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3,348 questions from 144 interview transcripts.

How to use this book

- Start with sections 1 to 7. They are built around your DAF, so underline your own state, city, education, job, hobbies, optional and achievements, then read every question asked on similar items. Look up your home state in section 2 and your optional in section 7.
- Read sections 8 to 11 (issues, situations, quotes and general questions) along with current affairs.
- Answer aloud. For each question, give a short answer first, then reasons, then one example.
- "(asked xN)" means that question came up with N different candidates. Repeated questions have been merged, so these are the most likely to return.

Please note

- Questions are as recalled by candidates, so some are paraphrased or incomplete. Answers are not included.
- Candidate-specific comments in brackets have been removed. Questions have not been verified against official records.

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1. Personal & Background (91 Questions)

Preparation tip: Prepare short, honest answers about yourself, your family, your hometown and why you want the services. Know 15 facts about your home state and district.

Why Civil Services & Motivation (30)

1. Why civil services? (asked ×5)
2. How Gandhiji inspires you?
3. Which cricketer inspires you the most?
4. What inspired you for civil services?
5. What is the meaning of your name and what inspiration do you draw from it?
6. You collect motivational quotes. How many do you have, and how do you collect them?
7. Which economic law or concept do you find motivating?
8. What is motivation?
9. Are promotions and perks motivating factors for you?
10. You wanted to work for Bihar but getting home cadre is very difficult, u may get kerala cadre, then what will happen to your motivation? Will it not amount to shifting your goal post?
11. Your optional is PSIR and you belong to Gujarat: tell me why many Gujaratis are coming to Civil Services?
12. Who is role model and why
13. Who's your role model in life?
14. Role model apart from personal life
15. Who is your role model in your life to whom you look up to?
16. You can work in private..why civil services?
17. Why civil services after studying abroad and working with Unicef, especially as pay is lesser?
18. Why civil services and not entrepreneurship?
19. If you are happy why civil services
20. Why civil services after doing civil engineering from the top college?
21. Why did you join engineering?
22. Why did you leave the job?
23. Why did you not pursue your MA in economics post your bachelor's degree?
24. Why do you want to join civil services?

Service & Cadre Preference (16)

25. Read through my daf, said foreign service is your first choice
26. You did not do any job..had you continued in private sector for all these years you would have been earning good..so wouldn't you be dissatisfied with a meagre salary that an IAS joinee gets? What if tomorrow you are posted in Manipur?
27. Where would you rank becoming ias on the list of your goals?
28. You are adamant about coming into IAS. Our system is 75 years

old. Is it relevant today?

29. Should we replace IAS as district magistrate with mayor like Zohran Mamdani
30. You wanted to work at ground level and solve problems there, u already are in state public services then why now IAS?
31. If not civil services, what will you do?
32. Your hobby is talking to people from different countries and cultures – how can it help you in IFS (built empathy, people to people ties)
33. Why have you not opted for IFS?
34. Than gave me situation- imagine you are a IPS officer and a prisoner dies after taking food. Now other cellmates are vomiting. What is this condition called?
35. Your view on IPS officers being posted in CAPFs
36. IPS officers meeting with Maoist members who surrendered, is it right?
37. There is a rising trend of female IPS officers who are encounter specialists. Would you want to become an encounter specialist?
38. As your second preference is IPS what policing will you do if you are appointed in Goa, Punjab and Chhattisgarh?
39. Which service would you like to join and Why? Chairperson
40. About CISF — Why did you resign? (Which service you got in CSE 2023)

Personality & General Self Questions (19)

1. Good good 100 years of upsc, are you satisfied?
2. Are you happy? When do you feel happy?
3. One biggest challenge you faced in your work n how do you overcome it (expected qn)
4. Why in India, the craze about govt jobs is more? Difference between Mocks and real interviews? Mock interviews are like viva, real interview flows like intellectual conversation, in mocks you can predict questions and rehearse them, here the questions are highly unpredictable…….you sit on equal footing with the board members…….round table and six same size chairs are placed and you are seated on one of them implies that it's a conversation
5. What is Parallel Cinema? This was my 3rd interview and very unconventional and different from my previous 2 experiences and mock interviews
6. If you join bureaucracy what is the one thing you would first work on?
7. What have you prepared for this interview?
8. What made you choose Economics, in this digital age? Was it a choice or a compulsion?
9. Should India, Pakistan, China, Bangladesh etc form a bloc together to tackle west? What have been the problems in doing that? What will you do If selected in Foreign Service
10. (Lady): What will you do if you're made Pm for a week

11. Who are your favourite writers
12. Who is your favourite author?
13. Who is your favorite devotional song singer?
14. Do you stay true to your principle? Can you say No when its against the principle? Give me an example from your life
15. (lady)- difference between hindustani and Carnatic. 2 proponents from carnatic. You teach tuitions, why only biology and not others. Your life is more about music, do you want to become singer or what. What's your motive
16. Philosophy of your life
17. What 3 qualities you look in your life partner or Begum? (Everyone was smiling)
18. You do photo reference pencil sketching so how many photos have you seen till now in your life

Attempts, Failure & Plan B (7)

1. India is encouraging entrepreneurship so much, it creates employment etc, but there is constant danger of failure – do you think it's good to have a back up plan?
2. What's the status of your company in the automotive industry of the world? It maybe good in India, but it's not much in the rest. In my childhood, it was one of the largest in the world. Now see that status (disappointed face)
3. Eci was unexpected and conversation went really long on that. That was kind of a bit disappointing to me because I had to say sorry at many places
4. Is your first interview?
5. Is this your first interview.?
6. Is it your first interview? What were you thinking when you were sitting outside?
7. How do you view failure? Is it absolute or relative – after listening to my answer?

Introduction & Name (15)

1. What is the meaning of your name (asked ×4)
2. Good morning, [Full Name]. What do your friends call you—your full name or a short name?
3. What is happiness according to you? When you feel happy? give examples..(expected qn based on my name)
4. How do your friends and relatives call you? Then throughout the interview he addressed me like my friends used to call me
5. Introduce yourself
6. Please introduce yourself to the board
7. Kindly introduce yourself
8. How have your meaning of Name shaped your personality?
9. Welcome – he ended up mispronouncing it, so I corrected him

10. The chairman read my name and said ok you're from Uttarakhand
11. That's a very unique name, have you met anyone else with the same name – I thanked him and said that I was yet to meet another (name)
12. History behind your name
13. Do you know the sports person we have on your name?
14. What does your name mean?
15. Your Name is mixed with 2 god names, Any reason behind it, do you think you have that personalities within you?

Family & Background (4)

1. God forbids, if you dont qualify civil services wht will you do?
2. Lessons learned from your mother, especially from the experiences she has gone through
3. Your sister is also there in the front line. Someone has also thrown stones on the University' s building. How will you solve it?
4. But they are not convincing. Even your sister shouted slogans very proactively. How will you solve it?

2. Home State Based (421 questions)

Preparation tip: Know your home state and district well: history, economy, culture, schemes, problems and personalities. Read the other states too, because boards often compare states.

Andaman & Nicobar (1)

1. Why have the tribes of Andaman and Nicobar been isolated?

Andhra Pradesh (6)

1. Why does Andhra Pradesh have large shrimp production? Tell us about AP's contribution in shrimp export.
2. What led to the bifurcation of Andhra Pradesh? Were the issues resolved after the bifurcation?
3. How Andhra is Doing after bifurcation?
4. What is AP doing regarding maintaining beaches
5. What did AP gain from bifurcation? You can say it gained nothing, there are only cons also
6. What is famous in hyderabad? Food?

Assam (1)

1. Why do people in Barak Valley demand a separate state?

Bihar (41)

1. What is your perception of Bihar?
2. What measures would you suggest for managing the perception of Bihar on a national and international level?
3. At what levels is societal change required in Bihar?
4. What unique initiatives are being undertaken by the Bihar government in this regard?
5. What is the significance of the caste census?
6. Discuss the Muzaffarpur litchi and its economic and cultural relevance.
7. What is the Muzaffarpur disease, and why is it a recurring issue?
8. Why is Bihar often considered backward despite its historical significance?
9. Why is the Bihar government demanding special category status, and how justified is this demand?
10. Share details about the ancient Nalanda University and the newly established one. How is the new Nalanda University performing? Can it achieve the legacy of its predecessor? What factors are necessary to become an institution of that stature? Who is the current chairman of Nalanda University, and what new responsibility has he recently undertaken?
11. What is Bihar's RTPS service? Why did it succeed in Bihar but not in other states?
12. Why has the RTPS service seen a decline in recent years? What went wrong?

13. Why is the Panchayati Raj system not functioning effectively in Bihar?
14. Why has the government not devolved more power to Panchayati Raj institutions? What measures are needed for improvement?
15. What are Panchayat Sarkar Bhawans, and why are their numbers so low in Bihar? How are they functioning now—are they truly effective or just another set of government buildings?
16. What is the Jeevika Mission? Why has this mission succeeded in Bihar while other SHG- related initiatives have struggled previously?
17. Do you believe that good officers can make a significant impact, as seen in the example of Rahul Kumar, IAS, who has been instrumental in Jeevika?
18. What values are essential for a civil servant, particularly in a state like Bihar?
19. You are from Mithila, the land of Maa Sita. Why is "Sita" a popular name for daughters, while "Draupadi" is not?
20. How is climate change impacting your region in Bihar?
21. What is your opinion on railway privatization?
22. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of the caste survey in Bihar.
23. How can a caste survey help uplift the lower sections of society?
24. Bihar was growing rapidly until the 1970s. What caused the decline in its growth trajectory afterward?
25. How would you address the issues of mafia activity and corruption in Bihar?
26. Bihar was divided into two states. How are both Bihar and Jharkhand performing post- division?
27. Which is better—smaller states or larger ones?
28. Pataliputra was once a flourishing center of many kingdoms. Why did it later earn the label of a BIMARU state?
29. How are Panchayati Raj Institutions functioning in Bihar, particularly in districts like Katihar?
30. Tell us about the regional music of Bihar.
31. What are the issue in Bihar
32. Why bihar is not developed
33. What are good features of Bihar. Few questions I am not recalling
34. Bihar me har 2-3 month pe bridges girte hain...iske reasons? Aur iske solutions
35. Now naxalism is almost nowhere in Bihar, what are the reasons
36. What is the budget of bihar?
37. Is there revenue deficit in bihar? By this time Sujata ma'am said ki bahut time ho gaya sir, ab end karte hai, and it ended here
38. Issue in your district?
39. What are the three things you would say has changed with time in Patna? And as an administrator, what steps would you do in this regard?

Chandigarh (5)

1. You are from Chandigarh, so can I ask you questions related to Punjab?
2. If I am the Chief Minister of Punjab and you are my adviser, what policy changes would you recommend?
3. What is more important: agriculture or industry?
4. Without militancy and state-offered incentives, how would you attract industries to Punjab?
5. Chandigarh serves as the common capital for both Haryana and Punjab. Is having shared capital beneficial?

Delhi (10)

1. Delhi? Groningen or the Netherlands has a culture of using bicycles. What challenges might arise if this were implemented in
2. Could adopting bicycles help improve Delhi's poor air quality index (AQI)?
3. Have you reviewed the AQI study conducted by IIT Delhi?
4. When did you come to delhi? **(asked ×2)**
5. Name some NGOs in delhi in this field?
6. New air defece in delhi type,name and source nation
7. Asked which place in Delhi is designated as protest site
8. As Delhi Jal Board Chief, which areas would you focus on with the current resources to improve Drainage situation of Delhi?
9. Have you been to Delhi before?
10. What is the difference you observed between Hyderabad and Delhi?

Goa (1)

1. There's a decline in foreign tourists to India, like we see in Goa. Why is it and how can we improve?

Gujarat (21)

1. How is Gujarat performing in the industrial sector?
2. Do you think Gujarat will overtake Maharashtra and Karnataka?
3. What disaster management organizations operate in Gujarat?
4. What are the main industries of Gujarat?
5. What steps can be taken to increase research and development?
6. Why is there so much industrial development in Gujarat? Is it doing good for the state?
7. Why do Gujaratis excel in entrepreneurship?
8. Discuss the migration patterns of Gujaratis to various countries, including illegal migration.
9. Tell me about the Gir Cow.
10. Do you know about the Gujarat 2001 earthquake? What should be your response as a DM in the pre-, during, and post-disaster phases? How can technology be utilized in such situations?

11. Gujarat is behind in sports. Which sport would you like to promote in Gujarat?
12. What makes the diamonds of Surat precious?
13. Why is the Gujarati community ahead in business?
14. Tell us about the Gujarat model of development.
15. Tell me about the Bhavai dance of Gujarat.
16. Impacts of Trump on Gujarat: Mixed impacts on Diamonds, Textile and Petrochemical industries
17. As you mentioned that Remittances come in Gujarat, how's status of FDI and FPI in India, exact status
18. What's Gujarat Model?
19. Greeted me in Gujarati
20. How it will help to someone who dont have mobile or internet (Kisan help desk in Village : farmer can talk in local language – customized ans in his language)
21. Why Rajkot is famous for?

Haryana (26)

1. Your city is very close to Delhi. Do you think this proximity has brought societal progressiveness to the region?
2. You've participated in chess and basketball, which are not as popular in Haryana, a state known for wrestling. Why did you choose these sports over wrestling?
3. Nuh (Mewat) is one of the most backward regions in Haryana. What explains this disparity in an otherwise developed state?
4. Should Haryana have its own capital?
5. If you were a senior civil servant in Haryana and a foreign delegation visited seeking investment opportunities, which areas would you highlight to attract investment?
6. Wrestling is a dominant sport in Haryana. How did you develop an interest in football and badminton instead?
7. What is the famous music genre of Haryana?
8. Haryana offers large prize money to medal-winning athletes. Is this justified, or should the funds be better invested in sports infrastructure?
9. What is the name of the sports institute in Sonipat?
10. Women have achieved parity in sports in Haryana but lag in other fields. Why is this the case?
11. What is the positive role of Khap Panchayats in Haryana? Why are they often criticized?
12. Did M.S. Swaminathan contribute to Haryana's development? If yes, how?
13. Mention some positive aspects of Haryana along with the social issues it faces.
14. Have there been any significant social changes or development in Haryana recently?

15. Name three women from Haryana who inspire you.
16. How can agritourism be promoted in Haryana?
17. Why should we allow other people to buy land in Delhi? Can Nagaland model be applied here?
18. Issues of Gurugram
19. Which city in Haryana is doing well in cleanliness
20. Reply was given by NDA MP at that time? Tell her name...she was from Haryana? I took a guess and it turned out to be correct
21. Haryana name three governance successes and three persistent problems
22. Stadiums in haryana and player died. Do you know about the incident?
23. What have you done in your village or local area for women empowerment (daf entry)
24. How would you inculcate the habit of reading in the younger generation as the DM of your district?
25. Why Rohtak is doing well, how do you know, what are the challenges, and what steps are needed

Himachal Pradesh (6)

1. Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, and Punjab were once combined. What changes occurred after their trifurcation?
2. Why does Himachal Pradesh perform well on socio-economic indicators?
3. You mentioned that Himachal Pradesh is set to become a green state. What are the criteria for being designated a green state?
4. Don't you think Himachal Pradesh is fortunate compared to Delhi, where pollution and population are more significant issues?
5. If you were posted in Himachal Pradesh, what measures would you implement to support apple farmers and the horticulture sector?
6. Tell me tribes from Himachal Pradesh

Jammu & Kashmir (1)

1. Problems of Apple growers in Kashmir

Jharkhand (9)

1. Does Jharkhand have silk processing facilities? If so, where are they located?
2. Being from Jharkhand, how would you describe the role of Nari Shakti (women empowerment) in the state's political sphere?
3. There was an incident involving a Spanish tourist in Jharkhand. What are your thoughts on it, and how can such incidents be prevented in the future?
4. When was Jharkhand bifurcated? What gains have been made by it after bifurcation?
5. What places have you visited during your college days in Jharkhand (and discussions regarding them)

6. Rivers in Jharkhand
7. Why did you changed school from JNV, Garhwa to CHBS, Varanasi? Lack of quality educational institutions in Jharkhand?
8. Why is Kerala excelling and Jharkhand lagging behind?

Karnataka (12)

1. A famous person from Karnataka suggested working 70 hours a week. Who is that?
2. You are from Karnataka. Tell me about the Lingayat community. How are they different from others? Why is excessive importance given to the Lingayat community?
3. Which regions in your state are prominent for sugarcane growing? What are the by- products of sugarcane? What are the geographical divisions of the district?
4. Should Belagavi be given to Maharashtra? What is your opinion?
5. What is the difference between the eastern coast and the western coast?
6. Inequality is growing in your district. How would you solve this issue as a commissioner? What schemes are undertaken to reduce inequality?
7. If you were to promote tourism in Hampi, what steps would you take?
8. You stayed in Bangalore. Say some issues of Bangalore
9. ODOp of your district? how it is prepared? Constituents of that product? How sugarcane price is determined? What is extradition treaty? Recent exchanges
10. What tussle is going on in the Congress party in Karnataka? Should not Congress high command fulfill the promise which it gave to DK Shivkumar?
11. Where are you from? You are hybrid being-Rajasthan, Karnataka. How come?
12. What do you like about Karnataka?

Kerala (39)

1. Why has Kerala faced challenges in industrial development despite its progress in other areas?
2. From a sociological perspective, what is unique about Kerala's society?
3. How has the pattern of migration in Kerala evolved over time, and what impact has this had on its society?
4. Is the Kerala government taking any steps to counter the issues arising from migration?
5. Where is Manjeri located? Is it in Kozhikode?
6. Why are nurses from Kerala found across India in such large numbers?
7. Provide a brief historical overview of Kerala.
8. When were the Jewish colonies in Kochi established?

9. What is Kerala's rank in various development indices, and which city is the best- performing one?
10. How is spice trading conducted in Kerala, and what are its economic implications?
11. Mention an event that took place in Kerala and had a significant impact on India.
12. What is your opinion on trade unionism in Kerala? Has it been beneficial or detrimental to its progress?
13. Despite Kerala's advancements, why does it lag in per capita income?
14. Can you explain how the budget-making process works? What differences have you observed between Hyderabad and Kerala?
15. Kerala is a well-educated society but struggles with mental health issues and high suicide rates. Why do you think this is the case?
16. Are you familiar with Palghat (Palakkad) district? What special cultural festival is celebrated there?
17. What is the historical importance of Kozhikode?
18. Kerala is renowned for its herbs, but their cultivation and exports have been declining. What measures can be taken to improve this situation?
19. What makes Kannur handlooms unique, and how can they be promoted?
20. There is a significant alcohol consumption issue in Kerala. How does it affect domestic life, and to what extent do women and men participate in drinking? Out of 100, how many women and men would you estimate consume alcohol in Kerala?
21. From a sociological perspective, how does the culture of Kerala differ from that of Karnataka and Tamil Nadu?
22. You have specifically mentioned Malayalam melodies. Can you elaborate on their appeal and significance?
23. Kerala has a low Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) and Maternal Mortality Rate (MMR). What factors contribute to this achievement?
24. Do you think migration is hindering Kerala's development?
25. Why is Kerala called God's own country?
26. What is the share of Kerala in the total remittances received by India?
27. Recently, Kozhikode was named India's first UNESCO City of Literature. What are the criteria for being declared as City of Literature?
28. Did you have any bad experiences with Kerala Police?
29. From where Kerala imports raw cashew nuts?
30. Why did Kerala have higher casualties in the second covid wave though they were able to contain casualties in the first wave?
31. What is the share of tourism in Kerala's GDP, and what is its potential for development?
32. Kerala's tourism industry is world-renowned. What lessons can other states learn from Kerala?

33. You studied in Kottayam? Ernakulam District or Kochi District? Kottayam is a neighbouring district of yours. There is a saint from Kottayam. Do you know who it is?
34. Kerala is known for its backwaters. Which is the water way in Kerala?
35. How can Kerala's tourism success be emulated in other states?
36. Points of comparison between a village in kerala and burari?
37. Why such high Zoonosis on kerala?
38. Why is Kerala lagging behind in industries?
39. Kerala has many boards like the Coconut Board, Rubber board, Spices Board, yet it is still lagging. Why?

Madhya Pradesh (16)

1. What is the current status of Naxalism in Madhya Pradesh? As a police officer, how would you address and eliminate Naxalism in the remaining affected districts? Additionally, how would your approach differ if you were serving as a District Magistrate in these areas?
2. With the separation of Chhattisgarh from Madhya Pradesh a few years ago, analyze its impact on the overall development of both states, first as a resident of Madhya Pradesh and then as a resident of Chhattisgarh.
3. Since you are from Satna, can you share some details about your hometown and its significance?
4. What is the status of the Naxal problem in Balaghat? Can you elaborate on its origin and the current situation in the district?
5. What is the state animal of Madhya Pradesh? In which parts of the state is it predominantly found?
6. How would you ensure water availability in the drought-prone Bundelkhand region?
7. As you are from Madhya Pradesh, tell us about some schemes for women empowerment that can be emulated at the pan India level?
8. Is Indore a smart city?
9. Is Bhopal a city of lake or nawabs?
10. You're from Bhopal?
11. Tell me border issue between mp and cg? Issue about Balaghat st certificate
12. Name some tribes of MP.
13. Where is Saharia tribe found geographically in MP
14. Your MP recently mentioned about RCEP.Do you think India should rejoin?
15. Three fronts where mp has done well recently
16. Where is MP and Rajasthan?
17. You are from Indore, what are some of its unique characteristics?
18. Indore is famous for

Maharashtra (22)

1. Name the tribes found in Maharashtra. What are their features, and what issues do they face?

2. What are the cultural differences between Mumbai and Pune?
3. Name the districts that are part of the Konkan Belt? What is the role of the Konkan Belt in the economy?
4. How much distance will Atal Setu reduce from Mumbai to Pune?
5. Have you been to Kaas Pathar? What is its significance? What is the anthropological/paleontological significance of Kaas Pathar? Is Kaas Pathar a UNESCO site?
6. As your birthplace is Baramati, tell me the socio-political analysis of present conditions in Baramati (political).
7. What is Maharashtra Cadet Corps? How is it different from NCC?
8. Gujarat govt is doing great work for the education sector. Their ministers, secretaries, etc., are going to villages and teaching, spending time there. Can the Maharashtra government do such a thing?
9. What are the reasons that such initiatives are not taken by the Maharashtra government?
10. Let's talk about Maharashtra again. The Maharashtra government has reserved some movie show slots specifically for Maharashtrian films. But theatres are not gaining profit from it. What is the solution?
11. Have you read newspapers? What two news pieces do you remember from Maharashtra?
12. Have you watched the Thackeray movie? Tell me about his contribution to Maharashtra. Don't mention any controversy but focus on positive contributions.
13. Why is Shivaji Maharaj considered a great warrior of his time? What are his tactics or strategies that are famous? Mention his naval contributions.
14. Vidarbha region faces lot of issues like agricultural crisis, drought, farmer suicides. What are the reasons for this?
15. You are from X university, tell about it
16. What's it famous for in modern times?
17. Now tell me the tribes from Maharashtra and India
18. Is Warli tribe only in Maharashtra
19. Compare the demographic dividend of Kerala, Uttar Pradesh, and Maharashtra
20. What is nagpur famous about except oranges?
21. Some infrastructural and social problems of nagpur
22. What is Nashik famous for?
23. 2008 Mumbai blast ke baare me batayiye?

Manipur (4)

1. Manipur produces a good number of sportspersons, but not Nagaland. Why?
2. Tell me about the geography of Manipur in 30 seconds.
3. What's the difference between Manipur and Rajasthan polo?
4. What do you know about the Manipur Conflict?

Odisha (3)

1. What is the economic significance of Paradeep?
2. Why has there been a persistent presence of poverty in Odisha?
3. In Odisha, both Bengali and Telegu culture can be seen. What is unique about Odia culture?

Punjab (9)

1. How is Bhangra different from other classical and folk dances?
2. Any famous Indian origin kickboxer in news last year?
3. Your district being an agricultural district. Asked about how MSP is computed? Who does it and approval process?
4. Subjects transferred from state list to concurrent list? One subject which has resulted a tussle between centre and states?
5. Punjab has a history of sufism. What is sufism? Name some sufi saints
6. If i am the chief minister of punjab sitting in front of CEO of niti aayog, three problems where i will seek its advice?
7. Do you think punjab may return to an era of militancy again?
8. Why did you learn Punjabi?
9. Started with some questions on Punjab being border state and its challenges

Rajasthan (67)

1. Rajasthan was previously divided into many princely states under British rule. Was it challenging to integrate them into a single state? If so, how was this achieved?
2. Can you differentiate between Jauhar and Sati in historical and cultural contexts?
3. What measures would you take to improve the condition of women in Rajasthan?
4. What valuable lessons can other states learn from Rajasthan's development?
5. If tasked with promoting industrialization in Rajasthan and Haryana, what specific strategies would you employ?
6. Israel has made remarkable progress as a desert state. Has Rajasthan adopted any practices or strategies from Israel to address its challenges?
7. In terms of development, where do you think Rajasthan is currently lagging?
8. Is social inequality a significant issue in Rajasthan? What is the sex ratio, and what initiatives are being implemented to address this?
9. What are the key differences between Rajasthani and Delhi cuisines?
10. Why do Rajasthani dishes use a lot of oil and spices? Why is there greater use of dry ingredients like gram flour and millets, and fewer fresh vegetables in traditional Rajasthani cuisine?
11. Traditional houses in Rajasthan are designed for temperature regulation. Can you explain how this is achieved? Are there any urban housing adaptations of these features?

