should be the role of IIT in reforming higher education?

105. Right from primary education to Ph.D. you have studied in government schools, colleges, central institutions and deemed university. Can you tell us the quality issues with government institutions?
106. What is education and what is literacy? Is India focusing on education or literacy? What is the current status?

2. Health & Nutrition

1. Maternal mortality is a serious issue, what is the most common cause of mortality?
2. What are the causes of postpartum hemorrhage?
3. What will you do to reduce maternal mortality?
4. Even before improving awareness, what should be done?
5. Doctors are not keen to going to rural areas. What will you do about that?
6. Recently, I read somewhere that India will surpass China's population by 2050. So what to do about it? How to control this population?
7. India's life expectancy is 63% for males and 67% for females. What was the reason for such a spike in life expectancy post-independence?
8. What are main factor behind declining maternal mortality.
9. What should we do to improve life expectancy?
10. Should Govt. provide free medicines? How can we do it?
11. Do you know about medicines which are cheap?
12. Why generics are cheap?
13. Tell us about Health Insurance.
14. Differentiate between drug and medicine.
15. Is diabetes a disease? Explain how lifestyle affects it? People say it can be cured. Is it?
16. Do you think Yoga, Ayurveda can help curing disease?
17. Do we import or export drugs?
18. What are the changes you would recommend in Govt. hospitals.
19. How IT can help in medical field?
20. What is the name of Kiran Mazumdar Shaw company?
21. There are many doctors who have become good administrators, in spite of that when we

- look at the health indicators there is no much improvement. How can we improve healthcare of senior citizens?
22. What is medical tourism? What are the legal issues involved in it? Which country is our biggest customer in this regard? Should it be given industry status?
 23. What news from today's newspaper related to medicine drew your maximum attention?
 24. What is gene therapy? Can it be used to cure diseases?
 25. What is Thalassemia? Can it be cured by gene therapy? What treatment is provided by your hospital for it?
 26. You are dentist, what is prosthodontics? What is orthodontics?
 27. What are the deleterious oral habits found in your state? Difference between urban and rural oral habits.
 28. Why cesarean operation has increased?
 29. What you have to say about the child sex ratio in our country?
 30. What about NHS and its debate?
 31. What are sustainable health schemes?
 32. Why so high IMR and its impact on India?
 33. Nutritional problems in India?
 34. Neonatal mortality why its is high? What needs to be done? What are related Government schemes?
 35. Do you have any idea about living will?
 36. What is your opinion on living will?
 37. If an individual gives a living will should a doctor honour it?
 38. If an individual dies then his family should produce the living will to the doctor?
 39. What dilemma a doctor will face when he see the living will?
 40. Can generic coding of human be used to predict future disease?
 41. How is genetics linked to cancer treatment?
 42. What is most prevalent type of cancer in India?
 43. What is the content in the concentrate for making PEPSI?
 44. What are developments for making it healthy?
 45. Should health be private or public?
 46. Is Ayurveda science or quackery? Will you use Ayurveda in treatment? What are issues AYUSH face?
 47. Tell us about corporate hospitals, hidden cut from implants, pharma-doctor nexus. Do doctors lack empathy? What should be done? Why are govt hospitals unhygienic?
 48. What is medical tourism, what are its advantages, is it an industry?
 49. What will general public get from this advancement?
 50. Do doctors and civil servants share mutual respect?
 51. Regulatory capture by medical council. Whether the National Medical Commission is a good step? What are the criticisms against it?
 52. Any government programmes in health sector? Tell me about Health insurance proposed in budget.
 53. What is difference between PHC and rural hospital?
 54. In case of nuclear attack, how one can protect himself?
 55. Tell me about strategy to prevent spread of infections like Ebola?
 56. What are issues with private hospitals and private medical education?
 57. What should be done to prevent private hospitals from charging excessive fees?
 58. What are blood groups, tell me significance of blood groups, blood transfusion mismatch?
 59. Tell me any health programme or schemes you would like to implement apart from current schemes?
 60. So I see you are doing your MD in pharmacology? What is the reason for branded generics being so pricey in India? Is anything being done about it?
 61. What is this hype about this size zero? What is it and as a doctor would you advise it?
 62. But don't you think these family medicine doctors will create inefficiency and the number of medical negligence cases would rise?
 63. What is the institutional mechanism in India to deal with such things? Isn't there any role ethics in medical education? Did you have any such exposure during your MBBS course?

64. Malnutrition? Is ICDS failed?
 65. Cultural factors in malnutrition?
 66. Whether is it present urban and rural both?
 67. Suggestions for health sector.
 68. How to create awareness about generic medicines?
 69. Why pharmaceutical industry developed in Haryana and Himachal?
 70. National medical commission? How it help to increase doctor no? Bridge course opinion?
 71. Tell us about treatment of hepatitis in Pregnant women.
 72. Tell us about treatment of anemia and hypertension in pregnant women. What will you advise if she can't afford treatment?
 73. National health policy 2017? Budget expenditure target for health?
 74. What is full form of AYUSH?
 75. What is difference between various medicinal systems?
 76. Is regulation of stent prices right or wrong?
 77. What to do when hospital refuse to hand over dead bodies to relatives on non payment of bills?
 78. Are big hospitals cheating common people?
 79. What is role of government in such cases?
 80. Do we need health ombudsman?
 81. Have we achieved malaria eradication? Why not?
 82. Why Sri Lanka and Bangladesh achieve their health targets faster than India?
 83. What is tympanic reflex?
 84. Tell us about medical jurisprudence involving case with domestic violence and resultant seven week miscarriage?
 85. Tell about recent initiatives by the government about HIV?
 86. Since you were closely associated with public health sector in Kerala tell me the greatest challenge in Indian health care?
 87. But is affordability and accessibility still a challenge? Isn't the government doing a lot?
 88. Give some solutions for malnutrition in rural areas.
 89. Is your village ODF? What type of latrines is used? Twin pit latrines and its advantages.
 90. What is Ayushman Bharat Program? What is the scope of PPP Model in Ayushman Bharat?
 91. What is NFSA?
 92. What are the International Standards of Health (ISO standards)?
 93. PHCs are not performing well. What changes can be done? Can we privatize or can insurance be allowed in it?
 94. Which is the best method for providing fluoride free water?
 95. How would you assess development of women? What is MMR? What is India's MMR? Which is the best and worst performing state with respect to MMR?
 96. Why do you think the MMR and health indicators are low for women? How do we fare vis a vis our neighboring countries on these?
 97. What is NHPS? Why it is necessary now?
 98. Can you justify how health is wealth?
 99. How Ayushman Bharat scheme is different from previous one. What are its important features? What are the Challenges faced by government in implementing it?
 100. Why malaria is still such a burden? What is the most common drug at present? Is it extracted from plants? What is that plant?
 101. Do you know that India eliminated polio in 2014? Heard of polio cases deaths few years back? What was the reason? Why there are polio cases after polio vaccination?
 102. Tell me something about National Family Health Survey. How frequently is it done? How can we improve these indicators when the budget for Min of Women and Child, ICDS schemes are reduced?
- ### 3. Vulnerable Section
1. What is recent Supreme Court judgment with respect to Forest Rights? Why forest rights act enacted?
 2. How many tribes are there in India?
 3. What are your views on bringing tribes into the fold of the mainstream society? You must have read about the incident involving the man who went to Andaman Islands? Should we integrate the Sentinelese?
 4. What is forest right act? Explain? Its current status of implementation in CG?

5. Government has brought many policies for PWDs. What are those policies and programs?
 6. Tell me special problems of elderly, and government measures.
 7. What is Tribal Sub Plan? Name some autonomous regions?
 8. What is scheduled area? What is 5th and 6th schedule?
 9. Why autonomy is to be given to them?
 10. Have you visited any tribal region? What did you find there? What type of minor forest produce they generally sell? Where tribal sells there minor forest produce?
 11. Generally people and authority are aware about the agro-technology but still tribal are not adopting? Why? Is it necessary to extend the farm machinery to tribal areas? And why?
 12. Don't you think that shifting from subsistence to commercial agriculture will lead to deforestation?
 13. In case of tribal, usually they prefers to live in forest, then why they are migrating now?
 14. Agriculture in tribal area is the only seasonal activity, then how will you provide them sustained livelihood?
 15. Compare tribal and mainstream area people. Why tribal are not accepting mainstream culture?
 16. What is the status of tribes in India? How are they rated in the Indian society?
 17. What is FRA, 2006? What are the challenges in it?
 18. Are tribal genetically pure?
 19. We are trying to bring tribal into mainstream society, how will they adjust to the new surrounding?
 20. What is disability according to you? How can they (Persons with Disability) contribute?
 21. How can cerebral palsy people contribute?
 22. Do you think government is doing enough for disabled?
5. What do u understand by social justice?
 6. Relevance of Gandhiji's ideals in today's times?
 7. What are reasons behind lack of civil sense among Indians? (From swaccha Bharat mission poor implementation since 2014 as per member).
 8. Is population of India a boon or bane?
 9. Should we have regulation on the number of children per family?
 10. Can we take coercive actions to control population?
 11. Tell me about Varna system?
 12. Ills of Varna system? Positives of Varna system?
 13. Is diversity an opportunity or a challenge
 14. Positive and negatives of Social Media.
 15. We should be grateful to British for Indian unity. Your views?
 16. Could you tell me about Self-help groups. Specifically, SHGs in Andhra Pradesh, how they contributed?
 17. Could you tell me about Kudumbasri program?
 18. What is this Smart cantonment initiative? What is Smart City initiative? What issues are involved in its implementation?
 19. Explain sociologically the issue of blood donation in India.
 20. What are Social causes of poverty? How is it measured?
 21. Why we could not solve Poverty in 70 years when other countries could do?
 22. What is role of cinema in society?
 23. Are you on any Social Networking platform? What are issues with it?
 24. What are India's 5 major social issues?
 25. Tell me 3 advantages and 3 disadvantages of Social Media.

General Economy

1. Industrial Policy and Employment

1. Youth are wasting their time in social media and social media is a waste. Comment.
2. Tell us two positive points of social media with examples.
3. Tell us two negative of social media with examples.
4. What is social engineering?
1. Tell us about employment situation in India?
2. How will you improve employment in the country?
3. What are labor intensive jobs?
4. Some questions on startup's, can they help in massive job creation?
5. Natural resources, should government have full control? Should private sector be allowed?

6. Coal nationalization, coal allocation (interrelated and follow up qns). What private sector brings
 7. Have you heard of IPRs? What is it?
 8. Isn't IPRs and Competition conflicting? What is its solution?
 9. What is compulsory licensing?
 10. Why must government promote MSME sector?
 11. What is the percentage of public enterprises in overall industries established in India? Make a rough guess.
 12. What's the tourism scenario in India?
 13. Take on medical tourism.
 14. Take on developed countries doing clinical trials of medicines on poor people of India?
 15. India is the largest importer of defense equipment, what can government do to increase defense manufacturing? Won't including private sector increase the cost of manufacturing?
 16. Why China is so much ahead of India in manufacturing?
 17. How is our manufacturing sector doing in recent years? What are the challenges?
 18. What initiatives the Govt has taken for providing easy credit to MSMEs?
 19. What initiatives (other than credit) have been taken for MSMEs?
 20. What is GeM?
 21. What are challenges in promoting entrepreneurship and how can we promote it?
 22. How is e-governance helpful?
 23. What are the benefits of use of ICT in implementing GST?
 24. Why do we need PSU?
 25. Is China ahead in manufacturing sector compared to India? What should India do in this regard?
 26. Tell me benefits of automobile industry. Listing the names of Industries dependent on automobile industry?
 27. What do think about Air India Disinvestment? Why many Indian players not participating? Share of Air India in domestic market? Is disinvestment good for the aviation sector?
 28. Are we going to see a growth in steel sector in India? Why big steel companies are acquiring debt-ridden steel sector companies in India?
 29. What is the reason for poor performance of leather industries in India?
 30. How would you revive a sick PSU? There are some riders, you can't lay off employees; you have very limited funds.
 31. Jio revolution in telecom sector is leading to decline in revenues for government. How you look at this issue?
 32. Jio is now charging tariffs for internet service. Don't you think it is against customers interests?
 33. What is the present status of food processing industry in India and in your state?
 34. Why Food industry and Businessman still fear about inspector Raj?
 35. What are the bottlenecks in the development of food processing industry? What can be done to overcome them?
 36. What innovative measures you will take to promote the food processing industry in your district?
 37. What steps we need to take to reform tea Industry?
 38. How is tea price determined internationally? Have you heard of auctions?
 39. What steps are needed to improve Textile sector?
 40. If you are made Tourism Secretary then what steps will you take to improve Foreign Tourist Arrivals in the country?
- ### 2. Banking and Monetary policy
1. What is the difference between the merger of banks and recapitalization of banks?
 2. The government is intending to privatize the banks. Do you support the move? Is it a positive move?
 3. Is recapitalization good for banks?
 4. Why NPA higher in public banks than private banks? Should all public banks be nationalized then? Role of individual defaulters in NPA problem?
 5. SBI merger, how it has changed position of SBI?
 6. Demonetization, good or bad? Did all the black money come back? Then do you think it was a good move?
 7. How do we reduce the burden of NPA?

8. How will we put a stop to the corporate- bank nexus, which has led to huge NPA problem?
9. What is SLR? And CRR? Why is it used? Should we reduce CRR?
10. What is monetary policy? Who fix it? What is repo rate?

3. Budget and Fiscal

1. What is fiscal deficit?
2. What is revenue deficit?
3. Why savings are necessary?
4. Why investments are necessary?
5. How will these two lead to growth?
6. What is universal basic income? Positive and negative of UBI. Better alternative?
7. What can be issues with minimum basic income?
8. What is direct benefit transfer? Any scheme that uses it?
9. What is Fiscal Deficit? How does the govt finance it?
10. What is FRBM Act?
11. What's new happening in Income Tax? New steps being taken by government?
12. How can we increase our tax base?

4. Infrastructure

1. What is PPP? Has it been successful in India?
2. Isn't it shutting off government duty?
3. How can we evaluate PPP?
4. How do you define a smart city?
5. How is Sagarmala/Bharatmala doing?
6. Tell us about Golden Quadrilateral.
7. You spoke of the construction sector. Tell me one structural defect in the construction sector and one crisis?
8. Was demonetization also a crisis? How? Did it affect the laborers? How?
9. What is the name of Ministry that deals with Roads?
10. What will you suggest to Ministry of Road Transport & Highway?
11. What new technologies are being used in Road construction?

12. India has seen slow in adoption of new technology in construction sector while we see China building multi-storeys in a month. Do you think we have missed the bus? Where have we lacked?
13. What is your view on river interlinking projects
14. What is the status of Road Safety in India? What can be done?

5. General Economics and Current affair

1. What is your assessment of the economic growth of India? What criteria will you use?
2. Isn't sustainable growth part of it?
3. If a person lives in a village without pollution and is generally happy with his life, would you call it economic growth?
4. Obstacles for India's Transition to knowledge economy.
5. What is exchange rate? Current dollar rate against INR?
6. What is headline inflation? What is current retail inflation?
7. By linking PAN and Aadhar, what benefits Govt would gain and what would people lose?
8. Tell me about UBI? Is it viable? Any country having UBI?
 - (a) Do you think UBI is good?
 - (b) AS targeted delivery services are having inclusion and exclusion errors. Then UBI is good right? Then it's not universal in its coverage.
9. India is 5th largest economy but still we have 20% people living below poverty line and having so much inequality? What is the solution for the same?
10. We have large number of engineers but not getting jobs? What is the need of the hour?
11. Is it wise to have expiry date on your currency notes as on debit card?
12. China's economy is much bigger than India's don't you think India should also go for autocracy?
13. How to improve employability of Indian engineers?
14. Why software dominant in India and hardware dominant in China? How to boost hardware production in India?
15. What is digital divide? How many people in India have digital literacy?

16. What are three major issues between RBI and government?
17. Why in your opinion should RBI governor be head of the board? Should there be an autonomous payment regulatory board?
18. Why should RBI be independent? What about central bank of other nations? What about Bank of England? Is it independent too?
19. Who in your opinion will be better as RBI governor, an economist or bureaucrat?
20. Tell me some benefits of GST? Should we bring petroleum and liquor in GST?
21. Tell me about direct benefit transfer in your state? Is it working well?
22. What is demographic dividend?
23. The demographic dividend can be reaped only if working age population gets jobs. Youth are not having skills. They are not finding opportunities. How is India faring?
24. Why is there a mismatch in skills and jobs? What should be done?
25. Retail inflation has hit an 18 month low. It is mainly because of fall in vegetable prices. While it is good news to consumers, farmers are being hurt. What should be done to help farmers?
 - (a) Tell me something that can be done immediately.
 - (b) Tell me more about Price deficiency payment? Will it not result in inflation?
26. How "land" has been associated with various issues and why?
27. What issues are involved in large area under contract farming?
28. A lot of money has been invested in PSU, but PSUs are not performing well, what are the reasons?
 - (a) What should be done?
 - (b) Do you know how much money has been invested in PSUs and How many PSUs are there?
29. What is digital India?
30. What are the implications of Increased FDI in Telecom sector?
31. What's your take on PSUs, their utility especially in high-end technological areas?
32. Your take on PSU vs. private companies vis-a-vis high-investment projects?
33. What is the difference between Balance of Payment and Balance of trade? Which country do we have a deficit with? Which do we have a surplus with?
34. What is your understanding of smart city? What are the components of smart city? How to make your city a smart city
35. What progress your city has made as smart city?
36. Tell me about the impact of Swachh Bharat Mission. Has it been successful?
37. Do we have sufficient legal framework to deal with data security? Which Committee gave the report on data protection recently?
38. What is e-way bill?
39. What is the composition of GST Council?
40. What is smart governance?
41. What is the difference between SDG and MDG?
42. Do you know about ship recycling plant in India?
43. What's the difference between education from private and public university? Pros and cons?
44. What are aspirational districts? Names of aspirational district from your state?
45. Why there is high poverty in your state? Provide some suggestions to tackle it?
46. Linking of Aadhaar with PDS - what is your take on it? What shall we do to make it efficient without excluding the beneficiaries?
47. Recently government announced something about MSP what is that? Do you think 1.5 times the production cost is sufficient? What are the issues involved in calculating MSP?
48. What do you think is 'development'?
49. How we can prevent migration from rural areas to cities?
50. What do you understand by inclusive growth? Does this mean we exclude the rich and well off?
51. What is innovation? What is the Role of disruptive technologies in employment scenario?
52. What is 4th industrial revolution and strategy of India in skill building? How can technology increase employment?
53. Fiscal stimulus vs private investment? Which is better?

54. Is Indian spending on space sector waste of money? Explain the role of FDI in space sector? How space sector different from defense sector?
55. How to improve tax collections and reduce revenue deficit?
56. How to correct irony of situation that consumer is paying huge money for food and farmer not getting price?
57. What is the Significance of skill India and how to improve skills?
58. What is the significance of Make in India? What is the contribution of manufacturing and services to Indian GDP?
59. What is meant by per capita GDP? How much is India's per capita GDP and total GDP?
60. What is meant by GDP? Which country has highest GDP and what is India's rank in world GDP?
61. What is the percentage of Indian export in global trade basket? Has it gone up or down in recent times?
62. Is export led growth really necessary? Why should we care about exports instead of focusing on domestic market?
63. Tell me about SEZ? What are the reasons behind poor performance of the SEZ in India where as it is largely successful in China?
64. How inequality is measured? Is Gini coefficient a good measure? Is inequality good or bad? How does it impact?
65. Telecom rates are going down. But companies not in good shape. Why? How will they become profitable?
66. What is corporate governance? What are the key issues at present time? What have been the recent amendments in the Companies act, 2013? How independent director will help?
67. What is GST? How is it different from previous tax? Do you know the overview of it?
68. Have you heard about Twin balance sheet issue? How to solve it?
69. Do you know what is the time frame to declare a asset as non-performing asset?
70. What is SBM? What was Launch date? What is Status in your town? What is this ODF, ODF+, and ODF++?
71. Is there rural distress in India? What are the reasons? Provide some suggestion to address the issue?
72. In which sectors globalization can benefit India?
73. What is the Total Forex reserve of our country?
74. What is the difference between GDP and GNP?
75. Do you think technology causes loss of jobs? Do you think robots should replace infantry?
76. What is biomedical waste? Why it is important? What do you know about biomedical waste management act 2016? What are the method of segregation and method of disposal?
77. What is headline inflation? What is the KALIA scheme and how it is different from Honorable PM's scheme?
78. Who are small and marginal farmer? What is the percentage of land less agriculture labor in country?
79. Do you think this Food security act be continued or scrapped?
80. There have been talks about financial consolidation. What is it?
81. What are the schemes for doubling farmer's income?
82. Who fix the income criteria for economically weaker section and where is it written?
83. What are the schemes in MSME sector?
84. What are the current characteristics of Indian economy? What is the current GDP and Inflation rate?
85. What are the recent steps taken by Gol to prevent money laundering? Why do we call black money as black?
86. What is one significant labor reform that the government is trying to undertake? What are the three things that the government consider while making laws for employees?
87. What can be done to avoid the collapse of bridges as happened day before yesterday?
88. Is India's manufacturing base is low? Why? Why service sector developed?
89. Why do we have to make CSR compulsory? Which law made it compulsory? What are the criteria for CSR?

