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- 12 Illustrations

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PREFACE

Ethics, integrity and aptitude subject, better known as GS-4, has been a cause of concern for many aspirants of CSE. This book compiles the notes that the author gathered over the course of his preparation and which helped him manage 110+ thrice.

This book covers each and every term mentioned in the syllabus and **solutions of all 7 Ethics papers so far (2103-2019)**. These papers have been **solved by 25 Officers** from various services. The book also includes various applicable **theories, sample questions, sample case studies** and **illustrations**.

The book also contains the questions asked in Ethics paper in **State Service Exams** conducted in – Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka & Andhra Pradesh.

The content is mentioned in bullets and points form that can be easily understood as well as reproduced in tricky questions that are asked in CSE.

This book includes **200 diagrams** as part of answers and theories-concepts so that these can be used for answer writing. Also, there is a compilation of many **quotes** and **examples** which are an asset for answer writing.

The author is sure that **“Decode Ethics”** will help the aspirants to decode the art of scoring high marks in Ethics paper. Happy reading!

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Essay writing

1. The command on medium is important but it is not everything. For English medium it is not necessary to write a number of phrases or quotes.

2. Decide the topic very carefully:

- Quickly brainstorm for various facets related to topics. If you can think of say 10 dimensions without much pain then go for it. Else better to go for other as in the end it's a game of dimensions.
- If you are weak in an area then you should obviously practice it beforehand and still try not to attempt it in Mains.
- Avoid philosophical essays or those which are views based as your views may be contrary to checker's views and such risk is not worth
- Finally after eliminating topics, select the remaining ones. So elimination is more important than selection given the increasing abstractness of essay topics lately.

3. Starting over:

- Read the selected topics again. There have been instances where candidates have made structure and even wrote 1-2 pages before going for a different topic.
- Start making structure.
- In case of two essays make structure for first, write the essay and then proceed to next. Writing structures for both essays together is not a write way as there might be points which one might miss while structuring but recall during essay writing.
- With structure, write down introduction and conclusion as well. It is advisable to have 2-3 intro and conclusions prepared well in advance. Use them in tests and be flexible enough to use them in different kind of topics.

4. Structuring:

- Focus on type of essay. If it is a statement or a question and structure accordingly.

- Example: can tourism be the next big thing for India?

You would in general want it to be the next big, so overall theme should be positive. **Here structure should deal with:**

- ✓ Tourism in general should be addressed. Don't go in details on type of tourism. Essay does not demand that.
 - ✓ Mention types of tourism as without that essay will be incomplete.
 - ✓ Together which each type address how it can be big thing and what can stop the same.
 - ✓ This is general topic. You need not divide into socio-eco-political dimensions as is advised for abstract topics.
 - ✓ What already is big thing in India?
- Example: slow and steady wins the race.

This is a universally accepted statement. Don't be adventurous by going against the accepted view. **Here structure should deal with:**

- ✓ Socio-eco-political and other dimensions.
 - ✓ If it is written just as such then chances are that you will lose the plot as well as the flow.
 - ✓ In such views based essay, one needs to have multiple dimensions. If you are writing 10 pages then you should have at least 20 views.
 - ✓ This gives you favorable chance to be in view with checker even if he she disagrees with you on 5 views.
- **10 pages of essay should have:**
 - ✓ Half page introduction (1-2 paragraphs)
 - ✓ 1 paragraph historical background
 - ✓ Hit the topic ASAP
 - ✓ One dimension-one paragraph
 - ✓ Interlink two or more dimensions in a paragraph if you are not short of them
 - ✓ One page conclusion

5. Introduction:

- Very tricky and important part.
- Keep it simple and straight.
- Address keywords of the topic.
- Example: science and technology are panacea for growth and security of nation

“Growth and security are two most important jewels in a crown of a nation. These can be achieved by different means. Science and technology have been important ones since ages but in current scenario these are looked as a panacea.....”