12. What would you include in a policy for promoting sustainable housing in Rajasthan?
13. What is Rajasthan's capacity for solar energy production?
14. Rajasthan recently increased its number of districts. Was a delimitation exercise carried out? If so, what are the potential benefits of this exercise?
15. Do you think delimitation is done purely for administrative convenience, or are there other underlying reasons?
16. What steps would you suggest to enhance tourism in Jaipur?
17. Which UNESCO World Heritage Sites are located in Jaipur?
18. Suggest five ways to improve Rajasthan's economy.
19. How can milk production in Rajasthan be increased?
20. What are the primary administrative challenges faced in Rajasthan?
21. What initiatives has Rajasthan taken for gig workers?
22. Rajasthan has made strides in renewable energy. However, there was a period when operations were halted. What was the reason for this?
23. Given Rajasthan's shared border with Pakistan, how has the issue of restricted border map access by the Survey of India evolved?
24. You are from Barmer. What is a tanka, and how can potable water availability be improved?
25. Describe Barmer's economy. Has oil discovery significantly transformed its economic landscape?
26. Share insights about Ajmer, its historical significance, and the importance of the Khwaja Ji Dargah.
27. Name the state animal of Rajasthan.
28. In Rajasthan, the Public Service Commission is in Ajmer, the High Court is in Jodhpur. While in other states important institutions are in the capital? Which model is better and why?
29. Tell us about the Maru Mahotsav of Rajasthan.
30. In Rajasthan, crime rates against women are high. What reforms can be made in the education sector to ensure women safety and security?
31. Tell us about the history of Marwar.
32. 2 features of Barmer?
33. Bharatpur is famous for?
34. Why Siberian crane visit Bharatpur not AGra, not Mathura?
35. Ways to improve Economic perspective of bharatpur?
36. Anything famous in kumher?
37. Which ideology you belong to? (Very weird question, I just kept smiling, chairperson intervened that she is only interested in civil services, then I added that yes to serve any government)
38. Famous about your district? science vs religion (2-3 min discussion)
39. Disaster profile of your state? How would you solve?
40. What we learn from sports in general 200m famous Indian runner old

41. What two differences did you observe between Sikkim and Jaipur?
42. How can tourism be improved in Jaipur in your state?
43. Monologue about homestays. How was your homestay experience. How would you increase tourism in Jaipur?
44. Other places visited and where in Kolkata?
45. What did you like about Kolkata?
46. Is bullet train from Ahmadabad to Mumbai is right decision?
47. If you have to rate Bharatpur amongst all the districts of rajasthan. What rank will you give?
48. You are from Rajasthan, never read Punjabi in school or college,Then why is it your optional
49. Two steps you would take as CM of Rajasthan for Viksit Rajasthan?
50. Q3 – Two socio-economic indicator where Rajasthan lack?(Picked up from my answer)
51. Q4 – IMR and Literacy rate of Rajasthan and national average?
52. Q5 – Connection between Tourism and Folk artists in Rajasthan?
53. In Rajasthan earlier the definition of Aravalli was same, then why people protested now only?
54. Some of the major minerals of Rajasthan and their location?
55. RTI and its origin relation with Rajasthan
56. Rajasthan tourism challenges
57. Do you know about the refinery setup in Rajasthan, how will that bring benefits to the people
58. Do you knwo about Jodhpur, idk what he wanted to ask but?
59. What is rajasthan police benevolent fund?
60. Rajasthan's installed capacity of RE (even though I'm not from RJ)
61. Rajasthan is known for vibrant colours. Where are colours coming from for a saree?
62. Why is it important for Rajasthan
63. Rajasthan is known for its tourism industry. Why Rajasthan performs so well in tourism?
64. Kerala also has these things. It is now giving stiff competition to Rajasthan in tourism. Why would one go to Rajasthan then?
65. Back to Rajasthan, why mewar,marwar?
66. Differnce you noticed in himachal and Rajasthan
67. Asked some details.. I refused to tell due to xyz rule issues due to solar energy in Rajasthan?
68. You have done jee preparation from Kota – there are a lot of suicides so what can be done

Sikkim (2)

1. Your last visit was Sikkim. Where in Sikkim?
2. Why did you not visit North Sikkim?

Tamil Nadu (16)

1. What is unique about your district, Tiruvannamalai?
2. Are you familiar with the famous music festival of Thanjavur?
3. You are from Tenkasi, tell me the matchstick industries in Tenkasi District
4. How we can improve livelihood of kanchipuram weavers?few steps to be taken
5. What tirupur is famous for and what Sivakasi is famous for?
6. Tamilnadu student going abroad
7. Tamilnadu people are craze about movie
8. Why so many chess grandmasters from Tamil Nadu?
9. What is the GST collection of Tamil Nadu for December 2025?
10. What is the GSDP of Tamil Nadu?
11. What is the economic target of Tamil Nadu?
12. Why tamil nadu is a industrial state and apart from literacy, what are the other reasons?
13. Even kerala have high literacy, but why tamil nadu dominates. Little follow up on that and could not remember others qns
14. Mention 3 ports of Tamil Nadu
15. Important Maritime institute in tamil nadu
16. What is the famous dish in Madurai? And some follow up questions regarding that. That's all. All the best for you all

Telangana (15)

1. How has Telangana progressed after bifurcation?
2. What is Hyderabad's role in Telangana?
3. What are the reasons for Naxalism in Telangana?
4. What are the reasons for Naxalism in Odisha and Chhattisgarh?
5. How has Telangana tackled Naxalism?
6. Suggest five new tourist destinations in Telangana.
7. What are the Telangana government schemes to improve education?
8. How is teaching in government residential schools?
9. What are the government-related schemes to improve irrigation in Telangana, and what criticisms exist?
10. Major industries in your district?
11. Is Hyderabad going in the lines of Bengaluru, Mumbai in terms of development or it has its own path?
12. How is Hyderabad different from these cities?
13. Why isn't Hyderabad attracting much investment?
14. How long will it take for a company to start business in Hyderabad?
15. Sex ratio in Telangana?
16. You are from IIT Hyderabad, so IITians go to foreign so will H1B visa ban impact them?What can government do to help those returning?
17. Which region of Andhra is famous for kalamkari? Why?

Uttar Pradesh (60)

1. How can Uttar Pradesh advance in IT and attract greater investment?
2. What are the strategies and challenges for Uttar Pradesh to achieve a $1 trillion economy?
3. There is discussion about UP's excellent performance in Ease of Doing Business (EoDB). How much of this is reflected on the ground versus being just claims?
4. Law and order in Uttar Pradesh were once criticized heavily. How has the state managed to improve this? Was it due to leadership, bureaucracy, or other factors?
5. With privatization driving improvements, should all sectors be handed over to private players? What are the potential pros and cons?
6. What is the One District, One Product (ODOP) initiative? What product is identified under ODOP for your district, and how is it benefiting the region?
7. Several products in UP have GI tags. Name two or three unique ones and explain the significance of GI tagging.
8. What is the Indian Veterinary Research Institute (IVRI) in Bareilly known for? What wildlife can be found in its vicinity?
9. Discuss the role of Meerut in the freedom struggle and why it was chosen as a starting point. What products from Meerut are recognized under ODOP?
10. What issues do you perceive in UP's rural education sector?
11. Discuss the history of Rampur and the significance of the Raza Library.
12. UP has a scheme to promote exports. What product does your district contribute to this scheme? How would you enhance its export potential as an administrator?
13. There is debate about whether UP should be divided into smaller states. What is your opinion on this?
14. Would delimitation and allocation of more seats to populous states like UP lead to federal issues? Should seats be frozen instead?
15. Why is the UP government establishing a film city in Noida?
16. Share details about Hardoi and its industrial landscape.
17. Why is mass cheating in UP exams so prevalent? Why does government intervention face significant opposition?
18. Identify three critical areas for improvement in Uttar Pradesh.
19. Discuss challenges in Gorakhpur and steps to promote its ODOP initiative.
20. What measures can be taken to promote tourism in Uttar Pradesh?
21. Compare the economies of Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh.
22. What is the specialty of Lucknow? Mention its famous cuisine.
23. How is the Lucknow metro performing currently?
24. Suggest infrastructural changes to improve Kushinagar as a tourist destination.
25. Analyze India-Nepal border issues and propose practical solutions.

26. Why did the government change the name of Prayagraj? Why did the name of the Allahabad High Court not change?
27. Tell me the importance of Prayagraj except for its tourism potential and Kumbha Mela? Why does its image of being the Oxford of the East deteriorate?
28. As a guide take me through Agra
29. Aap Azamgarh ke DM ban kar vaha kya karenge?
30. Azamgarh me kya hai? Nagar palika or parishad
31. Has Ghaziabad lost its uniqueness after becoming part of the NCR?
32. Goa Portugese influence, and process of integration
33. Orchha tourist places
34. Tell about your city
35. Key infra issues in your city
36. Why low women LFPR in your area, and suggest creative measures to improve it
37. What are economical challenges of jhansi. only 1 question asked
38. Historical significance of Jhansi
39. Why Kanpur is called Manchester of the East?
40. Which all industries are located in Kanpur?
41. Why still river pollution in Kanpur?
42. Why “Beehads” are located just 50 kms away from Kanpur but not in Kanpur?
43. Moved to challenges in tourism – mentioned about lucknow and its identity of Bada Imambada, but the city has innumerable imambadas, palaces, old gates, havelis etc
44. Why will ppl come to see urban tourism
45. If i come to lucknow, what places will you show me – interrupted me there
46. You’re from Lucknow why is it called city of Nazakat & Nafasat
47. Where in Lucknow do you see food stalls?
48. Were u born in raebareli?
49. What is famous in Raebareli
50. Is it necessary or if yes up to what extent?
51. Why do international corporations set up their offices there?
52. Follow up question
53. Tell me one incident where you’ve applied it and follow up questions on that
54. Difference between Ontology, Epistemology and axiology and follow up questions
55. Application of philosophy in administration and follow up questions, long discussion
56. Should UP be bifurcated?
57. One local phrase you’ve picked up from students
58. 3.What is JE? How it spreads? Containment Strategy by UP Govt.?

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59. Follow up and on hapiness...
60. Can UP achieve it?
61. You belong to Raebareli, it is a political hotseat for decades. What it has gained? Yet it is backward district, why?
62. How is IIT Kanpur faring in aerospace?

Uttarakhand (16)

1. What are the impacts of climate change in Uttarakhand?
2. What steps has Uttarakhand taken to mitigate these impacts?
3. What kind of pleasure do you derive from trekking?
4. What is the height of Nag Tibba?
5. What is the approximate weight of an air pistol?
6. What is the duration of a match in 10m air pistol shooting?
7. Do you believe environmental consciousness is declining in Uttarakhand?
8. Tell us about the Chipko Movement. Apart from the sports industry's involvement, were there other factors behind it? How is it linked to the Tehri Dam movement?
9. What lessons can be learned from the Tehri Dam movement?
10. Tell us about the cuisines and local sweets of Uttarakhand.
11. What impact does high Tourist footfall have on Haridwar?
12. Investor summit was held in your state and even taking into account other states,what is your opinion about such summits?
13. UCC in uttarakhand (discussion)-its effect on women safety
14. Women in uttarakhand have higher decision making power. What makes your state different from other north indian societies
15. What do you make of large infrastructural projects going on in Uttarakhand?
16. What Reforms would you make in tourism policy of Uttarakhand?

West Bengal (3)

1. You were born in Murshidabad. Have you stayed there? It has a rich history. Why has its importance reduced in later times?
2. Many people think the progress of Bengal is mostly owed to the British. What is your opinion?
3. What govt has done for improving the situation? Or govt only supported real state and business in Bengaluru

State not specified (9)

1. Okay then, let me ask you something, if we were to combine all of North America and South America India would still have more diversity in cuisine – I concurred with his view, gave supporting examples and arguments
2. Which village do you belong to? As DM, what will you focus on first in your village?
3. How would you tackle dowry situation in your area

4. Name one woman from your district who is popular and well-educated
5. Farmers use terms like beegha and kila,what manner land record is maintained in your state?
6. You are from IIT Hyderabad, so IITians go to foreign so will H1B visa ban impact them?What can government do to help those returning?
7. You are from Indore, what are some of its unique characteristics?
8. How is IIT Kanpur faring in aerospace?
9. You have done jee preparation from Kota – there are a lot of suicides so what can be done

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3. Educational & Employment (72 questions)

Preparation tip: Be ready to explain every subject you studied and every job you held, including why you left it. Link your degree and work to governance, but only honestly.

Employment: Entrepreneurship & Startups (1)

1. What is this FRESHONDOOR (startup)?

Employment: Healthcare (3)

1. Have you ever thought of continuing as a doctor?
2. As a doctor what will you bring into civil services?
3. What skills and values you have as a doctor that might help in administration?

Employment: Teaching & Academia (3)

1. You worked for about 9 months after college.?
2. You are working as a mentor at an academy. What do you do there?
3. What was your work? (english literature content writing for school students)

Employment: Work Experience (General) (14)

1. Work experience related to the American health insurance sector. What can be introduced in the Indian insurance sector from American health insurance?
2. You worked as tehsildar, what are your learnings? Why is there corruption?
3. Lavanya, India tops the list of countries which face Cyber attacks. How do we tackle this menace? Since you've worked in public policy analysis of cybersecurity
4. You worked in SEZ. What is SIPCOT?
5. Inclusion of Public AD and AI for allotment of centres (working at sci)
6. What have been your key learnings working in public works department?
7. Situation based question where a subordinate of you (me) who is close with your boss is corrupt. How would you handle this?
8. You are dm and your subordinates are very upset from you that you are always there in the office and also increasing their work, now they don't want to work under you under any circumstances, what will you do and what would you tell your boss
9. If people surround your office, what are the immediate steps you would take
10. What will you do to bring long term change in behavioural ethics of your organisation?
11. Mandate of your organisation
12. Your organisation comes under which ministry?
13. You only talked about your professional life. Aims for your personal life?

14. What exactly was your role? (Related to my social work on girls' education)

Education: College, University & Schooling (20)

1. Should we open more IITs. Isn't it degarding the status of IITs (? **(asked ×2)**
2. You have graduated from G.T.U. GTU has merged many engineering colleges, what was its impact of it?
3. Why from IIT to CS
4. You are education secy and you have 2 proposals to either setup IIT inside BHU campus or outside as greenfield campus..which one would you choose and why?
5. Have you been employed after graduating from IIT?
6. Why waste this IIT seat then?
7. What do you think about the state of engineering education in India?
8. Professors in IIT: were they friendly or not?
9. You have graduated from, 'the' IIT Bombay. How was it?
10. Famous startups from the IITD and what is status?
11. Why is it that women can freely walk in the JNU campus but not DU, considering that both are situated in the same city?
12. Many great scholars have taught in CPS JNU in the past can you name them?
13. What is the USP of JNU?
14. Jnu student politics- left
15. What did you learn in JNU?
16. What 3 things will you do in JNU if you'll be elected as VC with full powers?
17. Jnu is known for politics? Why does politics happen there too much?
18. Why left wins in jnu?
19. What is the placement scenario at your college? Average package? And how many get placed?
20. What problems are faced by startups in your college?

Employment: IT, Software & Corporate (15)

1. What work does Infosys do?
2. What did you do in Infosys?
3. Moonlight how to regulate
4. Moonlighting? Is it ethical?
5. You had economics in graduation, is work from home fine in India?
6. And I see, you have worked at xyz company for 3+ yrs, how do you see its spectacular failure and what are the reasons for the same?
7. You worked in XYZ company and you mentioned about energy savings project (Some discussion around that)? Asked about energy savings schemes of govt?
8. You're working in the Postal Dept. I think it's useless and irrelevant. Don't you think?

9. Is Physicswallah doing something abroad
10. What about your company's R&D expenditure? (Didn't know that too)
11. Semiconductor design talent in India? Is your company a Indian company?
12. World humanitarian summit at UN. Tell us more about it. What was your role? How did you earn the certificate of excellence there?
13. You have been a part of a Digital Literacy drive at the Panchayat level. Tell me more about it. What did you do, and what was your role?
14. How do you use it at your work
15. Did you face any discrimination in your work? And how did you tackle it?

Education: Engineering, IIT & Technology (6)

1. You have done B.tech in ECE, so tell me, due to the adoption of 5G, do you think optical fibre is taking a back seat?
2. You have done Btech from Tripura, so what has been happening in Manipur. If you were the CM how would you have handled the issue
3. What was your project (sign language btech project)
4. What are the main developments and advancements in civil engineering in last half a decade?
5. What is the role of Civil Engineering in diplomacy?
6. AI and robotics are replacing jobs massively, especially in the Mechanical Engineering field. How would we accommodate people whose jobs are being replaced? Where would they work? (Discussion and cross-questioning)

Education: Academic Journey & Choices (4)

1. You have very good score in your graduation, why didn't you go in R&D sector and don't you think its a loss for the country

Education: Medical & Health Degrees (4)

1. You have worked as a dentist, liberty and now SAI..how do you justify this transition
2. Welcome doctor "conservative "did u see the room number when u were entering?
3. Doctor since child development is mentioned what is impact of social media on child health
4. Why CS after MBBS

Employment: Government, PSU & Services (2)

1. If you are railway minister how will you divide 100 rupees in railways, give breakup
2. What is asset monetisation of railways?

Preparation tip: For every activity or award in your DAF, prepare: what you did, the result, what you learned, and one number.

Projects & Innovation (2)

1. You worked on aircraft engines. Tell me about your project. A long discussion there about how is it relevant
2. Tell me about your project about airports. A discussion on that and how Indian airports revenue differs from global airports

Other Activities & DAF-linked Topics (16)

1. You have studied Electronics and Instrumentation so I will got to electronics side. Dont you think phones are getting smarter humans are getting dumber
2. CEA kya krta hai?
3. What government has done in terms of development in Dantewada?
4. What is reflective walking?
5. Accent spoken in London is called?
6. How is Box breathing performed?
7. Asked 5 Stoic philosophers name? What exactly is Stoicism?
8. What is calisthenics?
9. How many points in the game of squash?
10. Josh talks- a topic I covered as an Anchor). Tell me, why did it fail?
11. Difference between pcod and pcos
12. When you mentor students, how would you advise them to prepare for the UPSC Personality Test?
13. How did you get intrested in powerlifting?
14. What is difference between powerlifting and weightlifting?
15. What is emotional intelligence, how do you develop it through journalling
16. What is the difference between diary and journalling

Awards, Medals & Competitions (4)

1. You have received proficiency award. What is it for?
2. China consistently wins a large number of medals, unlike India. Why is this so, and what role do coaches play in this difference?
3. What is this ULLAS scholarship?
4. What you represented at the Rashtrapati Bhawan

Social Work & Community Initiatives (5)

1. What problems you faced during your internship days regarding blood donation?
2. What happened in Madhya Pradesh regarding blood donation? From which disease they (children) suffering?
3. Just said so you also worked in an Ngo
4. What's the role of Ngo

5. You organised a thrifting event on sustainable fashion. Why did you organise it, and what exactly did you do? What were your lessons from organising a cricket tournament for visually impaired women?

NCC, NSS & Volunteering (3)

1. As a NSS Secretary aapne kya kiye hain?
2. What work you did in CMRL during Nss days
3. What activities were you involved in as part of menstrual health awareness volunteering?

School & College Activities (2)

1. How did you went on to participate in youth parliament
2. What were leadership skills you learned from youth parliament that will be useful as a civil servant?

5. Hobbies (200 questions)

Preparation tip: Know each hobby deeply: history, rules, famous names and recent news. Expect a question that tests whether the hobby is real.

General Hobby Questions (37)

1. Oh cartophile, look around and see the maps in the room (there were 7-8 maps), now sit and tell about these maps (told some and said sorry for some)
2. USA came up with coin. Do you know?
3. What is Creative Journaling?
4. What is your favorite construction?
5. Favorite women character of Mahabharat?
6. Discussion on Haryana & Punjab water dispute – SYL IWT discussion and project on it?
7. Drug issue Punjab more vs Haryana
8. Why Haryana developed more than Punjab state
9. Went briefly to my hobby – rail fanning – asked about it
10. Pickle Ball was my hobby so asked me where it was started, why it is called pickle ball. Why recently risen? Difference between Tennis and Pickle ball
11. Your hobby is quizzing. Then tell me the name of rail corridors announced in budget?
12. You have mentioned Weight Training as your hobby. Should we make it mandatory in Schools?
13. How your hobbies can help in administration?
14. What will you suggest to promote children's classics in schools? Answer?
15. Leisure walking. Are you walking towards something or away from something – when was the last time you walked Long distances.
16. Have you ever tried seeing the India map inverted? What will happen if India map becomes inverted?
17. Now tell me if we remove Navsari district from map what can be it impact on India? (Parsi community contribution)
18. Prepare a road map for women development in a backward district. What about daughters?
19. Why is it sometimes needed to create a image of something? Does the image of something isn't the result of the actions that are being undertaken?
20. Why farmers should take loan from NABARD than other banks in rural areas? (question was not factually correct as NABARD does not offer direct financial assistance to farmers)
21. Why some exemptions u want to give to certain players.
22. Now coming to another subject, paytm and phonePe, command 80% of the market share. Do you think it should be allowed or we should support new players to enter as it must be unfair for them?

23. One other player from past who remained calm, one from present.
24. Tell me major players in Israel Gaza conflict.
25. Difference between podcast and interview.
26. Recent podcast watched.
27. You are into powerlifting, differences with weightlifting?
28. Difficult quiz question u faced.
29. What is reflective journaling ?
30. How has reflective journaling helped you?
31. You did street theatre. how did it help you in your personal growth?
32. What did he teach? how did it help to Arjuna?

Reading Books & Novels (29)

1. What is the use of social media? How to make it safe from mis utilisation? What are the regulatory authorities?
2. A person has filed RTI for seeking health info of DM. would you release the information if you are the person authorized to do it?
3. Which Indian English authors do you like, except Ruskin Bond?
4. Name contemporary English authors.
5. Why is your organization commission and not authority?
6. Last investment book you read?
7. Your favorite historic fiction book and mention some important quote.
8. Which is the highest selling book in Telugu this year or in India?
9. Some foreigners came to India. He wants to know about the country, wants to go some places, etc long monologue.....which book do you suggest they read? I am still not sure what did he ask.
10. How do you choose which book to read?
11. Which books have you read last, uske bare mein kuch bataye ?
12. Why do you read Dostoevsky's work and not of others?
13. Compare Dostoevsky, Pushkin, and Leo Tolstoy.
14. Favorite book
15. Have you read 'the idiot'. Why he was called the idiot and do you think he was an idiot.
16. What works have you read by 'em (rebecca and tell tale heart)
17. Have you read today's newspaper?
18. Have you read today's newspaper, I read it briefly so?
19. Have You watched Dragon ball? Have you read manga? How is it read?
20. Have you read Aashadh ka ek din? What's so special about it?
21. Have you read 'Usne Kaha tha'? Who wrote it?
22. Have you read the Constitution? The chairman intervened – he must have understood the constitution, here and there, partly read provisions?
23. Have you read about Pakistan and Saudi Defence Pact and similarly there is development of an axis consisting of Turkey, Saudi and Pak?

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Do you think it can be termed as Islamic NATO? Is it a significant challenge for India?

24. Recent non-fiction books that you have read?
25. Which novelist in modern India is close to Premchand?
26. Which Novel has the highest selling in 2025...?
27. Why personal development books?
28. Guess the GDP of India at Premchand time.
29. What have you read in the recent days?

Movies, TV & Entertainment (23)

1. What is different about southern cinema?
2. How has Indian cinema changed from the 1980s to 2026?
3. How would you compare North Indian cinema with South Indian cinema?
4. Tell me about impacts of Commercial Cinema on Nation Building: told 3 ways- Economically ' Soft power and Social Impacts.
5. Favourite movie. Why and how it helps in administration
6. OTT regulation vs Censor board regulation on films
7. Most successful film maker of India?
8. Second hobby was Watching Movies so asked me recently what have you watched and summary.
9. Which movie do you like? Why and how it helps in administration
10. Your thoughts on UCC? Shaira bano case do u know? (But whole board got involved like tea party, talking about HAQ movie and all)
11. There's a movie made on this story 'shataranj ke Khiladi'. Do you know who the director is?
12. Q5 – Have you watched the Udta Punjab movie?
13. Anthropological perspective of Kantara and what do others learn from the movie, follow up questions.
14. Aapne konsi latest movie dekhi hai?(
15. Which science movie did you last watch?
16. Is Wasseypur l&o is similar to what has been shown in gangs of Wasseypur movie? What Censor board could have done?
17. Do movies influence administration and judges?
18. What are all the Hindi movies were Illayaraja had worked on? (DAF)
19. Do you watch movies?
20. Why South Indian movies are doing well than Bollywood movies?
21. What is this One Piece Anime.
22. Which type of regional cinema?
23. Difference between web series and movies?