90. What is your opinion on the Pm Kisan scheme? Do you feel the farmers will be appeased? Should we increase the amount in future?
91. What good the demonetization has achieved? Whether RBI was ready for demonetization? Why RBI has failed as a regulator?
92. How notes are printed? Why we are not going for non-Gandhi bank notes?
93. There is a general perception that the police are too corrupt, but I say RBI is too corrupt than police”.
94. There are two key problems in banking sector: corporate debt restructuring and loan waiver. What is the difference between principles behind two? Is loan waiving leads to moral hazard?
95. What is digital India (DI) campaign and its component? Is there any relation between Digital India and Demonetization?
- What about towers?
 - Why people are worried about it?
 - What will you do to convince people about towers?
 - Which government agency looks to radiation level?
96. Do you think that ATMs will get fully eliminated in the future? What steps are needed for Digital India?
97. Why China has greater manufacturing base than India? For India to match China’s manufacturing, what would be India’s greatest advantage? Do you genuinely believe that India can overtake China in manufacturing?
98. What is government policy about telecom sector in manufacturing? Why India is lagging in the manufacturing?
99. What in your opinion should be the future course of Indian IT? How can India match the foreign nations when it comes to IT skills?
100. India is a leading manufacturer of drugs in the world, it has led to drug menace, what do you think? What can be the solution to this problem?
101. Why is consumer awareness and drug regulation weak in India even after 70 years of independence?
102. It is said that foreign companies collude with domestic companies to drive up the prices of drugs in our country do you think that is correct? Same is the case with medical devices, what do you think are the effects of these policies?
103. What is the role of Doctors in driving up the prices of drugs? Do you think we should have a law making it compulsory for doctors to prescribe generic medicines?
104. Can you tell me the difference between the economies of India and China? How can we address the huge difference in the sizes of our economies?
105. Why employability is very less amongst graduates? What is % of GDP spent on education and R&D?
106. What is the energy scenario in India? Explain the energy mix of India?
107. What are the main sources of renewable energy and what is our target?
108. What is GST? What is composition of GST council? How does GST council work?
109. What is TRIPS+? Why India is called pharmacy of the world? Should we change our IPR law?
110. What is GI tag? What is its significance? What is the status of Rasgulla? Which other state claimed its origin?
111. Do you know about happiness index? Which is better GDP or happiness index? And why?
112. What are different types of digital threats? How to detect when some Cyber-attack has taken place?
113. What is the issue in healthcare sector in India and how could the IT provide solution to this?
114. What are the misuse and danger of IT?
115. What is the trusteeship theory of Gandhiji? Is it relevant in the today times?
116. Could it be implemented in modern capitalist economy?
117. Should railways be privatized? What are the non-core areas where the private sector is active in railways? Name some public sector units in railways? What benefit will bullet train have for India? Is it needed?
118. What is the status of research in the country?
119. What are disruptions in telecom sector we are witnessing?
120. Does any country use satellite communication for telecom sector?

121. As a Telecom secretary how will you promote telecom sector?
122. Recently, ex ISRO chairman got license for new telecom technology, do you know about this?
123. What is cyber security? What setup does India have to protect data of users?
124. Have you heard about RBI and SBI? What is the difference between them?
125. Something with respect to RBI is happening today. What is it? (Monetary policy committee was scheduled that day). What is repo rate? Why should RBI fix repo rate?
126. Inflation is actually good for the economy. Why do you say that inflation is bad for the economy?
127. Explain me what will happen when inflation goes beyond the range you spoke about?
128. Are you saying that economy will slip into recession if inflation is not controlled?
129. What are the problems of PPP? Why is India not able to successfully execute them?
130. What are possible sources for funding? What is the difference between Tax and Cess?
131. Do you feel we are investing our savings properly?
132. What is CRR? Is it kept with the bank or with the RBI? Does it receive any interest? Is it in current account? Why is there a CRR kept with the RBI?
133. Which do you think is more important - Savings based economy or consumption based?
134. India had many skill development programs even before 2014? What changes are made now?
135. What do you know about Sector Skill Council? What are they? How many of them are there?
136. Tell me about Mauritius route of investment? What is the recent amendment made to DTAA?
137. What is a hawala transaction? How is money actually transferred?
138. What is the difference between humanoid and robot?
139. Why is energy security crucial for India?
140. What are the problems of CSR? How it can be overcome?
141. How much % are skilled in India? What is the world average?
142. Tell 3 primary and 3 secondary problems which oday's government should focus.

6. Miscellaneous Economic Issues

1. What is your suggestion on subsidies? Name some subsidies (MSP, Fertilizer, PDS). Are they reaching beneficiaries? Should we stop them, because there is more wastage of money?
2. What steps are necessary in future by Govt. for achieving two digit growth?
3. What subsidy Govt. has asked to give up?
4. Name the 3 public and 3 private sector Banks.
5. Define GDP, HDI and Sensex. Relations among them.
6. A nation have high GDP growth, does it mean it have high HDI? Name the Components of HDI.
7. You mentioned earlier about income inequality, tell me about it.
8. Explain Gini coefficient, Lorenz curve.
9. What should Govt. do to improve HDI?
10. Should we promote companies like Jio? Does these mergers and acquisitions (M&A) trends good for market?
11. Why do we need regulators at all? Why can't we let market work freely? Is it a good principle?
12. Recently, I saw an advertisement where a tobacco farmer was appealing to Govt. to do something about his condition as the market is flooded with foreign tobacco products. Also, the govt is losing out on revenue due to it. As a revenue officer what do you suggest?
13. What is agriculture's share in our economy?
14. What is the proportion of people employed in agriculture?
15. What are Govt.'s present debt levels? What should be ideally?
16. What is fiscal deficit expected for 2017-18? What is target level in long term?
17. What are NPAs?
18. What is the difference between NPA and stressed assets?
19. After how much time stressed assets become NPAs?
20. What are present NPA levels for Public sector banks and overall banking sector?
21. Why is so much population is involved in agriculture, still it's share in economy so low?

22. Should agri-income be taxed?
23. What is tax reforms? What should be done?
24. Is our tax base sufficient? Explain steps to expand it.
25. Which one is better direct/indirect tax? Reasons for both.
26. Labour laws reforms are needed for export promotions? If yes, why and what Government has done about it?
27. Tell me about 2008 financial crisis.
28. Give a description of India's GDP.
29. What are the areas that contribute to GDP?
30. What are our export and import figures? Which is more?
31. What are the major items we export?
32. What are the transport modes of export? Rail, road, air or anything else?
33. You mentioned about ports. How many ports are there in India?
34. Have you heard about maritime security of India? You mentioned ports, so you must be aware.
35. What are those ports, can you mention?
36. Have you heard about Indradhanush 2.0?
37. What is TRIPS? Explain TRIPS dispute on Pharma.
38. What is the life of a patent?
39. What are ARC's? What have they traditionally been doing? What are the new changes? Have you heard of them?
40. What do you think about the economic indicators of an economy?
41. Let's take up economy. What are the challenges there in?
42. What else? Have you heard of Make in India? What is it?
43. Can you suggest one sector that has a lot of potential for employment?
44. What do you think about infrastructure? Where can we generate the employment?
45. Have you heard about Dedicated Freight Corridors? Can you name a few? What comes to your mind talking of corridors?
46. What is the issue of Panama paper leak? How many Indians involved in it and which Indian laws were broken? Which firm was involved in it and how the issue surfaced? Just tell me the specific details.
47. What are Payment Banks? How they earn money? Name some banks.
48. Compare startup ecosystem from 2012 to 2017. What new policies government has announced?
49. What are shell companies?
50. Investment in infrastructure is low in India, Govt. needs money, what are the options? What regarding borrowing? Which Act has these mentioned? What is the target for this year?
51. What is anti-dumping?
52. What is dumping? And why is it bad? What about harm to domestic industry?
53. What is national income? Is students from IIT, AIIMS, other institutions preparing a loss to national income?
54. What is Finance Commission? What does it do? Which was the last commission and how was it different with respect to local bodies?
55. What is DIPAM?
56. Why Govt. is disinvesting PSUs?
57. What are credit rating agencies problems? Private companies Vs. sovereign country. What to do? South Africa given junk status, India worried, why?
58. What is FTA effect on India? Should we conclude more FTAs? What are the problems?
59. What is liberalisation in service. Explain.
60. Talk about UBI. Its fallouts.
61. Tell me issues associated with startup these days? But IT people now-a-days starting cab and food type startup only. How they are contributing towards economy?
62. India is facing jobless growth? Do you agree?
63. What are the reasons of jobless growth?
64. What is Fiscal deficit and revenue deficit?
65. Can fiscal deficit be negative or positive if revenue deficit is negative?
66. What do you mean by tax havens? Why don't all countries together take action against them? Name some tax havens.
67. Which is world's largest economy?
68. What is budget?

69. How is budget prepared?
70. Recently, it was pointed out that GST is not just a radical tax reform but it is also a transformative tax policy. Do you agree?
71. What were the objectives of Demonetisation? And what has been its outcomes vis-a-vis its objectives?
72. What's your opinion regarding let's say effect of demonetisation on terror financing?
73. For disinvestment, would be support exit of government from the market based economy?
74. Do you support privatisation of Air India? Why?
75. Don't you think that private airlines would not be interested in providing air services to let say North-eastern areas, moreover, in case of emergency such as evacuation from war torn areas like Syria and Yemen could not be carried out by private airlines?
76. What changes you see in Indian economy since independence?
77. What policy were responsible for such changes?
78. What is HDI?
79. What about Gross Happiness Index? Give recent data. What is India's position with respect to Bangladesh, Pakistan?
80. How China's currency depreciation impacts Indian rupee? What steps you will take to appreciate rupee against?
81. Tell me about RBI monetary policy and its key highlights.
82. Even after a huge market for automobile sector, why there is less focus on R&D in India? What is your suggestion to enhance the R&D?
83. What is gold monetization scheme? Why it's failing to enthuse Indians? What is your suggestion to improve this?
84. What is the solution of NPAs?
85. How VAT different from GST? Explain EPCG, Dumping, etc.
86. What is SEZ? Examples of SEZ. How to re-invigorate SEZ? Why no SEZ in Ghaziabad, Faridabad, etc? Why Minimum Alternate Tax (MAT) in SEZ?
87. Tell me how will you attract FDI?
88. Tell me about the criteria of ease of doing business?
89. Do we need High speed railways? Why Railways so highly subsidised? Is it possible to do away with it?
90. So, how do you relate protectionism and Make in India?
91. Why is Make for India better and sustainable than Make in India?
92. Why should India follow China and not chart out its own growth story?
93. How will you grow India's exports?
94. Tell me the issues in Steel sector.
95. You talked about E-commerce sector, what do you think we should restrict the outside companies like Amazon and behave like swadeshi first or let the Market forces run it?
96. So, you are working in Central Excise department. Do you think that the clout of excise officers will be gone after GST?
97. Government says that GST will benefit but you know that somebody's gain comes at the cost of someone else's loss, so who is at loss in GST?
98. So, you said that the customers will gain due to streamlining of taxes or it would be decrease in the tax rates?
99. Do you know GDP in nominal terms GDP in PPP terms?
100. What is PPP?
101. Don't you think PPP is misleading?
102. What is ease of doing business?
103. What is India's ranking in Ease of Doing Business?
104. What is India's ranking given by WEF?
105. What is India's ranking in HDI?
106. What is GER? What is the current GER?
107. Is India mixed or open economy?
108. What are sick PSUs? Name some of them.
109. Difference between privatization and disinvestment.
110. What is FTA's effect on India? Should we conclude more FTAs? Problems?
111. Tell us about liberalisation in service?
112. What is singapore H1B visa issue? What can be done to address it?
113. What is Make in India?
114. What kind of the jobs you want to create in Make in India?

115. What impact did GST have?
116. Why then GST? How it is useful?
117. Did we get all currency notes? Do you think it helped to tackle black money?
118. What do you think which should be there: cashless or cash based society?
119. What is Ponzi scheme?
120. Do you think railway should be privatized?
121. What is importance of Indian Railway?
122. Rail budget merger and its impact?
123. Would minister (MoR) not have to be answerable in parliament now?
124. What is ailing Indian Railways?
125. What reforms IR is bringing?
126. More division of IR, Vizag asking for one more division?
127. Railway accident and safety measures?
128. Why not to run all trains at same speed?
129. Tell us about congestion over rail network in India?
130. What is need of DFC?
131. What is feasibility of bullet train project?
132. Demonetisation impact on informal sector.
133. What is difference between powers of a Maharatna, Navratna and a Mini Ratna PSU?
134. What is the difference between 5G, 4G and 3G?
135. Tell me something about Swiss Challenge Model?
136. What is PPP?
137. What problem PPP is facing?
138. Why so much criticism about PPP?
139. Do you know about annuity model?
140. What is rural banking?
141. Should Public sector banks privatized? What is the need to setup branches in rural areas with high operational costs? Is it better to give this responsibility to private sector?
142. What are your views on loan waiver?
143. But don't you think it better to waive farmers loan to stop farmer suicides?
144. Tell me alternative to loan waiver?
145. Why banks hesitates to give loan to farmers?
146. What measures declared for agriculture in budget?
147. Who decides MSP?
148. What do you think about startups? Some steps taken by government.
149. What is Angel investment? What is Angel tax?
150. What is cashless economy?
151. What are benefits for taxation?
152. How to implement cashless economy?
153. Is forcing to go for cashless economy the right way?
154. What are the provisions of RERA Bill?
155. NPA was always there. How is it a big issue now?
156. Which bank in India has the highest numbers and percentage of NPA in India?
157. Is RBI also accountable for this? If regulatory bodies are not delivering their job? Whom should they be accountable to?
158. Have you heard of FRDI bill? what was the most controversial clause in that? What exactly is Bail-in clause?
159. Is government planning to recapitalise banks?
160. If one-day government decides not to capitalize how will banks raise capital? Will FRDI reduce the need for government to recapitalise?
161. What was the recent statement of CEA about PSBs?
162. Name three leading FDI contributors to India last year? how such a small nation like Maldives can pump in FDI?
163. How does DTAA work?
164. What is the role of RBI?
165. What are the recommendation of Debroy committee? What are the biggest take away from the report?
166. Measures taken by government to curb black money in real estate.
167. What are amendments made in Benami Act?
168. Why was IT act not amended to achieve the same ends as Benami Act?
169. Is retrospective tax good?
170. What was income disclosure scheme? When did it happen? What happened?
171. Did demonetisation work? Failures or success?
172. Any five salient feature of Budget 2018.
173. What is zero based Budgeting?

174. Tell us constitutional amendment; that were made to implement GST? What are challenges in GST?
175. Tell us about PNB Scam, suggestion to prevent such scams.
176. How is gross national happiness index calculated?
177. How will you compare two states economically?
178. How is HDI calculated?
179. What are the advantage of PPPs? What are the challenges and the reforms made in the recent time?
180. Why Pharma industry has recently seen downfall in exports? Issues with USA in Pharma sector?
181. China controls 90% of rare earth production. How does it use it for geopolitical purpose?
182. Are you aware of any rare earth fields outside china where production can rival that of china?
183. What is capital adequacy ratio?
184. Have you heard about NPAs? Have you heard about ROA? If any bank fails in maintaining these three, what can RBI do to check them?
185. Difference between government account and private account?
186. What are Repo and Reverse Repo rates? How are they helpful?
187. What is the range of inflation we are targeting? What will happen when it comes below the lower target range?
188. What are effects of inflation on Foreign trade? What if it goes very high, still is it good for foreign trade?
189. Why subsidies with sunset clause but we see MGNREGA like subsidies are continuing. What is reason for that?
190. Economy is growing very good. But is everything alright? What is this unemployment then? How to deal with it?
191. What are your views regarding disinvestment? What should be the criteria? Should ailing PSUs be sold and well running ones be retained?
192. What do you understand by Demographic Dividend?
193. Can we utilize the potential of demographic dividend? Or will it become a population bomb?
194. Has the financial sector become too important in the present scheme of things?
195. Has minimum account balance provision affected the public character of SBI?
196. Why do private banks not participate in PPP projects?
197. Why no participation in spite of compulsory infra contribution?
198. GI tag for rasgulla. What was it about? Who was right? Was the spat between 2 states necessary?
199. What is 3 C? Do you think they are a hindrance to the efficient functioning of the system?
200. Economic disparity between rich and poor. Reasons and remedies.
201. What is Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana?
202. Could PNB scam be prevented? What are the key issues within the PNB scam?
203. Now, what curative are steps required in banking sector?
204. Don't you think personnel management is bigger issue in this?
205. What role do you think higher management could have played in this issue?
206. How will you use it in improving the regulation of companies?
207. What are steps do you think we need to take for empowering investors?
208. Do you think we should delineate the institution of MD and chairman in board room of companies? What are positives and drawbacks?
209. What more reforms do you suggest?
210. What is the role of independent directors in companies?
211. What is trickle down theory?
212. Should railway be privatised? What social externality Railway has that you were saying?
213. What is CSR? What is CSR criteria? Are all companies required to implement CSR?
214. What is scientific social responsibility?
215. What is Saubhagya scheme?
216. What can be done to reform banks in future?
217. What is the biggest achievement of GST? Tell some other benefits of GST? What is the cascading effect? Tell some other benefit? How GST can help in direct taxes, it is an indirect tax?
218. Can you tell us how we can increase our tax collection?

219. What is our tax to GDP ratio?
220. Indians are rich but India is not rich. What do you understand by this statement? So what steps would you take as CBDT Chairman to remove this?
221. It is believed that in 1947 the voting rights should have been restricted only to the taxpayers. What is your opinion on it?
222. How will you explain the concept of money laundering to a common man?
223. There are negatives of black money, but can you think of any positives of black money? Is cash always a black money?
224. What are paradise papers?
225. What are panama papers? Name the people whose names came out in panama leak?
226. What is basic income?
227. What are characteristics of a tax haven?
228. Is GDP growth along with joblessness ok for India?
229. How much population in informal sector?
230. Why people in informal sector are more than in formal sector?
231. How can you ensure movement of people from informal to formal sector?
232. What is a smart city? Tell me specific aspects of smart cities.
233. Why Western coastal states are more developed than eastern coastal states? As a tourism secretary how will you promote Ajanta and Ellora?
234. Demonetisation impact on informal sector? What made you think it affected informal sector? Any data source?
235. What is lie detector test?
236. What are schemes for financial inclusion?
237. Name some Indian startups and government initiatives to support start up.
238. Tell us about recapitalisation of banks, what is its impact on banks, on economy? Should public money be used for recapitalisation?
239. Should banks be part of secondary equity market in India?
240. What is most pressing problems in banking sector at present?
241. Is there any bank that does not land? Give example.
242. What is creative accounting. What is it? Done in banks?
243. Tell me something about Swiss Challenge Model?
244. What is Enterprise Resource Planning?
245. What is performance audit?
246. What is difference between tax planning, tax evasion, tax avoidance and tax sops.
247. What is entrepreneurship? Why does India have very less entrepreneurs?
248. What is difference between a company and a corporation?
249. As a policymaker how would you improve primary, secondary and tertiary sectors of economy.
250. Name some countries which have good manufacturing base. Give reasons for their success. Discuss the issues of land, labour, capital in manufacturing sector.
251. Should we give more preference to desi e-commerce like flipkart against say amazon. Why not?
252. China does not allow amazon, facebook, google to operate there. Why shouldn't we follow same policy and encourage home companies?
253. What is the origin of tax?
254. What is Startup India and Stand Up India programme? What is the procedure to get funding from the government? How will dedicated freight corridors help Indian Railways?
255. How can private capital be infused in Railways? Should we not privatise Railways? In current system, taxpayer is paying for inefficiencies of Railways?
256. Tell us about need of Make in India. What steps are taken by the government to attract foreign and domestic investors?
257. What is world economic forum? What parameters do they use for bringing out reports?
258. What is Nation Building? Difference between Nation Building and Nation Development?
259. What reforms do you suggest in GST?
260. RBI's decision on LoU banning. Is it a knee jerk reaction?
261. RBI as a banker's bank. What is the role? After FRDI Bill, won't it get diluted?
262. When did inflation accounting start?
263. What is MRP? Minimum retail price? Dual MRP?
264. Tell some nobel Laureate in economics in recent year?

265. What is public good (PG)? What is the principal of PG?
266. What is marginal utility?
267. What is paradise paper leak?
268. What is difference between stock and Share?
269. What was subprime lending crisis?
270. What is quantitative easing? Which banks did this?
271. How was Iceland affected from subprime crisis? Name any movie on this?
272. Why there is a tendency in Indian market that shopkeepers ask customers, whether you would want a bill?
273. Why is it still happening in electronics shop?
274. When did you last visit electronic shop?
275. Effects of cash based economy on direct and indirect taxation.
276. Name some famous personalities in paradise paper leak?
277. Status of Defense manufacturing in India? Where we are lacking? What are reason behind it?
278. The project you did as research internship; is it commercially viable? If not? Why?
279. Do you know Reliance Fresh? What is its business model?
280. What is crafting counterfeit foliage?
281. National health protection scheme? Needs in India specially when primary infrastructure not developed?
282. Why inflation of fruits and vegetables higher than cereals? What should we do to address issue of perishable goods?
283. Why ONGC changed from commission to corporation?
284. What is trade deficit? In which field India has trade deficit?
285. Tell three primary and three secondary problems which today's government should focus?
286. What are the steps taken by government in each of these fields?
287. How many percent are skilled in India? What is the world average?
288. Do you think that taxing service people (civil servants) is wrong because already they have meagre salaries?
289. What is percentage of tax paid by service people in India?
290. Shall agriculture be taxed?
291. But if you think that agriculture be taxed then why till now we didn't tax it?
292. What is FDI?
293. Do you support 100% FDI in all sectors? Why?
294. What are sectors where FDI shall not be allowed?
295. Shall FDI be allowed in retail sector? Why?
296. How to protect retail sellers from foreign companies?
297. USA imposed duty on import of steel and aluminium. Do you support such moves?
298. India is imposing anti-dumping duty on import of steel from China to protect Indian industries. Do you support this Indian policy?
299. A talk on creating Revoking passports of wilful defaulter is on cards. What's your views?
300. What's WTO case of USA on India that was in news today? On which Rule of WTO? What's the conditions for applying that rule?
301. What is Nirav Modi Scam? What is the full form of SWIFT?
302. What is GSTN? Tell me working of GSTN? Is it a private body or government body?
303. What is insolvency code?
304. Marketing lessons to be learnt from entrepreneur turned Baba Ramdev marketing strategies.
305. What is difference between Tax and Cess?
306. Tell us reasons for militant trade unionism?
307. Difference between Indian and US accounting system? Why NFRA? Oversight mechanisms in accounting? Your stand on long term capital gains introduced in budget.
308. Why long term capital gains has been implemented again?
309. Is India a savings based economy or consumption based economy? Have you heard of the news about how Central government is using the small savings scheme fund of public these days, it was in today's newspaper.
310. Which do you think is more important? Savings based economy or consumption based?
311. Do you feel we are investing our savings properly? You mentioned that data manipulation

and fudging is a matter of personal integrity and choice, but do you think it is business driven?

