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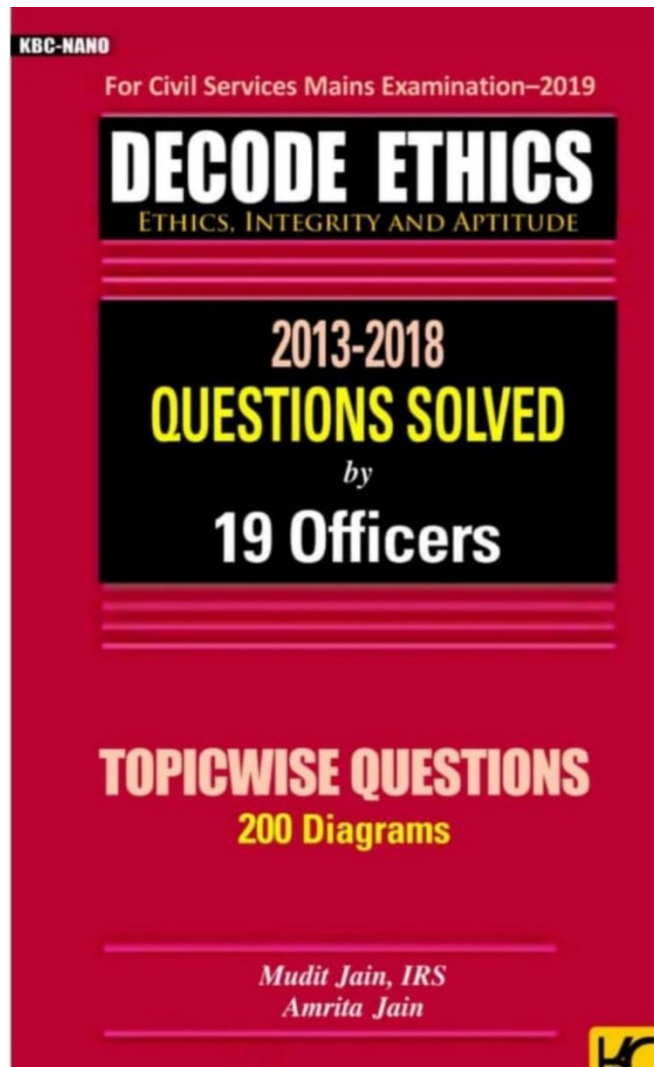
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**Ethics Paper 2019 – References From “Decode Ethics”
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| Q 1. (a) | <p>What are the basic principles of public life? Illustrate any three with suitable examples.</p> <p>Decode Ethics Book Page No: Public life page 76, principles page 81.</p> |
| Q 1. (b) | <p>What do you understand by the term ‘public servant’? Reflect on the expected role of public servant.</p> <p>Decode Ethics Book Page No: Public servant page 294, roles page 82, values from code page 195</p> |
| Q 2. (a) | <p>Effective utilization of public funds is crucial to meet development goals. Critically examine the reasons for under- utilization and mis-utilization of public funds and their implications.</p> <p>Decode Ethics Book Page No: 331-333, sample question 2 page 334</p> |
| Q 2. (b) | <p>“Non-performance of duty by a public servant is a form of corruption”. Do you agree with this view? Justify your answer</p> <p>Decode Ethics Book Page No: PoCA (forbearance) page 335, sample question 2 page 344</p> |
| Q 3. (a) | <p>What is meant by the term ‘constitutional morality’? How does one uphold constitutional morality?</p> <p>Decode Ethics Book Page No: 195</p> |
| Q 3. (b) | <p>What is meant by ‘crisis of conscience’? How does it manifest in the public domain?</p> <p>Decode Ethics Book Page No: 266-268</p> |
| Q 4. (a) | <p>Explain the basic principles of citizens’ charter movement and bring out its importance.</p> <p>Decode Ethics Book Page No: 315-318</p> |

Q 4. (b) There is a view that the official secrets act is an obstacle to the implementation of Rights to Information act. Do you agree with the view? Discuss

Decode Ethics Book Page No: Confidentiality page 182, administrative secrecy page 257, RTI rejections page 300

Q 5. (a) What do you understand by probity in governance? Based on your understanding of the term, suggest measures for ensuring probity in government.

Decode Ethics Book Page No: 291, 292, sample question 2 page 294

Q 5. (b) “Emotional Intelligence is the ability to make your emotions work for you instead of against you.” Do. you agree with this view? Discuss.

Decode Ethics Book Page No: Values-emotion page 96, definition page 200, quotes page 219, 220

Q 6. (a) “An unexamined life is not worth living.” – Socrates

Decode Ethics Book Page No: Socrates ideal life page 222, Kierkegaard life page 239

Q 6 (b) “A man is but the product of his thoughts. What he thinks, he becomes.” – M.K.Gandhi

Decode Ethics Book Page No: 109-111, 125-126, sample question 10 page 242

Q 6. (c) “Where there is righteousness in the heart, there is beauty in the character. When there is beauty in the character, there is harmony in the home. When there is harmony in the home, there is order in the nation. When there is order in the nation, there is peace in the world.” – A.P.J. Abdul Kalam

Decode Ethics Book Page No: Kalam’s quote in reverse page 123

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All 40 questions asked by UPSC between 2013-19 Mains are mentioned here along with theme from which the questions are asked in orange font.