Yoga & Meditation (19)

1. Indian approach to fitness like yoga etc. vs western approach like Gym. Its Advantages, Disadvantages (counter by chairman sir in last)

2. Do you practice vipasaana meditation? Who invented it? How was it reintroduced in India? Why did the chasnala disaster happened?
3. Isn't mindfulness more of an attitude, while meditation is much deeper and more analytical? How are the two related?
4. There is a recent trend of increasing suicides among students. What are the reasons? How can we tackle this issue? Can meditation help?
5. Don't you think meditation also helps in emotional regulation, then why only journalling
6. Difference between transcendental vs mindfulness meditation.
7. Origin of mindfulness meditation.
8. Vipassana vs mindfulness meditation.
9. Don't you think our meditation is being colonised by west (eg mindfulness meditation)
10. What is mindfulness meditation? How is it different from other forms of meditation?
11. How can Vipassana be used for mental health? All the best everyone
12. How many courses of Vipassana have you attended?
13. Who introduced Vipassana in India?
14. History of vipassana meditation
15. How has Vipassana meditation helped you?
16. Benefits of yoga
17. For example, your sub ordinate is not doing any work. He is not interested? Will you teach all these yogas and all?
18. What is Ashtang Yoga?
19. When is International yoga day celebrated?

Writing, Poetry & Blogs (18)

1. You write free verse poetry. Can you name any poets? – Have you read any contemporary poets? – Have you heard about Golden Gate? Vikram Seth-does he write free verse?
2. What is reflective Journaling (Started explaining him how I write on social dynamics)
3. Interview Transcripts (CSPT-2025): 1. Asked me about marsiya poetry.
4. Which novels, which poems
5. Recite any poem you have written. (Hobby)
6. What European poem have you read? Name and who wrote.
7. Which poems do you like and your favourite poets?
8. Chhayawad and the role of poems in the Freedom movement?
9. Give examples of poems as in different purpose it serves
10. Purpose of poetry?
11. Do you see any ideology in Premchand's writings?
12. Do you fly kites? Are there any stories or poems about kites in Hindi? Tell me
13. What is the doctrine of lapse? (Related to the above story)

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14. Can you tell me the story of the hare and the tortoise?
15. What should we learn from this story?
16. Can you name a few prominent writers or poets who wrote about Delhi?
17. Other writers of Gujarati literature (optional)
18. One writer you think talks about issues at the district level

Cricket (13)

1. Although you don't play cricket, how are we able to manage an international cricket tournament but face issues in conducting a badminton tournament? (Some discussion on it and then discussion on Delhi Air Quality?). Then
2. Which record do you believe is difficult to break in cricket?
3. You play both chess and cricket, which one of them do you think is more strategic and requires more mental awareness?
4. Youngest Indian centurion in one day cricket?
5. Any other you remember? Not just in international cricket..
6. Why 2nd November, 2025 is known as the red day of Indian cricket
7. Do you think there should be pay parity between men and women in cricket
8. Do you think there should be a balance between the finance in cricket and the game itself, asked a question about BCCI centre of excellence
9. You play cricket at what position do you play, how many all rounders should be there in a team odi, t20, test, how many were there in India's last ODI match
10. You play cricket – You hit a six and ball goes out of park, hits someone on the head and he dies — Decide your liability
11. Why do you play cricket ?
12. Tell me your favourite women batsman (random)
13. Since you have an interest in cricket, IPL is a big event in india. But recently one player from another country was dropped from the franchise, what is your opinion on it?

Pets, Gardening & Nature (10)

1. How did you develop interest in cat nutrition?
2. Every dog has its day. What do you understand?
3. Which dog breed is the best?
4. Did you have dogs? What was its name? What breed was it?
5. The more I think like a man the more I like dogs.. What do you understand?
6. SC order on stray dogs. It gave 2 orders. What was it?
7. Covering dogs with sweaters? Your opinion?
8. Do you think dogs take after their owner's personality?
9. In India we usually import dogs, how are they accommodating themselves here? Do you think that the sweaters we make them wear here in Delhi are actually required?
10. Valuation of the pet industry at the moment?

Music & Singing (10)

1. What's your favourite song of 2025? The chairperson himself mentioned Dhurandhar music. (Had no idea)
2. You play the flute. Tell me about a famous flautist in India.(Pt. Hariprasad Chaurasia)
3. A small discussion on fundraising and follow up questions – My role in fundraising, reaction of donors, how You ensured proper funds utilisation
4. Which music composer's birthday is today ?
5. What is folk music?
6. Vande mataram song.
7. Before starting I would like you to sing a song. (Sang a song, made me sing another song after that) i was forgetting lyrics of the 2nd song, they helped me
8. What type of songs do you listen to?
9. Punjabi folk songs adapted by Bollywood, could you remember any? (I couldn't at that time). Do you think communities should be given some royalties or share in the benefits of folk songs adapted? They did not listen much to my answer, he gave a monologue
10. Old songs are better, why not new?

Painting, Photography & Crafts (9)

1. Calligraphy at the entry of Taj mahal – what is it called?
2. How can you promote adoption of fabric painting : traditional arts like madhubani, kalamkari among children?
3. How did you start fabric painting? Did you learn it at school or in later phase of life
4. What is Hand Lettering?
5. Aapne 12th me painting liya hai...konsi painting pasand hai aapko?
6. Madhubani painting ke baare me batayiye...konse colours use hote hain?
7. Can you guess which painting is this?
8. If I call the painting Madhubani and you also call it the same, is it creativity?
9. Discussion on painting – which painter you like?

Badminton, Tennis & Racket Sports (6)

1. Favourite player in badminton and why?
2. Badminton as a hobby. So I asked about side boxes and back boxes. When they are away and in?
3. Why is swimming not as popular as badminton in India? Chair: thank you Each?
4. Squash and badminton difference
5. Which bird feathers are used in badminton shuttle? No. Of feathers in shuttle? Any issue of animal rights there because of feathers?
6. Discussion on Tennis and its lack of wide adoption in india

Chess (6)

1. What qualities does playing chess help you develop?
2. Why does Tamil Nadu produce a relatively higher number of chess Grandmasters?
3. What qualities has chess added to you to improve yourself
4. Do you view chess just as a board game or beyond?
5. Should chess be made mandatory for civil servants?
6. Chess is considered the most intelligent game. Do you consider yourself as one of the most intelligent people?

Football (5)

1. India football
2. Football women's team captain
3. Gujarat players in football team
4. Why is India not doing well in football, except in some regions like Bengal and Kerala? What are we lacking, and what can be done?
5. You play football, so with whom do you play? Answered by young people. Follow-up question – don't they feel that you're bullying them?

Other Sports & Fitness (5)

1. What is creative upcycling? Give an example.
2. Follow up on creative upcycling
3. Class, caste and gender bias in gym.
4. Difference between kickboxing and boxing?
5. Status of Kickboxing internationally? How is India doing?

Trekking & Travel (4)

1. Why solo travelling?
2. Said you like travelling. Asked Where did you travel last?
3. You do trekking.
4. Trekking Gear you have.

Cooking & Food (4)

1. What is awadh region? Why awadh biryani famous? Which other biryani?
2. How many kilos of rice is consumed every day in hyd for biryani.?
3. Cooking. Compare carbon footprint related to Hyderabad cuisine and Chennai cuisine
4. You like cooking, what is the price of potatoes these days, potato kharif / rabi

Dance (2)

1. You learnt kathak in school. Should it be made compulsory?
2. Which Gharana of Kathak do you belong to (LKO gharana), How is it different from Jaipur Gharana?

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Preparation tip: Use real examples. Give a weakness you are actually working on, and show the progress.

Strengths, Weaknesses & Personality (20)

1. How much time did it take you to come here(thought he was asking about my commute said 45 min?
2. What if you are an empathetic person but your decision is not popular?
3. Evaluate India as a whole – Is India a introvert or Extrovert nation?
4. When India has never tried to occupy other countries how can India be an Extrovert nation?
5. Coming to food. You've mentioned world cuisine. It is such a wide and open ended hobby. Can you answer anything and everything about the cuisine around the world?
6. Nuclear weapons as fear being the key
7. Is this honesty or confidence?
8. What is one thing you fear the most?
9. Should we have no stress at all?
10. Are you stressed right now?
11. How do you manage stress?
12. How u cop up with stress with a hectic schedule?
13. Picking form my answer- Why do you think people are always in a hurry? They don't follow rules, try to get ahead of others, they occupy the other side also despite knowing that this will cause unnecessary delays? (Ma'am I travel a lot and I have seen examples where one lane was completely empty but people were patiently waiting in queue, so this could be mainly a cultural phenomenon. But with sustained efforts, this can be tackled as we have been able to do with Swachh Bharat Mission)
14. You must be feeling nervous outside waiting in hall. What you did? You talked to someone (Yes sir I was feeling a bit nervous. I tried talking to people and sir I tried breathing technique also 4-2-1?
15. What is your one weakness which might hinder in your work as an administrator
16. What are your weakness? Any other weakness
17. How have your job helped shaping your personality?

Preparation tip: Revise the biggest debates in your optional and be ready to connect them with current affairs.

Optional: Agriculture (3)

1. What is the current contribution of the agricultural sector to the GDP? Why is it declining?
2. Have you heard about Krishi darshan? Tell me about its relevance.
3. What is the contribution of Agricultural Universities in the domain of agriculture?

Optional: Anthropology (15)

1. Why is there more Rh- and less Rh+ in India when we are descendants of monkeys? Are we descendants of monkeys?
2. Why did you choose anthropology?
3. Tell us about the Tharu tribe and its cultural uniqueness.
4. Since your optional is Anthropology, tell me about some fossil sites in India. Mention the recent ones as well.
5. Why isn't anthropology a popular discipline?
6. Tell me some theories of evolution.
7. Give an anthropological perspective of the caste system.
8. Where is the quality of life better, supercity or Tier 2 or 3 cities? Give an anthropological perspective.
9. What are the differences between sociology and social anthropology?
10. Do you know about Iravati Karve? What work did she do in the domain of socio-cultural anthropology?
11. (very interested in both the discussions on civil engineering and anthropology):
12. You have taken anthropology as your optional, even after graduating from the best institute of India, IIT Bombay. Was it only for the UPSC mains examination, or did you also have a genuine interest in it?
13. Why did you take anthropology as a subject?
14. Your favorite part about Anthropology? When did it began in India?
15. Took anthro optional, can you tell something on what can Anthropology of chemical engineering?

Optional: Commerce (4)

1. What is Organizational Theory and Behavior?
2. Define Financial Management.
3. What are the measures implemented to address stressed assets?
4. How would you audit a company's Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account?

Optional: Economics (12)

1. Can you assess a company's profitability from its balance sheet?
2. What aspects would you evaluate from a company's balance sheet?

3. What is the value of stock markets in India in monetary terms?
4. Are Indian markets overvalued? What factors contribute to this?
5. Arrange GST, Demonitisation, 1991 Reforms, 1969 Bank Nationalisation in order of their importance for Indian economy?
6. What is the trilemma in economics?
7. How can RCTs (Randomized Controlled Trials) be utilized? What is Abhijit Banerjee's theory, and can you provide a practical example of its application?
8. What is the difference between economics and managerial economics?
9. What is Industry 6.0, and how does it differ from Industry 5.0?
10. What is Industry 4.0? Provide an example.
11. Why India should have duopoly or oligopoly market.
12. You have economics optional but you have not studied it at college

Optional: Geography (36)

1. As a geographer, at least for this exam, where can I find the Mediterranean climate? What are the characteristics of this climate?
2. What crops are grown in this climate?
3. Long monologue about climate change and its impacts—like higher snowfall in some places and rising temperatures in others—then asked your opinion on the scenario.
4. It is speculated that Western Europe may freeze in a few years, leading to the freezing of their ports. Why might this happen?
5. What is the relationship between geography and international relations (IR)?
6. How does geography influence relationships between nations?
7. Why do small nations tend to align with the USA?
8. Since your optional is geography, have you heard of the "chicken neck"? What is its importance?
9. He gave a monologue on the dismal state of Indian agriculture and then asked: Why is it so?
10. Since you are into fruit gardening, what do you think can be done to improve horticulture?
11. Has any exotic fruit crop recently gained popularity in Kerala?
12. Avocado has been becoming popular recently; are you aware of its different varieties?
13. Have you heard of Thomas Friedman? He is a famous journalist who wrote The World is Flat, but geography says otherwise. Why is that?
14. "Geography determines history." Comment.
15. How is history determined by geography?
16. Why does geography play an important role in Rajasthan?
17. What type of special geographical study is needed for Rajasthan?
18. How are geography and IR related?
19. Can you name some geopolitical geographers?

20. What exactly is global warming? Is India doing enough to tackle it?
21. What are the problems faced in combating climate change?
22. Can you name some mangroves?
23. Why is the coast of Odisha, Andhra Pradesh, and West Bengal more prone to cyclones?
24. As a geography student, do you think the Radcliffe Line is justified? What are the issues that still persist because of it?
25. Do you think India needs more time zones rather than just one?
26. Which mountain range separates Peninsular Plateau from Northern Plains?
27. Why Narmada flows towards the west while most other peninsular rivers flow towards the east?
28. In future what is going to be more important geography or demography?
29. What is human geography?
30. What is planning in geography?
31. What are the opportunity available to the students who have done there pg in geography?
32. What are the recent discoveries In our solar system or beyond that can change the way of our understanding universe?(This was asked because when?
33. Which is important history or Geography?
34. Do you think current Geopolitics dictated by geography?
35. If you have absolute power to change the climate of India, what would be your actions? (Geography optional)
36. Geography optional, do you think in this century Geography's relevance has increased?

Optional: Hindi Literature (4)

1. Who are the Bhakti literature poets from various regions of India?
2. Compare the works and philosophy of Kabirdas and Tulsidas.
3. Trace the evolution of the Hindi language.
4. Discuss some notable writings by Dinkar and Rahul Sankrityayan.

Optional: History (15)

1. Among events between 1857 and 1957 in Indian independence, which one do you consider the most significant?
2. What lessons have you learned from Buddha, and how have you applied them in your life?
3. Is history becoming obsolete? Why should we continue studying it?
4. What is the importance of history in administrative services?
5. Why is Muhammad bin Tughlaq often depicted negatively?
6. Name three key events that shaped world history.
7. Opinion on rewriting of History books?
8. History geography linkages

9. Social media and history
10. History is called “itihaas”, you know what that means?
11. Relate history and geography for me
12. What is subaltern history
13. Is there a social dynamic in jungles? Can I write the history of marginalized animals?
14. History me mahajanpad 16 abhi ke kis kis state me hai ungali pr nam gine sbke phir south me kyu nhi hai ye keral tamilnadu me to maine bola udhar rajya develop nhi hai mahapasha kal hai
15. Sangam vansh ke bad se lekar early medival tk south ka vansh kram pucha South aaj north se aage hai to iska historical reason hai kya aap is bar agree krte hai maine slightly agree Kiya ki han south me chola local governance vijayanagar Babar atmkatha ki bate btayi aur ye bhi bola ki nhi north me bhi acha tha history me ache se suna pura answer

Optional: Law (5)

1. What is the right to property, and what has been the impact of its removal as a fundamental right?
2. Why does the Constitution include the term socialist, and is India socialist in its current state?
3. Why was the Right to Education added as a Fundamental Right, and how has its implementation progressed?
4. Draft a framework for the Right to Health and discuss the challenges involved in its implementation.
5. Is the International Court of Justice (ICJ) effective in contemporary times?

Optional: Literature (5)

1. Why English literature from science (school)
2. You have done graduation in english literature, what have you read
3. Can you explain the evolution of English literature
4. What are the similarities and differences between Gujarati Literature and Engineering?
5. You have Malayalam Literature as your optional. Literature, dance forms, etc., are cultural expressions. What does Mohiniyattam symbolise? Who is Mohini?

Optional: Maithili Literature (7)

1. Why did you choose Maithili literature as your optional subject after completing a BTech in Chemical Engineering?
2. Who is your favorite writer in Maithili literature?
3. Apart from Vidyapati, who are the contemporary writers in Maithili literature?
4. Do you agree with the statement that the upper caste has been alienated from Bihar politics in the last 30 years?
5. What is the government doing to improve connectivity in Madhubani district?

6. In Madhubani painting, middlemen earn more profit. What is the current situation, and what is the government doing to address it?
7. What challenges does the Maithili language face?

Optional: Mathematics (6)

1. What did you study in mathematics during graduation? What is ANOVA in statistics?
2. Do you think there is an over-reliance on statistics now?
3. Statistical data are more concealing than revealing. Do you agree?
4. Since your optional subject is Mathematics, design a poverty measurement mathematical model. What can you do in your model that will be different from the multi-dimensional poverty index?
5. Mathematics and space have a connection. It is said space is described using mathematics. Can you tell a specific language which can be used in the research of Mathematics, Space and Computer Science.
6. Use of mathematics in administration?

Optional: Medical Science (21)

1. What is the role of biology and hormones in happiness?
2. Metabolic disorders like diabetes are increasing. What needs to be done to address this?
3. What is the doctor-to-population ratio in India and Bihar?
4. What are the reasons for the low ratio, and what will you do to increase it?
5. Name some medical implants you would use in patient care.
6. Why is India lacking in manufacturing medical devices?
7. If a company directly approaches you as a doctor and asks you to use their device, will you use it? What steps will you take, or what mechanisms will you use to ensure the safety of medical devices?
8. Who is Hippocrates, and what is the Hippocratic oath?
9. Are doctors adhering to this oath in their practice?
10. The nexus between doctors and pharmacists is increasing worldwide. How will you reduce it? Suggest practical steps along with government measures.
11. The brain is the greatest healer; medicine is just cut and paste. What is the placebo effect? Do you know the opposite of it? Why do doctors prescribe sugar tablets?
12. What is epigenetics?
13. Do you know about Lamarckism?
14. How do you view the role of AI in healthcare?
15. How can we reduce costs in the health sector?
16. What are your views on healthcare insurance, and how can the current model be improved?
17. What are some recent technological innovations in the medical field?

18. What ethical issues arose during the COVID-19 pandemic, and what are the current ethical issues in the medical field?
19. What attributes should doctors and engineers have for civil services? How would you handle gender disparity in health in rural areas?
20. What would you choose: public health infrastructure or private health infrastructure with an insurance system? Please discuss this.
21. Why is TB so common in India? Which schemes have been launched to tackle it?

Optional: PSIR (34)

1. Do you read Foreign Affairs magazine? Whose article did you read last?
2. What is the current debt of the US economy, and don't you think it's an issue? What are your thoughts on it?
3. I recently read a report that China has surpassed the US in technology. What do you think about this, and why is it happening?
4. Tell me about the deteriorating Indo-Canada relationship.
5. There was an assassination too; what about that? Even the US claimed that Pannu was threatened with assassination.
6. What is your long-term view on Indo-Canada relations?
7. You have been in Tamil Nadu, and there is a civil servant who is making news in politics. Who is it? – Should civil servants join politics? Recently, a judge also joined politics. What do you think about that?
8. Idealism vs. Materialism
9. Plato vs. Marx
10. Who talked about the communism of wives?
11. Why has China grown so fast? Should India adopt this model?
12. Democracy vs. Chinese model: Which one would you choose?
13. Provide an example of soft power and hard power.
14. What is smart power?
15. Discuss the positives and negatives of the Indian diaspora.
16. Which is the most complex issue, according to you, in international relations?
17. What steps can be taken to normalize relations between India and Pakistan?
18. What is the peace-by-pieces approach?
19. Compare Kautilya and Machiavelli. Who is more realistic in their approach?
20. Is there any relevance of Indian classics like Arthashastra and Mahabharata in present times?
21. What changes have occurred in India's foreign policy over the past decade?
22. What is special about John Stuart Mill? What is his core concept?
23. How will you ensure a balance between liberty and reasonable restrictions?

24. What do you mean by the Non-Alignment Movement? Does it have relevance in the present times?
25. What is the I2U2 grouping? Why is Saudi Arabia not a member?
26. India is a fossil-based economy. What is the Government of India doing to reduce dependency on fossils?
27. In the context of the Middle East, how has the scenario changed post-World War I?
28. In the present scenario, what is the solution to the crisis in the Middle East?
29. Is democracy around the world under threat?
30. Why did India introduce Look East and Act East Policy?
31. Why did you study political science?
32. Okay, so coming to your DAF. PSIR is your subject, can you tell me 2 concepts, one from political science and one from IR that have come into question in recent times?
33. You're PSIR student. Monologue about chaos in liberal international order. Why is it happening and give examples
34. Student of PSIR, tell me about democracy

Optional: Philosophy (8)

1. How is Indian philosophy (Bhartiya Darshan) great?
2. Debates and discussions are crucial in philosophy, but this does not seem evident now. Do you think debates have reduced in contemporary times?
3. I will say a quote, and you tell me whether you agree with it or not: "Loyalty to the country but loyalty to the government only if it deserves."
4. If you become a civil servant tomorrow, will you not support the government?
5. "What is the core difference between a debate and an argument?" "Explain argumentative philosophy in India and its salient features." "Have you heard of Cartesian philosophy? What is his full name? State his philosophy in one line."
6. "You graduated in mechanical engineering but chose philosophy. Was it useful? If yes, how?" "In your opinion, is this world illusory?" "You seem enthusiastic about philosophy, but philosophy also has criticisms. Provide major criticisms of Indian philosophy."
7. "Mahatma Gandhi's philosophy is based on values like non-violence and satya. After 75 years, what do you think about their relevance in the present world?" "You have answered the theoretical aspect; now apply it to current issues."
8. Difference between stoic and epicurean philosophy

Optional: Physics (1)

1. How amd entropy in physics and society are interrelated,give us and analogy

Optional: Psychology (4)

1. We are normal individuals and aim to have a simple conversation. What is abnormal psychology?
2. Is it true that the focus of psychology has shifted from the soul to the mind to behavior? Do you agree with this perspective?
3. What defines Indian psychology?
4. What happens when there is a divergence between the attitude and behaviour of a person?

Optional: Public Administration (4)

1. What practical applications from Public Administration can be applied to Civil Services?
2. Is Frank Lloyd Wright overrated?
3. Draw comparisons between Public Administration and Architecture.
4. What is lacking in Public Administration? What needs to be done?

Optional: Sociology (18)

1. What do you understand by modern feminism? How can working women balance personal and professional life?
2. What are the methods used in modern sociology?
3. Why did you choose sociology after studying Civil Engineering?
4. Name 5 Nobel Prize winners from sociology. Who is the mother and father of sociology?
5. What is Sanskritization?
6. Why Buddhism declined in India and flourished in SE Asia?
7. What is the difference between sociology and sociocultural anthropology?
8. You opted for sociology as your optional. Why is sociology an important subject?
9. You have studied sociology, what are the social elements in Constitution?
10. Since you have studied sociology what factors cause inequality?
11. Why sociology as an optional?
12. Sociology- what is cultural lag? How is it affecting genz women
13. Why sociology? Types of suicide? Farmer and student suicide classified as? (Made a slight mistake by confusing anomic and egoistic suicide)
14. How is the scope of sociology changing in todays day and age?
15. As a Sociology student what do u think about weber's idea about Protestant ethics and rise of capitalism as modern sociologists are critical to him
16. What is relation between polity and sociology
17. Started with wildlife crime documentary(poacher), they giggled about very specific hobby/interest – status of social crime(picked crime from wildlife crime and social from sociology)

18. You had Zoology and Botany in Graduation. How can we ensure protection of natural biodiversity while promoting tourism? (JFM, Involving local communities like Nagas in case of Hornbill, Green Mobility and sustainable infra)

Optional: Zoology (5)

1. What is neoteny?
2. What are blastula and gastrula? How many cells are there in a blastula?
3. Which one is diploblastic, and which is triploblastic?
4. You are from zoology but how did you give a presentation related to pcod?
5. What is the relation between zoology and pharmaceutical companies?

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Preparation tip: Make a one-page brief per recurring issue: facts, two viewpoints, your balanced position, and one government step.

Civil Services, Bureaucracy & Governance (25)

1. What change would you bring in civil administration? I talked about increased adoption of technology which will improve transparency and accountability and improve bureaucratic efficiency
2. Are there no accountability mechanisms in DU for women's safety?
3. Case study where legal accountability is sought from those in power, and corrective measures are taken under preventive laws for the public. Should this model be implemented in
4. 1.road safety ko lekar kya krenge aap agr delhi me as a civil servant
5. What is public service to you, a lot many become RAJABABUs post clearing the exam?
6. Jumped to challenges in operationalisation of National Monetization pipeline in IR
7. What can India learn from western bureaucracy?
8. What kind of civil servant will you be? I tried answering relating to my technical, managerial and work ex background
9. Oh, then you must be good with communication; how can a civil servant do better communication with people?
10. You might become a civil servant soon. So, first of all, do you want to improve this situation?
11. Which civil servant won Gold at paralympics
12. How does dance shape a civil servant?
13. Name one desirable and undesirable quality in a civil servant
14. How can you be better civil servant and a human being
15. Qualities of an Civil servant?
16. What are protection given to Civil Servant under Constitution? What are exceptions and give examples of same?
17. You have a very fascinating subject in graduation, who do you want to do job of a civil servant, which can be boring at times?
18. How should a civil servant aim to remove mai baap culture?
19. What as per you should a civil servant be like to serve public?
20. Changing role of civil servants in past decades and future prospects?
21. How are the civil servants playing the role of Facilitators?
22. Do you think civil servants in the country are still in the British mindset of civil services or are they behaving differently?
23. Can you name some civil servants in Rajasthan towards whom the public has a positive attitude, and some towards whom they have a negative attitude?
24. 1.allahabad university abhi kyu utne civil servants yha se nhi aa rhe h kuchh reason btaye
25. What are your thoughts on lateral entry? Interview ran for ~32 minutes. I have missed a few small details but nothing substantial

Society, Health, Education & Welfare (270)

Caste, Religion & Communal Harmony

1. Is ther any bias of caste in trainers community?
2. Said out of box thinking, creative, diversity
3. Do you think homogenity is good or diversity?
4. What is tolerance? Why it is given
5. Tribal issue where development is concerned, should we have development or leave them as it is
6. Tribal population percentage in mp
7. What was your presentation about traditional tribal healing about?