312. In one line, tell me how to make the accountants accountable?
313. He mentioned that he had also done law, so they believe 98% of the citizens won't follow a law. If you say the stringent laws should be implemented for accountability of accountants, what will be the benefit?
314. What is difference between Stand up and Start up India programs?
315. What is this liberalization? Why private sector was allowed to come in the market?
316. India had many skill development programs even before 2014? What changes are made now?
317. What is the role of private players in skill development activities? Where will the skilled manpower go after getting skilled?
318. What do you know about Sector Skill Council? What are they? How many of them are there?
319. Difference between microfinance bank and scheduled commercial bank?
320. Difference between investment banks and commercial banks?
321. What is happening to disinvestment of air India? Why it is not yet completed? What action govt has taken to facilitate this?
322. What is 360 degree profiling on a tax payer?
323. Tell me about Mauritius route of investment? What is the recent amendment made to DTAA?
324. What is a hawala transaction? How is money actually transferred?
325. Aadhaar is being linked to Pan Card, Bank Account - what is the benefit of this measure?
326. What steps are needed to improve Textile sector?
327. Tell me measures taken by government to improve Machine based Textile sector?
328. What steps we need to take to reform tea Industry?
329. How is tea price determined internationally? Have you heard of auctions?
330. What is incredible India campaign and tell us recent initiative related to it?
331. Tell us importance of MSME.
332. Why is Mumbai called the financial hub of India? High proportion of country's revenue come from Mumbai. Why do you think such high proportion from Mumbai? What are the transportation problems of Mumbai?
333. What is bharatmala project? Why port connectivity important?
334. Why construction of road infrastructure important? What is golden quadrilateral? Explain.
335. What is difference between finance and economy?
336. Why India doesn't have big chip-manufacturing sector?
337. Why India doesn't have as much patent as US etc., even though when same type of India-migrant employees go there they get more patent?
338. Should the process patent be allowed, like product patent?
339. Farmers are in distress in our country, do you agree and why are they in distress?
340. Declining textile in traditional regions; ways to revive.
341. What is reason for decline of textile In Kanpur?
342. Had you thought of joining textile sector during graduation or civil service?
343. What is prospects and current scenario of startups in India. Startup India program and its progress what would you do as an startup India head?
344. Tell us about policies in civil aviation? UDAN? what is being done? How much is fare?
345. Tell us about establishment of NHAI, its aim and effectiveness.
346. What you will do to promote handicraft and power loom sector simultaneously?
347. Tell me some concepts of economics which can be applied to town planning and how?
348. Which all taxes are subsumed in GST?
349. What do you think how has GST benefited the consumers?
350. What has been role of PSUs in India after independence?
351. Commerce based question: (a) What is single entry and double entry. (b) Tell us about cost accounting and financial accounting.
352. Which model India can adopt from America for development?
353. Has demonetisation stopped FICN?

354. PNB issue: Why Audit and Vigilance could not identify the issue? Counter questions on these.
355. What could you suggest on auditing measures in the banks? What is the role of RBI as a regulator in these issues?
356. Banks consolidation issue: How is it advantageous?
357. NPAs: Can we get Zero default in banking?
358. IBBC: What are the provisions? Can the original promoters be allowed in the bidding?
359. What government has done to increase digital payments?
360. What is telecom policy of India? What policy India follow to increase outreach in rural area?
361. What is trade deficit?
362. How to double income of women in village?
363. Tell me History of world Bank and IMF.
364. Write the figure of 5 trillion.
365. What is GDP.
366. What is this 5 trillion dollar economy? How to achieve it?
367. What can an individual do to achieve this goal?
368. How to give a boost to Manufacturing?
369. What will infrastructure do if no goods are to be transferred?
370. Tell me about advantages and disadvantages Demonetisation?
371. Why banks being merged?
372. Tell me about Job losses in banks?
373. You were talking about black money. Can you tell me the how to identify the black money notes. Can we identify that by the colour of the notes? What is this white and black money?
374. What is SENSEX? How is it calculated? Can you name some more famous indices internationally?
375. Tell me about Work of Abhijeet Banerjee and Sen.
376. Tell me the difference between monetary and fiscal policy.
377. Tell me about instruments of monetary policy and their rate.
378. Why in India productivity is lower in all fields?
379. How to leverage demographic dividend to close gap with China?
380. Tell me about Amartya Sen's contributions to Indian Economy.
381. What is the sectoral composition of GDP?
382. How much percentage of workers in each sector?
383. Why agricultural contribution is low?
384. Why there is jobless growth in India?
385. Why 80 percent of our engineers don't find jobs?
386. What should we change in our education system?
387. How do we relate skill and employment?
388. Tell us about current economic scenario in India.
389. Suppose you are the government nominee in Monetary.
390. Policy Committee (MPC), what will you recommend about the stance of policy rate cuts?
391. What are the reasons for economic slowdown in our country?
392. What is CRR and SLR? Why they are used by the RBI?
393. Why slow down is happening. What kind of policy should be adopted by the RBI?
394. Who signs on currency notes?
395. Why finance secretary signs only on rupees 1 rupee note?
396. What is meant by bank guarantee?
397. What is legal tender?

Agriculture and Rural Development

1. Can farmer income be doubled by 2022?
2. Are you aware how much percentage of perishable goods are wasted in India?
3. Are loan waivers good for economy?
4. Why farmers don't get enough income?
5. How will you reduce the nexus of intermediaries?
6. Do you know what is Operation Flood?
7. Who was the personality behind operation flood?
8. Indian farmers face the problem of no titles in their name. How do we rectify this?
9. Land reforms don't work in India. Give us some other solutions to address this problem.
10. Do you know about problems of rural/remote areas in India?
11. What are the reasons for the farmer suicide?
12. What is sustainable development? Tell me the examples in agriculture, need for diversification, crops and types in detail.

13. Explain Micro irrigation.
14. Our agricultural productivity is too low. What can be done about it?
15. What is relationship between production and productivity.
16. What are the three problem of Agriculture? How to solve each?
17. Tell us climate change and agriculture.
18. Explain about excessive water consumption in agriculture.
19. What is big announcement regarding agriculture in recent budget?
20. How to achieve MSP 1.5 times higher than cost of production?
21. What formula has been proposed by government?
22. What is the difference between GM crops and organic farming?
23. What is status of organic farming in your state?
24. Should GM to crops be allowed in India?
25. What is the cost of production in MSP controversy?
26. Where are the groundwater depletion zones in India? How to tackle it as a Agriculture Secretary?
27. How will you save standing crop suffering from drought?
28. Should agriculture be taxed?
29. What is contribution of M.S. Swaminathan in Indian agriculture?
30. Why farmers suicides are happening? And give solutions?
31. As a DC what steps you will take about water scarcity in Latur? What is government doing/What are the initiatives?
32. How to increase productivity of small land holdings like of one acre?
33. What is Odisha can be developed?
34. GM crop issue and Cotton in particular.
35. Why regional imbalance in agriculture? What to do in agriculture? How to diversify? Give examples.
36. Isn't it good that agri contributions in GDP grow with time? What can be done?
37. What is crop infestation? Difference in agricultural practices in China and India?
38. You have worked in water conservation projects and you know Anna Hazare's work. How will you expand its to other parts of MH and India? What are state level measures for water conservation?
39. Is sugarcane suitable for maharashtra? What needs to be done?
40. What is view on land fragmentation? Do you think that it is time to go back to co-operativization?
41. Isn't promising 1.5 times MSP and then playing out in calculation is a cheating?
42. Why do you think Gram Haats are so important?
43. Don't you think by liking them to e-NAM it can crash the agriculture market, Farmers will be at more risk?
44. How does exactly price deficiency payment system work?
45. What are TReDS? Do you think we can introduce it in agriculture?
46. Why farmers marched from Nashik and what were their demands? Didn't MH gave loan waiver last year? Marches may turn violent, as a officer, what steps will you take?
47. What is Operation Green and how will it help farmers?
48. What are the problems faced by sugarcane farmers in Uttar Pradesh? Name recent state and central govt schemes for them?
49. What are cash crops? What is soil erosion? How we can control it? What are the problems faced by farmers? Difference between reserve and protected forest? Modern techniques in Agriculture? What is precision Agriculture? How will you convert desert area into Agriculture land? What are butress? Types of soils. What is Podzol?
50. What is difference between Intensive Agriculture and intensive Forestry?
51. Tell us about Seed act? Is forest seeds come under this?
52. What is NFTP?
53. How seed varieties are released? Tell us about certification?
54. Horticulture production in Kolhapur? Regions of pomegranate production In Maharashtra?
55. What is the difference between Agriculture Engineering and Horticulture Engineering?

56. Tell us about ideal geographical condition regarding cotton.
57. What are smart villages? What are your priorities to make a village a smart?
58. Don't you think wealth creation in village is most important component to make a village smart?
59. Onion issue, why is there volatility in price? What can be done?
60. Can food parks solve issue? What products can be made from onions?
61. Is loan waiver solution? What is long term solutions? Suggestions for dairy development in India Sectors agriculture should focus.
62. Is there MSP for pulses? What is water use efficiency. Can there be micro irrigation in North East? Government initiative for micro irrigation. What is water use efficiency in Industry?
63. Tell me something about green revolution. How to have balance between population rise and food crisis?
64. Tell me something about irrigation status in India and how it can be improved?
65. What is e NAM?
66. Which is largest storage public sector agency in India?
67. What is negotiable warehousing receipts? How farmers are benefited by it?
68. What are the pitfalls of green revolution?
69. Don't you think the target of doubling farmers' income by 2022 is over-ambitious target? Can govt achieve it? What impact will it have?
70. What are the inputs used in agricultural farming?
71. What is the better method to ensure that farmers get remunerative price for their produce?
72. Which state introduced price deficiency payment mechanism first?
73. Are you aware of Telangana model?
74. Type of agriculture in north east? Shifting agriculture? Explain it? What all crops are they growing? What land are they using? What tools are they using? Is it beneficial?
75. What is Breeding policy for Indigenous cattle?
76. What type of breeding policy should be there? What is production status of Indigenous Cattle and Exotic breed?
77. Contribution of Verghese Kurien.
78. Difference between Jersey Cow and Indigenous Cow? Hens give daily egg. From where she get so much Calcium? We need more smart veterinary hospital?
79. Technological use in veterinary profession?
80. Indian breed which found in other countries?
81. What is feminisation of agriculture? What are reason for it?
82. What is stevia (alternate sweetener)?
83. Where is the plant found?
84. What are some examples of Rabi and Kharif crops?
85. Which crops would you suggest for replacing sugarcane in your water scarcity area?
86. Ground water exploitation and prevention.
87. Do you think water issue can cause next world war?
88. What is e-NAM?
89. Tell me in detail about PM Fasal Bima Yojana.
90. What is Organic farming? Explain it briefly?
91. Will organic farming prevent farmer suicides?
92. What do you know about bio fuel?
93. Tell us about national bio fuel policy?
94. Why Jatropha ideal for bio diesel extraction?
95. Relevance of subsidies and Food Security measures in recent time? Do they make people lethargic? What is the way forward?
96. Can you name 3 organizations that work for farmers?
97. Have you heard of Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs)?
98. What kind of crops are they supposed to grow as per the mandate given by the govt.?
99. It has been 30 years since PRI (panchayats) started. How successful has it been? Highlight the success stories of your state. Now highlight what are the concerns of the PRIs?
100. How do you make Gram Sabha more efficient?
101. How IT is being used in agriculture?
102. Should agriculture be given industry status?
103. Should Agriculture income be taxed?
104. What are the benefits of taxing agriculture?

105. How technology can help agriculture?
106. What is precision farming?
107. Though there is increase in food production in India, why agriculture growth not happening?
108. Is agriculture distress real in India or fabricated by political parties?
109. What are issues in agriculture?
110. We all know that climate change affects agriculture. You tell me how agriculture affects climate change
111. What were major factors behind green revolution? Tell positives and negatives of it?
112. What were major factors behind white revolution?
113. Which crops are grown in your area?
114. How to improve irrigation facility? Why people not adopting drip irrigation?
115. What is your view on Farm loan waiver?
116. Can you explain about uses of agricultural waste?
117. What do you think about collective farming?
118. How to address price fluctuations in Agriculture?
119. Why collective farming is successful in India? What is your suggestion to make it successful in India?
120. What is the technical reason for crop stubble burning?
121. What is the difference between MSP calculation suggested by M.S. Swaminathan and GOI?
122. Why government not taking M.S recommendation??
123. What is the status of Agriculture land market??
124. What is the progress of PM Sinschayee yojna and PM Fasal bima yojana?
125. You made a passing reference to Indian agriculture largely being a failure. Do you stick with that statement?
126. What was the objective vis-a-vis agriculture at the time of Independence?
127. We have achieved food self-sufficiency. Then how can you say it is a failure?
128. What about the MSP? MSP is rising yet farmers are not getting benefitted, how long can this go on?
129. Why there is so much use of fertilizer and pesticides in agriculture? What are the solutions?
130. Do you know about 'Operation Green'? What does it mean?
131. What are crops covered under operation green? Why only Tomato, Onion and Potato? Why not other crops like cereals, pulses etc.?
132. Why price instability is more in case of tomato, onion and potato?
133. What is artificial shortage? Does it have any edge to middleman in the market? What can be done to overcome this problem?
134. Do you think regulated markets are functioning better in India? Any other solutions to it?
135. What is Second Green Revolution? Why second green revolution is not happening in India? What are the real challenge and solutions?
136. Can you tell us two important Swaminathan Committee recommendations?
137. Is there MSP for pulses too? How much MSP is there? Who will decide MSP?
138. Why MSP become major issue in Agriculture?
139. What can be done to overcome this problem other than MSP?
140. What is the Status of Research and Development in Agriculture sector?
141. Why there is less investment in Agriculture research?
142. Is organic farming a solution to farmers distress?
143. What is the theme of sustainable agriculture?
144. What is micro irrigation?
145. How we can increase awareness about millets and pluses? Who should work to improve awareness, government or private players?
146. Why should we replace present cropping pattern with millets? Is it viable to replace?
147. Is doubling farmer income possible? What should we need to do to double farmer's income? How can we provide them alternative employment?
148. In which areas the government is providing subsidies in agriculture?
149. Should we rationalize subsidies in agriculture?
150. Why should we rationalize them? Is it because of pressure of developed countries and WTO or it is about our policy related to agriculture demanding to rationalize? Should we rule out all our subsidies directly?
151. Why is Farmer Producer Organization not becoming a revolution in India?

152. Any scheme which is yielding good result to stop farmer's suicide? What reforms would you suggest to current schemes?
153. Why share of agriculture is reducing in an economy? What can be done?
154. What is the impact of world trade on our agriculture?

Energy / Power

1. What are the current prices in solar sector? Do you think they are sustainable? Are they cheaper than coal based generation?
2. Tell me the projection of power demand in India.
3. Tell me about solar policy of India.
4. How much land does it take to setup 1 MW solar plant?
5. Where is the largest solar plant in India?
6. Is India a power deficit country?
7. Tell me what steps we have taken for land issue related to Solar Power?
8. What are the issues associated with energy security in India?
9. What are renewable energy sources and their targets?
10. What are the technological issues associated with solar power and wind power?
11. Compare the merits and demerits of different modes of electricity generation (coal fired, hydro, etc.)
12. Which is more polluting among coal fired and gas fired power plant?
13. Why coal is preferred over other fuels?
14. What are environmental impacts of hydro projects?
15. What are the benefits of hydropower including operational benefits?
16. Name some hydro projects in Himalayan regions.
17. What are your views over Nuclear Energy?
18. You talked about power plant, don't you think thermal energy will get impacted by too much focus on renewable energy?
19. What are schemes going on for rural electrification?
20. Tell me something about DDUGJY. What is difference between this and Saubhagya scheme?
21. Amongst all the sources of energy other than coal, which all have the most potential in the next ten years?
22. Is Nuclear Energy feasible for India's energy security?
23. What is Nuclear Waste?
24. Should we go for renewable energy or Nuclear energy?
25. Wind energy negatives. Solar energy potential. Status of rooftop solar.
26. How to make it effective? Fossil fuel vs green energy?
27. What are budget provisions about Solar pumps? How many solar pumps will be distributed? Do you know the amount allocated? What is a solar city?
28. What are other sources of renewable energy?
29. Tell us about Tapi Pipeline and recent coal policy.
30. Why India is facing power crisis?
31. Why management of crisis on power sector? Where is the weak spot lying?
32. What are your views on privatization of coal mines? Previously government did nationalization then again privatization. Why so?
33. You are an incharge of discom, suggest the plan for fulfilling demand?
34. What is ISA?
35. What is INDC and India's commitment regarding INDC?
36. Tell me about Energy Policy of Govt? What is target of fossil fuel energy in New Policy?
37. What is role of Private sector in Energy?
38. Recent news of a chopper is being called as flying coffin? Whose fault was it?
39. What should ONGC do to transport their employees.
40. Should they add new fleet?
41. What is an UMPP? Do you know about PTC (Power Trading corporation)?
42. What are power grids?
43. Hydroelectric potential why not utilized. Why in Bhutan it's done by Indian government but not done in Arunachal?
44. What is the need to move from diesel to electric vehicles, since electricity is also generated using coal, so it is also polluting?

45. What is the per KWh cost of thermal, solar, wind based power?
46. What kind of energy source is important for India?
47. What are challenges in power sector in India and what is issue of storage.
48. What are clean technologies? Is solar energy a clean technology?
49. What are the problems in shifting to solar energy completely?
50. Will international solar alliance be successful?
51. Energy Policy of India.
52. Renewable energy issues and how to improve it.
53. Challenges with the renewable energy sector and how to deal with them.
54. Why do we focus on nuclear energy so much when other forms of energy like Solar, wind energy?
55. Do you know why waste to energy in India has been unsuccessful?
56. What is the renewable energy potential in India? What are different sources of renewable energy?
57. What are conventional energy and non-conventional energy sources? Give some examples of that? Why we need alternate sources of energy?
58. What are suggestion to improve revenues of electricity sector?
59. How would you bridge supply and demand gap of energy?
60. How should we proceed with civil nuclear energy of India? What is its percentage as total energy mix?
61. What is government doing for solar energy?
62. What do you understand by fossil fuels? Why are we heavily dependent on it?
63. Don't you think we are progressing very slowly in solar sector? Why?
64. What is your opinion regarding whether to emphasize on nuclear energy even when solar energy available?
65. You are in favor about nuclear energy but accident can happen like Fukoshima. Can we afford the risk? What are the safety provisions?
66. Tell me one problem which all Discoms are facing in India, which if Solved will resolve most of the issues in the power sector?
67. What is Saubhagya Scheme?
68. What is the Target of UDAY Scheme in terms of AT&C losses?
69. How Saubhagya scheme is different from IPDS and DDUGJY?
70. Is there any state who has achieved the 15% Target of AT&C losses?
71. How many Villages are not electrified till now?
72. We talk a lot about solar energy. What is India's achievement in this sector?
73. Do we have the capacity to achieve the target? What is India's capacity?

Oil Sector

1. Why are we exporting petroleum products when there is already shortage in India?
2. How do you perceive a world where there are no petroleum products? Will that be good?
3. What is current controversy between Odisha Government and Paradip Refinery?
4. Why crude oil price had fallen from once \$100/bbl?
5. What is China doing to mitigate its Malacca dilemma?
6. Do you think that USA might decrease oil prices further to expel Russia from oil business?
7. Do you think that China would have cheaper transportation cost of crude oil through CPEC than through Malacca Strait?
8. What USA has done to reduce its oil import?
9. What are the technologies used in extraction of shale gas?
10. What is the current cost to produce crude from different technologies?
11. What is new Hydrocarbon exploration policy and how it's different from the earlier one?
12. What is Strategic Petroleum Reserve?
13. What are we doing to reduce our dependency on crude and gas imports?
14. Why waxy crudes needed to be heated during transportation?
15. How is natural gas transported, let's say between Qatar and India?
16. What is open acreage policy?

17. What do you think about ONGC-HPCL proposed merger?
18. Tell me difference in extraction of oil in deep and shallow waters.
19. What is revenue sharing contract?
20. Tell me about KG basin controversy.
21. What are the regulatory mechanism of oil and gas sector?
22. In Spite of so many regulations why do fires and other hazards occur?
23. How would you inculcate safety culture?
24. What is energy audit. How it is done?
25. You have worked in ONGC? Do you know how offshore work is done? How oil is drilled? How do they know where is the oil and where to drill?
26. Can anyone drill in any part of the ocean? What is the condition for drilling?
27. On whose behalf is ONGC videsh limited drilling in Vietnam?
11. Reservation enabling provisions in constitution and Reason for reservation.
12. What is your view about economic reservation? What is creamy layer concept.
13. Tell us about NJAC? What is your opinion regarding it?
14. What is Self Help Group? How do they work?
15. Why Anti Hindi agitation deep-rooted in TamilNadu?
16. What is difference Between planning commission and Niti ayog?
17. Is RTI a successful revolution? What to do about some RTI s that causes harassment of personnel and wastage of resources?
18. So you support certain restrictions on RTI?
19. How to weed out corruption? Any other steps to weed corruption other than DBT?
20. Tell me about election in general.
21. What do u think of lateral entry? Can we open it for all positions?

Polity and Governance

1. Let me ask you about Muslim personal law. Name two most important cases in the last 30 years with regard to Muslim personal law.
2. What exactly happened in Shah Bano case? (Specific follow up question on the case most of them I had to say I don't know).
3. Now tell me about the second case (Sairabano triple talaq case).
4. Why government brought law despite supreme court not asking to legislate?
5. Corruption is the grease that aids development.' Give meaning of the statement and your opinion on it.
6. Give empirical evidence to show that corruption obstructs development.
7. Give one most important value need for civil servant as per you? (I tried saying sir there many values but he insisted for one).
8. What is need of compassion? Explain?
9. If there is a conflict between central and state govt order and you are an IAS, whose order will you follow?
10. What is Article 370? Special features? Should it be removed?
22. What are features of good governance?
23. What are your views regarding whole reservation policy in India?
24. In India our bureaucracy is very hierarchical, what are the issues because of it?
25. Do we need to provide exceptions in RTI Act? What are those eight exceptions?
26. What is the role of NGOs in the Nation building?
27. Should we allow foreign NGOs? How are foreign NGOs regulated?
28. Do you think there is corruption in India?
29. What do you think about Simultaneous Elections?
30. What do you mean by collaborative governance?
31. What is the difference between effectiveness and efficiency?
32. Should Executive be involved in appointment of Judges? What are the provisions in constitution for appointment of judge of SC?
33. What do you understand by ethical dilemma? Give me an example.
34. What are fundamental duties? Where is it mentioned in constitution?
35. What is a welfare state? Don't you think welfare state and rights of persons are contradictory?

