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Essay 2  $\frac{66}{125}$

# ESSAY

Time Allowed: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 250

## Instructions to Candidate

- Both sections are compulsory.
- Attempt an essay from each section.
- Each essay carries 125 marks.
- Write each essay in about 1000-1200 words.
- After finishing the first essay, attempt the next on a fresh Page.
- Any page left blank in the answer-book must be crossed out clearly.

*(Examiner will pay special attention to the candidate's grasp of his/her material, its relevance to the subject chosen, and to his/ her ability to think constructively and to present his/her ideas concisely, logically and effectively).*

## Remarks

Please see inside.

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**SECTION - A**

- 1. Success is not the key to happiness; happiness is the key to success.
- 2. The starting point for all achievement is desire
- \* Quality is pride of workmanship.
- \* If you know the enemy and know yourself you need not fear the result of a hundred battles.

**SECTION - B**

- \* The illiterate of the future will not be the person who cannot read. It will be the person who does not know how to learn.
- 2. Wealth is the ability (to fully experience life)
- \* Men have become the tools of their tools.
- 4. Since we cannot change reality, let us change the (eyes) which see reality.

**Remarks**

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SECTION - A

2. THE STARTING POINT FOR ALL ACHIEVEMENT IS DESIRE.

Mark Zuckerberg, Steve Jobs, Ratan Tata, Anil Dhirubhai Ambani, Sachin Banned... What do these people have in common? Yes! they are all owners of multi-billion dollar corporations in the world today. Their names are synonymous with success and courage. So, how did they reach such heights in the question that comes to our mind. It all started with the desire to be successful, to be something big, to be extraordinary, to be innovative and refusal to accept anything that is mediocre.

It is the desire and passion that drove them to take the road less travelled, in the words of Robert Frost. Former president A.P.J. Abdul Kalam said we must first have the desire to be something to get that particular thing and the desire of those few have changed the course of history in all facets of life.

Good intro

Remarks

Post independent India had two humongous challenge to be a self-sufficient, democratic, stable nation. India was riddled with problems in every walk of life. be it poverty, education, socio-economic status or even food to feed the mouths. Jawahar Lal Nehru gave a historic speech on Aug 15<sup>th</sup> 1947 - when the whole world shall go to sleep. India shall awake to life and freedom - The desire to be a successful democracy was echoed in this speech. The birth challenge to realize democracy was to ensure political equality. India adopted the universal suffrage - which was dismissed by many political pundits. They just simply questioned the ability of all those underprivileged, disempowered people to express their will. What happened next in all history and we have never looked back.

The desire to be democratic had only made us the largest democracy in the world today.

Remarks

India has a large section of poor people who are unaware of their legal rights. The desire to be the voice of the silent majority has only led to innovative use of public interest litigation. This is used as a vehicle of change to bring the voices of the unheard to the door steps of Judiciary. stay on bauxite mining in Niyamgiri, mandatory use of CNG vehicles in NCR-Delhi region are the manifestations of that desire.

India has a huge diversity in terms of religion, culture, language etc. The desire to accommodate this diversity and establish unity in diversity in the cornerstone of our constitution. The Indian model of secularism today is a shining beacon of light to follow in today's globalized interconnected world.

India is home to a large section of various tribes. The desire to integrate them in to the mainstream society using the tribal genius has ensured the adoption of

Remarks

TRIBAL PANCHSHEEL policy. This in stark contrast to the policy adopted by the Americans towards native Indians and Australians towards aborigines. Today, Tribal panchsheel programme has been hailed as the best tribal programme by the United Nations marking its achievement.

Indian desire to be the leaders in science and technology was well known at the time of independence. The leaders of the nation understood the importance of science and technology in building the necessary development infrastructure. Many universities, R & D labs were created in this regard.

and today we are one of the leaders in space science. The launch of Mangalyaan and its success has cemented us a place in the global science platform.

Desire though a necessary catalyst, must be supported with necessary commitment and actions to make that dream a reality. Success does not come easy. We must work toward it diligently.