Children, Youth & Elderly

1. Whom would you prioritise in a large crowd – elder, children etc
2. You have mentioned that the tribe itself don't want to send the children to school, what's the reason behind it?
3. Sir smiling and telling about his childhood experience. How sirs mother used to fight with bus conductor for enforcing half ticket norm
4. Maths: How to explain zero to a 5-year-old child
5. Was civil services your childhood dream?
6. And, the children are also at fault, will you take criminal action against the child?
7. Childern age related discussion?
8. Child marriage related question... deep discussion
9. How to prevent child marriage...?
10. Earlier children used to listen to their parents. What about this generation? Do they?
11. Talking about the children going back further structural step needs to be taken
12. Tell about sex education for children
13. What do you think about the elderly population of society?
14. India will have growing elderly population in the future..what social security measures would you suggest for them?
15. Geriatric problems faced by elderly in India? Health problems faced by old age people?
16. Do you think it is impacting the mental health of children? What can be done to tackle it?
17. What are the issue for old age ppl
18. What can be done for the old age population
19. Discussion on Hegel and old age and wisdom
20. What issues does high screen time has on children, whats your vision for it
21. What different measures will you take in villages and slums to pursue parents to send their children to school

22. Tell me some Gen Z words about Social Media and Mobile
23. How would you teach values to children
24. How do you promote reading habit among youth? Some questions I could not recollect
25. 2.What anxieties do you find in Rural youth?
26. With the onset of GPT, we can see alot of impact on youth is taking place, can you point some of the concerns?
27. Why did you spend so much time preparing for the civil services? How have you contributed to this country in these youthful years? Answer?

Education & Skills

1. Is coaching necessary for CUET?
2. Criticisms of Coaching and should they be banned
3. Necessity of Coaching
4. What can be done to reduce coaching needs
5. What do you think of India's education system? Have we done enough?
6. Challenges with education sector in India – general points
7. Some provisions for higher education institutes
8. What are the lag in the education system as ppl prefer to go for coaching
9. When does primary education level start?
10. Differenc in education at Lady Shri Ram College vs University College London
11. What are your career goals? Answer?
12. What are barriers to Primary Education Enrollment?
13. Can we achieve 50%GER in higher education?
14. Should we give early education in mother tongue,?
15. What is the role of education in this?
16. A situational question: if in a hilly area, there are 2-3 students, how will you ensure education accessibility for them? Then herself suggested, can't we make arrangements to bring those kids to nearby schools
17. What is the meaning of an educator and what was your?
18. How has Bollywood played a role in Hindi spread?
19. Chairperson and M4 were speaking in Hindi. I tried to answer their questions in Hindi only but I had to resort to English in some questions where I was struggling with Hindi
20. Some Hindi publishers
21. Are you comfortable in English or shall we go in "Hindi".?
22. Why is mother tongue called mother tongue?
23. Do you know about NEP, 2020
24. Tell me any 3 features of NEP 2020?

25. Pehle ye rule tha ki aapko same subject mein PG karni padegi jisse aapne graduation ki ha.
26. G oals of NEP for primary education?
27. How to promote French in schools and colleges
28. Where did you work?
29. Your school is known to give a different education, how is it different?
30. How can we alter their thoughts in order to make them understand that school is better for them?
31. What about formative years of schooling when such mindset is developed
32. Qns on my school name Little flower. Didn't u feel bad about that name during your senior year. Little follow up on that
33. UP school education me kya problem hai?
34. What is Home Schooling? Do you think it is good?
35. 3.What 3 skills would you give'em to alleviate their anxiety?
36. Kya skilling hi hai ya kuchh aur bhi?
37. Skilling me improvement kaise kar sakte hai?
38. What difference do you see in slums and villages, what will be your different approaches to solve the problem of lack of education
39. Social media why people use it For entertainment for education and for news give them percentage wise share
40. There is new trend of students disrespecting teachers.reasons behind it?
41. Teachers ki performance kaise improve karoge?
42. What is the difference between a teacher and a mentor?
43. What do you consider yourself: a teacher or a mentor?
44. Q1 – Oh Allahabad University also offers undergraduate courses?
45. What can be done to stop brain drain at the university level?

Health & Nutrition

1. Just like gambling, alcoholism etc.. we should also ban non-vegetarian
2. GIFT city Gujrat. It has allowed alcohol but the rest of the state has banned it? Why difference?
3. You have been a prerna saathi during covid, was it temporary or long term
4. How can lifestyle diseases be prevented?
5. What is autoimmune disease?
6. Reasons behind increasing patients-doctors violence?
7. You are into fitness — what are lifestyle diseases?
8. Healthcare state in tg and india?
9. What challenges does healthcare face?
10. Rural Health
11. Other health related issues

12. What is its impact on health?
13. What about health sector?
14. Three health myths and reality about those myths
15. Some questions on health which I am not able to remember
16. What do you understand by spiritual health?
17. Asked about comprehensive healthcare
18. Does the face of a person reveal their health status
19. Rank of india in hunger index?
20. Issue of kota suicide and their cause
21. Causes of malnutrition in india
22. Why left medical practice and want to pursue civil services?
23. What are the alternative medicinal system in india?
24. What is the fundamental difference in the approaches of Adam Smith and Amartya Sen?
25. Which main fundamental right gets involve in such a petition?
26. What are the issues faced by tribes?
27. Suggest a developmental model for Burari
28. What should be done to avoid mental health issues
29. What about the implications on mental health when it comes to failures in such risky endeavours?
30. Example of obesity trolling is not justified
31. Which part of public health govt should invest?
32. Public Health
33. Why students are committing suicide and what are the possible solutions?
34. What could be done if u will be vested with power to control suicide
35. Do you think tobacco ads are bringing awareness or is it not worth enough?
36. Tribal health problem any?
37. Three evidences i can use to draw conclusions on tribal health, and three immediate solutions

Media, Technology & Society

1. Nijjar is only 'citizen'? Which Indian communities live there?
2. What is wrong in joining a family firm?
3. Three generations of the family: grandmother, mother, sister — what do you learn from them?
4. Malinowski theory of family
5. Why gujarati use so much sweet in their food?
6. How u manage food working so late
7. Do you think marriage as an institution is declining?
8. Genz and marriage
9. Are you aware of the news shown by Indian media during Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee's tenure?

10. Why was the media not as partisan then?
11. Is media fair in our country? Does it not manipulate the public?
12. Do you not think that the television media has turned into "Godi Media"?
13. Media as 4th pillar
14. Is media free? Is Indian media good enough?
15. Govt think night life in Goa and this club and all are immoral and seen as a sin, what's your view on that
16. What is social loafing?
17. U write about social issues, what kind of social issues bother you?
18. Are these behavioral changes or Social changes? (We can put them in both categories)
19. Changes in social structure- nuclear families and joint families
20. Social safety more in which
21. Tell me 2 major social evils in India and how will you solve it
22. Do you think infrastructural and social problems are interlinked
23. Impact of social media
24. Why are people so eager to post everything on social media these days?
25. What is social media addiction?
26. Why is social media addiction happening?
27. GenZ about being independent and autonomous; so should we ban social media
28. Which country imposed visa restrictions using social media
29. Sociological analysis of society
30. Differentiate between Society vs community
31. How Air BnB is shaping our society, say it's sociological perspective. How is it changing indian society
32. You mentioned contribution to society. Is Formula One contributing to society?
33. What is G and its value
34. What role does public institutions play in inculcation of value system in india?
35. What are their values?

Other questions on this theme

1. Should we make whole courty vegan **(asked ×2)**
2. What the world is doing
3. Why female LFPR is low in india? Reasons?
4. If you have to dismiss one of your employees what would you consider about him?
5. Issues regarding the same in rural India – critical gaps
6. What is UNNAT Bharat Abhiyan?
7. 4.What is Jan Shiksha Abhiyan?

8. What is the physics of subatomic level called?
9. What is God particle? Which experiment was done to find it?
10. Why is entrepreneurship not flourishing in India?
11. Role of a balanced diet
12. What dishes u cook
13. Have you faced patriarchy ever in professional life etc
14. Since you have studied mathematics, how would u measure happiness?
15. Tell me the the method?
16. Have you been to srihari kota?
17. What are the reasons for success of the Kudumbasree?
18. Dholpur house
19. How homeopathic system works, key principle and idea?
20. What is the entitlements based approach of Amartya sen?
21. What do you understand by Trickle down?
22. How to increase electrification of mobility in India?
23. Tell me apart from Evs
24. Tell me devices that have come into our lives because of mobile
25. Role of mobile phones in families. What to do? Should we ban use of phones inside homes?
26. Discussion followed
27. Chairperson sir
28. Venn diagram
29. Trolling is part of criticism
30. Have you been trolled
31. What is click bait
32. Said thumbnail Example 20ft ka saanp hai
33. Thumbnail mei 100 ft chasing ppl
34. What is your philosophy of life
35. Our athletes are doing good in paralifting, name some
36. Is it a PVTG or not?
37. What are the differences between PVTGs and STs?
38. Full form of PVTG
39. What is PVTG?
40. What is the genetic basis of the same?
41. 1 more question asked, can't remember
42. Said anemia mukt bharat by 2047
43. H1B issue. Impact on Indian IT
44. What is PESA?
45. > Interview Transcripts (CSPT-2025):
46. Rs 500 shirt and Rs 5000 shirt. I want to buy Rs 5000 shirt. Justify
47. Hand cuffs during arrests should we use?
48. Ma'am – Bas karo aap ka ho gaya

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49. If the tribes are not agreeing, how consultation will work
50. Said sickle cell anemia
51. Why such fascination with tribes?
52. What sources you are referring to for phd?
53. What is your opinion about DINk? (little discussion on this)
54. Don't you think that the first step should be night patrolling?
55. Even if, they were captured, they could still be exploited
56. Ma'am said very good
57. What is special about jayalalitha, mamata banerjee, sushma swaraj?

Population, Migration & Urbanisation

1. Issue with the ageing population in the world
2. This inter country migration. Is this a good thing or not?
3. Why migration (domestic)? Push and pull factors
4. Migration to cities causes many problems, what should be done to deal with it?
5. India has highest population in the world why can't we become powerful just because of that?
6. India has largest population does India have largest human resource?
7. What do we have to do to convert population into human resource
8. Guidance in rural area? ... How opportunities differ in urban and rural?
9. Anyway, what are the present urbanisation challenges you can think of?

Sports

1. What is adaptive cricket?
2. Cricket in Dungarpur
3. You seem to be a fitness oriented individual. (But didn't asked ahead)
4. Which one is in olympics?

Welfare Schemes & Poverty

1. Tell me today's headlines
2. Jal jeevan mission
3. You are happy but not satisfied with the performance, what measures do you think should be taken to make this mission a full success?
4. If an NGO starts to do protests & instigate tribes for the development project what will you do
5. About NGO funding
6. Should we completely stop ngo funding
7. Why poor hygiene in those stalls? What can be done to improve that?
8. Is poor teaching a reason for brain drain?
9. Asked about UNNAT Scheme & Shikshan Sansthan
10. What is Mplad scheme?

11. Any schemes?
12. What did you observe while teaching in slums
13. What sections of society will you consider vulnerable?
14. What to be done for making them non vulnerable to theft?

Women & Gender

1. What were your lessons from organising a cricket tournament for visually impaired women? **(asked ×5)**
2. Q2 – tell me about beti bachao and beti padhao, its achievements
3. Beti bachao beti pdhao should be converted to beta padhao too ...
4. A. Child marriage; women safety
5. What is Gender Bias?
6. Gender sensitivity training etc)
7. Why do you think girls today are attaining menarche at much younger ages, sometimes as early as 7–8, compared to earlier ages of 12–14? What concerns does this trend raise?
8. Sexual harassment issue in India
9. If you had to take 3 mandatory steps for preventive healthcare of women, what would they be?
10. Whats age of marriage for girls? Should we reduce it?
11. Mental health issues – reasons in women
12. Schemes by GOI for women empowerment
13. Patriarchal society, gender equality, what skills would you develop in primary school boys to bring gender equality
14. What will you do for vulnerable women?
15. Do you think you're an empowered woman?
16. What if your decisions are seen to be harsh (being a woman) and that of your male counterpart dynamic?
17. Were you happy that you chair is a woman?
18. Do women make good administrators?
19. Do you think Delhi, along with the campus, are safe spaces for women?
20. Okay. So, what interventions will you make to ensure that women feel safe in the campus?
21. Why should women even have to complain? Why are there no mechanisms already in place?
22. Did it really help in empowerment of women?
23. Role of women on the global stage
24. Should women be involved in development planing?
25. Women can be corrupt as well? Don't you think?
26. How many women?
27. Why do you think we only talk about women's rights and not men's rights? – good discussion on this
28. Are the incidents against women in Rajasthan real or is it only a perception...?

29. In Rajasthan, we see many things, as you were just telling me, like Sati and Jauhar practices are prevalent. What are the reasons? Was this practice good? I mean, Sati was being forced upon women in many states...
30. At that time, besides johar could women have used any other method to assert their power...?
31. Can you name some women chief ministers?
32. Status of women empowerment in India. Is it really working? Give specific examples. What else should we do for women?
33. Discussion continues on women empowerment. What is the status in J&K? Be specific. What have you observed ever since you have begun observing the society? Region wise: jammu, kashmir, Pir panjal? Are women entering STEM fields? How conservative and how liberal etc
34. What about women safety?
    You come from a place not many women come into services, what are the changes taking place there? Shift in people's mindset?

Economy, Trade & Agriculture (507)

Agriculture & Food Security

1. Different type of soil pollution **(asked ×2)**
2. How should we tackle them effectively especially for small/marginal famrmers **(asked ×2)**
3. Application of nano materials in agriculture
4. Issues of agriculture
5. What is the difference between sustainable agriculture and regenarative agriculture?
6. Which country is doing good in agriculture?
7. Any scheme for agriculture?
8. Major crops of Guntur
9. Free farm electricity and how do you see it?
10. Why farmer suicides are high in AP after MH? and counter questions
11. What is gender biased fertility preferences
12. Do you know the fertility rate required to maintain a stable population?
    Answer: Yes sir, it is 2.1
13. Tell about the consequences of fertiliser usage
14. What is A2 Cow Milk? Rest forgot
15. What did you buy in that country?
16. Do you think we should shift to organic farming?
17. What is organic farming? Which organisation certifies that?
18. What is white metal, why has it's price been soaring?
19. Why copper prices are rising
20. Do you think that Nano should be relaunched in India? If yes, should it be relaunched at the same price?
21. Spices and their production in India

Banking, Finance & Markets

1. Why bank officers on strike. Then?
2. What recent trends you observe in Indian Politics?
3. Post office can be called bank?
4. Do you know there is one village called Anand in Anand which have multiple banks in village? Actually she was not sure what she is asking then said Anand in Kheda district etc..?
5. Tell me how bitcoin mining works
6. A. Told him about what bitcoin mining is
7. What is the difference between blockchain and bitcoin?
8. Why was electoral bond declared unconstitutional?
9. Sustainability bond and followups 2-3 questions aur the, yaad aayenge
10. What are climate bonds?
11. What are social bonds?
12. Is interest paid on such bonds?
13. Credits to students. Useful
14. How can we improve credit availability?
15. For a common middle class person, how can we raise the credit availability via fiscal policy?
16. A. Told about the credit system in NEP
17. What is Cryptocurrency?
18. Are all crypto Blockchain?
19. You're from computer science background. So can we talk about Cryptocurrency?
20. Why the colour and size of currency notes vary in india?
21. How does forex and G Sec sale and purchase impact currency prices?
22. Do you have interest in economics?
23. As an economist, why do you think the rupee is depreciating and approaching the level of 90? Should the RBI intervene, and if so, how?
24. Since you are an economist, tell me why rupee is falling?
25. What should be the solution? What should these states do? Answer?
26. What is the current expenditure ratio between centre and states?
27. Difference between fiscal and monetary policy?
28. By giving examples, share what is under the domain of fiscal and what is under monetary policy from these 3: inflation, employment and currency depreciation
29. Why gold prices are surging?
30. Why gold and silver prices are rising
31. What is more important for Administration empathy or efficiency?
32. How can we collect data in informal sectors – send different person in places where child labour concentration is there + convince

parents through communication – send them school – incentive like mid day meal etc

33. You are part of administration. In a tribal area health and educational infrastructure is to be developed but cost is high, terrain is difficult so the administration wants to displace
34. INSURANCE Scheme
35. Is insurance synonyms with healthcare
36. Do you think insurance is mandatory for all by 2047
37. Okay good. Have you heard of Populism? Do you think it has always been in practice or is it a new phenomenon? Can you give an example from the past and the present? – Sir, I think populism in varying degrees has been in practice ever since democracy, and especially representative democracy have existed. It becomes imperative to cater to the demands of the people, and eventually numbers end up mattering a lot for accruing power. As for examples, the opening up of the EIC for public investment by the British was a populist measure. And today sir the rise of vote bank politics could be a case in point
38. Will these projects increase labour mobility to western up? What about the wages then?
39. Why the prices of gold and silver increasing?
40. Nowadays, we are hearing that the price of gold and silver is increasing. Which is the third metal whose price is increasing
41. List me the PSU Insurance companies In india
42. Doctor patient ratio in india vs prescribed ratio
43. Ratio of proportion of elements in RCC
44. U studied in Mumbai tell me about RBI what main functions does it do?
45. Do you think RBI should intervene?
46. How rbi stabilize rupee
47. Types of Rupees bonds
48. So, do you agree with Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman that the rupee should be allowed to find its own level?
49. Why rupee is depreciating despite GDP increasing?
50. Mologue abt falling rupee. Now as an economist how do you see the falling rupee – as $ strengthening or Rs weakening?
51. Rupee depreciation and impact on current account?
52. Rupee depreciation
53. Let's say you're driving from home to office, and you break a traffic rule. The traffic cop will agree to let you go if you give 200-250 rupees to him. No one from office has seen that you broke the law. What will you do?
54. Why rupee is depreciating?
55. How will recent decline of Rupee impact this target
56. Were you able to ride the silver wave?
57. Difference in silver paper prices and physical silver, explain (I won here)

58. What is the solvency ratio?
59. What is the solvency ratio of United India insurance
60. You gave solutions to the Maharashtra government on implementation of NISP. Now with so many startup schemes, you have to take stock of progress and improve – what will you do?
61. What are penny stocks?
62. Name any episode of extreme volatility in penny stock- did not know this, said about yes bank a few years ago, but he did not agree
63. A. The first one is UPI
64. How does UPI work?
65. These services are unique to India. It's even bigger than UPI

Budget, Tax & Fiscal Policy

1. Should agriculture be taxed in India?
2. Do you audit GST?
3. What does budget involves?
4. What should this year's budget focus upon?
5. What is budget?
6. How budget is passed?
7. Budget, contingency budget
8. What is your assessment of India's current account deficit?
9. Plan vs non plan expenditure
10. Farmer income tax?
11. Discrimination if big farmers are not taxed?
12. What is fiscal deficit?
13. Diff between fiscal deficit and revenue deficit
14. What is fiscal discipline
15. And a follow up discussion on GST (The GST regime is hampering investments in sir's opinion)
16. GST issues- as incharge, what one step you will take?
17. How many goods were shifted in GST 2.0?
18. How you create awareness among people regarding GST?
19. Have you heard about GST? What is it?
20. How does one file for GST
21. GST accordingly
22. Einstein once said that the most complex thing in the universe to understand is income tax. Did the government recently do anything to reduce this? (Had only one point, they were searching for some recent act – which I didn't know, so they changed the topic)
23. Monologue on how to solve inequality, you just mentioned the policies that need to be implemented, but don't you think state's revenue should be kept in mind? Where will you get the money from?
24. Follow up – what will you prefer in PPP which has revenue sharing clause, L1 or some other method

25. Which shoe do you prefer. Starting price. Gst on that?
26. Privatisation of Indian Trains on Tracks and what is your opinion
27. Is Privatization fine?. You will become a private employee. You will lose PSU Employee status. Is this okay for you?
28. Psu policy, why disinvestment targets not met
29. Do u think it generates revenue
30. You have recently joined as a revenue officer, so what is Chakbandi?
31. What is ur work revenue officers?
32. EV sector is extremely dependent on Batteries and it is quite expensive, so apart from Govt subsidies how does the price of battery would be reduced in the long run?
33. Tax change in budget: undisclosed foreign income not punishable, impact on revenue
34. New tax regime
35. OECDs minimum tax rate bill
36. Is prisons a wastage of tax money?
37. How is commercial tax department contributing to it?
38. What was tax system before GST?
39. A small monologue on direct tax proportion.
40. Switched from chemical engineering, sustainability strategy, data science to civil services – is it not a waste of taxpayer money?
41. Viksit Bharat objectives in budget

Energy & Infrastructure

1. Discom related challenges. **(asked ×2)**
2. Why rooftop solar scheme is not picking up and what are the impact on these to Discoms **(asked ×2)**
3. Renewable energy challenges.. solutions **(asked ×2)**
4. In aviation sector, what is RMO?
5. Again a question on wind power and challenges
6. How do we measure quality of coal?
7. Regulatory bodies of electricity
8. Do you believe Electricity Act 2003 was a watershed moment in Power sector?
9. Are you aware of any such initiative being implemented on Delhi-Uttarakhand highway? (No)
10. Asked about the Mumbai Trans harbour project and Green Highways
11. Gave a monologue on indigo crisis
12. Situation based questions – how to tackle a large crowd like those after indigo crisis?
13. Indigo flight issue and whether it was failure of regulator or the company
14. Linked Indigo issue and the duopoly market
15. If the industry people are powerful then what would you do

16. Why not train crashes? Answer?
17. Why India is super power in software industry?
18. What should be given priority – teacher training, infrastructure or students' learning ability?
19. Infrastructure committee ki leadership se kya seekha?
20. Digital Public Infrastructure – current status?
21. A. National Infrastructure Project
22. A. It's something related to infrastructure financing but I'm sorry ma'am, I don't know
23. Situation-based- I'll give utmost power. What will you do to reduce pollution in Delhi? (Elaborate discussion on it with a lot of counter questions, whatever
24. Logistics- their role for India and recent happenings
25. Why Microsoft is buying power centres
26. Vadhavan port significance?
27. Other name of Thoothukudi port
28. Speciality Abt ennore port?
29. What is green field port? (Earlier mentioned in my answer)
30. How to improve sports infrastructure?
31. Issues with power sector in India, with reference to PPAs and PSAs
32. You forgot to mention one critical agency (dropped hint regarding SECI – of which Ma'am was the MD) – (full sycophancy mode) – then asked about the mandate of which I responded with a generalistic answer (dev of solar power sector in India)
33. What steps should India take to promote nuclear energy production? (Again for some seconds I felt helpless but ultimately managed to give a decent answer)
34. You are at railway station and find a girl weeping. What will be your response?
35. When railway is planning for net zero?
36. How railway is planning to achieve that?
37. Why railway still lacking on it? (isn't minister involved in setting targets with Niti ayog – I kept quiet on this, the?
38. When will mumbai ahd railway corridor be completed?
39. How is railways handling with such heavy load running on tracks?
40. What states are not connected with railway in North East?
41. Railways, roadways and other infrastructure projects are going on. How is the government able to finance all these projects?
42. Suppose if we want to put a railway line in a forest region, what kind of clearances do we need? Why do we need these clearances? What measures can we take for these cutting of trees? Where are these afforestation done?
43. Do you know the historical development of Railways and Government programmes any?
44. Renewable energy landscape in India – gave data points (had prepared them well)

45. Renewable energy targets?
46. What are renewable energy,initiatives and india's current position
47. Shipping industry challenge why we don't have

Growth, Jobs & Industry

1. You have done any job? **(asked ×2)**
2. Will AI take many jobs. (Yes but in a short term basis: asked how? **(asked ×2)**
3. Why should natural capital be included in GDP? Methodology to adopt
4. Do you think the demand for software employees from India is decreasing in the West?
5. Do you think india's early mixed economy model was right
6. Q3 – How can india's economic growth can be sustained?
7. Lets discuss some economics, what is Hindu rate of growth?
8. Comparison between AP and TN in employment, growth
9. Should GDP growth which is redundant, not be used as a criteria for measuring growth?
10. Gdp of andhra – what policies andhra govt is doing to increase
11. Real vs nominal gdp (difference)
12. Have you thought about personal growth if you get selected in services?
13. What about professional growth? Any area where you would like to see yourself?
14. What do you understand about balanced growth in the economy?
15. Comparison of Tamil Nadu and andhra pradesh in terms of growth
16. What are the reasons for high growth?
17. As Sir (Chairperson) was mentioning we are unable to transform research to technology. What do you think reforms needed in the education sector? I talked about industry academia partnership and that Indian govt is focusing on R&D more
18. What is the issue of IPR and patent in phraa industry
19. But businesses are in Surat as well. Diamond industry is there. Don't you think this heterogeneity shouldn't be there?
20. Any impact of industrialisation?
21. There are some Industries along the river, they are polluting the water and not using treatment facility because of the cost? What would you do?
22. Industrial development issues in mp
23. First question about lock industry of Aligarh
24. What is 1st industrial revolution?
25. What is 2, 3, 4th industrial revolution?
26. Industries sector of Tamil Nadu and andhra pradesh
27. Can you tell me some of the industries where optical fibres are more relevant than the use of 5G?