UPSC 2013

1. Discussion the various social problems which originated out of the speedy process of **urbanization** in India. 10 marks
2. Male membership needs to be encouraged in order to make **women's** organization free from gender bias. Comment. 10 marks
3. Critically examine the effects of **globalization** on the aged **population** in India. 10 marks
4. Growing feeling of **regionalism** is an important factor in the generation of demand for a separate state. Discuss. 10 marks

UPSC 2014

5. How does patriarchy impact the position of a middle class working **woman** in India? 10 marks
6. Why do some of the most prosperous regions of India have an adverse sex ratio for **women**? Give your arguments. 10 marks
7. The life cycle of a joint family depends on economic factors rather than social values. Discuss. 10 marks (**Features of Indian Society : Kinship**)
8. Discuss the various economic and socio-cultural forces that are driving increasing feminization of agriculture in India. 10 marks (**Women, Features of Indian Society**)
9. How do the Indian debates on **secularism** differ from the debates in the West? 10 marks

UPSC 2015

10. Describe any four cultural elements of **diversity** in India and rate their relative significance in building a national identity. 12.5 marks (**Features of Indian Society**)
11. Critically examine whether growing **population** is the cause of poverty OR poverty is the mains cause of population increase in India. 12.5 marks
12. How do you explain the statistics that show that the sex ratio in **Tribes** in India is more favourable to **women** than the sex ratio among Scheduled Castes? 12.5 marks (**Population, Women**)
13. Discuss the changes in the trends of **labour migration** within and outside India in the last four decades. 12.5 marks (**Population**)

14. Discuss the positive and negative effects of **globalization** on **women** in India? 12.5 marks
15. Debate the issue whether and how contemporary movements for assertion of Dalit identity work towards annihilation of **caste**. 12.5 marks (**Features of Indian Society**)

UPSC 2016

16. To what extent **globalization** has influenced the core of **cultural diversity** in India? Explain. 12.5 marks (**Globalization, Features of Indian Society**)
17. “An essential condition to eradicate **poverty** is to liberate the poor from the process of deprivation.” Substantiate this statement with suitable examples. 7 + 5.5 = 12.5 marks (**Population**)
18. Why are the **tribals** in India referred to as ‘the Scheduled Tribes’? Indicate the major provisions enshrined in the Constitution of India for their upliftment. 4.5 + 8 = 12.5 marks (**Population**)
19. With a brief background of quality of **urban** life in India, introduce the objectives and strategy of the ‘Smart City Programme.’ 4 + 8.5 = 12.5 marks
20. What is the basis of **regionalism**? Is it that unequal distribution of benefits of development on regional basis eventually promotes regionalism? Substantiate your answer. 3.5 + 9 = 12.5 marks

UPSC 2017

21. In the context of the **diversity** of India, can it be said that the **regions** form cultural units rather than the States? Give reasons with examples for your view point. 10 marks (**Regionalism, Features of Indian Society**)
22. What are the two major legal initiatives by the State since Independence addressing discrimination against Scheduled **Tribes**(STs)? 10 marks (**Population**)
23. The spirit of tolerance and love is not only an interesting **feature of Indian society** from very early times, but it is also playing an important part at the present. Elaborate. 15 marks
24. The **women’s** questions arose in modern India as a part of the 19th century social reform movement. What are the major issues and debates concerning women in that period? 15 marks
25. Distinguish between **religiousness/religiosity** and **communalism** giving one example of how the former has got transformed into the latter in independent India. 15 marks

26. “The growth of cities as I.T. hubs has opened up new avenues of employment, but has also created new problems”. Substantiate this statement with examples 15 marks (**Urbanization**)

UPSC 2018

27. “**Caste** system is assuming new identities and associational forms. Hence, caste system cannot be eradicated in India.” Comment. 10 marks (**Features of Indian Society**)
28. ‘Despite implementation of various programmes for eradication of **poverty** by the government in India, poverty is still existing’. Explain by giving reasons. 10 marks (**Population**)
29. How the Indian concept of **secularism** different from the western model of secularism? Discuss. 10 marks
30. Mention core strategies for the transformation of aspirational districts in India and explain the nature of convergence, collaboration and competition for its success. 15 marks (**Urbanization**)
31. ‘**Women’s** movement in India has not addressed the issues of women of lower social strata.’ Substantiate your view. 15 marks
32. ‘**Globalization** is generally said to promote **cultural homogenization** but due to this cultural specificities appear to be strengthened in the Indian society.’ Elucidate. 15 marks
33. ‘**Communalism** arises either due to power struggle or relative deprivation.’ Argue by giving suitable illustrations. 15 marks

UPSC 2019

34. What makes the **Indian society** unique in sustaining its culture? Discuss. 10 marks (**Features of Indian Society**)
35. “Empowering **women** is the key to control **population** growth.” Discuss. 10 marks
36. What are the challenges to our **cultural practices** in the name of **secularism**? 10 marks
37. How is efficient and affordable **urban mass transport** key to the rapid economic development in India? 15 marks (**Urbanization**)
38. Do we have **cultural pockets** of small India all over the nation? Elaborate with examples. 15 marks (**Regionalism, Features of Indian Society**)
39. What are the continued challenges for **women** in India against time and space? 15 marks

40. Are we losing our **local identity** for the **global identity**? Discuss. 15 marks
(Globalization, Features of Indian Society)

Topic	Number of Questions Asked	Themes
Features of Indian Society	11	Kinship, Diversity, Caste, Tolerance, Link with Globalization
Women	10	Social Reform Movement, Patriarchy, Empowerment, Agriculture, Sex Ratio
Population and Associated Issues	9	Poverty, Tribes, Link with Globalization, Migration, Link with Women
Communalism, Regionalism and Secularism	9	2 + 4 + 3
Globalization	5	Population, Women, Culture, Homogenization
Urbanization	5	Social Issues, Smart City, I.T. Hubs, Aspirational District, Transport