Remarks

India today desires to be the workshop of the world. With favourable demographic dividend, huge demand and stable democracy it is indeed well placed to occupy that stage. But however, India does not have the necessary requisite skilled man power.

With the deficiency of estimated 6 million jobs in the developed world to be filled by the developing countries, only 5% of the working population in India are employable in skilled jobs when compared to 50% in China.

Here, mere desire is not enough we must actively engage in imparting skills to our work force. India though has launched many skilling programmes, this must be supplemented with adding more vocational institutes, Apprentices programmes and bridging the industry-academia gap. Only then we can realise our desire to be the manufacturing hub of the world.

you have taken so much time to recall the second most important dimension "efforts" that need to follow

Remarks

desire for achievement.

you needed to discuss more on the issue of "efforts" and show "intensity" and "quality" of desire affects our actions.

"very good  
dimension"

this  
point  
needed more  
elaboration

The desire sometimes faces unnumerable challenges both from within and without. These forces enjoy the status quo and deny change. We must overcome these forces to transform our desires into achievement.

India though adopted universal suffrage and granted women their political right to vote. They are still a silent majority when it comes to the highest decision making platform. Less than 10% of the sitting MPs in the current Lok Sabha are women. Reservation to women in parliament is a long pending bill and a victim of the machinations of the outside forces to ensure status quo. We must resist these forces and work toward realizing our desire to gender justice by effective deliberation, discussion on the matter in the public discourse and effective persuasion.

Only then we can achieve a truly sustainable, inclusive growth. A development model which does not feature women is neither desirable nor possible.

Remarks



Sometimes our desire ~~is~~ falls short of our true potential. Here we limit our success even before we begin. Thus, we must first realize our inner strengths, and aim to reach the echelons of success.

India's billion strong population had a dismal show at the Rio olympics 2016. Ace badminton player P.V. Sindhu was the only glimmer with a silver medal. She lost in the final match against world's best Carolina Marin. Though it is understandable that top needed player got the best of 10th needed P.V. Sindhu, but Sindhu indeed had the chance to clinch gold. Here the difference between the two players were one came looking for a medal, while the other came looking for nothing, but gold.

Thus, we must always gauge our strengths and accept that we are willing and capable of greater things.

Remarks

However, Desire might not always lead to excellence. Here the motive and the purpose of that Desire becomes important. Desire motivated by self-interest, hunger for power, supremacy and elitist attitude almost always cause catastrophe and shake the foundation of humanity.

Hitler, with the Desire to prove his racial supremacy committed a heinous genocide during the second world war. German automaker Volkswagen with the Desire to be the successful company altered their turbocharged diesel Ignition to boost the emission test. These examples proves that it is not just the Desire but the motive and purpose behind that Desire is as important as any bar us to move towards excellency and self-improvement.

To conclude, Desire is thus indeed the first step towards all achievements. It provides us the necessary impetus to be successful.

Remarks

Another good definition in this para. Needed more elaboration.

However, it must be acted up with diligent action. Overcoming fear and challenge. We must constantly work towards making that desire a reality, a success. It is as Rabin德拉 nath Tagore would say, "All that belongs to us, will come to us, if we have the necessary desire to receive it".

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Strength: Good grasp, structured, relevant and overall communication good, good examples

Weakness: Lacking in presenting various 'dimensions' of the title and elaborating them adequately. So

Lacking in inference and analysis that connect with title

— Why and how desire propels to act and endure?