28. What you did in Industrial training?
29. Features of J&K Industrial Policy
30. Which industries have recently invested in J&K and what are the international investments?
31. What is the percentage share of the industrial sector in GDP? Is India doing well in the industrial sector?
32. Do you think people's attitude is also an issue in this regard? If you were the Industries Secretary, what would you do to change this attitude?
33. To btaiye abhi kya seekhe hm yha se industrial revolution aur ai maine link kiya
34. What programmes you will try to implement for boosting the match stick industry in Tenkasi?
35. Desh me bahut jyada inequality hai ise kaise fix kar sakte hai?
36. Welcome .... why did u leave your earlier job?Also why fascination with murder mystery -Follow up on indian adaptation of Sherlock holmes
37. What is a job less growth?
38. Why is the job less growth happening?
39. Asked Questions regarding Job details which was not mentioned in the DAF
40. Tell me what do we need to do to become job suppliers rather than job seekers?
41. Is it a job?
42. You've just joined the Dept of Post in October. Why have you changed job from Kerala to
43. Worst experience/incident of ur job in last 3 years?
44. Is wireless communication is still relevant in the mobile era justify, what are
45. Here onwards Job Related questions.....
46. How all other jobs that you have done can help you to become better administrator?
47. Will AI Replace Humans at entry level jobs?
48. Define and differentiate the terms in terms of corporate world : enemy, collaborator, rival, competitor. Arrange them in order
49. Parents say children are too strong willed to listen to them these days, then how can the situation improve? – I spoke of empathy and open communication and elaborated on that
50. Impact on labor market
51. Labor laws discussion
52. Q4 – Next question was on labour reforms, why it has been bought, what impact it will have and what more suggestions can I give (good question)
53. Do you know about indentured labourers
54. What structural? – data where child labour happening+ convincing parents (taking them out of vicious cycle of poverty)

55. If you are an SDM what labours laws you will try to implement it
56. Are child labours allowed?
57. What is the use of labour in above programmes
58. Don't you think we have missed the bus by neglecting Manufacturing sector? What's are impacts on
59. Why manufacturing sector was not developed in india?
60. Contribution of mining to india's gdp
61. Q5 – Next question was on msme -aksed turnover and investment limit, its significance and my suggestions on it
62. What is the current per capita income of india?
63. What is the PLI scheme? 2 issues and 2 benefits
64. What's PLI? What's impacts as of now and problems?
65. Asked me how spurt in pli and its impact. I thought production linked incentive and answered
66. Q3 – tell me one thing that you will do to remove poverty?
67. Extreme poverty status in India
68. Kerala : what model it followed to remove extreme poverty completely as it claimed recently?
69. What has India done to eliminate extreme poverty?
70. Is there any startup in India which focuses only on R&D?
71. What are policies that Govt has taken for startups?
72. Are there any Deep tech startups?
73. Discussion on startups. Are startup valuations justified?
74. Why are Indian startups not doing well?
75. Are Indian startups a bubble?
76. What is a startup? What are unicorns?
77. How are startups faring in India? Are they facing challenges such as funding issues? Explain with reference to a specific sector
78. How are these government funds doing? Do you know any startup around you that got government funding?
79. What my app does for promoting textile industry
80. What is the meaning of viksit bharat for you
81. Challenges of digital governance in Viksit Bharat?
82. NGOs role in viksit bharat?
83. Idea of viksit bharat? How india is planning to develop: especially with regard to adoption of western value system or with our own traditional value system?
84. Isn't nokkukooli, where wages are demanded without even working, also a major attitude problem?

Other questions on this theme

1. What is demographic dividend? **(asked ×2)**
2. Why does India still follow cash-based accounting instead of accrual accounting?

3. What is Neo-feminism?
4. What is whole of government approach
5. Challenges a you faced as a team lead?
6. Doctor to audit to civil services- explain how these 3 phases happened to you in life
7. How do you achieve consensus building as a team lead?
8. MNREGA ka social audit kaun karta hai?
9. VB GRAM G ke bare me batao?
10. A. Gave a vague answer and told that I'm not sure about intricacies of it
11. Let's talk about international politics, which country is the most capitalist in your opinion?
12. What is a separate vidarbha movement?
13. Tell me capital of all 7 states
14. What's your take on Capital punishment? Do you think we should have death penalty
15. Where can a person approach for capital punishment
16. What happened recently in Doha?
17. How can you ensure better development of social capital in india?
18. Monologue about natural capital. What exactly is natural capital?
19. How do we assess the value of natural capital?
20. How can natural capital be protected and conserved?
21. As a policymaker, what would be your two focus areas for natural capital conservation?
22. Assess the role of the Competition Commission of India. How has its impact been on the ground?
23. Situation based- You are an administrator, you are being approached with a project proposal exceeding the actual cost of the project and there is time pressure to complete this project. What would you do?
24. Fixed pavement v/s Flexible pavement – cost, long term cost comparison – advancement of technology in it?
25. A. Yes sir, I'll try
26. How does AI impact this demand?
27. Demand of grants?
28. North East security. If your PM how will you address
29. Why to increase longevity of already we have demographic dividend
30. What's Demographic dividend? Is it not turning into a burden?
31. Indian population is a challenge don't you think?
32. Difference between micro and macroeconomics
33. What is oligopoly?
34. Democracy affects economy negatively. Argue for and against
35. What is circular economy?
36. Questions regarding Biofuels?
37. What are all the initiatives of government in using Stubbles burnt in Punjab and Haryana for circular economy?

38. How will our economy benefit from it and particularly which sectors?
39. What about connectivity?
40. (mixed current affairs with static part of economics):
41. Q2 – what is centralised and decentralised economy?
42. Q3 – what economic system does india have?
43. Why are people not going for economics courses now a days?
44. What are the problems of
45. Why FIIs are running away despite India being 4th largest and fastest growing?
46. Why? Answer: Education is a very potent tool for socio-economic upliftment
47. Tell me your views about SIR. Answer: Gave a balanced answer
48. How you can make U. P. 6 trillion economy by 2047?
49. Asked for my view on Indian economy in short term and long term
50. Socio economic differnce
51. Why economics
52. What did you learn in eco
53. Econometrics?
54. What is creative destruction
55. Which economic term was introduced during great recession?... I could not hear what?
56. Could govt be only about economics?
57. Circular economy discussion
58. Findings of socio-economic survey you did in Varanasi slum area? Follow up by objectives, data, challenges? How did you resolved the issues?
59. What does $1tn economy target of UP mean?
60. Explain Malthusian theory
61. Give example
62. What would you prioritise and how
63. If a road is being built yet it doesn't have traffic, what will you do?
64. Taking cue from the last honorable member, what according to you is the application of game theory in Elections
65. High-Yielding Varieties? Green Revolution and its negative impact? Bioaccumulation and Biomagnification?
66. Compare Nizam and Kakatiya?
67. Where did Nizam hail from, and where are the current descendants staying?
68. Norman borlough contribution in India and what would've happened without green revolution
69. Significance of ISA?
70. What you have done to create awareness?
71. What is rate rationalization?
72. How rate rationalization increase consumption of India?

73. A. I'm sorry, I don't know
74. Handloom of MP
75. What you saw at rashtrapati bhawan
76. How will you balance both?
77. What do you think of idealism, should administration be ideal or pragmatic?
78. All theories are idealistic so how can they be used for pragmatic administration?
79. Toh you can't just sit on
80. As electorate ka mandate hai
81. What do you mean by change management?
82. Only biometrics? What other information does it have?
83. What is a strategic sector?
84. Suggest some measures on how to improve the scenario
85. 3 qualities required in leader (from your experience)
86. It's pipeline not project. What is the difference between pipeline and project?
87. A. Answered vaguely and not accurately
88. What is Invits and Reits?
89. Assume that you are my CA, Inflate my balance sheet to show that my profits are high to attract investment
90. Graduation in 2021, what were u doing since then
91. Investment initiatives in mp
92. What is your new year resolution
93. Sell me rohtak and jind from outside as investment perspective?
94. A small monologue on foreign investment and India's desire to attract investment
95. Should India attract Foreign investment?
96. Will you continue in SAI or you will look for other things is well?
97. What is nuclear winter?
98. Do you know or just guessing
99. What is the new civil liability law which the government is proposing?
100. What would you suggest?
101. What is steam engine?
102. What do you think is free market?
103. If you were to be given the responsibility of re-marketing Nano, how would you go about it?
104. Follow up question – So, you mean we can compensate completely by tapping new market?
105. Asked for examples, where we are tapping markets – both sectors and the countries
106. Ma'am (in the end, asked) —- Give me examples of perfect competition market in India
107. Where were you posted last? What are the challenges and prospects there?

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108. Q5 – What green mining exactly is?
109. Data warehousing, Data mining
110. What is happening at Aravalis – have you heard anything?
111. Gave the situation – if I make some documents by giving money & illegally, then another person tries to do the same seeing me but the opposite person is refusing it, so isn't it the case of infringement of right to equality or equal treatment
112. Which state in india has a money order economy?
113. How would you bring money for infra? PPP model? (1-2 cross questions)
114. Should there be monopoly in strategic sector
115. Currently which country holds the monopoly in critical minerals?
116. How government prevent situation of monopoly in the economy?
117. What is the difference between niti aayog and erstwhile planning Commission
118. What do you think is the major change that is needed in civil services?
119. Niti aayog- evolution of planning from 1947 to 2025
120. Something new happening on republic day. Are you aware of that?
121. How do you see rising when India be a developed India?
122. How was he able to maintain good rapport across political parties?
123. Do you support live-in relationships?
124. Why does a smart young man like you not in support of live in?Dont u think u are too conservative?
125. Wouldn't that promote begging? I don't support begging at all but we can be kinder to those kids. Experience was good
126. Why laws support tenants?
127. Why v o c name?
128. What are the limitations of public transport in the NCR?
129. Do you support left ideology?
130. India want a global sport event,tell me when india want [about olympic 2036]
131. One school believe in 'predetermination' and other is 'free will' which do you support
132. Relevance of sports in life
133. Some question on sportsmanship
134. You're a sports Enthusiast? Yes.?
135. Tell should betting in sports be legalised?
136. Really there are analytics that happen now a days in sports as well
137. Why sports have lacked
138. What do you understand by a high-performance mindset in sports?
139. Is this mindset hereditary or is it cultivated? How
140. NGO, no questions on sports and achievements. No questions on personal background, city or state)
141. Types of PPP

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142. Is PPP being used in social sector projects too?
143. Asked what is PPP & L1 in bidding (had mentioned PPP in previous answer)
144. Asked other methods of evaluating bids and awarding ppp projects
145. What is the nudge theory?
146. Why private sector contribution is low and how it can be improved – don't say ANRF or support from government
147. Views on private sector in Space, whether it should be there
148. Tell me about type of governments in our neighborhood
149. Should there be private sector participation in higher education
150. Private sector role in Slum rehabilitation and redevelopment?
151. Green H2 production challenges
152. This is productivity enhancement. How to diversify?
153. Q2 – Name the first PSU of raebareli
154. Give some examples
155. What are the other ways?
156. A. I'm not sure ma'am
157. Have you heard of NIP?
158. Final experience
159. All the best
160. Usage of M30 concrete
161. Design a high rise tower
162. Parameters for its foundation
163. Why left network analyst
164. When u go to office?
165. What is your basis for taking a stance
166. Why is it that mineral rich regions are lesser developed across world?
167. Doesn't the rich history of Delhi Amuse you as well?
168. What are SHGs?
169. Suggest changes and relevance
170. In India SHGs are primarily women SHGs, why so?
171. Why does the government need source code?
172. But we do have laws and regulations, then why do we specifically source code from companies?
173. What would be the mechanism to maintain balance between privacy and security?
174. Have you heard of BYD
175. Nuclear. Energy. What are the issues in that?
176. Yesterday, there was some news about government funding to SIDBI. Are you aware of it?
177. What is One Nation One Subscription?
178. What would be the implications on India due to supply chain constraint?

179. Should supply of clean water be improved to solve the problem of illegal pumping of water?
180. These days, drugs are readily available in India. Even children are easily able to access it. Have you seen this? Why do you think this is happening? (Peer group and supply side but since confined to particular pockets, easy to tackle)
181. India's failure in neighbourhood
182. Sudan issue explain
183. 5.Harrod domar model
184. Is there any business institute regarding textile in Ahmedabad?
185. What is textile museum in Ahmedabad?
186. Asked me for solutions
187. Follow up on urban tourism – (same dubai example, malls, etc)
188. What India is doing in Medical Tourism, advantages and scope?
189. You mentioned.. Dantewada has natural beauty..Why less tourism in waterfalls like chitrakoot?
190. Medical tourism
191. How is Tourism in AP?
192. What are there for spiritual Tourism
193. Only geography is the reason for tourism?
194. What are the tourism related issues in Agra?
195. A. Another can be Digilocker
196. What govt doing for vendors
197. Current relations between NGOs and Government
198. Why government is not reaching to last mile (que from my previous ans)
199. Voltage levels of Locomotives
200. Wealth of nation
201. Terminologies by Adam smith
202. Invisible hand, laissez Faire
203. Last question cant remember

Trade, Tariffs & External Sector

1. India has very large amount of coal yet we r importing it, why?
2. Despite having large reserves of coal, why India still imports coal?
3. Current account deficit and trade deficit
4. What do u think about economic growth and HDI, which is more important, what are metrics of HDI?
5. Export competitiveness may improve, but what about the rising cost of imports?
6. Exports are increasing but our capital account and forex reserves decreasing?
7. Fdi scenario wrt these clubs and night life
8. Benefits of IGNOU degree; for remote people

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9. Internal vs external security. Which is more important
10. Is means more important or end?
11. Important steps to counter air pollution
12. There has been an important stat released in relation to budget today about growth of
13. India in this year. Could you tell its importance in making of budget? (about first advance estimates)
14. What are some important news?
15. What is most important for India for the AI revolution
16. Does the coach play a more important role than the athlete herself?
17. How to eliminate corruption levels in India(the most important step according to you)
18. What do u think about the doctrine of dissent? What is it's importance in democracy?
19. Which three events from Indian history were watershed events according to you? (?
20. Importance of Andaman and Nicobar and Lakshadweep islands § Strategic – Malacca strait § Airbase
21. What is the importance of taking risks in personal life?
22. 4 most important laws recently brought in
23. Their importance?
24. Started throwing random terms of legal importance:
25. From which countries does India imports anthracite coal?
26. What is ease of doing business and What most important things you can provide as a government to the investor?
27. Why India is focusing on the big Industries rather than we should focus on the msme's don't you think that by focusing on big Industries we are trying to promote the inquality of income.
28. FPIs are pulling out of India while Indian markets remain inflated due to heavy retail participation. Why?
29. Are the tariffs placed by US on India justified?
30. What were the reasons for putting these tariffs?
31. US tariff impact
32. Why were tariffs imposed on India?
33. Are the tariffs justified?
34. What are the positive impact of US tariff on India? (In answer?
35. And in sectors where we are lagging to compensate the loss due to us tariff
36. Have you heard of CBAM? Is it tariff-based or a non-tariff measure?
37. What is significance of trade and how is trade dynamics changing in recent times?
38. Indias trade deficit with major Countries
39. What is government doing to promote trade?
40. Crime against women – marital rape – about godrej and boyce, it's invovement in opium trade, history of company

41. Where are we at present with respect to US India Trade?
42. How our trade is doing?
43. India – US trade tariff and it's implication on economy
44. Growing nationalism in world? What is the impact of it that nations woud face? Its impact especially on trade?
45. Are we witnessing a shift in trade from comparative advantage to any other theory?
46. Is it WTO-compliant?

International Relations (314)

China & Indo-Pacific

1. Tell me some industries in which china is leading. **(asked ×2)**
2. Why china is leading. **(asked ×2)**
3. Australia social media law 2-3 more
4. Tell me about India Australia relationship
5. What is BRI? What is China's intent?
6. Link BRI with critical minerals
7. How should India balance between BRICS, QUAD, and other strategic groupings?
8. Do you think china is rising or has risen?
9. You mentioned manufacturing. India is import dependent. China is giving subsidies whereas India is not giving. We cannot just be dependent on exports. Your view?
10. US is coming closer to China, Impact on QUAD
11. What is one china and China +1 policy
12. China is building a very big dam in Brahmaputra, what will be its effects on India?
13. What is pax silica. (Discussion regarding semiconductor, supply chain, countering china by resilience)
14. Q4 – can india achieve the economic growth like china and how?
15. Q5 – (very tricky for me at that time) – why india has lagged behind china although started early reforms almost same year?
16. China's influence in south aisa
17. Tell me 3 unique things about China which normal people may not know § CPEC corridor § Artificial Sun (praised after listening this)
18. India-China relations: background, issues, some countermeasures, current status...
19. Compare China and India in Democracy. Is democracy a hindrance to our development?
20. What is the China-Taiwan issue?
21. India's spending on R&D vs China vs USA. Suggest measures to spend more on it? Private sector role?
22. Post 1980-90s, what different path has China followed to achieve such remarkable growth rate?

23. Can India also become Centralised country like china?
24. Whats wrong with china's political system if it is yielding such a good result?
25. Some statement by Economic Adviser that we need to increase FDI from China. What is your view?
26. What is the strategic importance of Gwadar for China?
27. Why China is ahead of India in the field of emerging and critical tech?
28. Comparative analysis of progress in field of AI (India vs China)
29. Why do we have a build up based on my answer said that u think we provoked the Chinese by building infra?
30. Why are the Chinese doing this renaming then?
31. Q1 – compare Chinese economy and indian economy
32. Indian vs Chinese model of growth
33. A child is flying a kite and using Chinese manja (kite string), and because of that, a vehicle driver's neck is cut. Who will be responsible? Long discussion that who will responsible
34. Said we currently allow through govt route, which is fair since we need to have due diligence when it comes to Chinese investments
35. About the CPEC project: why is China focusing on CPEC?
36. What are your views on dollar Significance reducing in global trade with renminbi taking precedence in 40% trade of china with asia and ASEAN?
37. India wants to highlight Global South issues, but China is also doing the same. What can India do differently?
38. Indo pacific pr usa china mam dash line asean countries name aur sea kaun kaun se hai
39. Japan is giving loans to India without interest. Why?
40. Should India come out of QUAD
41. Countries of quad
42. What is the importance of Taiwan in technology sector?
43. Can USA's strategy on restricting technology to competitors like China work?
44. Who gave the term indo pacific?

Multilateral & Global Order

1. Brics currency issue and should india need to support it or not
2. You attended the BRICS Summit. How was your experience? What did you learn?
3. Why BRICS is expanding is relevant in political economical and social factors
4. Why did we stop using the third world word? What exactly is global south?
5. How can India provide leadership to the Global South?
6. Global South vs Global North: why does the Global North need the Global South?

7. How to address inequality at workplace (?
8. Multipolarity and it's different manifestations. (Why not call it unipolar or bipolar)
9. Can we call the 21st century world – Multipolar?
10. Can India become a superpower?
11. UN is dead. Should we throw it away?
12. UN role? What should India do? UNSC membership for India
13. Any area where UN has been successful
14. Is the UN relevant?
15. Should the UN be abolished?
16. Status of UN. Why not disband it and have a new organisation which better reflects current realities?
17. Why India is eyeing the UN security council (followed by long discussion on UNSC)
18. Is UN really relevant in present context
19. UNSC reforms
20. How many wars India have fought? Asked who won which war
21. Things that a person who doesn't like you would say about you?
22. Who was Madan mohan Malaviya?
23. If all the children born are raised by state and know one knows who is who's child than tell me three benefits and three disadvantage of such system. Mam focused more on disadvantage
24. WHO criticisms, should India leave etc
25. Who was Mary?
26. Who was Gargi?
27. Que : Who gave theory of separation of powers?
28. One leader told in davos..the rule based order is collapsing..Who was he?
29. Tell me the name of a female dancer in the court of the king who shared the same name as you
30. You haven't heard of para athletes? Who are they?
31. The social injustice doesn't enrage you?
32. Historians – who employ then
33. Who was longest serving Foreign Minister?
34. Who signs ₹1 rupee note in india?
35. Who were the pioneers of India's space programme? Can you name three?
36. Tell me what you know about rajabai clock tower? Who made it? Why? When? Anything special about it?
37. What is game theory? Who devised the theory?
38. How will you convince your younger sister into journalling who does not take anything seriously
39. Who was lachit borphukan? Which battle, year, against whom, land or sea

40. What if the same is done by an AI humanoid? Who will be held responsible?
41. Who was the founder of RSS?
42. Do you know who Epstein is?
43. Who all are named in those files?
44. Who is funding it?
45. Who is facing it?
46. Who invaded it?
47. Who was the president at that time?
48. Who is likely to face a problem in the future? Who do you think is wrong, and why?
49. Who was the first home minister of India?
50. Who was the father of Indian space program?
51. Who faces the burden
52. Who is the best and the worst public speaker in India? Answer: For best?
53. Recently a prominent person from Pune passed away. Do you know who? Answer: Yes sir, former MP Suresh Kalmadi
54. Who was the idol before starting preparation
55. Who are top 5 changemakers at global stage in January 2026 (Daf keyword) some counter questions
56. Who are top status quiest (not able to answer.... Chairman skip questions)
57. What happens then to these people who join the civil services and later on become corrupt
58. Who appoints independent directors?
59. Who would win the race today?
60. Lovely. It's so unique, I think you should patent it. 4. Who gave you this name?
61. Do you know who gave the slogan "Jai jawaan jai Kisaan?" Why was it given
62. What is anemia? Why is it caused? Why do women in India suffer from it, what can be done to tackle it? Don't just say anemia mukt Bharat?
63. Who will be responsible? The Sarpanch or whom? Give solutions...
64. Who said this – I know that I don't know anything?
65. Monologue on generation gap within families and intra-family tensions; Gen-Z, who teaches
66. Who coined this term? 3 years back RBI former governor warned that india is going to have a Hindu rate of growth, is it coming true?
67. Who decide host nation for Olympic
68. Who was baba kharak singh
69. Have you heard about Maslow? Who was he?
70. Consider us as people who do not know anything about cybersecurity. How would you make us aware of it? Do you know the helpline number for cybersecurity?

71. Who was Guru Ghasidas?
72. Who is Anna, tell me about him
73. Who is St. Thomas tell me about him
74. 3 levels of arbitration in IWT.
75. How World Bank got involved in bilateral relations of 2 nations?

Neighbourhood

1. Recent Afghanistan's minister visit? How do you see it. Should India recognise Afghanistan
2. What is in Afghanistan that in past 200 years everybody tried to control it yet failed?
3. What countries' people have you spoken to
4. India- Afghanistan
5. What is essential for demographic dividend to actually become a dividend? What is needed? Give one example from our neighbours about what happens when it is absent. Answer?
6. India – Bangladesh, Sheikh Hasina's extradition and minority persecution
7. See the situation in Bangladesh and the country is running by an economist. So how do you see this? Shall we give countries to economists to run the country?
8. How to curb illegal migration across India specifically at Bangladesh?
9. India bangladesh issue. What issues and what can be done to improve the relationship
10. What's happening in Bangladesh
11. Why bangladesh Demanded Srilankan venue. Why hesitate to play in India?
12. If China can build such big dams, should we also build dams and stop Pakistan's entire lifeline?
13. How China is able to make tunnels in Tibet and we face issue of collapse
14. Indus water treaty in abeyance
15. What is Indus Water Treaty? What is it's current status?
16. What international law is violated by Bangladesh and what recourse should India have
17. When name of country Burma change into Myanmar?
18. Status. of India's relation with Myanmar?
19. What are effect of Myanmar's relation on India?
20. Asked that does geographically small countries like Nepal and Bangladesh more vulnerable to crisis/upheavals?
21. Cause of upheaval similar or different in the Nepal or Bangladesh
22. Why Pakistan Afghanistan are fighting?
23. Pakistan and what should be our approach in relations
24. What is the basis of india-pakistan conflicts – after my answer mentioned which region is the basis

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25. Which rivers are given to Pakistan for its usage under IWT?
26. Is pakistan a fox? How do you see their relation with america?
27. Relation with Pakistan, China, Nepal
28. Name the agreements signed with Pakistan
29. Pakistan internal problems wrt to various provinces? Mentioned Baluchistan, Pok protests. Then
30. What would happen to India if we take PoK back. Give pros and cons
31. Reasons for chaos in sri lanka, bangladesh, nepal and Afghanistan
32. What happened on 16th December?

