GENERAL STUDIES (M): 2012

MOCK TEST (6)    Test Code: M106

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer must be written in the medium specified in the Admission Certificate issued you, which must be state clearly on the cover of the answer book in the space provided for the purpose. No Marks will be given for the answers written in a medium other than that specific in the Admission Certificate.

Candidate should attempt all questions strictly in accordance with instructions given under each question.

The number of marks carried by each question is indicated at the end of the question.
1. **Answer any two of the following in about 250 words each.**

(a) “In the World Conference on International Telecommunications in Dubai in Dec 2012, the countries will again debate the issues of internet governance.” Discuss the major issues in this context. Also what is India’s view related to internet governance.

(b) "Taking into account China’s lead in ASEAN in comparison to India, there is a need to reenergise and prioritise India’s relation with Latin American and Carrabian (LAC) countries" Critically Examine.

(c) Earlier this year Indian analysts brought out a document ‘Non-alignment 2.0’, a grand strategy for India’s foreign policy in the changing global environment. Critically analyze various major themes in this document.

2. **Answer any one of the following in about 150 words each.**

(a) “After Nepal’s Constituent Assembly (CA) ‘automatically ended,’ owing to a judicial stricture, without delivering a constitution, the country is in a deep political crisis." In context of this statement, discuss the various issues among Nepal’s political parties. Also what role should India play in this crisis?

(b) Do you see any changing perceptions in India’s Neighborhood Relations? Support your answer with suitable examples.

3. **Answer any three of the following in about 150 words each.**

(a) “Self-reliance in defence production is a long-term process and will take place only gradually in India.” Discuss.

(b) Discuss the elements of India's 'Connect Central Asia' Policy.

(c) Compare the performance of SAARC and ASEAN as regional organizations.

(d) “What we are witnessing in relation to Syria is a manifestation of the great game in the Middle East, namely the Shia-Sunni hostility which translates largely into Iran-Saudi Arabia rivalry”. Elaborate.

4. **Answer any three of the following in about 200 words each.**

(a) Recently US has accused India of acting inconsistently with its obligations under the WTO’s SPS Agreement. Explain the context of this statement.
(b) In the backdrop of 3rd strategic dialogue between India and US, bring out the main outcomes of Higher Education Dialogue.

(c) India’s quest for membership of the Nuclear Suppliers Group is at a tricky juncture. Comment.

(d) What is compulsory licensing and what are the various grounds for issuing the compulsory licensing? What changes were introduced in compulsory licensing by 2001 Doha Ministerial Declaration on TRIPS?

5. Answer any four of the following in about 150 words each.
   
(a) Does India appear to be a competitor to China in “gold rush” which is beginning to take hold as Myanmar opens its doors to the world? Critically evaluate.

(b) “Uzbekistan’s decision to suspend its membership from CSTO has created new security risks in the central region”. Comment.

(c) What do you understand by North South Corridor? Bring out its importance for India.

(d) “Strategic relationship” is one of the most frequently used phrases in foreign policy discussions today, but perhaps one of the least understood. Discuss.

(e) Discuss the options for India in post-2014 Afghanistan.

6. Answer any three of the following in about 125 words each.
   
(a) India and FMCT

(b) Outcome of the 1st Indo-US- Japan trilateral talks

(c) What is the relative importance of Sudan and South Sudan to India? How does the conflict there affect India’s interest in the region?


7. Answer any nine of the following in about 50 words each.
   
(a) Afgoye Corridor

(b) Strategic importance of INS ‘Baaz’

(c) The nine-dotted line

(d) ‘New Silk Road’ Project

(e) Tokyo Conference on Afghanistan

(f) GLOC supply Lines

(g) Conflicts in ‘Kivu’ region

(h) The Church of the Nativity
(i) Comprehensive National Power (CNP).
(j) Track 1.5 Diplomacy
(k) Australia Group

8. **Answer any ten of following in about 20 words each.**

   (a) Charles Taylor
   (b) Li Kiqiang
   (c) Fatou Bensoda
   (d) Daniel Hillel
   (e) ICANN
   (f) Falkland Islands
   (g) Salma Dam
   (h) Ansar Dine
   (i) ‘Legal’ Coup in Paraguay
   (j) Global Reserve Currency
   (k) The issue of Roma minority
   (l) Hegemonic Stability

9. **Answer any eight of the following in about 20 words each.**

   (a) Beidou navigation system
   (b) March 23 Movement
   (c) Affordable Care Act
   (d) Barbados Declaration
   (e) Operation Atalanta
   (f) Language Hotspots
   (g) "Every Woman Every Child" initiative
   (h) Kamla Persad-Bissessar
   (i) Martin Schulz