36. What is DPSP? In which part of our constitution it is placed? But they are not enforceable, and then what is the use of DPSP?
37. Difference between leader, administrator, and manager?
38. What are the two ills of civil service? How to correct those?
39. Tell me about the history of States reorganization.
40. What is judicial activism? Is it good for democracy?
41. If you have to make one amendment in the Constitution, what will be it?
42. What are the problems in the present system of appointment of judges? How can we make judiciary more accountable?
43. What are your views on the recent press conference held by senior Supreme Court judges? Should judges make political statement?
44. Can you explain the relation between district collector and superintendent of Police?
45. Tell me about functioning of Panchayati Raj institutions in your state. Do you think Panchayati Raj institutions have worked well?
46. Do you think Government officers do not like to share power and responsibility with Panchayati Raj elected members? Why it is so?
47. Should we have technical and educational qualifications for elected representatives of Panchayati Raj institutions? If yes, what about for MPs and MLAs?
48. It is often said that bureaucracy does not reward excellence but rewards mediocrity, do you agree?
49. What is the difference between leader and manager?
50. There are several interstate disputes for water, resources, against migration, border issues. Is it not a major challenge to Indian polity?
51. What are the interstate disputes for Karnataka?
52. Are the protests against migration anti-constitutional or illegal? Isn't the linguistic reorganization cause for all these? Should we continue with linguistic basis for states?
53. Tell us about Bureaucrat politician nexus why does it happen? What are the solutions to this problem?
54. Which kind of role civil society plays in good governance?
55. Can EVM be tempered? Why or why not? How to restore the faith of multiple stakeholders in the Democracy?
56. What are the constitutional articles relating to national commission for scheduled castes and scheduled tribes? What are the functions of the two commissions? The chairman of the two commissions is ex-officio members of what? Is NHRC constitutional?
57. What is the difference between statutory and constitutional bodies?
58. Privacy is a big issue today. Do you think Adhaar encroach privacy?
59. Do you think our constitution has outlived its value? Do we need a new constitution?
60. What are the four pillars of democracy? Are they transgressing on each other's mandates?
61. Is judicial activism necessary?
62. What is bottom up approach?
63. Could you suggest a few police reforms?
64. Why is India so corrupt?
65. What are the anti-corruption agencies in India?
66. Mention conditions when fundamental rights can be suspended.
67. What are the issues in delay in projects?
68. Who coined the term Bureaucracy? What is bureaucracy? Tell us some Negative features and positive feature of Indian Bureaucracy?
69. Bureaucracy is often criticized for lack of transparency? Would you suggest ways to increase the transparency?
70. What is feudalistic attitude of Indian bureaucracy? Why it is still there? Is it really changing? After a long sermon that every wants to join civil services for enjoy feudal power, status etc., What about you, why do you want to join IAS?
71. What is done under 73rd and 74 Constitutional Amendment Act?
72. What are your views on freedom of speech? Where should we draw the line?
73. What do you know about MPLAD? Who implements it and what are the key concerns?
74. It is 3Cs and that CVC, CBI and Court are stalling decision making. What's your opinion?

75. What is sedition? Some students are protesting in university campus. Shall we arrest them under sedition?
76. What is the Judicial overreach? Tell me about some Judgments which you consider as judicial overreach.
77. What is the relation between technology and law?
78. What is collegium? Explain about three judge's cases. Judiciary appointing itself, what do you think?
79. Tell me about governance reforms?
80. What is principal of natural justice?
81. What is Article 19 (1) (a)? What are reasonable restrictions?
82. Can you tell me upon whom we should fix the responsibility in PNB scam and NPA crisis?
83. What are electoral bonds? Why they are being opposed? IT department and ECI works hand in hand to control expenditure. Why the opposition still?
84. What is the difference between Fundamental Rights and Fundamental duties?
85. We see a great change in the working of ECI since TN Sheshan took over. How do you see its progress thereafter? Don't you think ECI has lost its credibility in recent times? Do you think EVMs should be done away with and ballots should be brought in again?
86. Why the appointment of Lokpal is delayed?
87. How opposition leader status gets assigned?
88. State reorganization on linguistic basis is failure- What is your take?
89. What are different criteria's for creating new states?
90. Tell me about Maharashtra-Karnataka border dispute?
91. What is your view on Supreme Court judgment on SC/ST act? Tell me some key Provisions of SC/ST act. What is the controversy behind the recent judgment?
92. What is your view on NOTA? What happens if NOTA gets majority? What reforms should be there to improve present problems of the criminalization of the polity?
93. What is your opinion on growing parliament disruption.
94. In which part of the Constitution, Justice is mentioned?
95. What is your view on death penalty for Rape of minor below 12 year of age?
96. Do you agree with Supreme Court's decision for allowing people to marry on own, considering we live in a patriarchal society?
97. Have you heard about cooperative competitive federalism? What is it? Explain.
98. Tell me about Simultaneous election. You know how much of money was spent in say last general election.
99. Do you think that simultaneous election can be conducted with current constitution? Or else what needs to be done? Why constitution amendment and what need to be amended?
100. Explain what is constituent power?
101. What are the limitations in amending the constitution? How FR is a limitation?
102. Do you know about kesavananda bharati case? What is the gist of the case? Did they specify what constitute the basic structure in that judgment?
103. Tell few features which are basic structures of constitution?
104. Tell me Pro and cons of simultaneous election. Why issues would be mixed up of center and states if simultaneous election?
105. Tell me the Process of CJI impeachment?
106. Tell me about article 14 & 21 of Indian constitution.
107. Choose one article between article 32 and 226. I will ask you follow up question? What is quo warranto? Except habeas corpus, choose any one and explain.
108. What are the Human rights watch dogs in our country? Are their recommendations binding on our government?
109. So recent days human rights activists are aggressively propagating human rights provisions that prevent the law enforcement agencies to do their work? What is your take?
110. Tell three changes you would like to make in POCSO Act?
111. What do you think are the three differences faced by women differently abled person as compared to men differently abled person?

112. Do you know about RTE? Is RTE a fundamental right? What are the laws made by government in this regard? Tell me some provisions of it.
113. What do you think about Making Hindi as a National language?
114. Do you know about RTI? Should Supreme Court be brought under RTI?
115. What is the triple talaq issue? Should Supreme court intervene in matters of faith? Should we wait for consensus to eliminate discrimination?
116. What is good governance? Is there a thing called Bad Governance?
117. How do you use culture in administration? And substantiate with example.
118. Who wrote the preamble to our constitution? What essential things does the preamble tell us?
119. Which amendment introduced Fundamental duties to our constitution?
120. People approach Supreme Court directly in case of violation of fundamental rights. Why don't they approach lower judiciary first? Why there is so much pendency of cases?
121. What is VVPAT? What will you do when a politician says that the EVM's were tampered?
122. What is special category status? Which states are asking for it? Shall we accord it?
123. Is it good to consider population as parameter in financial devolution? Will south Indian states suffer due to that? What to do then?
124. From where Finance commission gets power?
125. What are the three tiers of government? Do you think center is bypassing state while giving resources to Panchyat Raj? Is it against federalism?
126. What are new provisions in interstate water dispute resolution? Any successful example where such dispute resolved?
127. What are issues with MNREGA? How can be tackled it? What are statutory provisions?
128. What is the controversy about 15th Finance commission? Do you think the remarks made by Southern states are legitimate? Is it right on the part of the center to give funds directly to Panchayats?
129. What is the role of state finance commission?
130. Explain me the complete procedure of Rajya Sabha elections starting from issuing notification? Explain me what is proportional representation?
131. What is the difference between Efficiency and Effectiveness? Doing the things right and Doing the right things, which one is efficiency and effectiveness?
132. What are your views on e-Governance. How is it beneficial?
133. You said e-Governance is good. But literacy in India is very poor. People at lower levels do not understand what e-Governance is. How should we go about it?
134. Tell the difference between Parliamentary vs. Presidential form of government. Why we should continue with Parliamentary government?
135. What is the differences between FRs and DPSPs? How do we implement DPSPs?
136. Do you think bureaucrats are leaders or managers?
137. Should a leader be a doer or dreamer?
138. Planning commission is not there now. Niti Aayog is not that good. What do you think of this new institution? Is it better than earlier one?
139. How will you as CEO of Niti Aayog improve the lot of women? Tell 4 things.
140. When the Government machinery is downsized, won't it cause unemployment?
141. How can we leverage technology to give maximum governance?
142. Define Fundamental rights.
143. A fundamental right has recently been made a law. What was it?
144. SC has given a new fundamental right in a recent judgment. What was it?
145. In DPSP there is an indirect provision that says that health care should be given to everyone. What is your opinion on making Right to Health a fundamental right?
146. What are the issues with making right to health a fundamental right? When we made Right to education as fundamental right, we didn't have enough resources then what about Right to Health?
147. What is the provision in Indian Evidence Act regarding admissibility of evidence of lie detector tests and brain mapping results?

148. What is brain mapping?
149. What age does the PCMA prescribe for child marriages for male and female? Is there any special provision for child brides regarding annulling of marriage? How much time are they given to make that choice?
150. India is federal with a unitary bias. What are the features which make India into a federal country?
151. What is the meaning of federal?
152. How is technology helping in improving transparency in Governance?

World Politics

1. Do you know about the chemical attack on Syria? Do you know about Trump statement on it? Tell us about the attack.
2. What is recent situation in Turkey? Why this aggression and extremism?
3. In Turkey a minority group is creating threat to majority, which one? Is this the reason of extremism? Turkey was denied the membership of EU, is this the reason?
4. What's going on in Korean peninsula and its background?
5. Why is there a rise in protectionist policies across the globe?
6. Recent events in EU shows its future is not quite bright, do you think there is any future of EU at all?
7. Do you think that the collapse of Soviet Union proved to be good for the world? What will you say about it if you look back more than 2 decades?
8. What is the state of East European countries vis-a-vis Russia now?
9. What do you have to say about internal immigration issue within Europe?
10. What is happening in Maldives? What is the name of its previous president? Do you remember any other important personality name who is the main opposition face currently?
11. What is United Nation peacekeeping force? Can you name those troubled areas?
12. I tell you a story. Osama Bin Laden was hiding in a bunker and USA took actions. What are your views?
13. Tell me your views over Israel-Palestine issue. Why Israel is making settlements?
14. Explain Shia /Sunni equations in Middle-East.
15. Why there were more attacks in France by ISIS?
16. Do you think that the cold war is still on?
17. You are working in petroleum industry. Recently there was a crisis where US shale gas was in news. Many big investment banks invested their money in US shale gas, but due to declining oil prices they are now in trouble. Why did this happen? Why couldn't this oil price crash be prevented?
18. Why couldn't OPEC be brought on board? Was it Saudi Arabia?
19. Why can't US pressurize Saudi Arabia to prevent this lowering of prices?
20. You have heard about Syria. How much was the role of oil in Syrian crisis and intervention by US? What was role of Russia here?
21. Do you think Russia got involved here because it wanted to control European markets for selling its gas?
22. Tell me what were the reasons of failure of Arab spring?
23. What is Brexit? It's causes? What about ramifications for Britain, EU & India?
24. Why is Germany allowing immigration while other countries aren't?
25. Tell me few conflict areas of world?
26. Tell me, is Russia a democracy?
27. Is China a democracy?
28. What is the role of UN in the current day international politics?
29. What is the issue of North Korea?
30. What is blue ocean strategy?
31. Explain me Maldivian crisis?
32. Was it correct to go for nuclear tests when we had been talking about disarmament?
33. Can we call USA the police of the world?
34. After 9/11, What security initiatives has been taken by America.
35. What is your stand regarding hijack of Planes and measures to prevent it.
36. Name some global issues which most countries in the world are trying to work on? What is India doing for fighting global warming?

International Relations

1. What is OPEC?
2. What is OIC?
3. What is Al-Qaida? Who founded, when? What happened to him? Who is his successor? His native country?
4. What is ISIS? Who its Founder? What is line previous organization?
5. Explain about Afghanistan peace process, India's role in the process?
6. When did USSR Fall, How many countries emanated out of it. Its Effect on India and the world.
7. Which Asian Countries were involved in Cold war?
8. What is NPT and what is India's Stand on Nuclear Arsenal.
9. What is justification of No First Use? Is it a hypocrite policy?
10. Name members of OIC? What is its importance?
11. What is Soft power? Some ways in which India can use it?
12. There is growing movement towards protectionism in world. Why?
13. How China relationships with Nepal will affect India?
14. Pakistan keep on instigating terrorist activity in different cities of India. What is the purpose behind it?
15. You know China is an adversary. There is no doubt about that. But I am not interested in China. Rather I am concerned about Pakistan. What has been the strategy of India to deal with Pakistan?
16. What is feasibility of TAPI, IPI projects, tell us 'India's role'? What India can do to secure pipelines.
17. How do you see Afghanistan-Pakistan relationship?
18. Should we be worried about Taliban coming to power?
19. What is Sir Creek? What is the issue?
20. Tell us about SIACHIN Issue? Why Siachin is important?
21. What is Doklam issue? What China doing and why?
22. What is Importance of Mauritius to India?
23. What will you choose between Israel and Palestine? And why?
24. Is India a warring country?
25. Why are our neighbors are not in good terms with us?
26. What is the latest development with respect to Chinese military?
27. Various ways in which India in its own way is trying to increase its influence in the region.. what are they?
28. Future of WTO? What is impeding it? Why recent trade wars then?
29. Should India and Pakistan look for a mediator in kashmir dispute? Can UN be a mediator?
30. Why is USA going towards protectionism but China is promoting free trade?
31. What do you think about BRI? What will China gain from BRI?
32. Tell us about act east policy. It's success.
33. What is importance of International Solar Alliance for India?
34. What is quad security dialogue?
35. What is our neighborhood policy? Why SAARC could not become successful? What will be its impact if Taliban comes to power?
36. Why Pak so imp to whole world?
37. If India gets UNSC seat how will it change things.
38. Pakistan not being named as terrorist country by any nation in the world.. don't you think it is failure of India's foreign policy?
39. In decoration flowers pot, flower comes but root do not spread. In this line say something about Pakistan democracy.
40. What is role of military in Pakistan and its impact on India?
41. Looking at West Asian crisis, Do you think an economically unstable Pakistan is in India's interest
42. Why, Imran Khan, is called a puppet Prime Minister?
43. What will be the consequences of declaring someone as a Global Terrorist?
44. How has there been a policy shift in Indian IR approach in last 5 years.

45. What is CPEC? What are the issues China is facing in implementing CPEC? Budget of CPEC?
46. What is BRI stands for? What is Budget of BRI? What is geographical expansion of it?
47. Why China is investing so much in BRI?
48. Is there any opposition by USA and other countries?
49. Shall we ask reparations from Britain for our colonial past?
50. Why despite India being so strong is not taking action against Pakistan?
51. Tell me the issue of Siachin and sir's creek?
52. Why South American countries are called Latin America?
53. What is happening in Venezuela? Why other countries are intervening in it? What is India's stand on Venezuela?
54. What is status of India Russia relation?
55. Who are Rohingyas? Should we accept them? Why or why not?
56. What kind of a foreign policy would you prefer for India (in terms of India's international relations)
57. How will we make relations with Pakistan better? Do you think the opinion of Pakistani public will make an impact on Pak state policy.
58. What are the values needed for a country?
59. Should India bomb Pakistan's nuclear facilities?
60. What is the recent trade war between US and China? How will it impact India?
61. Kaladan multi modal project: importance and what's the current status?
62. Challenges due to refugees from Myanmar? Why cannot take action such as war?
63. River disputes between India and Pakistan and China?
64. How can we prevent Chinese incursions in Indian Ocean?
65. What is bio terrorism? Name some bio terror agents.
66. Is anthrax a virus or bacteria? Why was agent orange used? What are the effects of agent orange today in Vietnam?
67. Opinion on Trump's foreign policy?
68. Why US is acting like a international police meddling in every places? Is US receding from world affairs?
69. Define hegemony? Difference between hegemony and dominance? Who coined hegemony?
70. Geography is the reason for third world countries to earn that tag. Your view?
71. Why china not accepting Masood Azhar as terrorist? How would you isolate Pak? How to persuade china to condemn Pak?
72. What is WTO? What are the problems?
73. Is china communist or capitalist?
74. Why India being Democratic not able to perform like communist China?
75. Deng Xiaoping famously said that it doesn't matter if a cat is black or white so long as it catches mice - what is your take?
76. What is your opinion on India's neighborhood relations?
77. Do you justify 1971 war? Why? How to deal with Pakistan now?
78. What is FATF? How Pakistan being in grey list help India? What steps can we take to isolate Pak?
79. What is the current status in Afghanistan? Should India talk to Taliban?
80. Tell me achievements in foreign policy in past 5 years.
81. Have you heard of Arab uprising? In Which countries it took place?
82. Effect of Arab uprising on those countries? Have they moved on to full democracy?
83. Why did some of these movements fail? What can India learn from this?
84. What are the challenges to India in foreign affairs?
85. Do you think we should be aggressive or talk with Pakistan?
86. Do you know what happened in Arunachal Pradesh recently? What should India do then?
87. Major changes in Indian Foreign Policy since 2014. Economic Diplomacy. Hasn't that been a major change as well?
88. When was SAARC formed? Objective of SAARC? Where is SAARC HQ? How many members in SAARC? Can you list them?

89. What do you know about the term “Hydro-diplomacy?”
90. Give the some examples of cross border river conflicts
91. Give me one example each of India as an upper riparian and lower riparian state.
92. What is the crisis regarding the Brahmaputra? What is the policy doctrine based on which China justifies its dam building activities on the Brahmaputra?
93. Do you think SAARC is a viable mechanism for resolving the development and other issues in South Asia?
94. Explain venezuela crisis? Is it Good or bad for India? What should India do?
95. Do you know Arab Spring? Why Syria could not see change because of Arab Spring?
96. Why India is not doing well with respect to social parameters like health compared to our less developed neighbors?
97. Are you aware of the measures taken by East Asian countries to overcome traffic congestion issues?
98. Your view on Kartarpur Sahib Corridor? Can we trust Pakistan after so many wars like 1971, Kargil? Won't they start their Khalistan mission? This corridor crosses which river?
99. What is Indus water treaty? Recently something happened related to treaty? What was it?
100. What is string of pearls? What offensive strategy government has adopted to counter it?
101. Would government's Act east policy bring change in North-East?
102. What is the precursor of G20? What is special about G20? Why it was formed? Who attended from India?
103. Tell me something about 'yellow vest'?
104. Why BREXIT is in news? Why the BREXIT bill was defeated? What's the stand of Northern Ireland and Scotland on it?
105. How are our relations now with Maldives? What are the issues? What should be done to solve these issues?
106. You tell what is biological weapon?
107. Have you heard any nuclear deal in 2008? What is its objective? Are those objectives fulfilled or not? What did we offer to USA?
108. Is India backtracking on its agenda with China? Why aren't we taking up these (NSG, Pak) issue in recent meets? Is our objection to OBOR valid? But there is already Karakoram highway where CPEC is proposed? Would we support it if they change name of CPEC?
109. India was confrontational about NSG entry and Masood Azhar with China but recently we've put it on back burner and are trying to improve ties. Doesn't this send mixed signals? What do you think about this foreign policy you turn?
110. What is India's policy on use of nuclear weapons? What is cold start doctrine?
111. How would you define international studies?
112. What is India's policy towards Pakistan and what you will do as foreign secretary?
113. What is ISIS? What is their mission?
114. What should be the Indian strategy to avoid hegemony of China over Indian territory? What is Doklam issue? Why did China later back out?
115. (a) How to handle with China in future? (b) Should we stop trading with China?
116. How to deal with recent trump policies?
117. Why USA put tariffs on Iron & steel? Is it trade war? Will this affect India? How?
118. Where are the other international problems which are similar to India-Pakistan problems?
119. Assume that You get into foreign service. Which country you want to choose and why?
120. What is maritime silk route? Why India is not participating in it?
121. Assume that India joins it, and China builds a port for India. What will be the problems for India in that scenario? What is India doing against it?
122. What are chemical weapons? Are they more dangerous than nuclear weapons? If you are agree than how it is so?
123. Which is the easternmost part of India? Arunachal Pradesh or Andaman Nicobar?
124. What is the Strategic importance of Andaman and Nicobar for India?
125. How is our military preparation to control China in sea?
126. What is Israel Palestine conflict? What are the Success as well as failure of UN in this matter?

127. What is importance of Iran for India? What should be policy of India towards balancing relations with Iran and USA?
128. What is the size of Indian Diaspora? How much Remittances we received?
129. What is happening in Maldives? Why Maldives so adamant? What role should India play?
130. Brief me for two minutes about Sir Creek issue. Name other famous maritime disputes in world.
131. Divide India into different zones & list down states in each zone. According to you which zone is the most important? Why and how island states (Andaman & Lakshadweep) are important in current scenario?
132. What is the geostrategic importance of Indian Ocean region? In situation of naval blockade of India, What options might be present to continue external trade of India
133. What do you think about land access through Pakistan?
134. What is TRIPS and TRIPS+?
135. Tell names of neighboring countries sharing land borders with India?
136. How do you assess India's foreign policy over 70 years? Is it a success or not?
137. On both hard power and economic considerations, how would you assess India's foreign policy is it successful?
138. How do you judge our near neighborhood policy? How are our relations with them?
139. Why are our relations not in so good shape with some of the neighbors? What is the reason?
140. China is building dam in Tibet on Brahmaputra River and diverting our water to Tibet. What should be our stand?
141. What is the importance of Indian Ocean, both in terms of strategy and economy for India?
142. What do you think Indian Navy is capable of protecting our sea line of communication? Then why those terrorist attacks were happened and how did they come to India through sea route?
143. What is the trend in foreign policy since NDA came to power?
144. Do you think Russia is finding alternatives for their defense trade? Is it harmful for India? What should be India's Stand?
145. What do you think after recent missile attack by US and UK, will it create divide between Russia and US? Then what type of groupings do you expect to be there? Is there a possibility of World War-III?
146. Which are the nuclear weapons states?
147. What is India's nuclear doctrine? Don't you think "no first use policy" has its drawbacks?
148. Pakistan has developed short range nuclear missiles. What should India do? Should it also develop such missiles?
149. If Pakistan attacks India with these missiles, how should India respond? Suppose you are the foreign secretary, how will you handle the situation?
150. Tell me what is all happening in Syria? Why so many actors like USA, Russia, and Iran etc. are involved?
151. Is our policy in relation with Pakistan a success? Are surgical strikes acting as deterrent?
152. What part of India's foreign policy would you tweak (if not change)?
153. What is Gujral Doctrine? Why it failed?
154. What kind of global order is emerging?
155. Pakistan is impeccable enemy of India. It survives only for hurting India. Then what will be 'permanent solution' for Pakistan?
156. Tell me about Rohingya issue- Should we forcefully send them back? Suppose all others measures have failed, now tell me what should we do? Suppose Myanmar say they don't want them back, should we send them back?
157. Recently PM went to Sweden, what is it that can have from this relationship?
158. What are the things that we can do to handle our maritime challenges?
159. What are determinants of foreign policy? What is the orientation of our foreign policy since 3 to 4 years?
160. Enlighten me on Indo-US Civil Nuclear deal. What India sacrificed in the deal? Why we signed civil nuclear deal? (objectives of the Indo US civil nuclear deal).
161. Do you think that Pak act against terrorism?
162. What is strategy and what is tactics? What is it in the context of Pakistan conflict?
163. Do you think international law is not being valued?

