



Drishti Mentorship Program Mains-2023

निबंध (ESSAY)

निर्धारित समय: 3 घंटे
Time allowed: 3 Hours

अधिकतम अंक: 250
Maximum Marks: 250

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प्रश्नपत्र संबंधी विशेष अनुदेश

(प्रश्नों के उत्तर देने से पहले निम्नलिखित प्रत्येक अनुदेश को कृपया ध्यानपूर्वक पढ़ें)

प्रवेश-पत्र में प्राधिकृत माध्यम में निबंध लिखना आवश्यक है तथा इस माध्यम का स्पष्ट उल्लेख उत्तर पुस्तिका के मुखपृष्ठ पर निर्दिष्ट स्थान पर करना आवश्यक है। प्राधिकृत माध्यम के अलावा अन्य माध्यम में लिखे गए उत्तरों को अंक नहीं दिये जाएंगे।

प्रश्नों के उत्तर निर्दिष्ट शब्द-संख्या के अनुसार होने चाहिये।

उत्तर पुस्तिका में खाली छोड़े गए किसी पृष्ठ अथवा पृष्ठ के भाग को पूर्णतः काट दीजिये।

QUESTION PAPER SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

(Please read each of the following instructions carefully before attempting questions)

The ESSAY must be written in the medium authorized in the Admission Certificate which must be stated clearly on the cover of this Answer Booklet in the space provided. No marks will be given for answers written in medium other than the authorized one.

Word limit, as specified, should be adhered to.

Any page or portion of the page left blank in the Answer Booklet must be clearly struck off.

	निबंध विषय संख्या (Essay Topic No.)	अंक (Marks)
खंड-A Section-A	3	40
खंड-B Section-B	8	41
सकल योग (Grand Total)		81

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| 1. Context Proficiency (संदर्भ दक्षता) | 2. Introduction Proficiency (परिचय दक्षता) |
| 3. Content Proficiency (विषय-वस्तु दक्षता) | 4. Language/Flow (भाषा/प्रवाह) |
| 5. Conclusion Proficiency (निष्कर्ष दक्षता) | 6. Presentation Proficiency (प्रस्तुति दक्षता) |
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Strengths

- ① good content, have the potential to write good essays
- ② legible writing

Weaknesses

- ① Need to relate to the essay topic and expound the meaning in the process.
- ② Be specific in examples and highlight the social and moral implication in 2nd essay
- ③ Avoid spelling errors, change paras - improve presentation.
- ④ Use good anecdotes for introduction
- ⑤ Need to work on conclusion

खण्ड-A

उम्मीदवार को इस
हाशिये में नहीं लिखना
चाहिये।

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most people do not want freedom, because freedom involves responsibility, and most people are frightened of responsibility

The stagnation of manufacturing sector is due to stagnation in the ^{MSME} manufacturing sector. Currently this sector is getting hand holding, financial support & relaxation to various law.

It motivates them to be small. If they would grow to become large enterprises, they would have financial freedom but at the same time there would be increased obligation towards labour laws, environmental & other compliance. This shows the fact that most of the people don't want freedom, as freedom comes at the cost of greater responsibility.

It is the natural human

good examples but use crisp phrases

handled through

current regulatory structure

change parad in between for better presentation

concessions in compliance of laws

more compliance

tendency to maximise the pleasure & minimise the pain in the form of responsibility.

The man is born free & everywhere he is in the chains. These chains are in the form of responsibility toward family, society & the nation.

There are various aspects of the freedom. Political freedom means freedom from any alien rule, right to be part of governance through voting rights, right to contest election etc.

But, if we analyse our electoral system, we can easily identify that a large section of the society does not vote. For example in 2019, total voting turnout was 67%. It means 33% people do not participate in voting.

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good
quote.
Mention
Rousseau

good
point

try to
make
articles,
legal
framework

first
provide
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brief
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Among those who participated in voting, large section of people are voting on religious, caste or regional line. It is evident from rising percentage of person having criminal charges going on are being elected.

