

Indian Society - Class Test - 01

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Question Paper Specific Instructions

Please read each of the following instructions carefully before attempting questions:

All the questions are to be attempted.

The number of marks carried by a question/part is indicated against it.

Attempt of a part/question shall be counted in sequential order. Unless struck off attempt of a part/question shall be counted even if attempted partly. Any page or portion of the page left blank in the Question-cum-Answer Booklet must be clearly struck off

Answers must be written in ENGLISH only.

- Good attempt
- keep writing.

Total Marks Obtained: _____ Remarks: _____

1. Are tolerance, assimilation and pluralism the key elements in the making of an Indian form of secularism? Justify your answer. (15 Marks)

Indian secularism's core is the fact that every religion is equal, government provides aid — to all the religion and is not tilted towards only single one. India is a country of diverse culture, religion, caste, race etc. The key elements that are binding the country in the unity of equality and ~~togetherness~~ are, tolerance, assimilation and ~~pluralism~~.

1. Tolerance

- It is essential, when we are living in a society of different beliefs, values, ~~thinking~~, culture, language etc.
- As Gandhiji has said, "we must respect the values of other religions ~~but~~ keeping our values at supreme".
- In order to be developed we have to be tolerate, towards the values of other ~~religions~~.



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2). Assimilation

- It is important because without this, people of India won't be able to learn about the different cultures and religions.
- Schools do play a vital role here, even without any religious factor in school, children of different culture and religion study together, get to know each other in a better way.
- If it is there — people will be able to challenge, if something wrong is being taught about a particular religion.

3). Pluralism

- It shows the unity of India.
- When Diwali is celebrated, everyone celebrates that.
- When Eid is celebrated, people wish each other.
- Government do provide holidays on the special festivals.
- Cricket is celebrated as a religion of all in country.

Hence, all these factors are basic for the secularism in India, otherwise conflict may arise and it will

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essentially lead to the — political, economic
and religious instability in the country.
A nation which have Nationalism at
top will always sustain — otherwise people
will end due to the conflicts within
themselves.

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2. Explore and evaluate the impact of 'Work from Home' on family relationship. (10 Marks)

India is a country where relationships of family are considered very important. They develop the core morals and values in the family. It was used to be considered in Indian families that if someone is working — he/she must go to the office. It was not considered good that if someone is working from home.

Positive Impact
Quality Time with family
Improved family relationship
Reduced friction

Covid-19 has changed all the perceptions about work from home culture. When everything was closed, technology was open and keeping flow of work effectively.

- Work from home has made families better understanding about the pressure and stress, people feel in their daily offices as they were able to get a closer picture.
- It has made, people to spend some more time with the family

as travel time has been decreased.

- The conflicts — related to that work of home and work of offices, which one is easier faded away as — people got to know about the value of both.

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There were some negative impacts as well: →

- Socialisation decreased — caused mental stress — No. of ~~suicide~~ suicides inc. during work from home. → Domestic violence

- Many relationships broke due to the long distant lockdown. → financial stress

- People were not able to keep their privacy (mostly) — because of background noise or open cameras. → Increased workload for women

There were conflicts that the person is not doing anything and only sitting on the laptop and wasting the time. → Mental Health Impact.

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However, whenever something new comes, it comes with both positives and the negatives. Some get benefits, some face problems but in the end we have to cope up and manage all the scenarios maturely.



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3. "Globalization will end up making all cultures of the world homogeneous". Critically examine the statement taking examples from socio-cultural and economic life of India. (200 words)

Globalization has interconnected all the countries, in terms of their cultures, economics, safety, security, politics, trade etc. Earlier, when people only knew about their own cultures, values, beliefs and were living with them, with all acceptance whether some practices were bad, the globalization - has created a slow but a big change in these acceptance.

- Globalization has made people more aware about the rights and the ~~the~~ wrongs.
- Globalization has changed the ethics of the norms.
- It has even negatively impacted as now ~~many~~ youth of our country are more influenced towards the western culture and losing their own traditional values.