164. You have heard of the terms Insaniyat, Kashmiriyat and Jamhuriyat, what do you mean by all these? Are steps being taken to promote Kashmiriyat?
165. Recently there is Modi-Xi Jinping meet. What is the purpose?
166. Suppose I am Xi Jinping and you are Mr. Modi what 3 points you will tell to him? And what Xi will say to Mr. Modi in 3 points?
167. What is the importance of culture in our foreign policy? How other countries culturally related to us?
168. What is the provision according to which Comm. Abhinandan should be treated? Do you think India's claim under Geneva Convention is valid?
169. Indo-china trade not happens via Arunachal. What are the reasons?
170. Enlighten me on the events and developments in Middle East and West Asia.
171. What do you think about Iran and China relationship?
172. China and India have been exempted from the economic sanctions on Iran. What are the possible reasons?
173. What is the mandate of WTO? Is it fulfilling them successfully?
174. India's foreign policy changed from Look East to Act East. What is the difference?
175. If you are sent to Afghanistan, How will you convince them to isolate Pakistan?
176. How can India rectify huge trade deficit with China?
177. What is issue right now in Iran? How India will get affected? If not oil, what India can do for its energy requirements? What are the promises made by India in Paris conference?
178. Why India interfere in matters of neighboring states like Tamil issue in Sri Lanka and Madhesi issue of Nepal?
179. What is String of pearls? How India can counter it?
180. Do you know what's happening in Yemen?
181. Tell me the impact of Trump's china policy on India?
182. What is your opinion on sending troops to Afghanistan as Trump has said that the void has to be filled by India? If yes why? If no why? What if the Afghanistan government requests for troops? Did we send our troops anywhere before? What happened?
183. Why Canadian PM was given a cold reception by India in recent visit?
184. Will Kartapur corridor cause resurgence of Khalistan issue? Why go ahead with it? Do you think Khalistan movement is too much in news these days?
185. What's the difference between Malayalee diaspora in Middle East and North America?
186. Is celebrating international yoga day important? Why?
187. Iraq had to pay heavily for its invasion. There was comparatively little reaction when Russia annexed Crimea. Why do you think that happened?
188. What was the cold war? What was the flash point of cold war? In what year did Cuban missile crisis happen?
189. Give a speech on "In international relations, there are no enemies and no friends."
190. Recently there was France president visit in India. What is his name? There was an agreement of military base sharing? Should India have such agreements with these colonial powers? What should India do if these countries ask for access to Indian military bases?
191. Why China withdrew from Assam in 1962 war?
192. In which year did Iraq invade Kuwait?
193. Maldivian Crisis. Was India right in not sending army? Why in spite of all the help from India, Maldives is going towards China?
194. Should India try to be a world power? Why India is trying hard in indo-pacific region, shouldn't it be more oriented towards Indian Ocean?
195. What is Brexit? People in UK are now saying that it was a mistake, why are they saying so?
196. The regions where we are involved in South China Tell me about Diego Garcia..
197. Explain me Diego Garcia controversy and India's stand on it. Importance of Mauritius for India.
198. Commonwealth games are going on. What is commonwealth? What is the significance of commonwealth?
199. Why USSR collapsed all of a sudden? What were the reasons for USSR's disintegration?

200. Do you know the names of any two leaders who emerged after collapse of USSR and became world famous?
201. How do you see about India's stand on including Madheshi demand in Constitution of Nepal? Do you support it?
202. How do you see Maldives reaction to India's aid? Recently they returned the helicopter, denied to participate in joint exercise, opening up base for China etc. Doesn't it affect India's presence in the geopolitics?
203. Globalization and Anti-globalization. How do you see the present day scenario of anti-globalization? Your views on it.
204. How do you want India to be a strategic power? What should take priority in international relations-interference into other nation's affairs or by considering personal (national) interests?
205. Why china has reservations regarding Dalai Lama and Tibet 60 year ceremony? Don't you think that India's sovereignty is compromised wrt China?
206. Tell me about the Israel Palestine issue? What are the implications of Israel and Palestine issue? What is the solution of the conflict?
207. So you think US could exercise influence over Israel considering that it has recently shifted its embassy to Jerusalem?
208. Do you think two state solution is still possible?
209. Who imposes international sanctions? Why do unilateral sanctions work?
210. Has India imposed sanctions? Should India use sanctions as foreign policy tool?
211. Who designates individuals as terrorists? What is Interpol, its structure, composition and functioning?
212. What do you prefer - stable and prosperous neighborhood or unstable poor neighborhood? Then, why don't you think India should support CPEC as it is expected to bring prosperity for Pakistan?
213. What has been the issue around Indus water treaty that was in news recently? Do you think that IWT should be reviewed?
214. What is South China Sea dispute? Which are the islands that are claimed to be disputed? How is China claiming those islands?
215. What is the concept of doctrine in foreign policy - like Gujral doctrine and Modi doctrine?
216. China is also building artificial island. Why is it building those islands? How can china build those islands?
217. What's happening in Srilanka? Talk about cheque book diplomacy of China.
218. When Russia and China also seek resources in Middle East, don't you think that's a threat for us?
219. Yesterday, our PM had a conversation with the Chinese President. The focus of this conversation was Asian Century. What do you understand by Asian Century?
220. How do you think this will come about when India, China and Japan look in different ways? Do you think terrorism is a common issue that concerns them?
221. List the bodies that help towards the cause of Asian Century.

Science & Technology

1. Tell me one artificial intelligent application that we carry in our pockets?
2. How will you explain 2g, 3g, 4g, 5g to a very common man?
3. What is geostationary and geosynchronous orbit for communication and earth observation which orbit is used?
4. Is it right to do gene editing considering it can be passed on to next generations?
5. What is ku and c band?
6. India's achievement in S&T in last 2 decades.
7. Name five Indian Scientists and their contribution.
8. Why does India use French Guinea for space launches? (Reason apart from lack of heavy launch vehicle).
9. Which is more important AI or HI (human intelligence)? how can we use AI in climate change only?
10. Is AI used in Clean Ganga Mission?
11. How a desktop is different from smart phone?
12. What is difference between smartphone and a cell phone?
13. What is 2g, 3g, 4g and 5g? Is there any difference in speed of data?

14. What are artificial neural networks?
15. How you will use artificial intelligence in government? Give specific example.
16. How will you use AI in energy conservation?
17. What is smart home? Give one example.
18. What do you know about India's space programs in the coming 2-3 years?
19. Tell us about AI, 5g and the new technological cold war. Where does India stand?
20. What is e waste? How to manage it? Why the guidelines not being implemented? What are challenges?
21. What is Gaganyaan? How it helps India? What is your view?
22. Do you know any space programme of India?
23. What is big data? How can we make use of it?
24. I want to see my country as world leader. In Which fields you suggest to make this happen?
25. Can you name our some unique contribution in space? Apart from Mangalyaan?
26. Do you think we have potential to become world leader in space? Why, justify your stand?
27. Why only ISRO is efficiently working when all other government organizations are failing?
28. Do you know air purifier? Can you name the technology behind it?
29. Is electrostatic precipitation enough? It needs suction also right?
30. Have you heard of air purifier for open spaces?
31. How would you describe the gene editing to a common person?
32. What are the ethical issues with gene editing? Do you think consent plays a role in gene editing?
33. What are stem cells? Can stem cells from umbilical cord used for others?
34. Status of Biotechnology sector in India. Is it still a sunrise industry?
35. What is the practical utility of biotechnology in civil services? (If you have background of Biotechnology)
36. BT cotton with termination gene, would you support it to be used? Why are other BT crops especially food crops not allowed?
37. How to regulate the cost of GM seeds?
38. What are the health issues in west because of GM?
39. What are the food crops with GM?
40. What is the problem with BT in India?
41. What is bio fortification? Give example of fortified variety?
42. How to overcome malnutrition?
43. What is encryption?
44. What is IP address?
45. In this world how do you update yourself? How would you improve your knowledge?
46. Do you think private industry involvement will help ISRO?
47. Difference between Germ line editing and stem cell editing? What are the concerns? What are the Benefits?
48. What is stem cell technology? Where they are found in body?
49. What is satellite?
50. What is geostationary orbit?
51. Why it is called geostationary orbit?
52. What is atom? What is molecule?
53. How many countries sent their mission to Mars? What is utility?
54. What is big bang? What is the Age of universe?
55. What is green building? How can we make this UPSC building as green building? What can we improve in this room to make it more environment friendly?
56. How to make a building smart? How to make this room smart?
57. What is internet of things? How IoT works?
58. How to build smart transportation system?
59. What is augmented reality and virtual reality?
60. What is robotics? What are pros and cons of robotics?
61. What are policy implications for India in field of robotics?
62. What is bioinformatics? What problems India is facing in bioinformatics?
63. A famous scientist died recently (Stephan hawking). Can you tell what he worked on?
64. Hawking radiation - why on surface of black hole?
65. There is so much talks about 5G. It is said it will reduce latency. So, what is it? What is beaming?

66. What is crypto currency? What is block chain technology? Is it used somewhere else too? How is it beneficial in financial services?
67. What is a supercomputer? Which country made the first one? What is PARAM?
68. Tell me about IT act? Is it enacted in 2000? What are the recent amendments in the act?
69. Tell me what happened in Shreya Singhal case? What has government done after that? What are the recommendations of TK Vishwanathan committee?
70. Why critics say, why having mobile so much mobile devices when half of the country is poor? What is 1G, 2G and other Gs?
71. What is bandwidth? How call is getting connected?
72. What do you know about Genome project? Tell positive and negative of project? What is moral hazard of such project.
73. What is role of Ethics in Cyber-attacks against other countries?
74. You know about GPS satellites. How many minimum numbers of satellites are needed for getting correct user location?
75. How is India's preparation level in Cyber Security?
13. Do we need polluting industries like ship breaking in India?
14. How will balance environment protection with employment generation in this regard?
15. What is environment performance index?
16. Why Western ghats is eco sensitive? How to protect?
17. Name two committees of Western ghats.
18. Difference between two committees of Western ghats?
19. Olive Ridley turtles. Mass nesting timing around the year? Why numbers decreasing? What steps has the government taken?
20. Tell us about Yamuna and Sri Ravishankar event.
21. What are pollution standards we follow? Status of Bharat norms?
22. Are you aware about a case in Supreme Court regarding pollution standards?
23. What are green buildings? What makes them environment friendly? Are you aware about a building PM inaugurated yesterday which is a green building?
24. What are the 3-4 major threats that Taj Mahal faces?
25. What are greenhouse gases (list)?
26. How to control emissions from the automobiles?
27. Why is Ganga still dirty? Most polluted stretch in Ganga? Causes of pollution in Kanpur?
28. If vehicle pollution is the problem what can be the solution? So can the industries be relocated?
29. What are the pollutants from brass industries?
30. What have been various programmes for cleaning Ganga? Is Zero Liquid Discharge possible?
31. What causes pollution? Soil pollution? Ground water depletion?
32. Why pollution in Agra? What are the emission standards followed there, why after so many laws pollution still there? Tannery industry in Agra?
33. What needs to be done, to reduce pollution from tanneries?

Pollution

1. What are the causes of pollution?
2. How did you come to interview? Why you did not use Metro, there is so much problem of air pollution in Delhi?
3. In US more people travel in Metro wearing suit, why not in Delhi?
4. Do you think of a solution to solve Delhi's air pollution problem?
5. Why Metro a green option?
6. How does the electricity get produced for Metro? Is metro a better option?
7. Positive effects of Metro transportation?
8. How to handle plastic pollution?
9. Explain plastic productions vs. ban paradox.
10. Swachhh Bharat Abhiyaan, is it successful?
11. Have you heard about Namami Gange programme? Why failed before? Any improvements would you like to suggest?
12. How will you deal with disposal of body ash in Ganga?
1. Why is there growing interest in Climate Change?
2. Is climate Change same as Global Warming?
3. What are we currently witnessing regarding climate change?

Climate Change

4. Why is there global warming?
5. What have we done to arrest this warming?
6. What is the role of HFCs in Global warming?
7. How do you relate HFCs and Ozone?
8. What is the objective of Paris Climate deal?
9. Would the INDCs be sufficient to limit the global warming by 2 degrees Celsius?
10. How has climate change affected India? Give some examples of recent events linked to climate Change.
11. What was the initiative taken by India at global level?
12. What was the role of France in International Solar Alliance?
13. Who are the members of ISA?
14. Was there any dispute with India regarding to Solar Power?
15. Why did USA take us to WTO in solar dispute? Why did we lose that case?
16. Have you heard about climate change? Do you believe in it?
17. Last year Trump was elected President of USA, he has been denying this all along? So, what does he want to do?
18. What is stand of Govt. of India on climate change?
19. What can be the impact of climate change on water sector?
20. What are the predictions about climate change?
21. What is the difference between mitigation and adaptation?
22. What do you think about Trump not accepting climate change and his policies about it?
23. Tell me anything on water resources in National Action Plan on Climate Change.
24. What are the renewable energy resources on which we are working?
25. Computers consume lot of power and cause greenhouse gases. What should we do?
26. How MGNREGA is related to forestry?
27. How do you promote environmental awareness in rural areas?
28. Environment issues on river linking?
29. Is the climate change really happening?
30. What measures India takes to overcome climate Change?
31. Can green energy be a practical solution to overcome pollution?
32. Even having many environmental protection laws why we are facing problem of pollution?
33. Why these laws were not much effective?
34. How will you ensure strict limitation of law?
35. Why glaciers are receding? What will be the effects?
36. How can we go with Interlinking of Rivers? What about Ken-Betwa Link?
37. Aren't we imposing development of Tribals? What should be done?
38. Do you think Himalayas is affected by climate change?
39. What are the effects of glacial retreat? How much glacial retreat has happened?
40. You must have heard about MoEFCC. Which deal did the world negotiate to combat climate change?
41. What is India's share in total GHG emissions? Who are the major emitters in the world?
42. What are ESZs?

Internal Security

1. Why are the Maoists fighting? Do they have people's support? What is that existential war?
2. Is there any initiative like Mission Sadbhavana in central armed police forces?
3. What is difference between IB, LAC and LOC?
4. What LAC actual means?
5. Tell us about drug problem in India?
6. Opinion about drug legality & compare to west policy Tell me west Rajasthan drug culture in wedding! Still there! As SP of Jodhpur what will you do? How you would convince people?
7. Your cadre Punjab is much affected from drug. What your plan?
8. What are the problems happening in NE? Why is it happening? What is the solution?
9. What can be the solution for the international problem of migration?
10. As an engineer, give an innovative solution to detect IEDs implanted in Naxal areas.
11. What is procedure of deployment of CRPF and BSF in LWE areas.

12. If Naxalites are causing violence and not surrendering, should we kill them Brutally, Mercilessly?
13. What are the threats for our internal security?
14. How to tackle Cyber warfare?
15. What is red corridor in India? What is the spread of the affected areas?
16. What is urban naxalism? Recent incident?
17. Tell me something about naxalbari movement.
18. Why it was started in West Bengal?
19. Then communist party was in power in west Bengal? Why communists were started movement against the communist itself?
20. What is operation Barga - is it successful / good?
21. What do you understand by national security? Isn't Economic security a part of it?
22. You see there are issues in North East. What other security issues is India facing?
23. Freedom fighters of NE and their contribution? Strategic importance of north east?
24. What do you understand by data localization?
25. What is the difference between terrorism and insurgency? Is it terrorism or insurgency in Kashmir?
26. What is the solution to Kashmir issue? Don't you think in a single sweep we should remove all terrorist? Why?
27. What is India's terror policy?
28. There are 2 lines of thought: (a) India needs to be tackling terror alone. (b) India needs to engage in international forums
29. What do you think?
30. One person's terrorist is another person's freedom fighter" your thoughts?
31. What are challenges in cyber security and what initiatives have govt. taken?
32. Please speak for one minute on various aspect of security?
33. Why tribal are getting attracted towards Naxalism? Solutions/ approach in tackling Naxalism?
34. Why north eastern states feel alienated?
35. What is nuclear doctrine of India? Is it right to disclose our policy even before the war?
36. How we can improve border security without deploying more personnel without building wall?
37. What is drone technology?
38. What is money laundering? Is there any law in India to tackle it? Which organization investigates the cases of money laundering?
39. What is Shell Company?
40. What is LEMOA? Comment upon India and USA defense collaboration?
41. Tell me how can we use artificial intelligence in the army? What about Navy and Air Force?
42. What is LWE (Left wing extremism)? How many districts and states affected by LWE? Is LWE biggest threat to national security? Why still LWE is prevailing? What is the ideology associated with LWE? Why it gets spread across country? Do you think their reasons are genuine?
43. How can artificial intelligence be used in detecting terrorist communication?
44. What is McMahon line? What is its historical background? How was the line demarcated?
45. What do you think about biggest internal security challenge which India is facing? How to tackle it?
46. How cyber crimes can be controlled?
47. Surgical strike with or without media hype. What's better?
48. Suppose you are in Naxal area, you are commanding officer and there can be mines under your road, what will you do?
49. Is "Right to kill" justifiable? What are situations where it is justifiable? Then what about Sec 4 (a) of AFSPA which empowers armed personal to kill any person on suspicion?
50. Is AFSPA required at all? How will you strike a balance between need for AFSPA and protecting human rights?
51. How is situation of Indo-Myanmar border trade? Tell me the items traded most commonly. Is there any issue at present? What has government done in this regard?
52. How will you ensure free flow of people and trade across Indo-Myanmar border and at the same time tackle problems of insurgency and drug smuggling?
53. There is Free Regime Movement (FMR) in Indo-Myanmar border. Why there is need for such thing? Isn't it a double edged sword?

54. Tell me the reasons for rising drug abuse in Punjab? Would you suggest some measures to tackle drug abuse?
55. What were the reasons for Sikh militancy during 1980s? Was government's action justified in case of operation blue star and the crackdown on Sikh militants afterwards?
56. Why is Sukma belt so vulnerable to Maoist violence? Give some points to eradicate these problems.
57. What is happening in J&K? What should be done to contain the violence in Kashmir? Why we are tolerating Hurriyat? Can we go stringent against Protesters?
58. What is smart police station? What are the aspects of smart police station? Do technology need in policing? Why we need it? Some applications of technology in policing.
16. Western commands headquarter where it is located?
17. Despite having high literacy why poverty exist in kerala? What needs to be done?
18. Suppose if i want to visit places in kerala which all places will you suggest? Why?
19. Why Gujarat has low social indicators?
20. You belong to Bundelkhand. What are the main problems there?
21. You are invited to give suggestions to Bundelkhand Development Authority. What would you suggest?
22. In India Hindi is widely seen as a link language. But many people are against it especially from your state? What is your opinion?
23. In Tamil Nadu actors become politicians. Who is your favourite actor (male or female)?
24. In Karnataka govt celebrating Tipu Jayanti. What is your opinion regarding that?

Home State

1. What are particular problems related to disease in eastern UP and how to solve the problem. Why UP is backward?
2. How to utilise small businesses in UPs growth.
3. How many times have you visited Taj Mahal? How do you feel when you see it?
4. How will you increase tourism in Agra?
5. Other than Taj Mahal what else is there for tourists?
6. Besides these monuments and structures, what else Agra has to offer?
7. What are the famous cuisines of Agra which attracts tourists?
8. What about the cleanliness situation in Agra?
9. The vendors, locals are aware that cleanliness will increase the tourism, still why do people indulge in polluting the city?
10. How prevention of flood will effect agricultural productivity in Bihar?
11. How Gujarat is different from Bihar?
12. Why Bihar lagged behind other states in development?
13. How can migration from Bihar be tackled effectively?
14. Do you think Bihar government has worked well to improve the status of education and health?
15. You are from Rajasthan which regiment in India belong to Rajasthan (eg; sikh regiment)
25. What is kumbha mela?
26. What are the steps taken by UP government in organising kumbha?
27. Steps taken by Rajasthan to promote Tourism.
28. Why chittorgarh was attacked again and again?
29. Why Akbar was able to conquer chittor?
30. Negative steps of khap? As DM what would you do if state is not taking action against khaps.
31. Is pollution in Delhi because of Haryana? As authority how will you prevent?
32. Tell us name of tribal groups from Rajasthan.
33. You are from Rajasthan what's the literacy rate and female literacy rate?
34. Why female literacy rate is so low in Rajasthan?
35. What will you do to improve female literacy rate?
36. What's the problem of Rajasthan?
37. Why is desert in Rajasthan spreading?
38. How to improve tourism potential in Uttar Pradesh?
39. How to improve farmer income especially in eastern Uttar Pradesh and reason of low farm income?
40. Do you think women empowerment has taken place in Haryana?
41. Compare hill fort of Rajasthan and Delhi? (Red fort) For whom fort is there king or kingdom?
42. What is the reason for agrarian distress in maharashtra?