Apart from voters, those who are contesting elections are violating model code of conduct (mcc) during election, use communal speeches for polarisation. After winning election there are instances of corruption in the form of anti defection from party, corruption in governance through scams etc.

In the field of economic freedom, everyone wanted to have secured economic status. Governments are burdened with creation of new infrastructure, providing public

Back up
claims with
data and
facts
(eg, ADR
Reports)

using

violation
of
Rt Act,
1951

give
recent
examples
for
making
it
interesting

service. Yet there are instances of tax evasion, & tax avoidance. Without revenue government would not be able to provide public services to public. As per Budget 2023-24, Tax to GDP ratio was just 11.1%. Hence, there is ^a need to rectify all these ill activities to gain economic free-dom.

mal practices

↘ don't switch abruptly - from one aspect to another

good point

In the societal aspect, freedom includes freedom from discrimination & freedom for equal treatment.

But, often case of atrocities based on caste, gender, race & religion are reported. One group is trying to dominate other. There is lack of sense of competitive-cooperation but there exists cut-throat competition. As people are afraid of responsibility, they are not

→ give examples and steps taken

highlight NCRB data to substantiate

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reporting crimes against women, children & vulnerable section of the society.

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In the religious aspect, freedom is associated with right to freely practice & propagate own religion based on conscience. But, there are instances of communal violence, forced conversion, imposition of one's religion over others. To ensure religious freedom one must be open to debate, discussions & constructive criticism. But, people are restraining from these responsibilities.

→ Art. 25

→ give current examples

good point

can mention

Art. 29, 30

ICCPR
ICESCR
UDHR

In cultural aspect, same can be seen that people want to have own culture but at the cost of other. There are denial of rights to LGBTQ+ community.

→ is a denial

West v. East

Afghanistan: Taliban (Islamic Culture)

Europe - UK, US (immigrant) issues

SL - Sinhalese v. Tamils

India - Kuki
Meitei



give more examples to illustrate

We are judging the people based on their appearance, language, food, habbits etc. There is ^{an} element of feeling of cultural superiority over others. But, real cultural freedom would be achieved if there is interaction & enrichment due to interaction of culture with each other. The onus of this lies on the people following particular culture.

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Sharma
Mann

Our ancient philosophical tradition have given superiority to responsibility (or) Dharma.

→ elaborate

Is it ideal in today's context?

There would be freedom and peace in the society if everyone is following own Dharma (or) responsibility.

since there were different Dharma prescribed for different categories.

It can be understood in other way that rights (freedom) are

Rights v. Duties (Jural correlatives)



Part III

v.
Part IVA

demandes, when duties (responsibilities) are not honoured. So, if one wants to enjoy, he must fulfill his responsibilities.

As The vision

India have vision of achieving developed country status by 2047.

To achieve this there is need of freedom to people and fulfillment of their responsibilities towards various stakeholders.

Politically, people needs to understand the importance of free & fair election with selection of suitable candidate. One must vote above caste & religion (or party lines). Only good representative can make good laws & provide good governance.

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Also
need to
Right to
info for
making
informed
choices

highlight
ADR
case
before
SC -
declaration
of
criminal
Antecedents

Suggest
concrete
steps

Socially, people have responsibility of having ideas of equality, fraternity, tolerance & love for human being along with respect the dignity of everyone. It would help the nation to realize it's full potential.

Economically, everyone is responsible for earning for what they eat. Same was supported by Gandhiji also. Everyone must do manual work upto the extent what he eats everyday. Focusing on paying taxes & reporting of illegal (or) unethical ~~act~~ act to appropriate authorities will boost government revenue & hence in turn would provide economic freedom to everyone.

