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UPSC CIVIL SERVICES MAINS EXAM 2018

General Studies Paper – 1

1. Safeguarding the Indian Art Heritage is the need of the moment. Discuss (10 marks) (150 Words).
2. Assess the importance of the accounts of the Chinese and Arab travellers in the reconstruction of the History of India (10 marks) (150 words).
3. Throw light on the significance of the thoughts of Mahatma Gandhi in the present times (10 marks) (150 words).
4. Why is Indian Regional Navigational Satellite System (IRNSS) needed? How does it help in Navigation? (10 marks) (150 words)
5. Why is India taking keen interest in resources of Arctic Region? (10 marks) (150 words).
6. Define mantle plume and explain its role in plate tectonics. (10 marks) (150 words)
7. What are the Consequences of spreading of 'Dead Zones' on marine ecosystem? (10 marks) (150 words).
8. "Caste system is assuming new identities and associational forms. Hence, caste system cannot be eradicated in India. "Comment. (10 marks) (150 words).
9. 'Despite implementation of various programmes for eradication of poverty by the government in India, Poverty is still existing.' Explain by giving reasons (10 marks) (150 words).
10. How the Indian Concept of secularism is different from the western model of secularism? Discuss. (10 marks) (150 words)



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11. The Bhakti Movement received a remarkable re-orientation with the advent of Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu. Discuss (250 words).
12. Discuss whether formation of new states in recent times is beneficial or not for the economy of India. (15 marks) (250 words).
13. Why indentured labour was taken by the British from India to other colonies? Have they been able to preserve their cultural identity over there? (15 marks) (250 words)
14. "The ideal solution of depleting ground water resources in India is water harvesting system." How can it be made effective in urban areas? (15 marks) (250 words).
15. Defining Blue revolution, explain the problems and strategies for pisciculture development in India. . (15 marks) (250 words)
16. What is the significance of Industrial corridors in India? Identifying industrial corridors, explain their main characteristics. (15 marks) (250 words)
17. Mention core strategies for the transformation of aspirational districts in India and explain the nature of convergence, collaboration and competition for its success. (15 marks) (250 words)
18. 'Women's Movement in India has not addressed the issues of women of lower social strata' substantiate your view. (15 marks) (250 words)
19. 'Globalization is generally said to promote cultural homogenization but due to this cultural specificity appear to be strengthened in the Indian Society'. Elucidate. (15 marks) (250 words).
20. 'Communalism arises either due to power struggle or relative deprivation. 'Argue by giving suitable illustrations. (15 marks) (250 words.)