43. Why Chhattisgarh called as bowl of rice? Productivity of rice? Any local variety?
44. What is mahanadi river dispute between CG and odisha? Which state should get more water? Will tribunal give right judgement in future or not?
45. Tell us achievements of Chhattisgarh after getting Statehood? How it helped CG?
46. Tell us ten problems and ten strengths of your state.
47. Why Police image in UP controversial?
48. Why suicide rate high in Rajasthan especially in educational cities? So what should we do?
49. What are Strengths and Weaknesses of Uttar Pradesh (Home State).
50. How to tap tourism potential in UP? What all circuits are there in UP regarding tourism?
51. You stayed in Odisha, Assam and Bangalore. What is common to all of the three places?
52. Why Hyderabad and Karnataka is backward?
53. Why Bangalore is IT hub?
54. Why Tamil Nadu is always fighting with neighboring state for river water? Can we change cropping pattern in Tamil Nadu to overcome these problems.
55. How is industrial development in Tamil Nadu compared to Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh?
56. What is problem in Sri Lanka related to Elam issue?
57. What is developmental status of women in Tamil Nadu?
58. Give a rough figure of expatriates from Kerala. What does your state government do to solve the problems of expatriate community?
59. Have you heard about silent valley? Explain it. Give its features and environmental significance.
60. How your state government (Kerala) is dealing with agencies which provide illegal visas and fraudulent activities?
61. You are coming from a state (Kerala) with high literacy? How can you make use of this in a state with low literacy like Bihar?
62. Why Vizhinjam international port (Kerala) could not be completed in time? What are the problems in carrying out the work of Vizhinjam port? Is there any labor issue?
63. Do you think there is enough cooperation from government in completing the project?
64. What is the response of the community living near construction areas? Do they support the project?
65. There are a lot of women issues in your state (Kerala). Explain the Sabarimala issue in simple note? Why such a problem? How to solve the issue?
66. Compare status of women in your state with Bihar and UP?
67. Why TN is anti-Hindi?
68. Do you think, Andhra Pradesh bifurcation was needed and good? Why and how do you say so?
69. What are challenges of women officers in Kerala?
70. If you are posted in Kerala, how will you deal with the women related issues there?
71. You are from Haridwar - what challenges being faced by tourism sector? What steps can be taken?
72. What are environmental issues in Uttarakhand? Is afforestation always right? How can you improve infrastructure planning keeping environmental factor in mind?
73. How to solve frequent landslides and disasters due to it?
74. What are benefits of Uttarakhand being a separate state from UP? What are the Constitutional provisions to form new state out of existing one?
75. What is Allahabad now called? Why name change? What festival is being celebrated there currently? Why called Kumbh?
76. Tell us about Ramayana circuit - tell me the path from Ayodhya to Lanka?
77. A lot of domestic servants migrate from Jharkhand. Are they being exploited? What can we do to end their exploitation? What laws apply to them? Do we need a minimum wage?
78. Are smaller states better? Do you think Jharkhand has performed better after its separation?
79. Why do so many people from Bihar, UP, Rajasthan and Jharkhand join civil services? Does it have anything to do with the feudal structure in these states? Explain to me what is a feudal structure?
80. Have you ever been to a tribal village in Jharkhand? What do you know about tribal schools being run in Jharkhand?

81. Which are BIMARU states? Why they are called BIMARU?
82. What are challenges in manufacturing industries in Bihar? How will you improve it?
83. Why education quality so low till now in Bihar?
84. Which cash crops are grown in Maharashtra? Why are they grown? Why still the farmer distress then?
85. Indore city has done well in Swatch Bharat Abhiyan. So why other cities have not achieved the same goal? What are the solutions to improve the situation?
86. Why Maharashtra every year faces water scarcity?
87. Telangana introduced a scheme to improve the conditions of farmers? What is that? Pros and cons?
88. We were trained in Hyderabad in 1983. At that time Hyderabad was a small city. What are the reasons for development of Hyderabad?
89. Tell us about development in Telangana after bifurcation?
90. Why is Andhra Pradesh demanding special status? Why is Telangana not demanding it?
91. What is the impact of the Mumbai based film industry on Maharashtra?
92. Telangana government is giving free electricity to agriculture. Is it good? what are the consequences? How government is addressing these?
93. Telangana has rivers. Still why canal irrigation is low? Tell us the Importance of lift irrigation schemes?
94. You've stayed in Mumbai as well as Delhi. How do you compare the attitude of people from the two cities?
95. You are from a beautiful state (Uttarakhand), tell me most highlight problems of Mussorie road.
96. Do you think it could be curbed (illegal construction of resorts and hotels)?
97. Do you know the North Eastern region? What are the agricultural problems of the North East region?
98. Do you know recently PM inaugurated a infrastructure project in North East region? (Bogibeel Bridge)?
99. Tell us something about Bogibeel Bridge?
100. Are you aware of the railway infra in North East?
101. Why too much crime in Ghaziabad? Why too much violent activities in youths?
102. You are from Bihar. Tell me about Nalanda and Vikramasheela.
103. Tell me about Ajanta and Ellora.
104. What is the potential of North-Eastern states in hydroelectricity?
105. How will you introduce Varanasi to a person from outside?
106. (a) What are the challenges of artisan industry of Varanasi? (b) What steps can be taken for their livelihood?
107. You have stayed in Nagpur for two months, Tell me anything unique that you have experienced in Nagpur.
108. Why drug trafficking in Punjab?
109. What type of forests is grown in Telangana? Are you aware where the red sandalwood trees are grown in Telangana?
110. You visited Arunachal Pradesh and stayed there. How would you improve connectivity?
111. Can you tell me the migration trend in Maharashtra? Tell me the name of tribe from Maharashtra who is migrating?
112. Are you aware of Jaipur Foot?
113. Tell us about good wildlife areas in Rajasthan. You mentioned about Bishnoi community's role in wildlife conservation. Tell us more about them?
114. What one thing that you liked about Ellora caves? When it was built? Who used to stay in those caves?
115. Why there is insurgency in Arunachal Pradesh?
116. Tell me about Maharashtra-Karnataka border dispute.
117. Why West Bengal's name was not changed after partition?
118. When was Bengal divided and reasons for it?
119. I will give u one minute. Speak for and against "Bengal is a dying state".
120. What is the difference between software industries in Pune and Bangalore?
121. Haryana sports performance is good - Why?
122. In Haryana, many farmers are not paying Electricity bills and practicing flood irrigation - why and what to do?

123. What are the issues of Bihar?
124. What is the historical contribution of Maharashtra in India? Tell me about Maharashtra's geography? What is the length of Maharashtra's coastline?
125. What has Karnataka done to protect its coastal areas? What are the water sports played in Karnataka?
126. What is the role of new Dowry Act for women empowerment in Bihar?
127. What is Ranthambore famous for? What are the Steps taken for tiger conservation both in India and at global level? Why animal- human conflicts take place?
128. Why so many suicides take place in Kota? You are DM of Kota. Tell me steps you will take to reduce suicides?
129. What are sand dunes? Where it is found in Rajasthan?
130. What is the significance of Pushkar?
131. Let's talk about issue of drug abuse in Manipur. Why so much of a burden in Manipur? If you are Health secretary of your state, how will you solve this drug abuse problem in your state?
132. Have you visited any historical places in Delhi? Narrate the Historical significances of the places.
133. Who is the guy to be credited for Delhi metro system?
134. Why so much of pollution in Delhi? Tell us some Innovative solutions for this. Why Carbon monoxide is considered to be hazardous?
135. Tamilians are hesitated to learn Hindi. How did you learn Hindi?
136. Will you prefer states of North EAST if you get into service?
137. What social reforms have done in Gujarat?
138. Malnutrition and Child marriages - are they real problems in Gujarat?
139. Why social indicators of Gujarat so low despite high growth rate?
140. Why Kerala called God's own country? Why so many nurses from Kerala?
141. Yours' a backward district. So what's the status of primary education and health there?
142. Why western Maharashtra and Konkan have more industries than Marathwada region?
143. What are good practices and bad practices done by people of western Maharashtra people regarding water?
144. What are similarities and dis similarities between Marathwada and Israel?
145. What steps would you take as DM to handle ongoing drought situation in a northern district of Karnataka?
146. Why Jaipur is known as pink city? Why only pink color?
147. Why Bihar became backward even though it had glorious past?
148. What is Gujarat model? Can it be replicated in the other parts of the country? They say that development is not possible in a democracy, what are your thoughts?
149. Which is the reason behind stone pelting in Kashmir-jobs or ideological or foreign hand?
150. What is the sex ratio in Gujarat? Why is it so low?
151. Ahmedabad was recently declared as World Heritage City, on what basis?
152. Can you name some PVTG in your state? What are the schemes in your state for their protection?
153. What is the biggest crisis that Gujarat is facing right now? What is the effect of water scarcity in Gujarat? What is its impact on economy?
154. You are a collector of water scarce area and warning of draught has been issued that how will you tackle it?
155. What is positives and Negative impacts of Delhi on your personality?
156. What are your views on demand of separate state of Vidarbha? Telangana and Vidarbha are almost similar, but Telangana was carved out of AP, why not Vidarbha?
157. Isn't Maharashtra a big state? Don't you think it hampers governance?
158. Gujarat is a Coastal state, how long its coastline is? What are the three benefits and three disadvantages of being a coastal state?
159. Why there is fog in Delhi? Tell me the reasons. What should be done?
160. Do you know where is salt desalination plant is located in Gujarat?
161. Why do farmers in Punjab prefer laborers?

162. Why do laborers from UP, Bihar work in Punjab? Why is prosperity in Punjab declining? What is the role of Punjab in India?
163. Why there is adverse sex ratio in wealthy pockets of Maharashtra? Is separate Vidarbha a solution for its Development? Is small state a solution? What is your stand?
164. How many gram panchayat are there in India?
165. I will list you some names. You have to identify their area of work or excellence.
166. Tell us about:
 - (a) Yamini Krishnamoorthy
 - (b) Thyagaraja
 - (c) M S Subulakshmi
167. In the history of Kerala there had been a movement to protect environment. What was it? Have you heard about Silent Valley Protest?
168. There is a famous martial art in Kerala. Tell us about it.
169. You are from Kottayam. I have some specific question for you. Are you aware of the history of Kerala and Kottayam?
170. Why did Christians first come to Kottayam in Kerala?
171. In 13th Century, a very important incident happened in Kottayam History. What was it?
172. What is the importance and connection between Kottayam and Christianity?
173. Why industry is lagging in Punjab?
174. What is peculiar about Kerala's Demography?
175. How can Blue economy be used to diversify Kerala's economy? What are its prospect?
176. Nitin Gadkari had inaugurated some project in Mumbai which had some international links. Tell me about it.
177. What are the cultural similarities between Hyderabad and Mumbai?
178. What are the factors behind cultivation of Kolhapur?
3. Have you heard of P C Mahalanobis? Who was he? What did Mahalanobis say about requirement of more time zones in India?
4. Do you think we need more time zones?
5. How one time zone affects productivity of northeast?
6. How can we improve our skilling programs?
7. Why Polar Bears are found in North Pole and Penguins found in South Pole?
8. Is it possible to understand soil pattern with the help of geo tagging?
9. Why the USA is experiencing cold waves?
10. What do you know about ocean currents?
11. What is the average rainfall in India?
12. What is the average rainfall in Israel?
13. Israel is not facing the issue of water scarcity with 10 times less rainfall than India. Don't you think overuse & misuse of water resources have led to this problem?
14. How would we conserve nature? What are immediate steps required for it?
15. Explain biodiversity conservation (in situ and ex situ)?
16. How we can protect Bio-diversity through genetic engineering?
17. What is difference between National Park, Wild Life Sanctuary and Biosphere reserve?
18. What are the types of biodiversity?
19. What are endemic species? Tell some examples?
20. Where does volcanism occur? Places in India?
21. What is hotspot?
22. What is compost?
23. What is JFM (Joint forest management)? What's the principle behind it? What's the use of it for forester and forest dwellers? Do you know any successful models of JFM in the country?
24. What is Minor Forest Produce and examples of it?
25. What is watershed management? Explain how it works?
26. What is the role of tribal in Forest conservation?
27. What is PESA? States where fifth and sixth schedule are applicable?
28. What is desertification? What are the reasons for that?

General Geography

1. In rhino vision exactly what strategies are taken to increase their population?
2. What is time zone? How many tone zones in India? In USA?

29. What is forest cover of India?
30. Why there is drought in India? Can't we use drought resilient varieties in India?
31. There are many countries which have less rainfall than us, they manage water better. What can we do to improve our water management?
32. What's the difference between Carbon stock, carbon sink and carbon sequestration?
33. You mentioned watershed management in your answer to drought issue. Tell me what's Integrated Watershed management?
34. If there's large body of water, will it be a carbon stock or a carbon sink?
35. You mentioned about soil and water conservation, recently a report has come out where it states that for forest conservation water is most important prerequisite, can you explain the relationship between water and forest?
36. Can you name some water conservation structure?
37. Tell me about Zero budget natural farming? Why it is not practiced in your region?
38. Tell us about cyclones. How they are formed? Why we see cyclones more on East coast and comparison to west coast of India?
39. How cyclones are named?
40. What are corals? What is coral bleaching?
41. What is Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana?
42. What is significance of Antarctica for India? What are economic and strategic significance? Are there any minerals there?
43. What are the limits of territorial waters and EEZ?
44. If you are posted in Punjab how do you solve the problems that the students facing there?
45. What is El-Nino and La-Nina? What is their impact?
46. What are the effects of deforestation? Is deforestation reversible or irreversible? Status of afforestation measures? What is green cover? But in cities we see only concrete jungle. How to make it green?
47. What is the Disaster management structure in India? What is the role of DM in disaster management?
48. Tell me the Geographical as well as strategic importance of Kashmir.
49. What is Continental shelf?
50. If you want to measure boundaries of the continent, from where you would start?
51. What is contiguous zone?
52. What is exclusive economic zone (EEZ)?
53. What is innocent passage?
54. Tell me about deep sea mining of India and USA.
55. What is the Economic and strategic significance of North East India?
56. Tell me about Indus river system. Where does it start and direction of its flow?
57. Why we focus so much on ocean temperature when we talking about global warming?
58. What is greenhouse effect?
59. Tell 5 passes of J&K.
60. Tell 5 places related to Gautama Buddha.
61. What are reasons for Kerala floods? How could we eliminate such incidents in future?
62. What should be the approach for Water Management in India?
63. What is the difference between weather and climate?
64. What is effect of climate change on structures?
65. What is the latitudinal extent of India? Why is it important?
66. Does equator pass through India?
67. Where is the black soil region?
68. Which states comes under Deccan?
69. Does soil tell us about rock beneath?
70. In which state does Nilgiri biosphere reserve lie? What unique wildlife we found there?
71. Where is the mineral wealth of India?
72. What is the difference between GAGAN and IRNSS?
73. What is status of operationality of IRNSS?
74. What is the height of Mount Everest?
75. How height of it is calculated?
76. Tell me about Lakshadweep? How many Islands are there?
77. Tell me about IORA? Tell me about the countries which are part of and those which are not part of?
78. Name all the Northeast states, along with capitals.
79. What is the important feature of Dhola Sadiya Bridge?
80. Do you think it has strategic importance?

Environmental Issues

1. Define Air pollution & measure required to tackle it.
2. Tell us specific initiative taken in Delhi to mitigate air pollution.
3. What is pm 2.5? How it affect body? How to remove it.
4. Explain the reaction of ozone depletion? World efforts on ozone protection? Sources of HFC CFC?
5. Is interlinking of rivers good? Why do we need it and why is there opposition to it? What is your opinion? Then is polavaram project good? There is opposition to it. What do you think? What should the govt do?
6. What is the progress of social forestry in India?
7. What is difference between Economic development and Sustainable development?
8. What are green buildings? Have you visited one?
9. Tell me some judgments of NGT?
10. How will you motivated school kids for environment? Give six points.
11. Is sustainable development possible? How it can be done? What is carbon credit?
12. Do you think global warming is happening?
13. What are the reasons and solutions of desertification?
14. What is Biodiversity? What is Biodiversity Act 2005?
15. What is a green building? Is current UPSC building is a green building?
16. Do you know about Minimata disease? Do you know products and chemical process by which mercury enter in the body of fish?
17. Is climate change real? Is it happening in your village? Tell me some of your observations?
18. What is carbon footprint? What is carbon sequestration?
19. What do you know about Namami Gange? What will you do for its better implementation?
20. Despite of being successful preservation of forest over 100 years suddenly why it is required to have community involvement?
21. What is Ujjwala scheme? How it is contributing in forest conservation?
22. What are biodiversity hotspots? How many biodiversity hotspots are there in India? Tell the names.
23. What is wetland? What are the effects of climate change on wetland? What is Ramsar convention? How many Ramsar sites are in India? Name two sites.
24. Which is the largest fresh water lake in India?
25. Despite of increase in pressure and population, why forest cover is increasing?
26. What are the reasons for forest fires? Provide some suggestions to tackle it.
27. There is a concern about dwindling numbers of birds and it is said that insecticides and pesticides are one of the important causes for it. How do you think they hamper the bird population?
28. There's Minamata disease in Japan. Which metal is behind it?
29. Isn't eco-tourism coming in conflict with forest conservation? How eco-tourism helps in forest conservation?
30. What is bioaccumulation and bio magnification?
31. What are eco-sensitive zones?
32. What is people's participation in forest management?
33. How we monitor air pollution? What are parameters in Air Quality Index?
34. How do we measure air and water pollution? What is the tolerable limit of BOD and COD?
35. What is pm2.5 pm10? Which one is more harmful?
36. What is the role of agriculture in climate change? What is the solution for it at world level?
37. What are the reasons for climate change in the world? Also tell the solution for each reason?
38. What are different schedules in Wild life protection Act, 1972?
39. What is difference between antelope and blackbuck?
40. Why is Namami Gange still not successful?
41. Tell me one famous endangered deer specie of North East. What is uniqueness of Keibul Lambjao national park? Do you know about meaning of Keibul Lambjao? What is Phumadi grass?
42. How do you bridge the gap between urbanization and ecology?

43. Are Electric vehicles completely pollution free right from manufacturing to disposal? What are the pollutants?
44. Do you tell me any Electric Technology to reduce emissions in plants?
45. How will you maintain balance between environment and livelihood? Is jhumming cultivation always bad?
46. Why do we need to make national parks? Save trees fine, but why we need to protect animals too? But here is so much trouble as human villages are displaced, they complain a lot. So it is better we shift animals which need protection rather than humans. Shouldn't we?
47. What are Invasive Alien Species? How are these threats to the surrounding?
48. What are top 5 cleanest cities in India?

10. OPINION BASED QUESTIONS

1. Give an example of the latter.
2. How you are saying we are progressing?
3. How these people have been able to sustain this system despite the concept of Equality? Why there is still discrimination?
4. Are you trying to accuse bureaucracy of negligence?
5. What is your opinion regarding safety of nuclear power plants in India considering the nuclear disasters in the past?
6. What did you learn from Gandhi? Who can practice non-violence? Strong or weak?
7. We had such a bright past in terms of education, Astronomy etc. but everything declined during Mughal period. Should we blame them?
8. When people blame the civil services for all their problems are they right?
9. If there is a traffic jam and you have a meeting with the pm would you use your siren to bypass it?
10. What do you mean by public service? Aren't all citizens serving the country in one form or the other?
11. What are the ways to mainstream tribal as a DM?
12. As a DM in your district, what will be your priority area?
13. What should be a civil servants priority when he joins district administration for the first time?
14. Do you think midday meals are necessary? I believe that all the intervention should be at the pregnancy and infant level and midday meal be scrapped. Your opinion?
15. How will you as an administrator ensure quality education in Government schools?
16. Farmer suicides. How will you solve it as an administrator?
17. Do you think you can work for welfare of people if politician above you is pressurising you not to do this and that?
18. There is nepotism in judiciary and politics, how will you deal with it?
19. Tell me how as an officer what changes will you bring in election process?
20. Problem of traffic congestion-how to solve it?
21. How will you ensure water availability for sanitation in your district, which is drought prone?
22. Being a women can you handle political interference and how?
23. Government has done many reforms in its term – what are some of the big reforms that the Govt has done in the last 5 years in terms of Indian economy, what issues are still pending and what is the way forward? Take your time and answer.
24. Will you ally with khap panchayat or boycott them, if posted as police officer in Haryana?
25. Women are fearful of police, what will you do?
26. What to do to modernize police system?
27. Parliamentary democracy or presidential for rapid development?
28. Is E-commerce good for country?
29. Opinion on freebies?
30. How will it happen if young minds are not interested in R&D? They are going to abroad or civil services?
31. Obstacles for India's Transition to knowledge economy.
32. Tell me your opinion on three things, reservation, skill training and compulsory military training.
33. What about endorsing harmful products like cold drinks by celebrities? Should they be held responsible if anything wrong happens with the product?
34. Recently there was a news that some celebrities are paid for endorsing political party, what is your view on it?

35. There are various protests going on against nuclear power plants? What do you think about it?
36. What is your opinion regarding building statues of leaders?
37. Bhuj earthquake, do you think the loss of life was huge because of poor implementation of building codes or poor disaster management?
38. Do you think there is a scope of activism in bureaucracy?
39. Are code of conduct and service rules hindrance for activism?
40. Do you think strict hierarchy in civil services impede social innovation?
41. Are virtual classrooms good for education system?
42. Do you think district collector is king and district kingdom?
43. What is your opinion on reservation? Why it is give and on what basis?
44. What is creamy and non creamy layer, Should creamy layer apply to SC/ST?
45. Should India play cricket with Pakistan?
46. Nowadays, young people like you move out of their homes at an early age. What impact does it have on the family as a whole?
47. What is your long term vision and strategy for India?
48. I generally see that if mother is a teacher children turn out be good. Do you agree? Give me a general answer for the reasons not personal experiences?
49. Do you think Judicial activism is leading to destruction of other institutions?
50. What will you advise our PM on Pakistan at this time? Is war an option?
51. Do you think India is ready for e-commerce?
52. Do you agree with the notion that AI causes job loss especially in India?
53. If you are DM of a district, what would be your priority areas? How would you evaluate/ assess development between 2 districts?
54. What would be your advice for the parents of children scoring low marks?
55. How will you address gender inequality in your district?
56. In South East Asia, someone said recently 'there should be de-politicization of politics and democratization of democracy'. Tell me what do you understand by this statement?
57. Is government and administration is correct in molding public opinion through propaganda?
58. Should we privatize railways and air India? Why Air India is still not privatized?
59. Denuclearizing Pakistan! What is your viewpoint.
60. Don't you think judiciary is stepping out of its mandate and making other institutions weak?
61. How can you ensure that disaster preparedness is maintained especially in a state like Odisha?
62. What is your take on Setu Samudram?
63. History makes leaders or leaders make history?
64. Could you tell India's contribution to the world in the past 10 years?
65. What are problems in Indian Railway (IR)? What steps have been taken? What steps will you take if appointed as CRB? How to improve organizational efficiency? What steps have been taken to improve safety in Indian railways?
66. What steps will you take to improve transportation say on Haridwar- Rishikesh route?
67. What are the problems with bio-toilets in IR? What is the difference in European and Indian railways? What is train 18? Recent glitch in train 18?
68. Tell me what is your opinion on child labor?
69. Do you think child should be allowed to work, because we need them to work on small scale companies?
70. You are saying that Children should be allowed to work in family enterprises after school hours so that they get skill development also. But that will also lead to Forced labor some time. Kailash Satyarthi opposing any sort of employment to child. What you say?
71. Your take on bullet train. It's encroaching flamingo sanctuary. Shall we move?
72. How would you handle labor union issues?
73. Shall we close all fossil fuel power plants? What's the alternative?
74. Will India ever become a developed nation?
75. What is Your take on Dalai Lama refugee given by India? Then Why different treatment with Rohingya?