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What
steps
can be
taken/
have
been
taken
to
ease
compliance
on
business
citizens

In the field of environment & ecology, right to clean environment is protected under Article 21 of the Indian constitution. Hence, everyone have responsibility of keeping the surrounding clean, energy consumption must be sustainable and using the renewable energy. At the same time, ordinary citizen can use 3R strategy - Reduce, Recycle & Reuse to minimize the waste generation, saying no to single use plastics, segregation of waste at the source level itself. These small steps can help to reduce the amount of harm to the environment & provide them freedom from polluted environment.

good point

Suggest steps an individual can take Lifestyle

good points

change paras in between for better presentation

this
aspect
very
well
elaborated

Government is also providing
handholding through promotion of
solar, wind etc renewable energy,
promotion of ethanol blending,
promotion of electric vehicle etc.
People need to take responsibility in
this regard to have freedom from
polluted environment.

Uttarakhand
Hate
speech
case

In the cultural, religious &
spiritual sphere, people need to
respect the diversity & should owe
the responsibility of having tolerance
towards diversity, respect for the
other's view. It would create a
progressive & rational society. The
man want's to live a healthy life
but fails to be actively part
of yoga.

flow to
inculcate
such
tolerance

Dividend
scale
steps
being
taken
your
suggestion

India have population of
more than 140 crore with favourable
demographic divident. These people
needs to be healthy & having skill.

→ can
cite
Articles
Acts

The responsibility to make them
healthy & skillful rests with both
the government and people itself.

good
observation

We can summarise in following
words that freedom & responsibility
are part of same coin. We need to
educate the people to understand
the importance of various types
of freedom so that they would
be ready to take responsibility. It
would help the country to achieve
various goals such as sustainable
Development Goal (SDG), achieving
developed country status by 2047 etc.



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चाहिये।

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उम्मीदों की उड़
होना या नहीं होना
बाँटो।
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- ⑧ Literature is not only source of knowledge, but also a form of moral & social activity

Literature is use of existing script and language in such a way that it binds the reader & connects the readers to event, the writer is describing. These are of various types such as religious, secular, drama, dance, medicine, historical chronology, ecological writing etc. The common among all those thing is the knowledge about society, polity, economy, culture etc prevalent during the age in which they were written. For example ~~Arth~~ Arthashastra by Kautilya is about managing polity through effective

Try to
be
innovative
in
Intro -
story /
startling
fact

good
example

use of available resources (or) Artha.
But, it also gives detailed insight
into societal values & life style
present in the ancient Mauryan
age.

Historically, the first written
information about human civilization
is found in Vedas. Though Vedas are
considered as religious text. It have has
philosophy & ways to practice the
Vedic religion. Yet it also provides
the socio-economic & ethical and
moral value of Vedic era. For
example Rig Veda have mentioned
about the Varna system which was
prevalent in the society. Similarly,
the Samveda tells about music &
its forms & importance. Atharvave-
da tells about spread of magic

Societal

First
give a
brief
framework
of
essay

good
illustrations
through
examples

& popular belief on this.

Post Vedic age, Buddhist
chronical texts such as Jataka
stories, Ardana etc mentioned
about the society, spread of
urbanisation, type of currencies,
type of trade activities and
number of crops grown per year,
about other religious belief present
in the society. Similarly Jaina
text also provided much information
about society & economy and polity
of that era.

Give
specific
examples
if
you
can

Avoid
spelling
errors

With beginning of large territorial
state Mauryan Kingdom was established.
Chanakya wrote Arthashastra. It is
about managing polity through
strong economy. Yet it have
description of society. It tells

about trade guilds present, presence of foreigners & their belief, about the maritime trade, mining, etc. It also discuss about the nature of tribal societies & need of keeping check on them.

Post Mauryan era witnesses the proliferation of both secular & religious literature. It was the era of proliferation of Smritis & Grammar, medicine etc. Smriti has information about inter-personal relationship in the society, division of labour, inheritance rights etc.

On the other hand Patanjali wrote maahabhasya, Panini wrote grammars. Charak & Sushrut samhita were written. These all contain

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yajurveda

information about society, flora & fauna.

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With advent of Gupta there was advent of secular literary works. Kalidasa's Meghaduta describes about season, love, relationship, type of rice cultivated, taxes, cloths, fairs & festival etc.