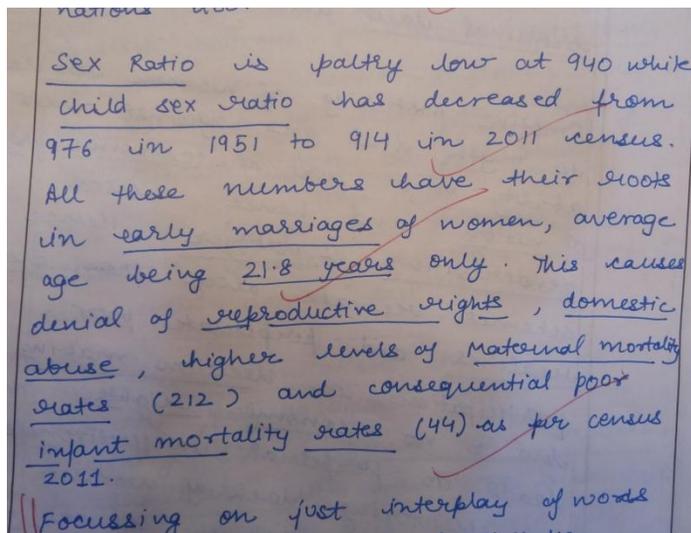
- Should not be more than two paragraphs.

6. Flow of essay:

- It is the most important part of essay writing.
- Flow should be maintained within a paragraph and between two paragraphs.
- Flow should be maintained between two dimensions like socio-economic.

Within paragraph:

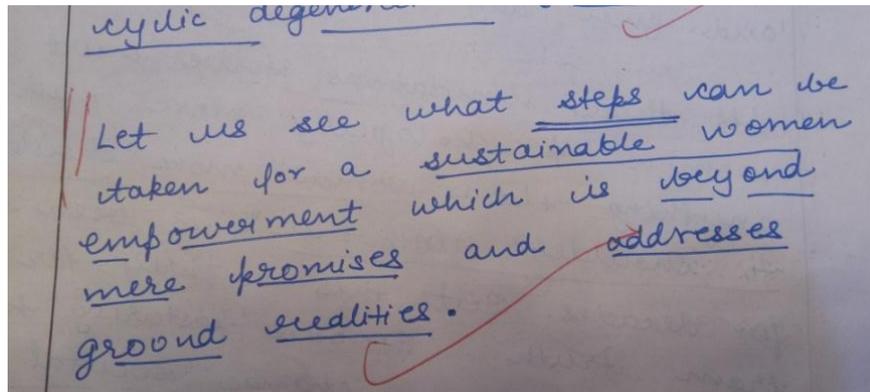
- ✓ Follow one dimension-one paragraph
- ✓ Link two dimensions. Do not write unrelated things.



Between paragraphs:

- ✓ Link last line of previous paragraph and first line of current.
- ✓ If you are continuing with sociological dimension then you can write: (women related essay)

“Having seen the problem of skewed sex ratio now let us see the related issue of skewed child sex ratio....”



Between dimensions:

- ✓ *“Having seen the sociological dimension now we will analyze the political dimensions...”*

7. World view dimension:

- Even if topic is India specific, it is worth to mention world view.
- It is generally written after different dimensions specific to India are over.
- Example: science and technology are panacea for growth and security of nation
- This essay would completely change once you mention world view after the Indian specific dimensions.
- 1 page before conclusion.

8. Conclusion:

- Remember to maintain continuity between previous paragraph and concluding paragraph.
- It should not begin all of a sudden.

- Advisable to end with phrases for an ending punch.

9. Presentation:

- Ensure zero cutting
- No short forms
- Spacing between paragraphs
- Alignment should be proper
- Underline important lines or keywords(max 5 per page)

10. Trick:

- UPSC gives you about 10 topics. You have to answer 2. What about left over topics?
- Use other statements in your essay!!! It will show the examiner that you are aware in such tensed situation and will give your essay the x-factor.

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