

1. (a) Analyse the factors contributing to India's Current Account Deficit (CAD) and unfavourable Balance of Payments (BoP) and discuss their implications for the Indian economy. 10

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FLT TEST 9 Q1



Q1. "The Current Account Deficit (CAD) remains a persistent concern for India." Examine its causes and suggest policy measures for correction.

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- (b) Explain the concept of sustainable agriculture. What are its key objectives and common practices in India? 10

FLT TEST 9 Q5



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Q5. "Sustainable agriculture is not a choice but a necessity." Analyze in light of MSP policies and organic farming trends in India.

FLT TEST 4 Q13

13. The rise of organic and sustainable farming is essential for long-term agricultural growth. What steps have Andhra Pradesh and India taken in this regard?

- 14.(a) Critically evaluate the role of the Smart Cities Mission in transforming urban infrastructure in India. Mention its objectives, implementation progress, key achievements and the major challenges faced. **10**

FLT TEST 9 Q7

Q7. Discuss the progress of Smart Cities Mission and AMRUT 2.0 in addressing urban infrastructure and governance issues.

2. (a) Discuss the key instruments of Monetary Policy (RBI) and Fiscal Policy in India and evaluate their role in resource mobilisation and inflation management. **10**

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FLT TEST 4 Q4

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4. Monetary and fiscal policies should work in tandem to ensure economic stability. Analyze recent RBI and government policy measures in this regard.

Monetary policy (managed by the **RBI**) and **fiscal policy** (managed by the **government**) play complementary roles in maintaining **economic stability**. Recent measures reflect their coordination:

- (b) Discuss the key recommendations of the Fifteenth Finance Commission of India. How do these recommendations influence government budgeting at the centre and state levels? **10**

FLT TEST4 Q5

5. The 15th Finance Commission recommendations have altered federal fiscal dynamics. Evaluate their impact on state finances.

The **15th Finance Commission (2021-26)** reshaped fiscal federalism by recommending changes in **tax devolution** and **grant allocation**.

12. (a) Critically examine the industrial policy of the Andhra Pradesh government. What are the major initiatives, support measures and bottlenecks to industrial development in the state? **10**

Q9. Assess the state's industrial performance in light of SEZs, industrial corridors (like VCIC), and Make-in-AP initiatives.

The **industrial performance** of Andhra Pradesh (AP) has been closely linked to its strategies involving **Special Economic Zones (SEZs)**, **industrial corridors**, and the **Make-in-AP** initiative. These policies aim to attract investments, create jobs, and boost manufacturing growth in the state.

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SECTIONAL TEST11 Q1

Q1. Evaluate the effectiveness of the Andhra Pradesh Industrial Development Policy 4.0 (2024-29) in attracting investments and promoting industrial growth in the state.

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(b) What are the flaws in the existing Public Private Partnership (PPP) model of infrastructure development? What are the key points to focus on while restructuring the PPP model? **10**

SECTIONAL TEST11 Q8

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Q8. Evaluate the role of Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs) in India's infrastructure development, with examples from recent projects.

4. Improving Service Delivery:

- o **Quality Services:** The 'Drink from TAP Mission' in Maharashtra, implemented through a PPP model, aims to provide safe and clean drinking water to rural areas, enhancing public health and quality of life.

Recent Examples of PPP Projects:

1. Dharavi Redevelopment Project:

- o **Overview:** Aiming to redevelop the Dharavi slum in Mumbai, this project is being executed through a PPP model, with Adani Properties investing ₹5,069 crore.
- o **Progress:** As of April 2024, surveys for rehabilitating residents have commenced, marking significant strides in the project's execution.

2. Puri International Airport Development:

- o **Overview:** A greenfield international airport near Puri, Odisha, is under development through a PPP model, with the Adani Group expressing interest in its construction and operation.
- o **Significance:** This project aims to boost tourism and economic activity in the region, enhancing connectivity to the famous Jagannath Temple.

3. Passenger Train Operations:

- o **Initiative:** The Ministry of Railways has initiated the operation of passenger trains by private players under the PPP model, aiming to modernize train operations and enhance passenger experience.
- o **Impact:** This move is expected to introduce modern trains, improve punctuality, and offer better amenities to passengers.

Challenges in Implementing PPPs:

1. Regulatory and Policy Hurdles:

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- o Complex regulatory frameworks and policy inconsistencies can delay project approvals and implementation.
- 2. Financial Risks:**
- o Ensuring adequate returns on investment amidst economic fluctuations poses challenges for private investors.
- 3. Land Acquisition Issues:**
- o Securing land for large infrastructure projects often encounters resistance from local communities and legal hurdles.
- 4. Quality Assurance:**
- o Maintaining high-quality standards in construction and service delivery requires stringent monitoring and enforcement.

Conclusion: PPPs have significantly contributed to India's infrastructure development by mobilizing private investment, introducing efficiency, and accelerating project execution. However, addressing challenges such as regulatory complexities, financial risks, land acquisition, and quality assurance is crucial for the sustained success of PPPs in India's infrastructure sector.

If one has followed our program diligently, **13 questions could have been directly solved**, considering that several questions were from **Public Debt, Industrial Sector**, and many others were from our **Value-Added Material** and the **Expected Questions PDF**.

