

QEP BPSC MAINS PROGRAM 2024-25

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TEST- 3 (GS PAPER 2)

TEST CODE: 1003

Time Allowed : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 300

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- Kindly indicate your complete and correct details in the answer sheet in **BLOCK LETTERS** (Full Name, Date etc.)
- For rough work, blank pages have been provided at the end of this booklet.

QUESTION PAPER SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

(Please read each of the following instructions carefully before attempting questions)

- Answer **eight** questions, selecting **three** each from section-I and section-II and **two** from section III
- First Question in Section I and II is **Compulsory**.
- The number of marks carried by a question/part is indicated against it.
- Answers must be written in the English medium only.
- Keep the word limit, indicated in the questions, in mind.
- Any page or portion of the page left blank in the Question-cum-Answer Booklet must be clearly struck off.

To be filled by the Candidate (in BLOCK LETTERS)	
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ASSESSMENT PARAMETERS

Parameters for Assessment	Below Average	Average	Good	Very Good	Excellent
Understanding of the Context					
Logical Structuring & Presentation					
Introduction					
Content Relevance & Conceptual Clarity					
Value addition (Examples, Case Studies, Facts, etc.)					
Dimensions					
Conclusion					
Language					
Handwriting					

OVERALL OBSERVATIONS/ COMMENTS / FEEDBACK FOR THE CANDIDATE

Introduction

OVERALL OBSERVATIONS/ COMMENTS / FEEDBACK FOR THE CANDIDATE

▪ Body

▪ Conclusion

Section-I

1. Write short notes on the following:
- (a) Examine the constitutional basis of judicial review and its evolution through key judgments.

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(b)

Evaluate the feasibility and relevance of state funding of elections in the context of growing electoral expenditure in India.

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(c)

Critically examine the role of Indian political parties in upholding secularism

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(d)

Constitution vs Constitutionalism

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(e)

Role of NITI Aayog in promoting Cooperative Federalism.

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2. (a) ☐

Examine how caste-based politics has become a dominant and enduring force in India's political landscape. What are the key factors responsible for its continued persistence? Discuss its impact on voter behaviour, party strategies, electoral outcomes, and governance processes, with a special focus on contemporary political developments in Bihar.

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OR

(b) ☐

Critically examine the Basic Structure Doctrine laid down by the Supreme Court of India. Discuss its impact on constitutional interpretation and the balance of power among the organs of government. Do you think the continuing debate around this doctrine could intensify tensions between the executive and the judiciary? Justify your answer with suitable arguments.

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3. (a) ☐ Discuss the objectives, constitutional framework, structure and functioning of Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) in India. How do they facilitate decentralized governance and grassroots democracy? Critically assess their effectiveness in achieving rural development and local self-governance

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OR

- (b) ☐ “Bihar’s demand for Special Category Status underscores the need for greater attention to regional inequalities in India.” Critically examine the economic and social rationale behind Bihar’s demand. Discuss the implications of such demands for India’s fiscal federalism and equitable development across states.

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Section II

4. Write short note on the following:

- (a) What are the objectives of Bihar Tourism and Market Policy-2024? Evaluate its potential to transform Bihar's tourism sector. 8

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(b)

Critically assess the formation and objectives of the Makhana Board in Bihar.

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(c)

Describe the river system of Bihar and its role in the socio-economic development of the state.

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(d) Examine the impact of migration from Bihar to other Indian states on Bihar's economy.

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Analyse the seasonal variation in the Indian monsoon system.

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5. (a) ☐

Although Bihar holds immense potential for growth, it is still perceived as one of India's most underdeveloped states. Examine the major economic, social, and infrastructural barriers that impede its progress. Also, highlight the current opportunities, policy initiatives, and strategic measures that can accelerate Bihar's development and help it catch up with more developed regions of the country

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OR

(b) ☐

Evaluate the preparedness of Bihar in managing natural disasters. What comprehensive disaster management strategies should be implemented to ensure effective mitigation, response, and long-term resilience in the state?

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6. (a) ☐ Critically analyse the role of MSMEs in industrial growth and the success of Aatmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan. How do they contribute to self-reliance and employment generation, particularly in Bihar? Discuss key challenges and opportunities for their growth in the state.

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OR

- (b) ☐ Examine the major sources of energy in India, both conventional and non-conventional, and assess their capacity to meet the country's growing energy demands. Evaluate the potential of alternative sources like solar, wind, hydro, and nuclear power, considering their feasibility, challenges, and role in ensuring sustainable energy security for the future.

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Section III

7. Write short note on the following:

(a) What is the Bhartiya Antariksh Station? Discuss its objectives and significance for India.

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(b)

Application of Artificial Intelligence in Agriculture

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(c)

What is green hydrogen? Discuss the significance and challenges of using hydrogen as fuel.

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(d) What is Digital Arrest, and how does it pose a threat to cybersecurity in India?

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(e)

Explain in short: India's Nuclear Energy Program.

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8. (a) ☐ How has the misuse of technology contributed to environmental degradation and climate change in India? Discuss with examples the impact of industrialization, unsustainable resource use, and poor waste management on the environment. 36

OR

(b) ☐ Discuss the role of biotechnology in improving human health. Highlight its major applications in healthcare, including diagnosis, treatment, and vaccine development, while also addressing the ethical and regulatory challenges involved 36

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