

PSC-MA-CSCCE-22-IV**2025****PAPER—IV****GENERAL STUDIES—III**

Time : 3 hours]

[Full Marks : 250

Notes : (i) Answer **all** questions.

(ii) Answers to questions carrying **10** marks should be in **150** words each, whereas answers to Questions carrying **15** marks should be in **250** words each.

SECTION—A

1. Discuss the challenges India faces in mobilizing domestic resources for development. How do these challenges affect the quality of growth and employment generation?
(Answer in 150 words) 10
2. Elaborate how inclusive growth can help in addressing unemployment and poverty in India.
(Answer in 150 words) 10
3. Critically examine the role of gender budgeting in promoting inclusive development.
(Answer in 150 words) 10
4. Discuss the major challenges faced by farmers in storage, transportation and marketing of agricultural produce in India. Evaluate the effectiveness of recent Government initiatives in addressing these challenges.
(Answer in 150 words) 10
5. Farm subsidies in India are essential for agricultural support but also create distortions in production and resource use. Critically evaluate this statement with examples.
(Answer in 150 words) 10



6. How do upstream and downstream linkages determine the success of food processing industries in India? Illustrate with suitable examples.
(Answer in 150 words) 10
7. Analyse the impact of incomplete land reforms on rural poverty and agrarian inequality in India. How can contemporary land governance address these gaps?
(Answer in 150 words) 10
8. Discuss the key features of India's post-1991 industrial policy framework and analyse its impact on industrial growth and employment patterns.
(Answer in 150 words) 10
9. Infrastructure is the backbone of economic development. Discuss the status, challenges and Government initiatives in strengthening infrastructure in India.
(Answer in 150 words) 10
10. Explain Nano-biotechnology as an applicable approach for sustainable future by citing its benefits in medical, industrial, agricultural and environmental fields.
(Answer in 150 words) 10

SECTION—B

11. Explain how recent developments in science and technology have impacted everyday life in India. Discuss with examples.
(Answer in 250 words) 15
12. What do you understand by indigenization of technology? Discuss India's efforts in achieving technological self-reliance.
(Answer in 250 words) 15
13. Critically examine the contribution of ISRO in India's socio-economic development. What are the implications of private sector participation in space exploration?
(Answer in 250 words) 15
14. What are the major forms of pollution affecting India's environment today? Discuss their sources and health impacts.
(Answer in 250 words) 15
15. Conservation of biodiversity is vital for maintaining ecological balance. Discuss India's efforts in this regard and their effectiveness.
(Answer in 250 words) 15

16. Critically assess the effectiveness of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 in building a disaster-resilient India. (Answer in 250 words) 15
17. Analyse the role of community participation in disaster risk reduction. How can local governance institutions enhance resilience? (Answer in 250 words) 15
18. Explain the roles of external State and non-State actors in creating challenges to internal security. Evaluate your answer by highlighting the latest challenges the State of Manipur encountered. (Answer in 250 words) 15
19. What are communication networks? How can they be misused to threaten India's internal security? (Answer in 250 words) 15
20. Evaluate the importance of cyber security in India. Explain its institutional framework and challenges. (Answer in 250 words) 15