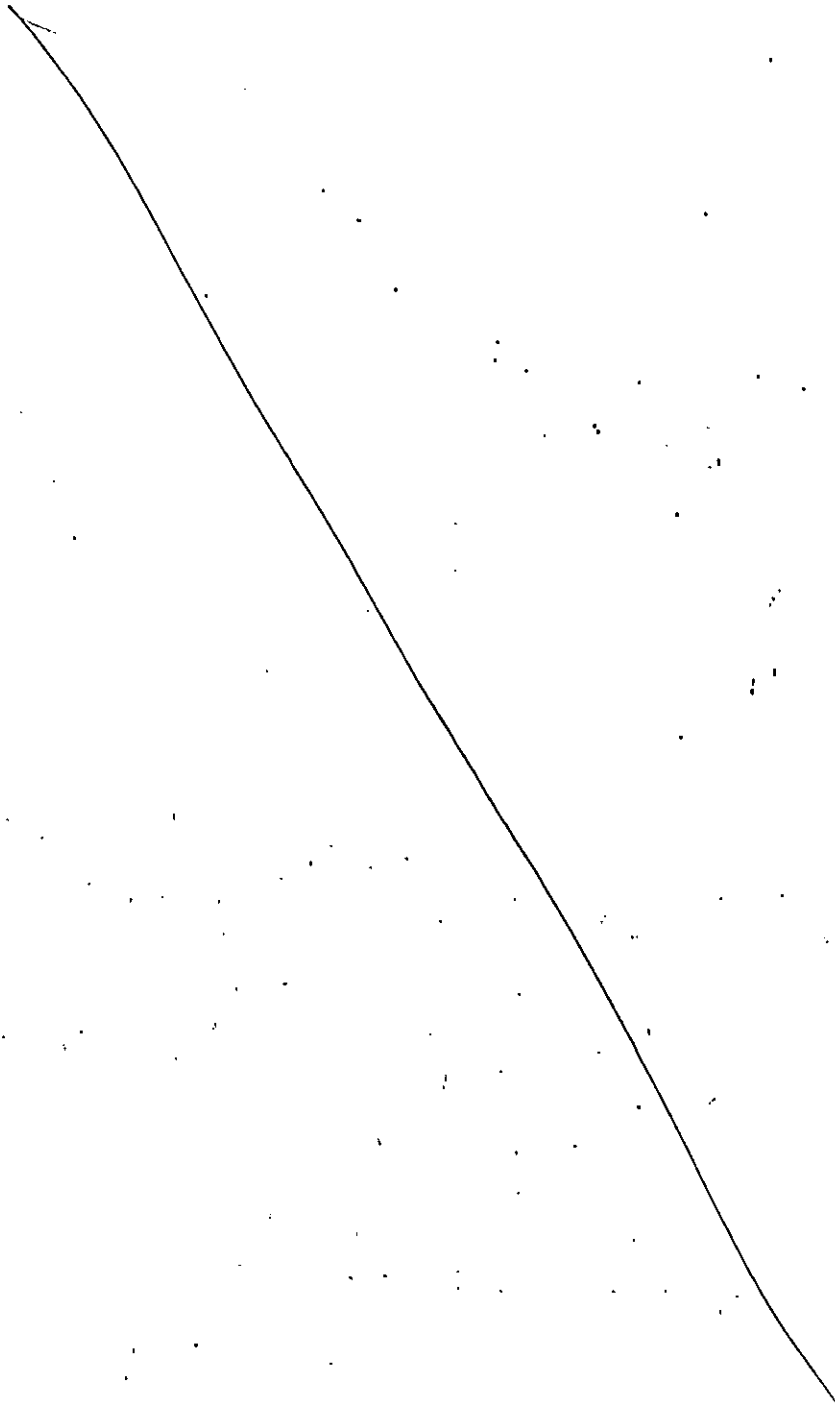
When desire is "realistic", "grounded", and when "skewed", "negative" etc. and its consequences.

Remarks

— What is the role of "efforts" in taking "desire" to real achievements.

— Constraints and how to overcome etc.

Suggestions: Rich content should be supported by analysis and logical elaboration.



*Remarks*

SECTION - B

Q. WEALTH IS THE ABILITY TO FULLY EXPERIENCE LIFE.

Recently, the giants of the Silicon valley including Facebook, Microsoft, Google and many more announced a new incentive to their female employees. The company would provide for all their medical expenses if they choose to postpone their pregnancy plans and preserve their eggs for later. This was done to encourage female participation, ensure productivity and to reverse the trend of female employees quitting their jobs after their marriage and decide to raise their family.