76. As you are working with Railway. Provide some Suggestions to improve earnings for railways.
77. Are leaders only born with abilities or can leadership also be taught?
78. How would you identify born leaders? Should we continue supporting born leaders?
79. Why do you think gold is smuggled? Who profits by smuggling gold?
80. Bullet train project:
 - (a) opinion on project going through the flamingo sanctuary.
 - (b) why are the protests taking place?
 - (c) how do you foresee the future of project then?
 - (d) will it be completed on time?
81. Recently Madras high court judges ordered separate lanes at toll plaza for VVIP. Do you support this?
82. What about politicians and civil servants using red lights on vehicles and separate lanes?
83. Have you ever been in a situation where there was riot, police lathi charge, protests?
84. Have you ever used a gun? At a Mela at least?
85. Civil Servants select through a rigorous process and constitution also provides protection to them. But why are many top bureaucrats doing corruption?
86. In UK some persons have taken shelter as fugitives. They are saying that our jails are not humane so we may face torture. What do you think about Indian jails?
87. How to correct the value system? Should it be corrected by the government, schools or family?
88. Tell me 3 positive things about Hitler i.e. how did he benefit the world?
89. Give me three achievements of India in this field over the past few years.
90. You've lived in an urban area for a long time. Do you think domestic help should be regulated? Why?
91. Should it be regulated more urgently than other kinds of informal work?
92. How will you ensure women safety in your district? (As a DM or SP)?
93. Continuing with discussion he asked my opinion that should we thrash a person involved in eve teasing?
94. There is no much change in Male dynamics. What is your opinion?
95. Have you seen any sexual harassment cases in your company?
96. Don't you think Social media is affecting human relationships?
97. Do you know the reason behind Valentine's Day?
98. Despite spending huge amount of money by central and state government, why there is no result on ground?
99. Don't you think government should provide some monetary incentives to the honest taxpayers like me? It always penalizes the evaders but what about incentives for honest taxpayers?
100. Did you ever come across incidences of malpractices in government offices?
101. Few days back a double murder happened in South Delhi. Police came after an hour and became judgmental. Why police behaves like this?
102. Do you think artificial intelligence and robotics will take away jobs?
103. Robots have already displaced humans. Why don't you think it won't happen in India?
104. How we should make our primary school children ready for the next generational changes?
105. Your views on khap Panchayat?
106. Recently, there was a debate related to end to end encryption in Whatsapp. What is the issue? What should be done?
107. How will you manage the workload and ensure that problems of public are solved in a time bound manner?
108. Can we transform into a New India by 2022 and achieve SDG?
109. What did the prime minister of India mean by reform, perform, and transform?
110. Why President in his speech said 2019 is very special?
111. Can you tell me 3 major ecological problems that the world is facing right now?

112. You have been in Delhi for so long. Can you tell me what will you do to reduce the air pollution in Delhi?
113. If given a chance what two things do you think should not have happened in Independent India's history? And why?
114. What is your vision of India?
115. India was country of snake charmers and poor. Do you think this image is changed? Justify your stand.
116. Do you know about Human development Index? Tell me the parameters. Are Srilanka and Bangladesh are ahead of India in HDI? Why it is so? On what front India is still lagging?
117. Do you know about India's freedom movement? What were Round table conferences? How many were held? What was the role of Gandhi?
118. Some people say Gandhi was responsible for not saving Bhagat Singh. Is that true?
119. We can see in India, there is caste system prevalent in all regions. It exists in Islam too. Can you tell us why it is there in Islam and who are these castes?
120. Though we are living in modern time, situation of women doesn't have improved much. What is the scenario in your region?
121. Tell me about Madrassa system in our country. What has been its contribution and how relevant are those?
122. You have done electronics. Can we develop an app to curb the corruption in your District?
123. There has been a case of gender divide as well as rural-urban divide. I'm sure that is the case in your state too. How will reduce this divide using IT and cyber technology?
124. We have heard about cyber threats. What are they? Do you think we should try to avoid the technology to save ourselves from the threat?
125. Do SP and DC really work for people?
126. How will you deal with vulnerabilities beyond your control like commodity prices, predatory pricing?
127. What is the difference between the work of a civil servant in British India and the work of a civil servant at present times? What motivated the civil servants to join in administration at that point of time?
128. Do you have any role models in civil services?
129. What is your opinion on conducting elections in schools and colleges? How it will work? What are the issues involved in it?
130. Tell me 3 problems that you faced in your college as a student leader and how you resolved them?
131. Why regional languages have to be promoted? As an ideal we can have one language for unification of the country then why regional languages?
132. What is identity? Can you tell me five identities? How do you resolve these identity conflicts that are happening today?
133. The significance of post offices is declining, should we wind up the post offices like air India?
134. Why should we invest in high end technologies where we have poor people facing so many problems? Tell me 3 supportive and 3 opposing points.
135. Have you heard about Bhopal Gas tragedy? Which year did it happen? What happened there? There was one law which was brought after BGT to comprehensively deal with not only industrial disasters but industrial effluents in general? Which year this act was enacted in?
136. "Democracy inherent in Indians" PM Modi's quote. Explain this.
137. Is JM Keynes concept of full employment applicable to India?
138. "History is always contemporary history" explain.
139. You were talking about imbibing values in children at young age, do you think it will prepare them for a real world that is so cut throat? Isn't it a very idealistic view?
140. What is your opinion on euthanasia? What is legal status of it? Don't you think legalization of passive euthanasia might be misused?
141. Earlier there were only 5-6 IIT, now how many? Is opening so many IITs diluting the brand?
142. There are some cases of statue vandalism. What may be the reasons? What this represents? Is it masses doing it? What government should do about it?
143. How would you maintain balance between RTI and Right to privacy?
144. Where do you see yourself 20 years from now?

145. Who will Iran choose in case of a India Pakistan war? Justify.
146. Tell me about one solution that could have an effect on solving most of the problems of India.
147. In case of Aadhar, how do you take care of privacy and data protection issues?
148. Tell me pros and cons of prohibition?
149. India is facing water scarcity. What needs to be done at national level to address it?
150. Chemical industries are bad for the environment and the world, because of their products and effluents. What is your view?
151. What are your views about move of 4 judges to go public? Will you go public for addressing organizational problems? How going public will help you in finding solutions?
152. What parameter you will choose if you have to compare between Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra?
153. Why should we remain in commonwealth, Isn't it a colonial legacy?
154. Why doctors are not prescribing generic medicine to patient? Provide some suggestion to address the same?
155. Why India is following the research and innovation of western world. Where we are lacking?
156. Currently medical students are not attending lectures and practical. So the quality of education is getting lower. What will be solution for it?
157. There are problems of diabetes all over the world. Some doctor said about good cholesterol and some said about bad cholesterol. Some advice to eat fruits. I am getting confused. What is your opinion over it?
158. What the country needs more doctors or more doctors as an administrator?
159. If given one opportunity what one thing you would like to change?
160. What is your view on Rewriting of history?
161. Was Indian army's response to stone pelting in J&K justifiable? What changes you could make in it?
162. Has India learnt lessons from history?
163. Recently which movie did you see? What you learnt from it?
164. There is argument that English is encroaching. What is your view?
165. There is recent incident of misinterpretation of history? Can you elaborate?
166. Is different interpretation wrong?
167. How government books look towards history?
168. There is classification of history periods such as Golden Age, Dark Age etc. What is your opinion?
169. How should heritage be conserved effectively?
170. When 6 digits PIN in postal was introduced?
171. What are the short comings in the healthcare of your village and how will you have quality healthcare there?
172. What is Difference between junk food and fast food? Why Fast food culture is increasing? What are the health hazards? As regulators what you are doing to control it?
173. Why food adulteration is still a big issue in India? What can be done to overcome that?
174. There is death sentence for rape. Do you support it? What more could be done?
175. What do you think about ethical hacking? Is it good or bad?
176. You know about recent MCI guidelines to health practitioners about writing prescriptions in generic form. Are they following the guidelines? How can we ensure that they follow the MCI guidelines?
177. If they followed guidelines, then how pharmacists will misuse during dispensing of drugs on the basis of prescriptions? How can we avoid that practice? Suggest different ways.
178. In your opinion, why don't doctors work in rural areas especially in private ones? How can this problem be changed?
179. Why foreign tourists don't prefer much to visit India? What are the problems which they face?
180. What do we learn from king Shivaji that can be used today in administration and in strategic relations with neighboring countries?
181. What do you understand by Fake news, how it can be regulated? Is Press Media more credible than electronic media? What policy can be deduced to prevent a common person from evil effects of fake news?
182. What is the difference between Vegetarian and Vegan? So what do you think should we drink milk or not? If we drink the milk what is left for the calf then? Is it not unethical?

183. How can we conserve our monuments?
184. Why did 3 idiots become so famous in China, Korea?
185. What do you learn from crowd management experiences? How will you apply that knowledge in the administration?
186. Are you satisfied with current form of nationalism? Is it jingoism?
187. In your opinion, who is culprit, institutions or students, for the poor performance of engineering graduation outcomes in India?
188. How can a society stop rape menace?
189. Tell me about Indian economy. How is it performing in the last 4 years?
190. Government spent lot of money on doctors on their training. After that they moved to abroad. What are the reasons? Do you think we should have some policy or law to stop this? What are the possible solutions for brain drain?
191. What is your opinion on PPP? Is it successful or a failure in India? Name some project which run under PPP?
192. Do you support women reservation? Don't you think that this is the violation of article 14?
193. What do you understand by sex ratio? What are the reasons for low sex ratio? Is there any relation between high literacy and income with sex ratio?
194. Why Reservation for PwD (Persons with Disability)? Is it justified for Pwd? Wouldn't the services get affected because of that?
195. How women reservation will help in women empowerment? Why reservation is not seemed to end? Why it is still going on and on? Should reservation be there in armed forces?
196. Do you think ragging need to be banned? What are the supposed advantages of ragging?
197. Should State institutions celebrate religious festivals given that we are a secular country?
198. Why you farmers (Family occupation) always put pressure on Government to provide loan waiver or subsidy? If every other business man wants the government to help them in the same way, is it possible?
199. What if you are posted to a place where there is no problem and no hinterland, say for example Goa, what will you do there?
200. What do you want to be called, an authoritarian officer whom an employer fears or someone who is very polite? What if your boss is corrupt? Will you ask to give him in writing?
201. What if he still persists with his corrupt ways? Will you inform in writing.
202. Have you visited a Panchayat office? How does the Panchayat election happen?
203. There are ten people standing by when two are eve teasing a girl. Do think is it right?
204. Last year there was video of army jawan who was complaining. He was cornered and troubled by system as well and finally led to his suicide. What are the ethical issues you see here?
205. Is sting operation is justified, should it be done? Give me three examples where you think Sting is justified?
206. What is the reason or psychology of those teachers who are paid but they don't go to school and teach? Why they don't work?
207. What is Satyagraha? What reminds you of Satyagraha? Can these days protest termed as Satyagraha? How to determine intentions behind protest?
208. What are your views on standing in theatre for national anthem? Should it be made compulsory? Why not? Will you stand? And why?
209. If it's fundamental duty then why aren't all following it?
210. Do you know all people stand when national anthem of winning nation is being played in Olympic Games? If they can why don't we?
211. If I am standing for Anthem and not my neighbor, why should I consider him?
212. Why majority should respect view of few who are not standing?
213. Recently in Mumbai to build over bridge army was called. Do you think it was correct? What justification minister gave? Is it good to call army at your will? How to lift the morale of force in such cases?
214. I think women should not be allowed in police services, what are you thinking about it?
215. Discipline is good. But creativity is also important. Don't you think discipline constraints creativity? Should there be discipline or creativity or both?

216. How to promote ICT in the Education? Why our students are not innovative?
217. Are the laws in our country enough to empower women in India? What needs to be done at the level of laws? Should existing laws be improved or new laws be made? What more should be done besides addressing legal systems?
218. At the ground level, what measures should be taken to change mindset to improve the status of women, especially at homes?
219. In a village children are more interested in grazing their cattle or playing. How will you bring them to school?
220. Why Manhole covers are round in shape?
221. Tell me 3 things which India needs to do immediately within 1 year i.e. short term interventions.
222. Artificial Intelligence in India is leading to data mining and security issues, how to deal with it?
223. We say that it's Government of the People or people's government, what is your opinion on it?
224. Is it good to give autonomy to the educational institutions?
225. Why do people want to spend more in KG but not higher education?
226. There is lot of gap and mistrust between police and citizen? What should be done to bridge the gap?
227. Why we have to be more careful while talking to police person?
228. Don't you think that police person do lot of hard work and respectable job?
229. You might have seen "Blow Horn" written behind the trucks. But then we talk about noise pollution. Is it a cultural problem? If you get a chance what will you change this into?
230. Human beings have a power to make choice. You can either give this interview or go out of this room. But Social media has bounded our choices. What do you think?
231. Opinion on dowry. How will you convince your parents not to take dowry? How will you convince your in-laws for the same?
232. What are the 3 qualities that a leader should not compromise with?
233. You will earn 70k. Out of which 20K will be taxed. Then you will have 2 children and 15k each for them. So you will have very less money. So you have 2 choices: Malpractice and Dowry. What will you choose?
234. What is the importance of street play in a democracy? In your experience, do people have an impact by watching street play?
235. What is cost-benefit analysis? Is government doing any cost-benefit analysis by setting up more and more IITs?
236. But we see that engineers do not remain in engineering. They do MBA or other things, so are govt.'s resources not wasted by setting up new IITs? Wouldn't it be better to set up other types of universities?
237. What is the need to move from diesel to electric vehicles, since electricity is also generated using coal, so it is also polluting? What is the per KWhr cost of thermal, solar, wind based power?
238. Is there a case for having more than one time zone in India? Why don't we have more than one time zone?
239. Is it a national identity issue? Many other large countries are having multiple time zones without any problems.
240. Do you believe that poverty is at the core of all the problems? Suggest steps taken to reduce poverty?
241. What is the Human Development Index Status of India? Compare it with our south Asian neighbors?
242. Digitization is leading to more frauds, so should we stop it? Is there focus on digital literacy as much on digitization of economy?
243. Your views on dowry and live in relationships?
244. There is Amendment to Juvenile Justice Act post Nirbhaya verdict. But if the juvenile is shifted to mainstream jails with adult criminals, then won't they get hardened in nature and the scope for reformatory justice would reduce? Was it a progressive move?
245. 39 Indians got killed in Iraq, Do you think Government handled the situation well?
246. What in your opinion would become India's next new state after Telangana? More questions on merits and demerits.
247. There are a lot of unethical practices in insurance sector, what they are and why they are happening? Is regulator sleeping?

248. Recent NHPS health insurance scheme, it is going to help private sector more than the citizens what should we do to stop such malpractices?
249. Pink pyjamas are flying over Red Fort today, what do you understand by this?
250. Are joint families good for women empowerment? What is your take?
251. What is the Women role in nation development? What is it that women have and men lag which would make a difference in decision making? What all we need apart from leadership to have a muscular foreign policy?
252. A CM of a state Says do not sow seeds next season in India while another says floods are there, so why both happen simultaneously? How to deal with them and suggestions.
253. Do you fight patriarchy and ensure actual women participation in politics?
254. Don't you think bureaucracy needs innovation? What kind of innovation needed?
255. Do you know about Guru Nanak Ji? Do you know the meaning of the quote "Nanak Dukhiya sab sansar"?
256. What are your views on Human shield incident in JK? Do you support it? But army supports it?
- Should army be removed from JK?
 - Which areas you think army should be removed from?
 - Is it true that militancy is concentrated in certain pockets?
 - How will you deal with stone pelters?
 - How many of them are in jail?
 - How many are to be released soon?
 - What about people living in camps in JK since independence? Why no domicile status for them?
257. How do a girl and boy are discriminated in a home?
258. Your opinion about making military service compulsory for people joining civil services.
259. What do you think of Anna Hajare? Does he need to change something?
260. Why governments Servants are not ready to go remote areas? Do they lack discipline? How to change their attitude?
261. What is empathy? How to increase it?
262. What is your understanding of ethics is caught not taught?
263. Name few ethical corporates in India?
264. What are two technology of future that will change lives of Poor people?
265. Government is neglecting HIV/aids and not giving adequate funding. What is your opinion?
266. Why do you think extra-curricular activities are important in child's education?
267. What is the difference between truth and justice?
268. What is the difference between joy and happiness? Which is more important to you?
269. Do you think we were successful in organizing Commonwealth games? Has our sporting culture improved after CWG?
270. Should such games be used as a tool to promote urban infrastructure? What was its impact on Delhi?
271. We hear two viewpoints often. One is means should not be compromised for the ends. And the other is ends should be given precedence over means. Which view do you support?
272. Are you aware of Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace Act? Do you know its provisions?
273. Is India treating its women and children properly? What is main problem? What we should do?
274. Why are we poor in scientific temper? Don't think teachers try to inculcate scientific temper among students?

11. SITUATION BASED QUESTIONS

- Suppose tsunami warning come to you, you are DM. Tell me briefly what will you do, pre, during, post disaster
- You are the security advisor to the government of India. Two strategy you would suggest?
- Suppose you have been made Dist. collector in your own district. What steps would you take to change mindset of people towards Girl Education.
- Suppose you are made the Brand Ambassador of Girl Education. What one-liner would you use for Girl Education Promotion Programme?
- You have two officers one corrupt and efficient and other (inefficient and honest) whom will you choose).

6. You are an IPS and was invited as chief guest by an old age home. Give a speech for 1 minute. (I started saying answer normally. Member asked me to give a speech assuming all 5 here as old age members).
7. Tell me a situation. Your boss asks you to something illegal. Will you do?
8. Ok if he asks you to do something which is legal, but not gives you in writing. Will you do?
9. Ok suppose if he ask legal thing to do but you conscience don't allows you to do, will you do?
10. There is a situation. Your neighbor continuously try to abuse you and will try to harm you. Will you allow your children to play with him?
11. (a) Then why did you say we should play cricket match with Pakistan?
(b) So for you security of 15 player is important not of 130 crore citizens.?
(c) So why did we stop trade? It should also continue.
12. Consider you got your home cadre and staying in the same place as your wife. Consider your parents are not well. Your wife has left her family. Now she wants to stay alone with you. What will you do.
13. Consider another case. Your parents are well and good now. Now have only two options. Go with your wife or parents. What will you do?
14. Suppose you are the SP of a district and the local MP calls you and tells you that a local media house is publishing a lot being critical of his works and the government and tell you to take action.
15. As PM of India. What 3 areas you want to improve and how?
16. You are an SP. How will you deal with communal violence incidents?
17. Situation: if you are an IPS and there has been an ambush, how would you deal with it.
18. AI and job loss. You have 20 year time frame as a secretary. What policy will you make?
19. Imagine you are an administrator. The people working under are you are engaged in some unethical activity. What would you do? Your boss is also unethical. Then what would you do?
20. Situational question – you are SP and mob is protesting, you are about to open fire then suddenly a local leader comes and said “Captain sahib goli nhi chalni chahiye” (SP sir firing should not be happend) what will you do?
21. As a DM, what will you do in case tsunami comes in coastal area and you have less time?
22. Now a days private doctors are writing unnecessary test to the patients as a DM, how will you regulate it?
23. There are lot of domestic violence cases in India, As an SP of district how will you tackle such issue?
24. Suppose a girl in being molested at road how will you react to it?
25. Why such cases happens and How to improve such situation?
26. Indian schools are not able to provide basic education and learning outcomes are so low what can be done in such a condition.
27. Suppose you are guest at a school, how you will encourage young children against global warming? 5 points.
28. What if Sarpanch comes to u with ration card for approval and your criterian doesnt approve what will you do? What if cm tells you?
29. If you are a chief secretary, which area will you fund? Education, agriculture and defence?
30. Now suppose I'll make you DM of a district. Your district has multiple disaster hazards and also it is a backward district. There are lot of NGOs willing to work with District Administration. How will you utilise them. In what all roles?
31. Say your district has 5 NGOs working at ground level. But all of them are concentrating on one taluq leaving aside other taluqs. How will you resolve this. Because we in this board have faced it on ground.
32. So imagine that you have one minute and you have to explain that why should we select you as an IAS officer then what will your reply?
33. In Indian express in the front page, there is an article on DM's using technology and article says such advance steps should be recognised. But using technology is touted as short cut to administration. Do u agree?
34. You said technology brings efficiency to administration. Does it also help in bringing equity or in distribution to the people.