Other questions on this theme

1. What should we do. (? **(asked ×2)**
2. What is out of the Africa hypothesis?
3. As a diplomat, African nations give you responsibility for parliament development. As a Civil Engineer, how would you design those buildings?
4. What do you mean by 'strategic'?
5. What is required to run a country than?
6. It lasted around 25-30 minutes. It was more like a two-sided conversation
7. India and Canada relations deteriorated in recent past. Why?
8. Does India get its benefit?
9. Issue of potholes on the road?
10. If border issues are resolved, can we have good relations?
11. What are the threats for India?
12. Which party is the aggressor and which is the peace loving power?
13. You are 23,are u mature for services
14. Asked me gen z terms
15. How approach of US differs from Cuban Crisis?
16. You mentioned personal diplomacy of PM Modi — explain it
17. How will this impact India?
18. How will mfg grow if mechanical engineers are coming to UPSC
19. India ki foreign policy w.r.t neighbors criticize ki jaati hai kya aap isse sehmat hai? Explain kariye?
20. Many nations disintegrated for eg USSR, India is still surviving...why?
21. Reasons of foreign Invasions in India?
22. Foreign policy me ek sbse bdi challenge maine neighbourhood bola to bole koi aur maine multialignmet ko lekar bola
23. Female candidates wear sarees in interview but why with western coats?
24. Should we continue to wear sarees, and what do sarees depict?
25. Link geopolitics with critical minerals suppy chains
26. Where the current geopolitics is heading towards. What are the implications for the world

27. Is economics more important in geopolitics nowadays? Why?
28. Have you heard of sridhar vembu. Why is he in news
29. Where is Doha?
30. Wish everyone good luck. GodSpeed!
31. Which LAC sectors in Uttarkhand are disputed
32. How about the look east to act east policy, access through manipur decreased & how to access to SE asia
33. Given the never-ending stalemates on land borders, should India shift greater focus to its maritime frontiers?
34. In your view, should India prioritise land borders or maritime borders?
35. India's strategy and role in the same. Your recommendations as an IR student
36. Ma'am What is your idea on integrated farm to market? How is it different from existing models? What are steps taken by govt? Discussion on e-NAM and present status? Give two best models? Benefits? Then discussion on sahyadri farm?
37. Would you choose Neighborhood first policy or having good relations with great powers?
38. "India's future lies in its South' and further debate about it
39. What would happen if malacca strait is closed?
40. Heard about Sindhustan? Factors for separate Sindh state?
41. Have you come across the idea of the "revenge of geography"?
42. Is India experiencing a "revenge of geography"?
43. What agreements have taken place recently?
44. Do you know about 1st world, 2nd world?
45. Siachen what you know tell everything
46. Why we need siachen
47. How does cricket influence soft power?
48. How does it help India?
49. Soft power and follow up questions
50. What are India's potential?
51. What India needs to do to become one?
52. Why India didn't sign non proliferation treaty?
53. How should India tackle this?
54. National Interest, so what is wrong with it? How is India affected?
55. For your interview preparation, how are you prepared for it?
56. In which medium you have studied Engineering?
57. How should India react to it?
58. SAARC and BIMSTEC difference?
59. Do you know about Golden Dome? Why US is focusing on that?
60. Do you think humanity is finished
61. What is gaslighting?
62. Do you think there is gaslighting in patriarchy?
63. Counter Q – why now? What's there in arctic that he is doing it now

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64. Decline of Multilateralism?
65. How it has declined > Interview Transcripts (CSPT-2025):
66. Other countries for security council
67. Are we ideologically unique
68. Discussion on Non aligned and multi aligned
69. Were we not following our interest before?
70. Are we moving towards WW3?
71. India venezuela
72. Venezuela me india ka kya response tha?
73. Venezuela recently news me hai...kis karan se?...iske India pr kya implications honge
74. (Has said Venezuela in 1st answer) Which continent Venezuela is in?
75. Which topic do you want us to have discussion on? I first chose US-Venezuela.?
76. Is India a late entrant into this field?
77. Reason for the same
78. What is India doing?
79. From post-War era we are moving to a pre-War era at present. Examine this statement
80. Tn and srilankan war issue
81. In Mahabharatha, How did he teach Gita to Arjuna? Did he stopped everything? Or taught while war was going? Only to Arjuna? or to everyone was listening?
82. What does India stands for peace and is against war means?
83. Why did it happen? Talked about the conflicts, operation starlight, etc
84. To what extent do you help people?
85. Any recent examples?
86. Explain, F= Gm1m2/r(square)
87. Que : Which country have strict SOP?
88. Asked which of the two philosophies I personally subscribe to
89. Name the CAPF forces?
90. Have you heard of istamus of kra?
91. What was the business of Ambalal Sarabhai?
92. Don't worry, we won't tell anyone. Name one
93. What have you done to counter myths that you talked earlier
94. What is one area where risks can be taken?
95. What can you learn about socrates in adminstration
96. What is DOB of Vijay Mallya?
97. What is iron dome?
98. What stage has India achieved?
99. Why do we have myths and supernatural traditions?

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100. What is Dholpur House?
101. India has put IWT in abeyance, can it also completely suspend the IWT unilaterally?

Russia, Ukraine & Europe

1. Tell me one more country in Latin. America which emerged as point of conflict between Russia and US?
2. How has recent FT with Australia and UK improved working conditions of doctors?
3. Jab Gandhi Ji Britain se aaye to western clothing chhorke Dhoti adopt ki. Aisa kyun kiya? (Picked Gandhi Ji from previous answers
4. Impediments in trade deal between India and EU
5. AI bias and European regulations
6. Let's continue with IR. PM Modi has recently visited few European countries. We are even discussing FTA. Why Europe and India are important for each other and what can India offer
7. What is your assessment of India-France relations?
8. Why does France oppose India through the European Union, despite having strong relations with India?
9. Do you think US can takeover Greenland, explain the options before them to do so
10. What will happen if US takes over Greenland
11. Article 5 of NATO (collective security)
12. Will NATO lose relevance (trump will fund it less but it will remain strategically important in eastern europe and atlantic)
13. What happens if a NATO country attacks NATO country (Greenland situation)
14. Putin vs Trump dynamics (good discussion)
15. What is the importance of Russia for India?
16. Are tariffs for buying Russian oil justified?
17. How does Russia – Ukraine affect India?
18. India- Russia
19. Is India tilting towards russia? Followup on it
20. India buying oil from Russia — isn't it funding the war?
21. Why this topic? Why russia?
22. Many russians have blonde hair, blue eyes, look like western people. Why don't they consider themselves western?
23. How older generation and young generation read IR? Are they really interested? And how perspective is different?
24. Will russia usa ever fight? As recently ship seized. What is your assessment?
25. Sovereignty disturbed by Russia, how do you explain
26. What did trump say about NATO (US is bearing burden)
27. How is europe dealing with trump's behavior
28. Why Trump want to acquire Greenland and Canada?

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29. Chairperson again – I want to ask you why Mr Trump is talking about taking Greenland (Though I wasn't aware of news)
30. Gujarati linkage with UK: Gandhiji studied and Shyamji Krishna Verma was there- asked me about have you visit Sabarmati Ashram as yesterday PM Modi was there
31. Which countries are Indians present apart from US, UK, etc
32. Where Gujarati are living outside India: said k USA, UK and Eastern Africa

USA & Trade Relations

1. Gujarati Diaspora and USA
2. De dollarisation. What is it? When did it started?
3. What is dollarisation?
4. Long monologue on Trump's actions recently. Two schools of thought regarding the actions. Which is right from Indian point of view?
5. Trump's policy is protecting the USA' S national Interest, every nation is protecting their
6. Why did he say that? What trump is doing? (?
7. How do you see trump's diplomacy?
8. Trump's policies and their impact?
9. US tariffs imposed by Trump on India — failure of personal diplomacy?
10. More cross questions on Mr Trump
11. In my opinion, USA is a hyper capitalist country. So, how do you make sense of the fact that a city like New York has given two polar opposite politicians – Trump (a hyper capitalist) and Mamdani (a socialist)? Explain how this paradox works
12. Remittance is losing due to usa policies and how can we compensate
13. Everyday we heard about tariff issues between India-USA. Anything good happening? Apart from this any cooperation between India-USA
14. Health model of USA and India comparison
15. What is USA's take on climate change? Discussion on this
16. In 1962, USA landed on moon, what significant event happened after that in USA space sector?
17. Usa mediation plan
18. Usa trade talks wit india regarding genetically modified soyabean?

West Asia

1. India's Foreign Policy options in West Asia considering such developments?
2. Jumped to geopolitics and trade deals/FTAs (oman signed was being signed that day) – is the wto dead?
3. Studied Sanskrit in 12th. So asked me the Sanskrit term for 'atom' – difference between hamas, hezbollah and houthis and discussion on that

4. With the situation in Iran, do you think we should bring about a regime change, internally or through external means – i talked about the root cause,need for rights to be respected, political structure to be made more representative,he wanted to know about sanctions and nuclear deal so we talked about that too
5. Current tensions between Israel and Gaza; what is Oslo Accord and its status
6. Discuss Israel issue
7. India-Oman relations? Polity structure in Oman?
8. US wants us to sanction Iran, Russia. Should we do it? Bidyut Behari Swain
9. Strengths for each of Pak, Saudi and Turkey?
10. Trump peace plan in Gaza
11. Jumped to tourism question – should we build new monuments or conserve existing ones (i was blank for 2 secs and asked him to repeat since his voice was feeble – took a balanced stance – gave example of dubai/uae – glass and steel towers plus old arabian fort heritage
12. Why is usa supporting Israel?

Environment, Climate & Disasters (103)

Biodiversity, Forests & Wildlife

1. Nilgiris?it's Uses? it is used in afforestation?
2. Say about animal rights in India (very open ended, didn't know how to start or stop, so said whatever came to my mind related to it)
3. What all animals do you rescue?
4. Do you know what animal testing is?
5. Do you think it should be done? Are there alternatives?
6. Project cheetah, tigers status
7. Which type of communication is used in bandipur national park?(I think this is the key question sir wanted to check my basics..got it right with explanation)
8. You studied botany and anthropology. What are issues due to invasive species and give example
9. Current government initiatives against invasive species in forests
10. What did you do in Tiger Conservation project?
11. If we follow evolutionary tree, do you think there is still a possibility of evolution in future?
12. Any wildlife conflict?

Climate, Emissions & Energy Transition

1. How much carbon emissions do we have?
2. A small monologue on carbon sink and quest for 33% forest. Then question: How forest absorb carbon – I clarified if he is talking about the process of how trees absorb CO2

3. How carbon sink is measured (like in tonnes) the methodology
4. Carbon footprint
5. How as an individual we can contribute in managing climate chnage
6. What is the status of Climate finance?
7. Nobody wants to die a slow death, but it is happening right infront of our eyes. Can we file a writ petition in the courts against this slow death due to climate change?
8. India agr world ko lead krega to kya kya kaise krega maine isko explain krte hue ek point climate bola tha usme bhi aage pucha climate ko lekar
9. A. Probably Copper
10. Chairperson intervened that it is copper. Continue
11. What is energy transition?
12. Does India have any dinosaur fossils?
13. Are you aware of the Narmada human fossil?
14. What steps would you recommend to reduce the impact of global warming?
15. Why rooftop solar not achieved its potential?
16. How solar panel between the tracks work
17. Tell me about solar energy and associated challenges – went too technical and deep (managed to give satisfactory answer – forgot general challenges like land avblty etc)
18. Floating solar and issues
19. You have done a project on solar desalination. What is solar desalination?
20. What is the status of solar power in India? We had some targets for 2030. Have we achieved them?
21. What is the current efficiency of solar power generation? What is the maximum level that can be achieved?
22. What are the recent advancements in improving the efficiency of solar power generation?

Critical Minerals & Mining

1. What's sustainable development? **(asked ×2)**
2. You are a chemical engineer and there's a lot of discussion about critical minerals today. What are critical minerals? Why are they called so?
3. India's efforts at critical minerals
4. Name some critical minerals
5. Challenges in critical minerals wrt India
6. What are critical minerals?
7. What steps has the government taken for critical minerals?
8. Status of Lithium discovery in J&K
9. What are rare earth minerals?
10. Where is India in rare earth minerals?

11. Progress on SDG-4 and SDG-5
12. How to decide sustainability of a material? Is it necessary?
13. What is sustainable crafting?
14. What are sustainable development goals. Difference between sustainable development and development. Give example of sustainable development application and the related goal

Disasters & Himalayan Fragility

1. Kya steps liye government ne...especially coastal security me?
2. Coastal Erosion condition in Andhra?
3. What are the principles of coastal development?
4. What is the disaster profile of Bengaluru (posted there)? Why it is so?
5. Why are there many disasters in uttrakhand?
6. How to care for mental health post a disaster event?
7. If we are aware of all urban flooding lacunae in Gurugram, why does it still happen?
8. GLOFs? Recent incident in Sikkim, how it happened, govt steps

Other questions on this theme

1. How do you rescue? how do you go about it?
2. What do you know about Gunnar Myrdal?
3. Monologue on CRZ norms
4. What other rules and regulations exist related to coasts?
5. Don't ask me. You tell me
6. Is EIA conducted properly?
7. You also took avatar on Earth in 2001, did you forget that? Do you believe that by being born on Earth, you have done a favor to the Earth? (Definitely sir.....everyone started laughing relaxing environment)
8. Environmental issues in news?
9. Have you heard about cafe norms?
10. What do you understand by green engineering?
11. What is GRIHA rating system?
12. Do you know its exact parameters on which it is built upon?
13. Everyone had a smiling or a 'not so' poker face, which allowed me to get more confidence
14. Green crackers
15. What green measures can you adopt?
16. Discussion on tactical and strategic threats
17. How relations of upper riparian and lower riparian states are governed?
18. Compare and contrast issues with SC and ST. Me:- answered?
19. H ow many goals do we have?
20. Contribution of puttaparthi Sai baba

21. Might have missed 2-3 questions
22. What is your take on Generic medication?-Why are u in favour give reasons
23. Most appealing product you made
24. What was my role and the scope of work at EDC?
25. Why do delays happen in such dispute resolutions. Any technical reason for it?
26. Relationship with neighbouring countries
27. How did you come here today?
28. How can the problem of traffic in the NCR be solved?

Pollution & Waste

1. Q1 – tell me about swach bharat abhiyan. Whom do you give responsibility to clean india - young or old age people (tricky question)
2. What steps will you take to promote cleanliness of Ganga?
3. What are the adverse effects of Open Defecation Free
4. Medicine is the best profession and u have exceptional scores from one of the best colleges of country u why waste it and become like us? Do an MD or MS instead?
5. What kind of waste material you use
6. Use of chemistry in waste management specifically solid waste management
7. Asked questions related to Wastewater treatment project and its future scope
8. Providing piped water connection and building toilet in every household has been priority of the government. What social changes have you observed because of this? (This was picked as I dropped SBM earlier

Water & Rivers

1. Interbasin river water
2. Chambal river
3. Explain the recent water contamination issue. What measures were taken immediately by the government?
4. What's so different about this mission as compared to earlier strikes?
5. What is the state of water, different dimensions! How to solve the problem?
6. If someone is giving a public speech, what three tips will you give? Answer: Breathing, cold water face dip, and paced walk
7. Monolog on interstate water dispute between kar and TN. Apart from cauvery dispute, which other river do we see such disputes? Solutions for it. (In one of the points
8. Is it safe to swim in natural water bodies?
9. This is a glass of water – say something to it, what does it signify?

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10. Role of states in water sector
11. Questions on Tamil Nadu and Kerala water dispute

Polity, Law & Governance (230)

Elections & Political Parties

1. Defections in the political parties
2. But isn't the Southern states arguing about their controlled population & delimitation
3. Difference between free bees n welfare programs? Openion on recent Bihar election free bee scheme
4. One nation one election and what do you think whether it should be implemented
5. Positive and negative of one nation one election
6. One nation one election, why needed, status
7. The opposition alleges that processes like SIR are against the democratic spirit, do you agree?
8. Do you think that it's being done to steal votes, as alleged by the opposition?
9. Political parties in Andhra?
10. What about groundwated pollution?
11. First time visiting delhi?how is Delhi? I think u south Indian people should protest for holding interview in Delhi only. What's ur take on this?
12. How do you identify pollution here?
13. Why can't we just use some tech in thermal power plants and remove all pollutants and GHGs
14. What geographical reasons are responsible for pollution in Delhi?
15. How to solve water pollution as chemical engineer?
16. Air pollution and impacts on health
17. What are the reasons for coastal pollution and degradation?
18. Voting should be one country one vote or a weighted voting system?
19. Mujhe matdata k voting rights k bare me btaye? voter does not know the candidate thery are voting, ur thought?

Federalism & Constitution

1. Can Govt do this (yes but there should be some reasons under article 13,14,19 and 21 and other fundamental rights) **(asked ×2)**
2. Recent amendments to a legislation regarding the same
3. What is the main issue with the recent MGNREGA amendment?
4. MMDR amendment details
5. Amendments to the RTI
6. Why there was a need to abrogate article 370 and what has been the impact of the same?
7. Like Article 370, what are special provisions in constitution for states?

8. Said Article 371
9. Why was article 51A introduced?
10. Difference between Cabinet and CoM?
11. Que : Asked which article is described as heart and soul of Indian constitution by Br ambedkar
12. Que : Asked SOP scheme in Indian constitution?
13. Should abortion be made constitutional right in India?
14. What if they don't vacate the office?
15. Kya Indian constitution ek social contract hai? If yes then explain
16. Kuch scholars ke naam batayiye jo constitution pr frequently comment krte hain
17. Why is the constitution of India called "the constitution of India", not Const. for India, by India?
18. What are schedules and lists in Indian constitution? Most imp schedule according to you?
19. Electoral debates in parliament
20. What is the state of debates in Parliament?
21. Even when we have internet, educated parliamentarians the quality of debates is decreasing
22. Q7 – Why Parliamentry govt become Prime ministerial govt?
23. How funds are passed in parliament from your department?
24. Why policy is not evolving despite constitution evolving
25. Is having woman President advantageous
26. Tell me the conversation that Oppenheimer had with Us President. You should read it it's interesting
27. Q2 – Why President is nominal head only?
28. What if President doesn't follow the aid and advice of CoM?
29. Duties of PM towards President?
30. President ki?

Governance & Transparency

1. Earliest Niti ayog AI policy (me: I'm not aware about the exact details **(asked ×2)**
2. Is corruption also an example of India's unity? Okay okay, forget what?
3. Is corruption can only be handled with actions and complaints?
4. Corruption in licenses
5. Difference between digital governance and e-governance
6. How to pronounce Rewari (district name)
7. Last question aap ye batao PM ji aapke district me aa rhe hai to kya protocol follow karoge?
8. 1.If you travel from Lko to Delhi by road which districts you will pass?
9. You're from computer science background, name any 3 major services in India's digital sphere and e-governance which can be termed as revolutionary

10. What is technocratic governance? How different from normal governance?
11. Governance challenges in rural areas
12. Their recommendations
13. Full form of darpg
14. Design me a matrix to solve governance problems in India
15. Do not focus on specifics but talk about broad governance parameters
16. How it will help in governance
17. Urban local bodies kya hai?
18. Why is it needed if panchayats are there which are already elected?
19. Panchayat ke pramukh karya?
20. Aapke state me Panchayat pramukh kaise chuna jata hai?
21. Gram sabha and gram Panchayat me difference?
22. Panchayat ke mamle me best and worst preforming state?
23. Panchayat ke 29 lists ke bare me batao?
24. What should be our policy?
25. Failure of neighbourhood policy
26. Has any Leader in India followed this policy in past.?
27. How much is the target under mineral policy?
28. What are the 3 benefits and 3 issue with new education policy 2020
29. Distinguish between policy, programme and project?
30. What impact had policy for common man?
31. Policy area India needs to work more in?
32. 2 changes you'll make it current education policy of India?
33. Waste management....general issues and solutions. Policy changes in solid waste management
34. Has the nudge theory been used in Policy?
35. Do they also influence India's policy?
36. Do you know space policy 2023?
37. Do you think 3 language policy necessary?
38. Q3 – Ok tell me the significance of Raebareli (basically wanted to know political significance) then briefed about some more districts having political significance like Ballia
39. Should what kind of reforms you suggest?
40. How to implement this reform
41. Suggest 2 reforms
42. What were the major power reforms in country post independence
43. Electoral reforms needed
44. Now the UPSC recruitment exam, is a long drawn process, you are before the board, suggest three reforms that you would like to be implemented
45. Reforms done in higher education and challenges persisting

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46. Why are reforms in multilateral institutions not being happening, is it because of Global North?
47. Why low number of FIRs are filed by police officials and what reforms would you suggest to handle it?
48. (Monologue on print media being transparent while television media increasingly becoming corrupt). What's your take on this growing diversion?

Judiciary & Law

1. Is there any act which prescribes the limit of it? What is the limit?
2. IT act 2025 amedments
3. FSSAI what does it do? When act brought in? What changes broughtby it?
4. What is SHANTI Act?
5. What is that one word which the act is about?
6. Tell me about Advocates Act (wanted to hear that lawyers are not allowed to advertise and then follow up Qs)
7. Should anti defection law be amended?
8. Whats the best feature of SHANTI bill
9. HECI BILL details
10. You talked about new NREGA Bill- what are its new clauses?
11. Asked about SHANTI Bill and then about Delhi Gas Leak Case
12. BNSS – has it improved judicial pendency?
13. BNSS issues – specifically forensic
14. Collegium system, what it is?
15. What is contempt of court + 1 follow-up
16. Do you know about DPDP act? What companies have to do differently now?
17. Mainly Marathas Maharashtra mein thei. Fir unmein se kuchh Indore, Gwalior aur baaki jagah kaise chale gye? (Couldn't Answer)
18. Governors exact status of bill
19. How is forensic evidence placed in the IPC/BNS framework, and what needs to be done now?
20. Recent controversy regarding appointment of judges?
21. Tell me few judgements which changed Indian landscape
22. Should judges be hired on contract?
23. Criteria for appointment of judges of Sc
24. Que : Further asked about Indian judicial appointments
25. Asked about judicial activism and examples
26. What is the difference between police and judicial custody?
27. What is the principle of natural justice? Why is it called natural justice? Are there other kinds of justice?
28. Entropy 3rd law
29. What is the point of live in if it as stringent as marriage in registration,I think the law is very bad but then that is my opinion

30. US last night passed a law that allows upto 500% tarrifs on India? How do we deal with it?
31. Law followed in letter but not in spirit
32. Which law of physics facsinates you the most and why
33. Do you think right to disconnect should be made a law?
34. Will taking soft approach work in administration(picked up from my earlier response) then?
35. What is the hierarchy of sources of law in India?
36. Tell about the trial procedure in court of law
37. What law will you use?
38. One law and order situation u handled
39. Similarly asked Parkinson's law and Parkinson's disease(similar answer as above)
40. What is Case Law 1-2 more Qs can't remember
41. What is Grundnorm of India (Law related)
42. Another situation based Q on law
43. Why illegal abortion (sex selected) despite having a law in place. How would you stop it.?
44. You're from UP, there are some problems on ground-what are they? Said we are progressing as GSDP in top 5, but problems still there, talked about demography, regional inequalities.?
45. What purpose would a national law serve in this domain?
46. 3 criminal laws provisions
47. Do you know about the laws related to tenants in India?
48. What are the three new criminal laws? Why were they brought into force?
49. How do the new criminal laws help reduce pendency of cases?
50. Free legal aid – which provision in Constitution?
51. Why has free legal aid not reached the public?
52. People often die due to bad medication what will u prescribe as punishment for such individuals- 3 years,life imprisonment,death penalty?
53. Why do u think life imprisonment and not death penalty?
54. What is the difference between Rule of Law and Rule of Majority?
55. What's supreme court order and what can be done?

Other questions on this theme

1. Why we are far behind the targeted limit?
2. Are the states allowed for a seasonal pause? Why? Didn't know much
3. Asked about restoration of conjugal rights in India
4. Difference order and decree
5. What is injunction and on what grounds you get it
6. Which minerals are still not open to pvt sector?