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The socio-cultural and economic life of India is very diverse in nature. If we talk about that then we will get to know that India is a country of surprises, a country that have almost all religion, caste, race, & different languages and still standing tall with proper strength of unity and diversity.

Socio-cultural Impact

• When Globalisation expanded - people of India, a society they had created that was bound due to the culture value of India, got a great challenge from westernisation.

Common values
Consumer Culture
Language
Cuisine

People of India - got influenced towards the western cultures, due to freedom and newness.

Economic Impact

• This has hampered the traditional value of the Indian society and the gap had created building between the young and older generations.

MNCs and Globalization
Media and Exchanges

• social change occurred, marriage that was a "Dharam" at some time, became a ritual of parents.

Present situation
Globalisation
Indian Spirituality
changing Indian Society
changing family structure
westernization
Media Influence



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- The mixup of cultures has made chaotic for the people to live.
- Of some supports traditional values — they are called orthodox and when some follows new cultural values — they are called people of low morals.

In terms of economic life as well, the chaos is there: →

- try to give your answer pointwise*
- When globalisation has improved the level of women in the society and has helped them to be independent and provided them to be represented equally in the areas of work and education, it has created problems of exploitation of labours especially women and created challenge to their safety at the work place.

- your cross your word*
- Labours are exploited, local Indian business that just started growing ended up because they were not able to compete with the MNCs.

Hence, globalisation — will end up all cultures of the world homogeneous — will create some benefits but along with some challenges. People have to know that they can accept the goods of something without losing the goods of their own traditional values.

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4. Examine the role of the Gig Economy in the process of Empowerment of women in India. (10 Marks)

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The role of women in India, especially in terms of working in the office was not very good. The arrival of gig economy has helped women to gain professional training and skills to get work. Globalisation has, made the role of freelancers, contractual workers in the working life more beneficial as in order to generate profits firms, MNCs, prefer contractual workers.

Intro?

- Women got empowered as it helped them become independent.
- It helped them to show their share in the society and working areas.
- People got to know that women are even doing well than the men and helped the change of



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wrong perception of people towards women.

- Women were able to openly talk about the harassment and violence, they had faced in their life because they became independent.

Hence, Gig-economy has helped women, even if they ~~are~~ live in rural households to gain required skills and work to get the chance — to become independent and live with freedom and rights. Thus, it has played a vital role in the empowerment of women.

Add more points

Refer to Model Answer

- Digital Tech'n
- Emerging sector
- Empowerment through Income Generation.

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5. How does Indian society maintain continuity in traditional social values? Enumerate the changes taking place in it. (15 Marks)

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The Indian society — talks about the unity in diversity. It has a basic core of respect towards the traditional social values of all religions. Our Constitution and government has played a vital role in this as well, as they have tried their best to preserve the historical monuments, temples, values, and traditions effectively.

- India talks about the respect to all but ~~the~~ without suppressing the values of our culture.
- The modernisation of Indian culture was on the basis of old traditional values.
- Adult or old people have also played a vital role by providing the good teachings of the traditional values of Indian society.
- Cinema, Arts — have played a role here as well by providing



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the movies, acts and series such as Mahabharata, Ramayana, etc.

- Government has successfully developed the feeling of nationalism among the people

Continuity of Tradition
Social value
Nationalism

Nationalism has made us to give proper respect to the Indian cultural

Tolerance
Unity
Jointed families

have played an important role in stability

Adaptability
respect to elders and

caste system (Guru-Shishya) - now has helped to keep the respect of teachers among children.

It has witnessed huge changes as well:

- Now people are losing their traditional values.
- 'Guru-Shishya' - respect is not same among children for their teachers.
- People have started living in nuclear families.

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- This has reformed the concept of elders respect.
- Movies are now more westernized, influenced - made people more influenced towards the western cultures.

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Hence, If I talk about today,
then I will say that, India is
going through a change, a change in
values due to the influence of youth
towards the Western culture. Social
media is changing the core of Indian
society and it is reforming the
efforts of 150 years that made our tradition
to be preserved and secure.
Government must act to this
immediately otherwise, the Dark phase
will collapse and our Indian societal
values will sever.

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