Though a laudable incentive to promote gender justice, here, we must ask ourselves the question, in earning more money and growth on the professional ladder worth postponing, ~~linking~~ <sup>beginning</sup> the motherhood?? Can the money so earned act as a substitute for the foregone motherhood?? even temporarily??

A little elaboration needed in the beginning on "mental" and "spiritual" "physical health" and its connection with "life" may be socially and politically healthy practices

Remarks

In today's modern materialistic world, the concept of success, wealth, happiness have a different meaning. All are synonymous with their bank balance and the position of power that they occupy in their respective institutions. This definition is the driving principle of almost everything we do today; we are indeed prepared to think in this fashion, ever since our birth right from our childhood till on our death bed.

Competition in the order of the day. We must compete to be the best and remain the best, for which our success is measured in that metric. A <sup>young</sup> ~~man~~ ~~boy~~ kid, is made to join the best school in the city, made to carry a truck load of books, bombarded with a lot of information and facts. All this, so that he is better better prepared to face the

Remarks

Challenges that lie ahead of him, to make him successful and wealthy. However the price for this success and wealth is ~~an~~ addition to the exorbitant ~~price~~ that is paid to these schools, his innocence, creativity and purity of thinking. Here again, we must ask ourselves in the wealth we are seeking, worth sacrificing the kid's innocence??

upon completing education and attaining an eye grabbing job opportunity at one of the country's finest institutions, he must marry now, only now the pressure is many fold. Both the husband and wife must work round the clock, to continue their entire youthful years to the service of the institution. They dedicate even few hours a week, have a meal together or have a nice meaningful conversation and share their feelings. Here again we must ask ourselves in the wealth we earn work sacrificing intimacy with our loved ones??

Remarks

Few years go by and they ~~are~~ have a kid of their own. Then again neither of them have time to see their kids walk for the first time nor are calling their parents name for the first time. The kid is left ~~at~~ the care of a baby sitter. Here again we must ask ourselves in the money that we are after work mining these precious moments??

After every paragraph in the beginning of para), a clear related "little force" and argument!

inference with the adds to analysis

And then the same cycle continues with their kid, kids of their kid and so on. This is just the price they have to pay in the personal lives. Then there in the social life.

Festivals are an indispensable part of our culture. They are the moments of joy, happiness and goodness all around. They are meant to be celebrated by getting together with family, friends and well-wishers. This is the essence of festivals - to bring one another closer together.

Remarks



But, who has the time to spare, every one is busy earning happiness in their corner offices of reputed institutions and companies. Here, again we mark our ourselves the question is the wealth we are earning work sacrificing the happiness and goodness with our family and friends.

This indiscriminate pursuit of wealth has altered our religious life as well. The relationship between the god and human being is eternal. Men have always found hope, courage, strength with the gods and performing religious duties. But today, pooja and worship are ordered online, services to the god are brought for a price distancing men from the god.

Men being a social animal has always been in constant flux with the society and environment. This organic link has ensured him of being a part of a whole. The sense of belonging and loving.

Remarks

Today, sadly in our pursuit of our wealth and success we have no time for our society and environment. We must ask ourselves what was the last time we visited an old age home or planted a tree?? even giving back to the community is done by giving a part of the money earned to charities and other NGOs.

Finally we belong to a nation. We wear our nationality as a badge of honour, every one of us wants our nation to be the leaders in every aspect of life. Here again in the pursuit of wealth and success we have absolutely no time for voting, being aware about the political happenings, demanding accountability, taking responsibility in the nation building process. In the wealth we are pursuing worth letting our country slip into the abyss??

Remarks

Thus, the life - extraordinary gift that we have is not just earning more money, occupying highest positions of power but to be innocent when we are kids, creative while learning, intimacy, love and care towards our loved ones, Being a parent, taking care of ~~them~~ kids, nurturing them. Teaching them what is right and wrong, what is important in life, Being with friends and family, celebrating occasions of joy together. Laughing with them, dining with them. Be a part of the community and blindly being a responsible citizen.