7. Status of Naga peace accords
8. Do you know what is deep state?
9. Que : Asked why it is called so?
10. Que : further asked About Writs
11. Times and problems are dynamic
12. Need to be evolving
13. Tell me about the Kakatiya dynasty and its contribution?
14. What is that one quality that you would need to develop to become the best officer?
15. Weak oversight
16. Custodial death situation
17. Why do you think ours is a vibrant democracy?
18. How has India been able to maintain such a robust democracy
19. Role of dissent in democracy
20. Pillars of democracy
21. Is US a true democracy
22. Do u think ed- tech is the future? A small talk on edtech
23. Questions about my work
24. Tussles between executive and judiciary?
25. Permanent executive vs elected representatives...differences
26. Do Freebies have some merit or create Lazy People?
27. Your Answers are theoretical, do you have some practical experience
28. 1st and 2nd ARC
29. Asked me a body with deals with exclusive administrative grievances
30. Its impact across the spectrum (For students, engineers, etc.)
31. World getting divided into sphere
32. Why police arrest? (Vague question)
33. Newton and Einstein whose version of Gravity is right
34. ALL THE BEST TO EVERYONE
35. What is torts
36. Flaws and why
37. Explained former is pointing flaws
38. Should social change come from society or legislation? (related to Sabarimala issue)
39. How many UT with legislature?
40. What is role of legislature in UT?
41. Asked about delegated legislation and examples
42. You are in Ministry of External Affairs. What will be your response?
43. Challenges in RE integration as the power secy – which deptts will you coordinate with
44. Have you heard of the ministry of co-operation?
45. Which institute has been developed for cooperation?
46. What do you know about the GIFT city?

47. Initiatives for the digital divide and the concerned ministry
48. You are made head of any department let's say any ministry of your choice what is the first thing you'll do
49. How IT in reducing pendency
50. In next 10 years which party do u think will be compelled for peace?
51. Tell me about mahabalipuram. Is there any special
52. Good afternoon. So, you have studied political science in college. What's the scenario of the Indian political system at present?
53. Do you really think that the civil society is thriving in our political system? Give examples of participation by civil society in recent memory
54. Politicians are bad and wile creatures don't u think?
55. Tell us about identity politics
56. What is criminalization of politics
57. RPA provisions for criminalization of politics
58. History is political
59. Don't you think
60. Politically driven
61. Many scams happened in 2010, but no major convictions have happened. What do you think is the reason? Answer
62. Compare Politicians of west vs India. Why do you think politicians of the west are so open and liberal
63. Political leader you admire
64. Discussion on Modi and Nehru. → Chairperson intervened and stopped further ideological/political questioning
65. Have you participated in politics?
66. What measures? Is there a failure
67. As a Civil Engineer, what can you do to protect the coasts?
68. Q6 – Procedure of removing a Minister from the office?
69. If Rule of Majority is prevailing, how will the courts decide?
70. Is the real will of the people reflected, since we have a fixed voting share?
71. Nota discussion hua 5 min kb aaya kya change aaya kaise aur improve krenge voting awareness ko lekar

Rights, Reservation & Citizenship

1. Why people were against CAA (?
2. Can companies be given citizenship?
3. Protection during detention under fundamental rights
4. Your Opinion on Rights based approach to Governance
5. What is the current status (?
6. What are the challenges in implementation of UCC?
7. What about the recent UCC

Defence & Internal Security (108)

Armed Forces & Defence Production

1. Air force ka jyada use lagta hai, to thal sena kyu?
2. What is the status of women in army? What was the case which permitted their entry? Why women are not hired by army? (Bcoz men don't want to take order frome female – he added on my ans)
3. Also asked which day was yesterday. He wanted to hear Veterans day
4. Father's background in the Army
5. Government schemes for Army martyrs
6. Where the government is lacking for Army martyrs
7. Reservation for students from Army backgrounds in institutions and category names
8. Army itni badi ham kyu rakhte hai?
9. Future me Army ka kya use hoga?
10. Indian army kitni badi hai?
11. Some monologue on martial races and contribution in army and sikh army generals? Then randomly asked about Gen Zorawar Singh (No idea)
12. How the Brahmos name derived
13. Tell me specifically about what India is doing wrt Defence, Space, Manufacturing etc
14. If made Defence Secretary, what will you do and how
15. Atmanirbharta in defence sector – mfg and defence – can India be able to be Atmanirbhar in defence sector?
16. Which ministry should be put cybersecurity under? Defence? MEITY? External affairs?
17. Defence learning : Agnipath discussion
18. Difference between National Security and National Defence?
19. Aap se defense pr baat karte hai...
20. DRDO's recent achievements
21. Fighter jets are being imported, but we also say Atmanirbhar Bharat – is it good?
22. Follow-up: Are we doing anything to build fighter jets in India?
23. What are Indias status in terms of aerospace in capacity? I talked about missiles. India is one of the leading in development of missiles.?
24. What range do you think we need to have a missile so that we can hit Beijing?
25. What is Nuclear Submarine
26. Operation Sindoor : How India could deter, to how much? Specifically detailing to which sectors in defence, weapons used in Ops Sindoor!
27. Ops Sindoor ke time pr BSFs ki death kyu hui jab army involve rahti hai?
28. Name of Indian nuclear capable Submarine? M4:

29. Why US in building so many aircrafts in the time of air warfare?

Border & Operations

1. LAC,LOC, border difference.what is IOK?
2. Operation sindoor my views
3. You being the young person & joining civil services also, how do you feel about operation sindoor, and the change in the stance of our government
4. As the resources arsenal of both pakistan and India depleted after the conflict like operation sindoor, pakistan gets help from others what India is doing
5. Op sindoor – why, when, how, impact?
6. Let's talk about Operation Sindoor
7. Operation sindoor and learnings
8. Media management and misinformation that they spread during Op Sindoor
9. View on all party delegation after Op Sindoor

Cyber, Drones & Modern Warfare

1. What is cyber crime? What is cyber security?
2. How to prevent cyber crimes?
3. Cybercrime call centres? how they are trained? Famous districts for cyber crime in India? Sub questions followed on my answers, scam compounds, What is modus operandi in cyber crime? What is dead drop in communication?(I didn't answer)
4. If a cyber crime happens, who are the stakeholders? Apart from the ones who do the crime?
5. Tell me 5 points you are going to talk on cyber security
6. Cyber Security- Australia has banned social media for children below 16. Do you think we should do so in India?
7. What is Cyber warfare?
8. How can drones help women w.r.t safety, economic, etc
9. 3.hybrid war fare kya hai
10. Discussion on information warfare
11. Any idea about weather warfare?
12. What is greyzone warfare. Interview over. Duration: 22 minutes
13. All this big data analysis, ML, AI, information – how is it relevant in warfare?

Nuclear & Missiles

1. You worked on air to air missiles. Tell me about it
2. Ballistic missiles vs cruise missiles
3. Hypersonic missiles
4. Indian missile arsenals
5. Do we import tracking technologies used in missiles?

6. Missile tech,asked about bhargavastra. Ship samudrapratap in news
7. How has world changes since Cuban Missile Crisis?
8. Nuclear deterrence and its effectiveness at present
9. Nuclear triad and why is it needed?
10. Que : Which country is testing nuclear weapons and why?
11. Which countries would survive in a world war and nuclear weapons are used
12. Dont you think we should not possess nuclear weapons? They are a threat to humanity?

Other questions on this theme

1. What does Nazakat & Nafasat mean?
2. Women in hand to hand combat – we are fighting with pakistan who only have men and china – jst a view no right or wrong answer – dont you think india is not ready yet?
3. Can you locate an individual using cell tower?
4. What about Pakistan? Answer?
5. In hindi: aisa koi neta ho jo bol raha hai ki mujhe toh attack hi karna hai; toh phir hum kya karein
6. It is opined that South Asia has huge military presence. Views?
7. Can we expect chinese military intervention in Taiwan?
8. Should we have compulsory military service for youths
9. What do you prefer-military service or civil service?
10. As a diplomat, military diplomacy
11. Why we need military exercises
12. Do you think only diplomats can do discussion with other nations on military
13. Why bsp is recently in news?
14. Kya NSG sab jagah bheje jate hai?
15. PM ki security kaun dekhta hai?
16. Need for sea based nuclear warhead?
17. Present status of IWT.
18. What India did after it
19. Yes then India doesn't need anyone, being selfsufficient how do you see it
20. Did u face lang barrier in ur college?
21. Baki borders pr kaun si forces hai?
22. Desh ke andar kuchh hua to kaun si force?
23. Can it also be used by commanders to make decisions?
24. Chemical weapon convention
25. Nerve agent (did not know)
26. Goldman Sachs name origin
27. Weaponisation of dollar?

Terrorism & Internal Security

1. Tribal development what should be approach associated with qn on LWE
2. Why naxalism in cg and whats status of it? Why they are surrendering?
3. Are now tribals not joining naxals?
4. Naxalism in Dungarpur
5. GoI has given a date to end naxalism in India, what is that date?
6. Do you think that naxalism will be over by then?
7. Role of tech in fighting naxalism
8. Consequences of pahalgam attack
9. Explained events pakistan does something then india replies now. Do you know about pulwama attack
10. Can op sindoor stop terrorism in India? Since when pak using terror attack in India? What can India do to control the pak and terrorism?
11. Should India be interacting with Taliban
12. Discussion on PM's statement of 'any act of terror will be considered as an act of war against the terrorist org as well as the state sponsoring it'
13. What is narco terrorism
14. What legislations we have for narco terrorism
15. Is global terrorism increasing or decreasing?
16. What is the impact of global terrorism on India?
17. Monologue on terrorism increase then asked why reasons for terrorism are not highlighted in West Africa
18. Difference between Militancy and Terrorism

Science, Technology & Space (129)

AI & Digital

1. Should india make it's AI inclusive (? **(asked ×2)**
2. AI in healthcare and applications
3. In what ways has AI changed the nature of content development?
4. Impact of AI ... challenges and should we regulate?
5. AI, club similar cases, case tracker. Language on lines of bhasini,sci already using Supace portal
6. 4.Follow up questions with AI(almost discussed for 6 minutes)
7. It is said that AI is good for mathematicians and bad for programmers. Do you agree?
8. What do we need to do in the AI race
9. According to you is it necessary to have humanistic and cultural sensitivity in AI development? Is it the need of the hour?
10. Is AI a bubble?
11. Young people are excited about AI but we older folks are anxious. Can you give a sociological reason for this?

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12. AI digital art and IP related issue
13. AI is technical and you have humanities then why interest in it
14. Do you think open use of AI should be allowed in educational institutions? Won't it impact the learning capabilities of our youth? What other impacts on youth?
15. Compare current development in AI with next decade scenario
16. Will AI not solve? (When mentioned challenges)
17. Badi badi companies AI model train karti hai usase IPR losses hota hai?
18. Challenges faced by India's IT sector and discussion on AI (Picked it from my answer to chair ma'am) and follow up Qs
19. What is the AI readiness of India? How do we navigate the coming challenges?
20. Its impact on ai infra
21. Ai me india ko kya krna chahiye
22. How to make AI sustainable?
23. How to make AI more sustainable as a tool?
24. Should we make algorithms open?
25. How to use mathematics in crowd management along with the application of artificial intelligence (mathematical models asked)
26. ChatGPT are making human minds shrink, what do you think
27. Cloud seeding failed in delhi reason?
28. There are so many cyberfrauds and people lack knowledge, as incharge, how will you make sure to educate and spread awareness about it in fields of health, education and welfare?
29. How should cybercrimes be tackled?
30. Giving you unless unlimited power, what will you do to adress the Cyber threat in india
31. What factors decide the location of data centres
32. If I criticise a brand without any data facts, should I be liable for that?
33. Mplads scheme what is it. Then asked what's the corpus. Is it 100 crore
34. What is big data analysis?
35. Difference between data and information?
36. Said a few lines suggesting information is extracted from data, not the other way round
37. Deepfake regulation
38. How will you ensure digital integration in rural education sector, curbing teacher absenteeism etc
39. Digital learning, swayam swayamprabha, diksha portals etc
40. Digital News media proliferation and regulation
41. Do you know about digital fencing?
42. Have you heard of the concept of "digital arrest"?
43. Digital divide and steps in rural areas to bridge it, and how things have changed over time

44. What did you do on the ground for digital literacy
45. The Covid pandemic lasted for around 2 years. What social changes did you observe because of it? (In migration and consequent increased solidarity, adoption of digital media, increased interactions through virtual means due to distancing and better awareness related to health and hygiene)
46. Do you think digital mission wrt land record is working on the ground? What are the lacunas? And discussion on digital literacy and general literacy
47. Is land record digitalised your ir state?
48. What all components were included as part of the digital literacy course?
49. You were part of a Digital Literacy drive some years ago. At present, how would you make people aware of cybersecurity?
50. Satellite internet.. What is it
51. Said your profile is diverse- history, sci, software engineer
52. Why did software companies see such a tremendous rise in India in the late 20th century?
53. Why India is doing good on IT and software side but not in Deep Technology?
54. Which new technology do youngsters talk about the most these days?

Biotech & Health Science

1. Biotechnology. How can it be used to diversify meat products?
2. Why understanding ageing through biotechnology
3. Role of biotech in society
4. How can the drug problem be solved?
5. Issue of children deaths in MP and TN due to some drug? what component was that?
6. How can we regulate such drugs?
7. What is genome valley (my prev answer included genome valley)
8. Opinion about genome editing being used for designer babies or for revival of extinct species?

Energy Technology

1. Mechanical device for storing energy (Mentioned battery first, then sir clarified that mechanical device something used in IC engines, then i corrected and said flywheel)?
2. Status of BMS for EV
3. Green Hydrogen Mission – targets, status and issues
4. What are the issues in producing green hydrogen?
5. What is National green hydrogen mission. Nd present status; how much fund used and other progress
6. Types of Hydrogen
7. Q1 – Steps taken to boost nuclear energy in india?

8. Is nuclear energy considered cheaper to be produced in comparison of other sources?(I initially thought I would not be able to give a decent answer but my chemistry knowledge hit and I believe I managed it well)

Other questions on this theme

1. Best practices in India
2. Why is Nvidia overvalued?
3. What is L1? Aditya?
4. What are its challenges
5. Is IPR loss ko kaise tackle kar sakte hai?
6. Its impact on india
7. Ganeshotsav why how?
8. What is risk management? it can be in any field
9. What did you as a translator?
10. Difference between blogging and podcast
11. Where is my freedom of expression?
12. Can you name some of the highest selling Artists from India?
13. Downstream issues
14. IOT for well being
15. What is IoT? And AIoT?
16. What are issues and why we are going towards it
17. Connectivity projects in India
18. Bharanet ka status
19. You fly kites, so during kite flying, why are deaths happening?
20. What is pax silica?
21. Why are Indians being targeted in the US? Members
22. Unit of luminosity?
23. Why are the solutions?
24. What do these achievements portray about India to the world?
25. What advice on physical activity you'll give to someone of your age (29)
26. How to deal with the structural fatigue of aircraft?
27. Which country is workings in both the technologies
28. Do u think technology is the reason?
29. What is an influencer?
30. Difference between MIT and MIT (Massachusetts institute of technology). What is common and differences between the two
31. What is out of box thinking
32. Give examples
33. Are you competitive person. Explain
34. Latest technological advancement – what technology will prevail after 10 years
35. What are the future technologies you see that will have major impacts

36. What technology will we see in coming 10 years
37. Latest technological development in waste management
38. Education in mother tongue, good or bad? How will you give education on advanced technology in mother tongue?
39. Technological advancements especially for women

Science & Innovation (General)

1. So, India has many intelligent people, but why are we lacking in innovation?
2. Jugaad is very common in India, what are we doing to promote it? Do you know about National Innovation Foundation?
3. Abhi innovation me kya kya kr rhe hai hm maine mission btaye kuchh
4. Rank of my college? Why it is that rank? Which college produce more patent?
5. How is the R&D sector in India? (Only 1 question and entire discussion surrounding it. I was trying to put my points in between his monologues as he was saying all the points I was going to answer all the following are part of that?
6. Do you think these will make Ambanis Adanis would invest on R&D through these? (didn't allow to answer, passed to next person)
7. In your R&D position, tell me something you did which had drastic impact on increasing the efficiency of the team. (Completely blank on this I think they understood that and when I was going to say something, changed the topic)
8. What are the problems that India is facing in creating products and R&D, Despite having so many IITs?
9. Than moved from medical science to IR. Last question- there are so much unrest and protest in india's neighbouring countries but peace in our country. Why? 1-2 follow up questions on this.
10. Malinoskwi and his witchcraft, religion and science?
11. What can science not explain?
12. Is she a scientist?

Semiconductors & Hardware

1. What are the applications of quantum physics?
2. What are the threats of quantum technology?
3. What is robotics?
4. What is TRIPS? How is semiconductor patenting related to it?

Space

1. Can you name three achievements in India's space sector that make you feel proud as an Indian?
2. Difference in living between Cantonment and urban space life style
3. You have mentioned Public space tidiness in your interests, What is your opinion on Swaccha Bharat – Is it successful?
4. What are space debris and what shall we do to deal with it

Preparation tip: Use a simple frame: facts, stakeholders, options, decision, follow-up. Speak calmly and stay within law and ethics

As a DM / District Officer (36)

1. Which agencies you will contact first as a collector during fire incident in a hospital
2. As a District Collector, if a woman comes to you with a complain of sexual harassment, what steps will you take?
3. As a District Magistrate, how would you balance tourism and coastal protection?
4. How would you organise a Kumbh mela as a dm?
5. As a DM how will you solve this?
6. As a DM 3 things to improve health of young children
7. How will you ensure balanced growth as a DM?
8. What will you do for them as a DM?
9. As a DM which sector you want to work?
10. Low HDI status and nutritional issue. What would you do as DM
11. What is use of maths in IT sector? How to prevent criminalisation of politics and reasons for the same? What will you do as DM?
12. Consider a situation where you have recently joined as DM. CM has just inaugurated the pharma industry but people there are approaching you about harmful waste being disposed and envtal concerns. What would you do
13. What will you do as DM if you are posted in interior backward area
14. The reason behind naxalism in my district in the 1990s (probably she herself was posted there as DM) a long discussion took place on this
15. If appointed as DM of Ranchi, how would you promote tourism therein
16. Suppose we select you and You are posted as SDM, There is students protest was ongoing
17. If you are appointed as SDM, being an engineer how will you use AI in administration?
18. Case study – how will you tackle such issues as the DM
19. Partnerships between govt and private sector in ensuring effective educational outcomes as the DM
20. Reasons and solutions for human wildlife conflicts as the DM of Wayanad
21. As the dm what u will do improve condition of ur district
22. What will u do if u are made a dm? will SBM be your priority?
23. DM/DC kya hota hai?
24. DM ka kya role hota hai? Aap ek badi cheej miss kar rhe hai?
25. Kya DM gov ka pratinidhi hota hai?
26. What qualities were shown by u and ur DM?

27. SHOULD YOUR DM SHOULD go to field on site when any grave incident occurs? Then further 2-3 question focusing on he should not go even if he is free and further few questions on same lines
28. How will you solve child marriage. Let's say you're the DM of the district and you got information about child marriage
29. Follow up on one of the things I pointed out in the previous answer- how would you tackle the inequality that persists as a DM?
30. How will you try to resolve Jharia Fire if posted as DM Dhanbad?
31. If you are a DM of a district, what 3 areas will you incorporate the use of big data extensively?
32. Suppose you are DM having limited funds, would you improve the condition of existing public hospital or create an entirely new one?
33. Q2 – suppose you are DC of a lesser known district having a historical significance, how will you promote tourism there?
34. If you are DM, which all departments would you have coordinated in this situation?
35. You are dm, how would you solve malnutrition and stunting keeping in mind various govt schemes
36. Gave a condition – you are the DM,you have a deadline to complete monsoon related projects but they have not been completed before monsoon. Your political bosses are angry, people are, media is there. What challenges will you have and how will you deal with it?

Field & Crisis Situations (9)

1. As a administrator, how would you balance people's right to protest and right to way/non damage
2. A situation where tribals live but no proper health facilities and doctors are not willing to go. How would you convince them
3. Again situational : If a very needy person comes to u but there is first come first serve rule.and that person is not the first. How would you handle the situation?
4. Fake news in context of journalism recent incidents of fake news. How would you tackle it
5. Urbanisation uprooting people. How would you tackle it?
6. If you are posted at the Ministry of Women and Child, what are some areas you will like to work on?
7. Supposed you are posted in rural area, in which sectors would u work?
8. Suppose you're posted in an alienated place, you and your staff suffer from homesickness, how would address this, without sending them to homes
9. Suppose you are appointed as an administrator in that area, what steps would you take for their betterment? Follow up again. (Pros and Cons)

Political Pressure & Transfers (5)

1. Again if minister says he wants to create a new hospital despite limited funds how would you tackle that situation?

2. If minister wants to go for large mountainous highway neglecting reports of EIA, what would you do?
3. Suppose you are administrator and give suggestions but the minister do not take your advise and want to implement some sub optimal advice. What would you do?
4. Tell chemical process and formula for transfer of NPK in plants. Tell about actions of ions in this process
5. Some states are paying more taxes but the money is being transferred to legging states are we not penalising them. (Penalising rather it is responsibility to make sure that we can tap the potential of each and every State)

Ethics & Dilemmas (15)

1. Does it signify only indecisiveness or also moral dilemma?
2. Have you heard of the malacca dilemma?
3. What are the 2 ways in which china is trying to avoid malacaa dilemma?
4. What provisions are there in medical education for ethics and communication?
5. Ethical situation – you are a head of a development project and some major mistake happens. What will you do?
6. Consequential ethics – moral dilemma in administration
7. What is ethical hacking?
8. Discussion on ethics and integrity. The Difference between both
9. Can ethics be learnt in services? If yes, How?
10. What qualities do you think is most important in civil services?
11. What about communication, dedication, discipline?
12. What was Switzerland doing in second world war? (It was neutral)
13. How does a country become neutral
14. Can India also become neutral
15. Situational question – If u r posted in an office, with corruption prevalent from top to bottom, how would you navigate yourself in such situations?

Other Situation Questions (5)

1. What are the qualities you give importance to as an administrator?
2. Views on Dowry? Why is it still practiced? As an administrator suggest practical solutions. Follow up questions
3. As an administrator would you rather be “Giver of favours” or “enabler of public policy?
4. What is the ground level reality? What problems do girls still confront?
5. If you are an SP how will you respond to the disaster?

10. Quote Based

Preparation tip: Explain the meaning in one line, give one example, state a balanced view, then link it to governance

Quotes, Sayings & Statements (15)

1. "Har kisi ke destiny mein nahi hota yahaan tak pahunchna. Isn't it? What's your view?"
2. RCEP: "Shashi Tharoor ji said we should reconsider our stance. But the government hasn't paid heed to this reconsideration. What is your view?"
3. The Chairperson then said, "We are running short on time."
4. What do you infer from the statement " people don't cast their vote, they vote for the caste"
5. "You are giving attempts again and again", Said a quote about trying again and asked which personality comes to mind?
6. "Shri Shankaracharya travelled throughout the country for religious propagation. Was he responsible for checking the spread of Buddhism?" (based on my previous answer)
7. Asked to comprehend a quote – "The owl of Minerva first begins its flight at the onset of dusk"
8. Few lines on Tripura student killed in Dehradun – said "idhar to chinki bulate hain"; is it the same in IIT Bombay?
9. Statement "India becomes older earlier than becoming rich "agree or disagree?
10. "So what have you been doing for the last 4.5 years since graduation? What have you learnt from the journey?" "You said you come from a rural agricultural background and are from Haryana. Given the context of the farmer protests, if you are given responsibility from the government's side to convince farmers, how would you do it?"
11. Haryana? Can you recall?" "Major similarities between the Jat protest and the farmer protest."" Comprehensively discuss solutions to agrarian distress."
12. Do you observe this "no permanent friends or enemies,only permanent interests " in today's world?
13. World War 3. Are we heading towards it? Chairperson intervened and told the member "Sir Mai pooch chuki hoo ye question"
14. Asked: "Who said 'I am therefore I think'?"
15. "Who is your favourite philosopher and why?" (based on my previous answer)

Preparation tip: Use these for general practice. Scan for patterns and topics you have never prepared.

General Knowledge & Other Questions (437)

1. Why cycles are not gaining awareness in india compared to western countries. (asked ×2)
2. Three good things the government is doing to ensure trust and three where more can be done?
3. Why did you close it?
4. In providing public services how would your approach be different from a company's CEO?
5. Why did you decide so late to join civil services?
6. How are the professors?
7. Do you have any idea like Elon Musk?
8. Which dish you like?
9. How is emotional intelligence related to civil services?
10. Differences between PV SINDHU and SAINA NEHWAL's game
11. What are reasons for existence of red tapism(my answer was red tapism)
12. What have you learnt from people of different countries (we have more in common than there are differences)
13. Give examples of applications of sociological imagination in real life
14. Why waterways are not much developed in India?
15. Your points are mostly negative impacts. I was asking challenges
16. Is there a north south divide in India?
17. (An electronics repair camp is in my DAF) People are not repairing their gadgets nowadays. Mostly it is use and throw. Why is it so?
18. What exactly did you do in this camp?
19. Did you really have any impact?
20. What about Jallikkett? If you're SDM would you ban Jallikkett?
21. Difference between MoU and Agreement?
22. Don't you think that Europe as continent is being pushed to margins
23. Superconductors, what are they
24. Why you want to come in civil services
25. Is this not wasted resources?
26. If u were the organiser then what all would u have showcased?
27. There is no free lunch what do u understand by this statement?
28. Give a real life event where u felt this?
29. What is your perception of NGOs?
30. Should it be banned and how to ban
31. Why did a private college emerge in India?
32. Tell 3 top private colleges of India
33. Why do you choose?