In the southern India, Sangam literature is rich source of knowledge about polity, society, philosophy & war. It have two parts narrative text & didactical text.

These contains information about war among Chola, Chera & Pandya rules, respect for brave person, practice of raising honour stone (Verrakkal). In the societal aspect, it describes about type of lands

good
illustrations

keep
relating
it to

the
essay
topic
"social
&
moral
activity"

and associated activities. Diety relates to different landscape. It gives insight into religion also. Presence of Buddhism & decline of Jainism is also mentioned.

Chinese writers & Banbhattera writings are useful in decoding the society, religion, polity & economy in later ancient India. However, there are some error in that, yet it is useful.

With advent of Delhi Sultanat, sufi writers, bhakti saint writings, royal historians ~~are~~ have written various books. It tells about social morality, religion, economy & polity. For Eg - Bazni writing have clear glimpse of theory of high born - low born. On the other hand sufi & bhakti writing present

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Novels
↓
give examples
and
talk
about
how
social
life
affected

Be
Specific

social & religious life. This era also witnesses growth of writings in Arabic, Persian, Urdu & Indian regional language. Ibra Batuta's account mentioned about the slavery, betel nuts, market & products, knowledge and progress of Indian society, fair & festivals. All these things can also be found in autobiography of Babur - Tuzuk-i-Babur.

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→ discuss
social
issues
at
length

good
example

The great king Krishnadeva Raya wrote Amuktamalyada which have theory of kingship. Along with this it also mentioned about forts, tribals and Nayakara system which have clear information about society.

→ social
division

Rana Kumbha was great patron of art. Despite involves in life long war activities he wrote about

focus on
social
aspect

music and dance. All these provide cultural life of that era.

Further, Ain-i-Akbari during Akbar reign is largely an official chronological & administrative document. Yet, it provides information about crops, type of land, water resources, art & craft, trade, fairs and festival, interpersonal relationship in the society, judicial system etc which not only useful for knowledge but also the societal structure and way of life.

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explain
specifically

The 17th & 18th century witnessed writing of foreign writers such as Peter Mundy, Nikitin, Barbosa. All these writers provided diverse insight of the masses. The recurring famine, lavish lifestyle of nobility, flourishing trade & craft, rising urban centres are

Implication
on
Morality
not
discussed
yet

mentioned.

Further, with advent of British colonial rule and growth of printing press provided impetus to the growth of literary works. Anandmath written by Bankim Chandra Chatterjee mentioned about the in Sanyasi Rebellion. It mentioned about the plight of common masses in the Bengal during British rule. Religious belief of people and interference by Britishers in their practice led to the revolt.

good
explanation

Further, writings of Jyotiba Phule such as Gulamgiri, Satyashodhak Samaj etc also mentioned the social condition of untouchables in 18th 19th century India.

good
explain
with
context

Post independence many books were written in the regional language. For example Maila Anchal

Written by Fanishwar Nath Renu along with Samvadiya (the messengers), Dholakiya (the Drumist) etc mentions about fairs & festival, importance of River Ganga in society, British rules & impact on the people. It also mentions about Amindari, life of a Pahalwan (wrestler), Gadiwan (Bullock cart driver), the dancer, falguni songs (Hindi month Falgun) etc. Hence, it is the true reflection of the society & associated values.

At the end while summarising, it is clear that literature are important source of knowledge at the same time mentions about society, culture, morality etc.

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good
variety
of
examples
used

highlight
social
issues
specifically

give
gist of your
arguments at
the end/
futuristic
insight

With advent of digitization, it
is easier to ensure wide reach to
common masses. Reading literature
in leisure time can help the
younger generation to get in
touch with the rich civilizational
history & human values can be
imbibed in them.

Need
to
improve
conclusion

If you want to know about
a society, have a physical visit &
have conversation. But, if you
want to know deeply about them,
read the literature associated
with that society.

try to
use
better
phrases



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