35. If you were DM of Pulwama what would you have done to stop the tragedy?
36. You are from Ghaziabad. There's huge traffic at UP Gate always. What can you do as a DM?
37. If you are appointed in a tribal area, what will you do to enhance their trust?
38. What are the challenges in administration if you are appointed in a state where people are very politically conscious but very illiterate?
39. Gave 30 seconds, a pen and a paper to find solution for Indo-Pak issue by leveraging our relation with china?
40. In hypothetical situation, if you had an opportunity to ensure that bifurcation of the state doesn't happen, what would you do?
41. If you had to allocate money to defend or education, what would be your priority and why?
42. Suppose you are posted as DM in a district of Maharashtra. What steps will you take to prevent water scarcity?
43. If you were DM, how would you improve the conditions of shelter homes? (Muzzarpur Shelter Home issue).
44. How would you do public interaction? So many people in the districts? How would you ensure that the information is up to the mark?
45. Mumbai is the richest municipality in Asia and its annual budget (32,000 cr approx). If tomorrow you're made the municipal commissioner (of Mumbai), how will you utilize these 32,000 crore? Give me 5 areas upon which you'll focus.
46. If tomorrow, you have to write an article providing a roadmap to sustain India's growth, what 5 themes would your article be based on?
47. What changes will you do to health sector if you become health secretary?
48. You mentioned pollution, how would you control that as a DM?
49. You mentioned water conservation, how would you do it in a drought prone district?
50. Member talked about Air India case in which MP was put on no fly list and recent murder of policeman in line of duty in Bulandshahr. Do you think the Government protects its employees against these incidents?
51. Let me rephrase, there is a concept of exemplary punishment, do you think it should be given in case someone hinders a public servant in line of duty? Or should we just let it pass by? Why does the government then let it pass by?
52. As a bureaucrat, will you take care of Farmers? How in context of acute water scarcity?
53. These days there are lots of hospital infrastructure related issues like fire and oxygen storage. As an administrator what measure will you suggest for it and also for providing accessible healthcare to rural area?
54. What measure will you take to solve problems of rural area?
55. We are having insurgency problems in NE and Central India. Police is already burdened with numerous duties like VIP security, law and order issues, investigation, etc. Do you think we should have a special dedicated force for this?
56. Can such a force work independent of the local police? Shouldn't it be removed once insurgency is contained? (Hinted towards NE).
57. Recently there was a great Fire in Karol bag. Why do these tragedies happen? How the safety of citizens can be ensured against such incidents?
58. Have you got influenced by any works done by the Gram Panchayath chairman in your village?
59. Tell me about your village infrastructure. Explain what all things need to be improved in your village.
60. As a DC, tell me three specific areas where do you think you should work for the betterment of your village people?
61. As a finance secretary, if given choice among MGNREGA and UBI, what will you choose and why?
62. Suppose 50-60 persons working under you. If they are unproductive what will you do? What if after all your efforts fails, than what?
63. There is a government hospital, which denies the service to woman who is in her advance stage of pregnancy as they asked for advance money which the family couldn't pay. She had to deliver the baby on nearby bus stand. Though the baby and mother both are safe, some woman organizations have been demanding actions against the authorities. As a head of District, what actions will you take?
64. If there is a situation where you have to deal with duty and your personal life, how would

- you handle? If you know such situation where personal beliefs conflicts with duty how you handle?
65. There is a prohibition in Gujarat on Alcohol. But we all know that it's available. Just you have to pay bit more for that. So what do you think about this prohibition?
 66. But this prohibition has also gained support from women. In state like Bihar, they have implemented it for political scores. Do you think this prohibition or removing it can have negative impact on political parties?
 67. You are in administration; one lady comes and tells you that his husband is missing. What will you do?
 68. As education secretary, what would be your focus, employability or character building?
 69. Okay she has filed FIR, police couldn't find him also, she wants to declare him dead and give pensionary benefits to her, What will you do?
 70. Rajasthan is a water deficit state. What measures will you take if posted as DM?
 71. As a DM, what steps will you take to stop communal violence during festival? Would you allow procession of minority community in the majority dominating region?
 72. If you are made an advisor to PM, what will you suggest to PM to improve our relations with Pakistan?
 73. If you are made in charge of Currency note press of Nashik, What you will do to tackle the problem of counterfeit currency?
 74. What steps you will take as a Home minister to deport back illegal migrant from Arunachal Pradesh?
 75. Being SP of Bhagalpur, How will you handle Bhagalpur blinding case?
 76. Being SP in Kashmir, how will you handle stone pelting mob, behind which a terrorist is hiding?
 77. As BDO, will you promote GM crops in your block? If yes than how?
 78. As a commerce minister, how would you improve India's export performance?
 79. So your first preference is administrative service. It means you would like to be in policy making. There is a debate going on whether to allow foreign universities in India, either as their foreign campuses or in collaboration with Indian counterparts. Tell me four to five important policy points you would arrive at, if you are in charge of making a policy, while allowing foreign universities in India. Now tell me whether you support or oppose it? Substantiate with two most important argument.
 80. If you made the member of North Eastern Development Council, which efforts you will take for development of the region?
 81. As a DM in your district, how would you use GIS technology? How land disputes can be resolved using GIS?
 82. Suppose you are member of state health board of Maharashtra and you get to know that a district medical officer demanding bribes from doctors and representatives of pharma companies, how will you proceed? What type of response can come to your mind in such situation? Will you trap him or choose other options?
 83. As a DM how will you address the problem of swine flu in your district?
 84. As a Tourism Secretary how will you promote tourism? Provide a detailed strategy.
 85. If you are made the BDO (Block Development Officer), What will be your role? Tell me with respect to schemes.
 86. You are DM. Few girls come. Complaints about new gender biased norms by college like Dress code for girls only etc. Your course of action?
 87. In an emergency how will you take quick decisions?
 88. You will be aware about telecom sector, People are getting the cheap internet facility but government is losing revenue. What is your stake on it? Suppose you are in telecom ministry, even then your stand will be same?
 89. Suppose you are countering terrorists attack in Kashmir and suddenly people come on road and pelting stone towards you. Then what will be your action plan?
 90. What suggestions will you give to the finance minister for taxing or not taxing agriculture income?
 91. Your son has been held hostage in demand for freeing terrorists. What will you do? You are GDP?
 92. You are DM of tiger populated district. How will you handle relocation of villages and tigers?

93. You are petroleum secretary – how will you reduce or optimize the usage of fossil fuels?
94. If you are Health secretary of your state (Manipur), how will you solve this drug abuse problem in your state?
95. How could you prevent children sexual abuse in shelter homes (he pointed out in Bihar shelter home issues) as a DM?
96. If you're in charge of sports department in your state, what steps will you take to promote sports?
97. Suggest three ways you will conserve water as an administrator and as an individual. Why do you think people waste water in irrigation?
98. 3 major problems of Pune that you would like to concentrate on if you were Municipal Commissioner?
99. Will you give houses to people recommended by local politician if they fulfill eligibility criteria?
100. You are a collector, how you are going to handle riot? But SP is not co-operating you, then?
101. Suppose you are a DM of a district. On what parameters would you judge the performance of your district?
102. If you were the DM of a district, and you had limited funds at your disposal. Who would you give it to, if you have to choose just one - a 14 year old boy with leg injury or a 60 year old woman with breast cancer? Why?
103. Who would you give the funds - if the 14 year old boy has paralysis of the leg, and has a long life ahead, and 60 year old woman with breast cancer would only survive till 70 if she survives cancer? Why? What are the bioethical concerns involved in the decision-making in these cases?
104. Have you seen the film 'The Island' that is on television quite frequently? If the clone technology used in the film were a reality in today's world, would you support it or not? Why?
105. If I were a rich man, who could afford the technology for saving my life, just as shown in The Island film, and if you had the authority to allow it or disallow it, forgetting about broad consensus in law and society, what would you as an individual do, allow me to use it or not? Why?
106. As a DM, what steps would you take you reduce child marriages in your district?
107. As an SP what measures will you take to curb domestic violence?
108. How do you empower the present day youth and help in their development if you are a SDM?
109. If you are an SDM, how you would have responded to the Marina incident and Theni incident?
110. Suppose you are posted in a district where there are no school buildings, no teacher etc. Children are engaged in child labor and other family help work. Also the children have no identity or birth certificates. What will be your approach for promoting education that too when you are posted only for a short period of time, say 3 months.
111. You have shaved in the morning. Who invented razor? Who is the Brand ambassador of Gillette?
112. You are DM of any district, how will you help a victim of sexual harassment?
113. What if there is conflicting interests between you and your superior in services, how to tackle the situation when you know that superior's self-interests are involved in some case?
114. What guarantee do we have that you won't be a corrupt person once you join the services?
115. A long story, which concluded with the statement that supposes the US and North Korea are able to drop 4 nuclear bombs each on their territory. The nuclear attack has taken place despite all the regulation, international cooperation, and ballistic missile defense systems. Tell me what will be its impact on the world.
116. You are DM of any district how will you encourage team participation?
117. Narcotic problem in India today, how will you handle them in a district?
118. Suppose that you are the in charge of a team and you receive a sexual harassment complaint from a female employee. What will be your course of action? But, in such cases, there is no witness but only victim and accused. How would conduct the enquiry or reach at a conclusion?
119. So you are a chemical engineer (I am process engineer), tell me what you will do if someone throws acid on a woman and you are standing there. What will be your first step as a chemical engineer and as an IPS officer?
120. If your senior gives you a legal order with which you don't agree. What will you do?

121. There are people much more experienced than you and know tricks of the game. If they happen to your subordinates, what will be your approach?
122. Coming back to leadership. Let's assume that you have qualities of a leader but still you commit a mistake. How will you respond?
123. Your subordinate commits a mistake while writing a report which you forwarded to the senior. Your senior presented the report and appreciated you. Later you come to know about your subordinates mistake. What will you do?
124. What are the problems in education sectors? what will you do as DM to address these problems?
125. If you are made SDM/DM in Sultanpur, what will be your first two priorities?
126. If your DM of an earthquake prone region and there is an earthquake, what would you do?
127. Suppose you are a DM of Andaman Nicobar islands and there is virus spreading among the Sentinelese. But the government policy is not to go and government is not responding. They are dying and you are on the ground zero with the cure. what will u do?
128. In your team one person works well but takes bribe at home and there is no evidence but you received a complaint. Another person does not work at all. What will you do in both the cases?
129. Let's assume you are head of department and 10 people under you. 1000s of people surrounded and about to kill.
- 3 options:**
1. Take one as hostage and use him to make a passage.
 2. Do nothing and pray to god by remaining inside.
 3. Fire at people.
- What will you choose?
130. There is bullying happening to you. How will you respond?
131. If there is prejudiced boss on you.
- 3 options:**
1. Do nothing and carry on with work
 2. Don't do work as anyway not being recognised
 3. Make it public issue.
- What will you do?
132. Have your ever been angry before? What did you do?
133. If you are angry because your subordinates are not working. How will you respond?
134. Suppose you are DC and there is a village where parents don't send their children to school. How will you ensure attendance?
135. How do you take any decision; Do you take advice from seniors, what if they don't give you advice.
136. Suppose you are an SP city and there is an SP rural. You both are in similar power and stature? You have telling him about some task, briefing him about, its implication but yet he keeps on insulting you. What would be your response in this scenario?
137. Suppose you the Prime Minister. Your goals for the country.
138. Your haircut is like a military personnel. In defence when a leader says right then subordinates move right and when he says left, subordinates move left. But it doesn't happen in Civils. How will you handle such situation?
139. It's 150th year of Gandhiji. In the current context, there seems to be a lack of awareness among many people over the values given by Gandhiji. What measures would you take to ensure that people are aware of these values?
140. If you are sent as an Indian diplomat to China what will you say to them about recent LAC standoff?
141. You are the secretary in UIDAI (Aadhar) and have organized a meeting with NGO's/activists to discuss privacy and data security concerns. On the day of the meeting, your Director General gets to know of it and asks you to cancel the meeting, citing that these NGO's are anti-government and anti-national? What would you do – take the meeting or cancel it? (Later told me that this was a real incident in which the UIDAI secretary cancelled the meeting, which lay the grounds for PIL against Aadhar Card and the landmark SC verdict)
142. What If foreign minister is asking u?
143. DM of A&N island and came to know sentinelese are dying due to some disease. As no one is allowed inside their territory including DM, what will be your coarse of action?
144. If u r foreign sec, will u promote insurgency as promoted by Pakistan in neighboring countries

with which India's has not so good or bad relation (this Q asked because in earlier questions I said Pakistan is not normal state).

145. Will you follow his orders?
146. Will you resign or seek transfer as u differ?
147. Suppose a live-in couple has a child and then they decide to break up...can you imagine the mental trauma the child has to go through? Do you think such relationship are right for our society?
148. If made IG what one thing to implement in first week? (Go to samadhi, close eye and then answer)
149. Suppose you are a DM of a district and a rail accident happen and you are present on the spot - what will be your priorities in this case, how will you handle crowd etc.
150. You are SP of a district, there is a bomb planted and CRPF has cordoned off the site. A local influential person is abusing the CRPF and hindering them from doing their duty, what will you do?
151. Suppose you are DM of a district and you want to double farmers income, what steps you will take for this?
152. Suppose in your district there is a spot famous for road accidents and many lives are lost every year at that spot, what steps you will take to avoid this?

12. QUOTE BASED QUESTIONS

1. Extreme form of which is bad?
2. Technology harms humanity too.
3. I am giving you a quote. Decipher this for us, "Now, we have guided missiles and misguided Men".
4. "Leadership Is The Ability To Get Extraordinary Achievement From Ordinary People" What is your views on this.
5. "A rose by any other name will smell as sweet" explain?
6. Be the change you want to see in other", who has said this?
7. Explain the meaning? Do u accept.. Justice delayed is justice denied.
8. Tell me what you make of it. "A Rose is a rose is a rose".

9. "What is in a name, A rose by any other name would smell as sweet'.
10. "Rules are for those who follow" what do you understand from this?
11. Poverty anywhere is a threat to prosperity everywhere. Speak for 1/1.5 minutes
12. "A Newspaper is the place where society argues" Explain this statement.
13. Everybody is a genius, but if you judge a fish by asking to climb it will lead whole life feeling foolish....'

13. MISCELLANEOUS

1. What we can learn from Mahabharata and Ramayana?
2. Is Mahabharat anti-woman? Explain.
3. How do you motivate people in your organization?
4. What you have learned from experience and how will you use it in civil services?
5. How you will increase team spirit in your team?
6. What are the tribal communities in your district?
7. What are the efforts made to preserve and develop languages of tribal people?
8. What is emotional intelligence?
9. What is SWOT?
10. Explain law on prevention of Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace. What is the procedure involved in it? You talked about changing the mindset of people, but it is a long term process. How can we change mindset of people regarding any evil?
11. What is the composition of police force in a state?
12. What is the difference between Army and the Police?
13. Why is that in case of any disaster we take the help of Army?
14. In case of any disaster, who calls the Army?
15. What is the use of informal sources of information in formulating a Government report? Can you quote these informal source in your report?
16. Can we clean the Ganga? How? What will be your strategy to do so with the resources at hand?
17. What is human trafficking? How big is it a problem for us? How can it be checked? What causes are responsible for it?

18. What is ethics? How do you ensure ethics in administration?
19. How do you be a role model? What will you do?
20. What are the qualities needed for a leader? Which among the two qualities leadership or man management is needed in administration?
21. If you are made in power, what will you do to make the side of the bureaucracy safer?
22. Do you know about Make in India? Why was it introduced? What are the various problems that the Government has faced in making this a reality?
23. Who is your role model?
24. Tell me, what teachings of Gandhiji you feel influenced you?
25. Does Gandhiji's method of Satyagraha hold true in the present society?
26. Don't you think there is a large misuse of Gandhiji's method of Satyagraha in the present society?
27. What was original name of Kautilya?
28. How low pressure is forming in Bay of Bengal?
29. How you will solve distraction problem of youth?
30. Difference between smart cities and private oriented project in civil engg.
31. How you prepared for the interview?
32. Leader or knowledge? Which is more important and what will you if you have choose one over the other.
33. Why soft drink is called soft drink?
34. What is El-Nino and La-Nina?
35. Why sky is blue, Why water is green?
36. Difference in Petrol and Diesel, fuel used in Aircraft? Why petrol, diesel not used in aircraft?
37. How earthquake occurs?
38. How will you clean Yamuna and what are the factors that are polluting Yamuna?
39. How will you clear Ganga?
40. What is the basic products of crude oil?
41. Why bullet train is called bullet train?
42. Working of Maglev?
43. GSLV, PSLV, what is the difference?
44. What is Cryogenic Engine?
45. What is environment audit?
46. What are the qualities of good leader?
47. How many electric Grids are in India?
48. What are the coordinates of New Delhi?
49. When Goa become part of India?
50. How Vice President is elected?
51. Which is cheaper solar or wind energy?
52. What is difference between ordinary bulb and LED?
53. What is Mobile Number Portability?
54. Do you use cell phone? Why it is called a cell phone and not a battery phone?
55. What is GSM, CDMA, TDMA. Difference between GSM and CDMA. Which one is older. Why it was used in World War-II?
56. How terrorism should be tackled in North-East?
57. What is the height of your district above mean sea level?.
58. Colonial mentality is there; do you think it can be changed?
59. When a citizen says he is poor, is it right for government to assess his economic status?
60. Two things you learnt from teacher and parents.
61. What changes do you find between the cultures of Pune and Delhi?
62. Among Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev and Rajguru, who is from Pune?
63. Who wrote our national anthem?
64. Which other country also follows the same?
65. What is the name of it?
66. So what is your view on Cauvery?
67. Do you think our judicial system is tilted towards favouring the accused?
68. How should interstate river disputes solved?
69. View on inter-state river linking?
70. Are you aware of any Nomadic tribes?
71. What do you mean by brain drain? How to tackle the reverse brain drain?
72. What do you think about girls being weak in mathematics?
73. Why children find difficult to study maths?
74. How should Maths be taught? How do u propose to infuse new methods?
75. How will you inculcate honesty, empathy and compassion in youth?

76. What are the major issues India is facing today?
77. Why is India so corrupt?
78. Why are we low in Human Development Index?
79. How to improve our index?
80. Whether only funds is an issue in developing health and education?
81. How to address issues of accountability?
82. Don't you think wealth creation in village is most important component to make a village smart?
83. Bhoodan movement by whom?
84. Where has it been successful?
85. What is Party less democracy?
86. Whether is it too ideal a concept?
87. What are the pressures faced by administrators? External pressures?
88. How to infuse credibility in judiciary?
89. Why judiciary don't want any interference?
90. How to infuse transparency in judiciary? How technology can be used?
91. Is it right to have CCTV recording of court proceedings?
92. What is family court?
93. Why they have rule of video recording?
94. View on emergency?
95. Is India a strong democracy?
96. How Tussar silk is made?
97. Heard about ahimsa silk?
98. What is deep state?
99. Do we have deep state in India?
100. Have you read Thiruvalluvar work?
101. Say any two Thirukural and meaning?
102. What do you think is major challenge before India?
103. How can we tackle it (poverty) with Thiruvalluvar words?
104. Are opinion polls biased?
105. So much money is spent on opinion and exit polls. There is no value in them except for entertainment purposes. What is your view?
106. Voter behaviour can be studied after the election results as well. Aren't opinion polls and exit polls a waste of money?
107. What is media trial?
108. What is the present system of regulation?
109. What should we do?
110. Should corporates be banned from owning media houses?
111. What is the state of R&D in India? What is the need of high end R&D when our basic skill needs are unmet?
112. What do you think about education of lawmakers? Which organisations are working on these lines?
113. What is Darwin theory? Do you believe in it.
114. What is China's cultural Revolution?
115. What is the basis for Hitler's rise in Germany?
116. Can you tell me about the origin of people in India?
117. Is the debate about Aryan migration settled?
118. Have you heard about yellow peoples and their entry into India?
119. What is investigative journalism?
120. Should media be regulated?
121. There has been boom in e-commerce and DoP of post is not having infrastructure upgraded for delivery of parcels, what do you think?
122. Have you heard about forensic auditing?
123. When a citizen says he is poor, is it right for government to assess his economic status?
124. Relation between Cape town and Bangalore?
125. Water scarcity in Bangalore?
126. Meat and water relationship?
127. Israel model?
128. What are the two oldest scripts and two oldest languages in the world?
129. What is the difference between language and literature? Where does grammar fit in? Language or literature
130. Who wrote our national anthem?
131. Is innovation possible in government? How it is possible? How will you innovate in digital India scheme?
132. Tell me the difference between Astronomy and Astrology.
133. Why Artificial Insemination is not successful in Buffalo? Why we need more veterinary hospital than human hospital in Rural area?
134. What are different calendars, name some of them?
135. Why town planning has not succeeded in India?

136. Ram Setu what is it? Is it a real bridge? What's the issue involving Ram Setu?
137. Have we done haphazard planning of our cities? How important is Disaster Management? Any subject related to Disaster Management?
138. How to improve cities in India?
139. What are the current challenges of urban growth?
140. Design similarities between old Nalanda University building and new Nalanda University building. Who is the Chairman of Nalanda University?
141. For what Madhubani is famous? Name the poets of Maithili. Tell us about history of Raj– Darbhanga.
142. You are from Bikaner, tell us about its famous Bhujia.
143. What are the environmental impact of Indira Gandhi Canal in Rajasthan?
144. What is famous about lakes of Bhopal?
145. What are the reasons behind industrial development of Gujarat?
146. Why IAS after graduation from IIT?
147. Why did you choose to become lawyer?
148. Why is Kerala known as God's own country?
149. What are your views about recent encounters in UP?
150. What is the Larson & Toubro (L&T)?
151. In developed countries, people don't know much about who's the DM or any other bureaucrat in their locality, but it's opposite in case of India? Why is that?
152. What is your plan for the rest of the day after interview?
153. Did you have humanities subjects in engineering?
154. Tell me 5 areas in which India has performed well and 5 areas in which it has performed negatively?
155. Do you want us to ask on any topic from your DAF?
156. Who is Visvesvaraya? What are his contributions?
157. Which colleges give B Tech as degree and which give BE as degree?
158. Give me any news from today's newspaper?
159. Why did you wish us? What are the coaching teaching you? If I don't ask you to sit? Ask the peon to move the chair back (around 3-4 feet away)
160. You have been in Delhi since January. Why so early? Did you join any private coaching institute? Which places you visited in Delhi? Is Lal Quila in Delhi?



Sample Transcript

Name: Sumit Kumar
Rank: 53 (CSE 2018)
Education: B. Tech in Materials and Metallurgical Engineering (IIT Kanpur)
Optional: Anthropology
Work Profile: Consultant, Pricewaterhouse Coopers Private Limited,
Selected in SSB (CAPF),
IDES (CSE 2017)
Hobby: Watching Ted Talks, Playing Cricket
Board: Ms. M. Sathiyavathy
P.I. Marks: 179



Chairman (Female)

1. What did you do after 2015 (before you graduated from IITK in 2013, did 2 years of job)?
2. You are selected in CAPF. Which force did you get selected in?
3. Did you join?
4. Which services are you in?
5. What is the work of IDES?
6. What exactly do you do in cantonments?
7. What are TED talks? How does it affect lives of people?
8. Name any Indian person who has given TED talk?
9. Did you see the movie on it? What was its name?

Member 1 (Male)

1. Are you excited to watch world cup this year?
2. Which other teams would you look forward to?
3. So you would be supporting other teams also in the spirit of the game?
4. Do you know about CCI (Competition Commission of India)? What is it?
5. Are you aware about the Act regarding maintaining competition? Tell me its name?
6. There was earlier Monopolistic Restrictive Trade Practices Act. Do you know about it?
7. Any other provisions?
8. Have you heard of IPRs? What is it?
9. Isn't IPRs and competition conflicting? What is its solution?
10. What is compulsory licensing?

Member 2 (Male)

1. Sumit you are from Jamui, recently DM of Jamui has been in news for wrong reasons. What is it?
2. Civil servants have been taking dowry. It is common in all services (not necessarily IAS, IPS). Why such practice has been continuing?
3. How do you solve problem of dowry?
4. How will you ensure gender equality?
5. Are women given inheritance property rights?
6. Chairman interfered by saying what is the provision "women shall inherit property" or "women can inherit property"?
7. Since Jamui is mineral rich region, what are the reasons for industries not getting set up?

Member 3 (Lady Member)

1. What is difference between income generating scheme and social protection scheme?
2. How MGNREGA is income generation scheme?
3. Give examples of social protection scheme?
4. How scheme like Ujjwala Yojana contribute to women empowerment?
5. Define women empowerment.
6. You have read from IIT and have good CPI, then why you didn't pursue higher studies?

Member 4

1. Why so many IITians are coming in civil services?
2. Why have you come for civil services?
3. Since you had MME in college, plastic is becoming nuisance these days? How will you control it?
4. There is problem of water scarcity being faced. What measures will you take to solve it?
5. Do you know technology which is used to extract water from atmosphere?

Chairman said thank you, your interview is over.

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