34. Deepest point in ocean?
35. Does life exist there?
36. Does heartland and rimland theory still be relevant?
37. What one work you have done in your 4 years of service for which you will be remembered for next 25 years?
38. What you have done for staff
39. What you have done for your people beyond professional boundaries in personal capacity
40. Do we need edtech in india or should it be restricted
41. Grateful to God for having come this far. Fingers crossed for the future
42. According to you which state in India has the perfect weather?
43. What according to you are leadership qualities? Are leaders born or made?
44. Questions regarding recent Indian Football issue related to AIFF and it's implication on Indian football?
45. Why you give more preference to non-fiction than fiction?
46. Why we are seeing protest against overflow of tourist at tourist sites
47. Tell me areas where you will focus if you had to develop relations with developing countries
48. Same as above for developed countries Others I am no able to recollect
49. What is maglev and hyperloop trains?
50. What are the consideration which should be kept in mind while choosing location for projects like bullet train
51. Aur CERC kya karta hai? Members
52. When is th next FIFA world cup
53. What qualities do you have
54. When does resistance decrease with the rise in temperature, chemistry and all, 1 minute tak bolta raha samajh me nahi aaya
55. Where did you learn it?
56. Do you still do it?
57. What about the paperwork and procedural hurdles as they might be illiterate or some of them can not even see at that age?
58. What are the benefits of conflict resolution? (No context)
59. Where can we see this model being illustrated in India? (myrdal's Backwash and spread effect)
60. Asked How are you?
61. Very low voice
62. Asked many questions. Almost all situation based and somewhat tough
63. Could not remember other
64. Except the lady member all others kept poker face. They were talking in between
65. BB SWAIN -are you comfortable?

66. It is booming, you must be happy?
67. What is niti ayog?
68. Swain sir speaks very softly and in a low volume. So make sure you are attentive from the go!
69. What do you know about *Ramapithecus* and *Sivapithecus*?
70. Beyond the EEZ, if a conflict occurs, do you think India's so-called allies will actually help?
71. Case study: Mr X takes a week's leave without informing the administration and is dismissed from service. Analyse the issues involved in this decision
72. How you feel right now to be here
73. Challenges guj faces in sociological matters
74. Way forward how to improve
75. Sbm is it a success?
76. Infra dev in sbm
77. Why people are watching k drama? Tell me comedy kdrama? Do u follow k fashion?
78. (little bit poker face, but
79. Discussion on smart concrete
80. What is self-healing concrete?
81. But, you are a very young SDM, there is very less age gap between you and the student protestor. How will you approach situations?
82. Give information about 3 international events which affect the whole world?
83. Asked me about are in training or not?
84. Compare Dhurandhar and Pathan
85. Which places you visited last time?
86. How you get there? (Mode of transportation)
87. What you have seen there?
88. Are you still Junior Resident? What are you doing since 4 years?
89. Which sarg of dinkar's Rasmirathi you like?
90. If any country is planning something against India, how we can monitor and do surveillance? (Basically intelligent gathering)
91. Which day is today (?
92. What is your backup plan
93. What is the energy mix of India. Are you satisfied with it?
94. What is alternative of BESS system (?
95. Asked to introduce
96. Spoke very slowly
97. Asked him to pardon
98. Said I'm in admin section. But I talked to my friends at lunch ... volume of files. Segregation
99. Asked about preference
100. Dholpur house why?

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101. Again thanked
102. How would you solve the shortcomings?
103. What is his age..any idea?
104. Is it really possible to not have any enemies? especially in administration?
105. You are 2002 born only but god has been kind to you in terms of physical features and. Me: yes sir i look older than I am. What are some pro and cons of a big physique and looking mature?
106. Tell us about your morning routine?
107. What if plans change?
108. Difference between E. coli and B. coli?
109. What is age of menarche?
110. Why reducing?
111. Why not weightlifting?
112. What advantages/opportunities would your siblings have that you didn't because of connectivity?
113. Would you suggest connecting other cities as well?
114. What will be the challenges in this?
115. Why so many youngsters dying in gyms?
116. How often do you loose temper, when was the last time?
117. Chamber of princes
118. Khilafat movement
119. Ideals that shaped national movement
120. Has upsc offered you anything today- like tea or coffee?
121. Some shayari of Former PM ManMohan Singh. Do you know that?
122. What is your opinion on trolling? Ways to curb it?
123. What is your philosophy in life? Long term aspirations and goals?
124. Areas you'd want to work in future? And how?
125. Plans after interview
126. Actual upsc interview is very different and unique experience. So enjoy unpredictability of process
127. What is the age range of Gen Z? What were the preceding generations called? List all the major generations along with their time periods
128. Which one is Gen M? (MTV Generation)
129. Three things that elders can learn from Gen Z & three things they should not
130. Difference between real will and general will
131. Chief information commission appointment committee members?
132. How to balance large infrastructural projects?
133. Are we still using five year plans? If not, what has changed then?
134. Can you give me an example of the same?
135. Do you know that deterrence has been decreased in PCA 1988, tell me provisions (Dasa Sir at this point told him to move on)
136. Mention articles?

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137. Asked to repeat factors?
138. However the trivams are opposing and reluctant, What would you do, would you forceably displace them?
139. UGC ke naye rules ke according, teaching ke liye sirf PG subject matter karta ha, baaki qualifications matter nhi karti. Ispe kya opinion ha aapka?
140. Do you think, this “Chalta ha” attitude is one of the reasons behind it? (Yes, it could be, in fact, it is one major reason behind many other issues like traffic problem)
141. How many sarees do you have
142. Where are you currently residing at?
143. Can you learn empathy through dance?
144. Is it like philosophical walking?How is it different from normal walking?
145. But what will happen if everybody thinks like you?Our countries security will be challenged?
146. Why many houses are locked and many are houseless in same city?
147. What will you do?
148. What is Power?
149. Is this your 1st interview?
150. How is state government planning to achieve this target?
151. Why Shakespeare? Because of popularity or you had it in your curriculum?
152. Which is more tragedy? King lear or hamlet?
153. To be or not be. (From hamlet) What does it signify to you?
154. Why bridges are falling these days? How to address it?
155. What is feudalism? Do you think india still has traces of feudalism
156. Related to my degree. Is rise of finance gurus good or bad? Any regulations for them?
157. Today the afternoon interview session was postponed, why so?
158. Genz says that disrespect is earned and not respect what’s ur opinion on it
159. Philosophy in administration
160. Philosophy of development
161. Intragenerational equity
162. Foundation of taj mahal?
163. If India is writing a reflective journal complaining about things from the past 10 years, what would it write?
164. Why trafalgar square is called Trafalgar?
165. IQ vs EQ? Have you heard of Daniel Goleman?
166. Unique grey tie and suit,looking nice unlike blue ones
167. Discussion on Rubik cube(given a problem also)
168. Welcome and greeted
169. About Ujjawala yojna why it was brought how it is funded (I did not know the funding part)

170. Difference between organic and physical chemistry
171. 2 events you could change, one from modern one from world
172. Any other lang read left to right?
173. Name some regulatory bodies in India
174. What are the major issues being discussed in India?
175. Should southern states be allocated more resources?
176. Have you ever been too rural India?
177. Is not US a declining power?
178. 3, Rank of Indian in human development index?
179. How to navigate current global uncertainties?
180. Where was kishore kumar born?
181. What was the name of his wife?
182. Welcome to the conversation
183. What is Chayyavaad?
184. Name the pillars of Chayyavaad
185. Which states were annexed by this doctrine?
186. What are the major civil engineering infra challenges we face?
187. What steps is the govt taking to address these?
188. Which breed would you recommend me for house purpose?
189. Have you been to sri city?
190. Q6 – Famous literary works of Batalvi?
191. Q1 – Aravalli issue?
192. Q4 – Long term impact on Aravalli if current definition is accepted?
193. Q6 – Their Extraction risks Aravalli's existence.What to do then?
194. If the government or courts violate this hierarchy, how should we view it? Courts are also allowing this. What is your opinion on this?
195. Relation with Pranayam and its repackaging
196. What is the born place of S.N. Goenkaji? Members
197. Give me three friend and enemy of India except those which are sharing boundary with India?
198. (greeted but no smile) I wished all
199. Strength-training experience and process?
200. Did my part! Baaki Mahadev ki krupa
201. All the best
202. What did you dream last night?
203. Why not joe Rogan?(another podcaster)
204. Why lex friedman and give some criticisms of him
205. Give a critical perspective of the above
206. What is your goal right now?
207. Things which are currently not letting you sleep or you are having hard time with
208. Are goals Static or they keep on changing
209. Is it good to have one option and focus on that or to have multiple options in life

210. Tell me about bhojpur
211. What are the issues there
212. Hot tea is being served would you like to have one
213. Compare T20 and Swiggy
214. The traffic situation hampers because they move wrong side on the road due to time constraints. What do you think?
215. Do you know Henry Kissinger.?
216. Mock with vaji rao
217. Are you working? Have you ever worked before?
218. Why the differences
219. What is watershed development and discussion
220. Are you working somewhere?
221. Compared to 20th Century
222. What is the most efficient machine according to you?
223. In between Chairman was asking cross questions
224. Name three traits of public speaking. Answer: Clarity, Confidence, Composure
225. Why do you enjoy watching air crash investigations? Answer?
226. Are you aware of these technical aspects? Answer?
227. Started with the quote on oral cavity
228. 2 things that has brought joy in last 24 hours (don't give common answer that this interview)
229. Philosophy of kant (DAF). Had some discussion
230. Kavi narmad and zaverchand meghani's famous sayings
231. What is national security
232. Some other aspects of national security apart from sovereignty and peace
233. What is Lifi tech? How is it secure?
234. Why Anthro after engineering?
235. What are the famous blockbuster from Karanataka
236. How are you (you are opening batsman...?
237. Why ambitious?
238. Agar aap se bhi jyada ambitious hui to?
239. Tell me something about Lothal
240. Have you visited statue of unity (unfortunately not yet)
241. 2 more qns could not remember
242. How many percentage of people improved their condition since 1936
243. What does the photo of a person tell about that person
244. Tell me major theories of IR
245. Tell me about Realism
246. When we go for accessing a government service, tell me one good and one bad example from your own life

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247. Do you think there should be a balance between Infra and development
248. Kaafi lamba wait krna pra....baaki logo se baat hui?
249. Vaishali ke baare me batayiye?
250. Vaishali ki nagarvadhu kinhe bolte hain?
251. Kis issue par based hai
252. You mentioned about failure in one of your previous answers, what were the failures you were referring to?
253. Why do you think people are so critical of themselves these days?
254. What have you learnt about India in the last year? (More pointed questions from here)
255. Describe the room
256. What about the gentry here?
257. Now that we're all flattered, let's begin
258. One character which you would pick for a friend?
259. Discussion on live ins
260. Delailed questions on Invest India
261. Rajendra yadav ki kisi rachna ko recently translate kiya h..uska shirshak pta h aapko.. (sorry)
262. Does UPSC also ask questions out of syllabus?
263. Hamne to syllabus acche se define kar rakha h?
264. What is the general public's perception of civil services? Why..(sath m ye bhi bola ki bookish or tarif nhi karna jo real h whi btana)
265. What are the shortcomings in the general public that you would like to improve?
266. Other questions I can't remember
267. Tell me what you know about dist administration?
268. What is the role of ZP CEO?
269. What differences did you observe?
270. What surprised you about north indians?
271. Don't you think the work is romanticised, it is pretty much the same stuff everyday!
272. Metaphysics of aurobindo
273. Development vs displacement casestudy
274. Is this your 1st interview (it was my 3rd)
275. Where are you lacking?
276. Which 3 states you will consider as developed and underdeveloped
277. Why states cannot do design? Why is your commission required?
278. As a civil engineer, what is slope stability and how can you provide engineering solutions for it?
279. What were you telling yourself before entering the interview room?
280. Any other differences? (Earlier
281. Tell me the physiological ways of identification? (Interlinked to my graduation, like burning of eyes, soot accumulation in the nose, etc.)

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282. Asked if I had given interview earlier and if I got selected
283. Does it place you in a better position to understand people?
284. An instance for the above
285. Does Empathy Facilitate Administration?
286. What is Lasya?
287. What is the current status of the conflict? How will you resolve the same?
288. What is Emotional Intelligence? By what I understood the most controllable thing is to the keep smiling. All the Best!
289. Why do you teach students
290. Why do they come to you and not other place
291. What exactly you teach
292. How did you learn about it?
293. Do you practice it daily? Did you do it before coming here?
294. Which Primary or Higher and Why?
295. If you are given opportunity to go and learn Civil Services from other country, which country will you choose and why?
296. What is Apartheid?
297. How are you feeling? What were you thinking while sitting on the chair outside? I responded that I was just reflecting that this was the third time my interview was last (twice in state pcs). so I was smiling at the coincidence
298. Explain working of touchscreen
299. Alright, that brings us to the end of your interview
300. What is your PhD topic?
301. If somebody is about to get arrest what right do they have?
302. Are you having training?
303. All right, let's talk about the Indian financial system, if you are comfortable answering otherwise we can discuss something else
304. A. I'm comfortable
305. A. I'm not sure ma'am but there is a portal where information have to filled and it calculated
306. You were saying that you'll talk about the financial system and now you're saying that you don't know. You should've told me previously?
307. A. Saying sorry while awkwardly smiling
308. A. Sir, you can ask anything from my DAF
309. India also has animes?
310. A. Don't know the exact sections but it is punishable offence and will take action accordingly
311. What else you'll do?
312. How exactly you'll spread awareness
313. Minimal question from DAF and the interview was not even current affairs dominated which was a surprise. It was new
314. Inke 3 pramukh karya batao

315. Does this air show happens every year?
316. What else happen on republic day?
317. What is the difference between flag hoisting and flag unfurling
318. Something special on this republic day?
319. Recent achievements of India?
320. Do you know about IVF? Why it is getting popular now?
321. What was the reason for Air India crash?
322. No candidate has explained theory of relativity in satisfactory terms yet. Please explain
323. Can you see the calender behind you? What system of calendar is this?
324. What is GER?
325. What is creativity?
326. Still what is creativity?
327. Date of Interview: 10/12/2025
328. Duration: 20 min (approximately)
329. Irregularities in chakbandi process?
330. A SITUATION OF OFFICE AND 2 FOLLOWUP QUESTIONS
331. Utility of short service commission and again asked why should we have ssc
332. Do we really plan accordingly?
333. 5-civic sense what is it? What are the things that make you unhappy in public?
334. Why do people litter?
335. How will you bring behavioural change?
336. Why didn't you choose any of these since 2022?
337. What is remote sensing?
338. How was your experience last time? Are you better prepared this year
339. Gave a monologue for a minute about how she keeps on hearing about the same repetitive motives of everyone about joining the civil services
340. Tell me other reasons apart from the ones like diverse work, impact, challenging role etc
341. After I choose generous and explained the reason
342. Had a brief conversation about success and why I felt generous would be successful in the entirety of life
343. Asked about one shortcomings.
344. Brief conversation on it for a minute
345. What did you do
346. Is there a future plan to go abroad
347. Difference between Murder and Culpable homicide (but said wrong himself at start, later rephrased it to say murder and intent term)
348. What is going on in India recently domestic international anything?

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349. And how it boils down to today? Couldn't understand the question properly so said talked a bit about how things have changed
350. What were you thinking while sitting outside
351. Asked what did you read in the newspaper today
352. Situation based Qs
353. Some ideals written in preamble which we have not yet achieved or have long way to achieve
354. ARE YOU NERVOUS? What were you thinking outside
355. Read my DAF highlighting keywords ...
356. How do you exchange narco criminals?
357. How do you control narcotics in the border? Sub q n a
358. What is Interpol explain? Red notice?
359. What does development mean to you?(?
360. What is the current base year and what are the changes proposed?
361. Which building will you prefer: made with glass or clay brick?
362. What do you know of bretton woods
363. Why do you think world is now becoming more unstable
364. All the best guys
365. Anuradha Prasad
366. Let's say we do implement, can you tell me what will be the practical steps that need to be taken? Very implementable, not arbitrary steps
367. What are personality rights?
368. If Anil Kapoor and Amitabh Bacchan are fighting for their personality rights, why are they doing so?
369. You were earning a handsome amount as an Anchor and content strategy manager at Josh
370. Let's say you get into the services, where do you see yourself in the next 10 years?
371. Have you ever been criticised? How do you handle criticism?
372. What are human rights?
373. You talked about Tata Nano earlier. (I had given it as an example regarding my role at
374. (asking questions nowhere related to my daf)
375. Do you take keen interest in home appliances? Like how do they work?
376. Like AC, FAN etc
377. What did you present?
378. To which state does kalamkari belong?
379. Issue of begging on roads? How can we eradicate that?
380. Evolutionary theory of charles darwin? What is the new theory challenging it?
381. Do you think lamarckism can be back in relevance?
382. Lamarckism connection with epigenetics?
383. Village on the route to Dodital

384. How you managed stay?
385. Your experience in south block?
386. What kind of communication system used in MEA?
387. Continued from previous- what will connectivity projects do?
388. Have you heard about Ricardo's theory
389. Tell me what comparative advantage means
390. Were you friendly with any professor?
391. Where should one draw the boundary between students and professors?
392. Monologue on drainage problems in India
393. What are the major drainage system problems and their solutions?
394. People with suicidal tendencies often show certain indications. What are those indications, and how should we identify them?
395. Have you attended the interview before?
396. Tell us frankly, What is your opinion about this Upsc interview process? Do you have any suggestions improve this process or Is this just perfect?
397. More about squash
398. If you realise dont have the qualities of a leader what would you do?
399. What alternate econ models have you pursued? (From daf)
400. Cant remember more
401. You are a bcom graduate- do you know which body regulates Charted Accountants?
402. Asked- how it regulates CA
403. How in domestic sphere? You've a brother – Q on period leave
404. 1 more question – can't remember
405. Now you are all okay with smiling face
406. Q – Asked quality of leader (traditional time and new time – which are same)
407. Learning from office experience
408. Have you heard about the Word 'Spectrum'?
409. You have heard 'Spectrum' in Which thing (?
410. Why recently it was controversial (?
411. 2G Spectrum issue
412. You are an engineer but in many branches students are very less shall we close them.
413. What is 'Narco Analysis'. Don't you think it violates principle of 'protection against self incrimination'
414. Zero kis period me aaya
415. To 1,2,3,4,5 kb aaye hai
416. 2.aap bahut young hai to ye btaiye ki kaun s experience Jruri hai age ka aur exposure ka
417. Ye btaiye kisko select krenge civil service me jisko trained kr skte hai ya jo phle se matured hai

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418. Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) – What is the idea of EBSB?
419. Is it done or an ongoing thing?
420. You mentioned unicorn – what is it and why is it called a unicorn?
421. Any global best practices we can learn and adopt? Chairperson Ma'am again said You are already in services, that she didn't see my detailed bio earlier and asked what service and if I have joined. MIght have forgotten maybe 1-2 questions more
422. Tell me that i have been observing since this morning that everyone enters the room with their coat buttons closed and opens it before sitting? Any specific reason for that (Witty reply and everyone burst into laughter)
423. Why still feather shuttle more preferred in international tournaments?
424. Difference between listed and unlisted companies? Pros and cons of being a listed company?
425. Do you know Bio methane plant?
426. What about making administration accessible to people? Steps, measures, initiatives
427. Any statutory provisions currently going on in this regard
428. Reasons for states lagging behind and regional variations
429. When is next census going to be held,what is the gap,when was it last time held and is there any legal backing for 10yr time period?
430. Does diet play any role?
431. What is your opinion about usage of steroids?
432. What were your learnings from it and what were the issues you discussed?
433. Why not have one force for all borders?
434. What according to you is a good day, bad day, why?
435. What is the diff between EQ and EI
436. You are very calm and composed, it doesn't look like that you get nervous anytime.?
437. Give 2 -2 positives of City Life and village life

History, Art, Culture & Heritage (97)

Ancient & Medieval History

1. Aur inko arabic numbers kyu khte hai aur arab ka gyan itna famous kyu hai (maine arab incyclopedia btaya aur ye bhi ki india aage apne ancient knowledge ko continue nhi kr paya kuchh reason btaye
2. Since you have studied in DU, were you a day scholar?
3. Again same that why no Palas, cholas
4. What is that one historical fact that only you or only few people knows about it?
5. Said due to court room historians
6. Historian like Abul fazl
7. Historical personalities that shaped u

8. Q1 – mention the historical significance of raebareli? Where it was 1st mentioned?
9. History of himachal pradesh, why are people so fair there
10. Historical event you would want to change?
11. Historical figure you hate outside of India
12. Sometimes history gets interrupted in a bad way. What do u think is the bad interruption of any indian historical event
13. You are learning French – tell me about French history?
14. Historically which countries dominated squash in last 20-25 years?
15. Maruti history, shareholding pattern?
16. How many years of social media history
17. When does history become myth?
18. Tell me about Maratha empire, kisne establish kiya tha? (He was probably checking the depth?
19. Which Mughal emperor banned cow slaughter
20. Let me give you a statement- The downfall of Mughal empire led to the downfall of Maratha Empire. Can you explain?
21. Lineage between Bijapur and the Mughal?

Art, Architecture & Heritage

1. What is state under art 12? and what is deep state(again)
2. How can you promote such art overall?
3. Gave a list of monuments and asked me to arrange them chronologically
4. What is Mahatma museum?
5. You said brihadeswara temple.. Do you know other temple that was destryoed?

Follow-up / related to previous question

1. Nanny state?
2. What can you learn from Cinderalla?
3. Will it be right to have them come in such places with the type of clothes they wear
4. Is modernity same as westernisation
5. What have you done or plan on doing to change this
6. The curl of electric field is equal to the linear gradiant of what
7. Why is lohri celebrated?
8. Q4 – Spiritual significance of Uttrayana?
9. What is his idea of Satyagraha?
10. Integral humanism
11. Attorney general vs solicitor general?
12. Implication of it on India?
13. How will you handle criticism in administration?

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14. What are Calisthenics?
15. Expand BIMSTEC?
16. Western and eastern philosophy difference

General

1. Tell me 5 Bharat Ratna of U. P
2. Kya aapne kalapani ki saza Suni hai? Kya hoti hai? Kahan hoti hai? Kisko di gayi thi? Usse kalapani kyun kehte hain – I didn't know the exact reason why it was called kalapani, rest
3. Operation polo
4. Meerut is experiencing a communication revolution what is it? Me: expressways, rrts
5. Which 4 revolutions took place in Europe that impacted India and in what manner
6. Arrange these 4 revolutions in order of most to least impact on India
7. French Revolution, Arab spring, Color Revolution and discussions
8. Tell me about French revolution. It's year. It's leaders, causes and impacts on India
9. When 5th revolution will happen?
10. Digilocker is fine but I don't think it's revolutionary as such
11. No, it is useless as of now and I don't think it will ever be revolutionary
12. A. Aadhar can be termed as revolutionary
13. What is the third revolutionary service?
14. You have mentioned sugam sangeet, what do you listen?

Literature & Languages

1. What comes after Chaayaavad?
2. Why is Cinderella in news?
3. Which character from Indian epic did you like and why
4. Haryanvi language and tone while persuading them
5. What is Language,dialect,script
6. You have written learning about foreign languages so in which languages are you familiar with
7. How many languages you speak?
8. What is the relation between Literature and Engineering?
9. Asked about what u like in english literature
10. In Mahabharatha, Pandavas walked alot. How far did they walk?
11. Lang with >1 scripts(didn't know told me Sanskrit, Name some dialects
12. Vedanta and Buddhism difference
13. Explain Vedanta in one sentence
14. 1 we wanted you to come at first since you have mentioned vedic chanting, we could have started the day. But anyways, chant one vedic mantra for us

Modern History & Freedom Struggle

1. JC Bose's contribution to plant breeding? (repeated this three times)
2. Have you been to any other place apart from andhra and TN.?
3. Differentiate between Gandhi's anarchism and Marx's communism
4. Is Gandhi's anarchism good for India?
5. Did Gandhi Ji establish any educational institution? (Probably picked because?
6. You know MK Gandhi?
7. Gandhiji's Talisman's value for civil service?
8. Where Mahatma Gandhi taken his education?
9. Contraversy after independence when somnath temple inaugration was being done?
10. What was Kashmir dispute at time of Independence?
11. Role of Rohtak and Jind in Indian independence contributions?
12. One positive and one negative work of Nehru?
13. Partition of India- good or bad?
14. Why Sardar Patel is known as iron man?
15. What is the contribution of sardar Vallabhbhai Patel?

Religion, Philosophy & Culture

1. Q3 – how Raebareli is related to Awadhi culture?
2. Why mafia culture? 3- What has UP done to improve it's situation of late?
3. How would you transform the work culture based on your learnings of 3 and half years?
4. Tell me continuing with tribal regions that isn't this contradictory that on one hand we have to preserve tribal culture and also to provide then proper education
5. Do you think this "chalta hai culture" is part of our national ethos
6. Cultural relativism and Human rights
7. Names of harvesting festivals across India
8. Folk singers u like
9. Instruments used in Punjabi folk dance Bhangra?
10. Folks at TATA are quite smart, they would have thought about relaunching NANO. Why didn't they?
11. Since you said patriotism, do you think that the ideology of Hindutva also contributes to our unity in diversity?
12. What are traditional knowledge systems?