Primacy to any one aspect of the life neglecting the hundreds of other facets will only make our lives monotonous, dull and boring. It will lead to alienation, depression, suicides. Forces us to find happiness ~~in~~ success rather than happiness in success.

Remarks

To conclude, Life is an extraordinary gift and must be experienced to the fullest.

✓ There comes a moment of truth, at our death bed. They say just moments before our deaths our entire life comes before us in a flash. We must make sure that, this ~~day~~ of images are worth watching. Sometimes the questions we ask are powerful than the answers we seek, in which we're seeking while sacrificing all the extraordinary gift that this life has to offer??

Excellent conclusion!

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Well done!  
High potential

Strength: Structured, very good grasp, analytical, good communication, relevant arguments and examples!

Weakness: Throwing your "ideas" in different "paras" has failed to make your "inference" apparent. It is a matter of awareness and you can easily do it.

Remarks

Suggestions: Sub-dimensions and inferences should be clearly brought out.



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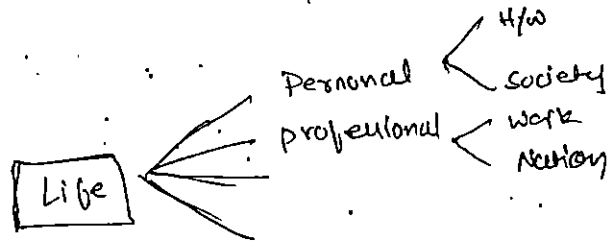
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why?? defn success today??

led to unnecessary competition  
Prepared to succeed  
+ edu, job, earn

How it has affected from disruption of life

kid ← school play  
adult ← marriage ritual

Pooja  
Festival  
Society  
Nation

Consumerism

perception of success

Wealth

Society shows behaviour

alienation  
drugs/alcohol  
suicides

workshop  
technical  
no human

political  
By tool  
capture by  
few

- ✓ Pooja : online order / Involving themselves
- ✓ Festival : movie / party / meeting with family
- ✓ Society : donate to charity / visit old age homes

✓ Nation : vote / won't go  
no political acknowledgment

- ✓ Husband/wife : no talk / chat on skype, msn
- ✓ kids : talking card / baby ritting

come on blank : let's make it worthwhile

- ✓ school friend : no play / home video games
- ✓ Learning, thinking / Information is bed up  
imitating creativity

We must ask a question to ourselves, what  
wealth is indeed worth pursuing??

Remarks

Ancient  
medieval  
modern  
past state  
World  
Common  
region  
Social's  
Capitalism  
Geo  
rural/urban  
Women  
young/old

Exec  
Judi  
Elec  
Pation  
F&S  
F&S  
DPSPs  
Govt  
Health  
Educ  
Sports  
IPR  
Int'l Inst

Name  
Bank  
Int'l tra  
Cap fin  
Taxation  
Agri  
Food proc  
Animal  
IPR  
Know  
Entre/startup  
Director  
Climate Chg  
Security  
Cyber

Morality  
Attitu  
Emot + Inst

Education  
Working  
Int'personal x/m

Desire → Success  
Not easy challenges : Desire gives hope  
Must not stop dreaming.

Into Entrepreneurship

Nation } J.N. Tryt with duty : Desire for an democracy truly sustainable  
→ length & breadth }

Indivdual

Ashoka → desire to ↑ kingdom  
peace non violence

→ Son of revolution

Desire to war  
Unheard

Nepolean → A.E.F

→ PIL } CNG  
Desire

Judiciary → ~~Defender of~~  
Justice to unheard  
voiceless majority

Governance → PFI, PIS, MGNREGA, most impactful welfare scheme

Unfinished :

Tribal rights → Tribal panchsheel marginalised

Leaders in Science → NOM [Space pioneer award]

Women empower Society of equal

Self sustainable villages

Excellence in Sports

[Job creator]

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Entre  
Desire to become something big  
Desire to be something to a  
Realise that something big  
succeed refused to be ordinary.

Desire to

Remarks