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Essay 1

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Essay 2

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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

Excellent effort!

Re- see inside for value addition.

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SECTION - A

1. Health is not valued till sickness comes.
- ~~2. Everything is funny, as long as it is happening to somebody else.~~
3. Where words fail, music speaks.
4. Mistakes are always forgivable, if one has the courage to admit them.

SECTION - B

1. The question isn't who is going to let me; it's who is going to stop me.
2. Achieving life is not the equivalent of avoiding death.
3. The ladder of success is best climbed by stepping on the rungs of opportunity.
4. Never interrupt your enemy when he is making a mistake.

Remarks

1. HEALTH IS NOT VALUED TILL
SICKNESS COMES

It in the monsoon session of the thirty fifth Lok Sabha and it was business as usual. The scenes were pretty familiar. The opposition had equated obstruction to raising their voices and acting as a watch dog of the elected. They were on their way to step into the well to raise slogans against the government. The majority leaders equated democracy with majoritarianism and the speaker was highly partial to their party members. In effect the parliament was dysfunctional.

Fortunately, this is a fictitious event. But we have already been witnessing of the 'event' should there signs today and could very well be a reality if we continue to be loud and clear at the outset.

Undermine the health & morality of the

Remarks

working of the parliament.

This is in fact true, and applicable to all aspects of life. Be it personal, professional, societal, cultural, economical. The health of these aspects are continued to ignored until sickness comes in. And we can reach this situation either by ignoring the health ourselves, denial of the declining health situation, untimely diagnosis, wrong and ineffective medication or any other numerous ways.

Health of an individual or a system is a precious gift and once it is not taken good care of and is harmed, we have to work that much harder to regain the health. Since individual or institution cannot achieve its true potential and fulfil its goals spectacularly having ripple effects which affect other parts of our life too. So it is wise for us to value the health and take good care of it.

Remarks

Ignoring our health is the most important and common cause for us to get sick. We often not value the health body and think it will continue to be in good health irrespective of our actions. We often never exercise, follow a strict balanced diet not mosture healthy habit.

India has 50% of it's population under the age of 30. Most of this new generation Indians are brave enough to break the shackles and make an attempt to reach to the stars. We have increasingly seen a trend among the youth to pursue entrepreneurship. Last year alone 15000 new companies were registered in India. But our country is not very conducive to support this new wave of job creators. These are gaps in finance, industry-academia connect and workforce which will only render us as job seekers and weak economy.

If the new health of enthusiasm, courage and passion is not nurtured, we are definitely heading toward a parasite economy.

Remarks

Sometimes we just deny the deterioration of health and continue on that path until it is too late for us to come back.

Post Industrial revolution, though we have achieved spectacular growth, we are indiscriminately consuming the resources of the earth. Climate change today is a very real threat and we have continued to ignore the magnitude of the existential crisis that we are driving ourselves into. Thus, it is wise for us to wake up and value the health of our planet.

Often, we diagnose the health of our institution wrongly and pursue a course of wrong medication toward the dream of better health. But all it does is to push us back in to the slippery slope of decline.

The sort of extreme high handedness in the judicial appointment has made our judicial system to adopt a radical

Remarks

Adoption the absolute majoritarian way in the Judicial appointments. This has only caused us to make our judiciary one of the most powerful institutions of the world today, with corruption, nepotism, lack of transparency in appointments, stringent removal procedure has only made judiciary all powerful institution with in fundamentally against the doctrine of separation of powers and theory of checks and balances.

Another common case of ignoring the value of the health of our institution is to adopt an an in effective treatment and medication plan for betterment. But though it gives us the perception of betterment on the face of it - the root cause of the problem continue to persist:

Nuclear disarmament today is an omnipresent desire. This is the first step toward a peaceful world. past world war II

Remarks

It was estimated that atleast 100 countries will have nuclear weapon by the turn of century. But the international agreement of Nuclear non-proliferation treaty, Comptat test ban treaty... etc have ensured that only 8 countries today are nuclear weapon countries. But the medication is ineffective without having a plan to voluntary disarmament of these nuclear weapon countries, the idea of nuclear free world is only a distant dream.

Once the medication is administered to improve the health of an individual or a system, it must be followed up with regular check ups to ensure the efficacy of treatment and toward some correction or else, we would think that solution adopted is all powerful silver bullet and only to check later to find ourselves in the same position.

The paradigm of governance today is in disarray and the divorce of authority and accountability has only left the common man helpless.

Remarks

Citizen's charter in this regard is a powerful mechanism to bridge the information asymmetry and demand accountability. But citizen's charter today, robbed from periodic updates, service evaluation and integration of the recommendation. Such lax ~~attitude~~ ~~attitude~~ attitude will only render even the effective solution ineffective.

Finally, the wrong perception of health, in itself a big reason in the case of deterioration of health of the system.

Owing to various religions and cultural beliefs, today women are living at the second citizens of this country. Honour killings in the name of culture, quitting job post marriage or child in the guise of accepted norms, lack of freedom to pursue their dreams and aspirations due to the inherent patriarchy has only denied ourselves the strengths of the other half of our population.

Remarks

Thus, we must wake up before it renders us completely dysfunctional and never take it as granted we must actively engage in building immunity, seeking timely interventions, and having a strong insurance policy to take care of our future.

Our parliament must be made more representational than motion, speaker must ~~be~~ actively arrest his role to ensure the health, morality of the working of parliament. A session must be conducted mandatory for 30 obstruction free days to make it functional. Electoral reforms must be brought in to strengthen democracy and reverse the trend of popular ~~criticism~~ cynicism. This act as a dose of strong antibiotic to build strong immunity.

We must invest in our future generation. Critical investment in health, education, sanitation, hygiene, clean drinking water, imparting skill, vocational

Remarks

corner, reducing industry academic gap, encourage entrepreneurship, actively seeking gender justice will create a strong, vibrant human capital and act as an insurance policy which could take care of any problem that might arise later.

To conclude, Health is a rare gift and must be cautiously looked after. It must not be taken for granted nor seek ineffective solutions to improve the health of the system. It is as

Swami Vivekananda would say: "To protect is our duty today, to insure in the divine whisper of tomorrow"

Excellent!

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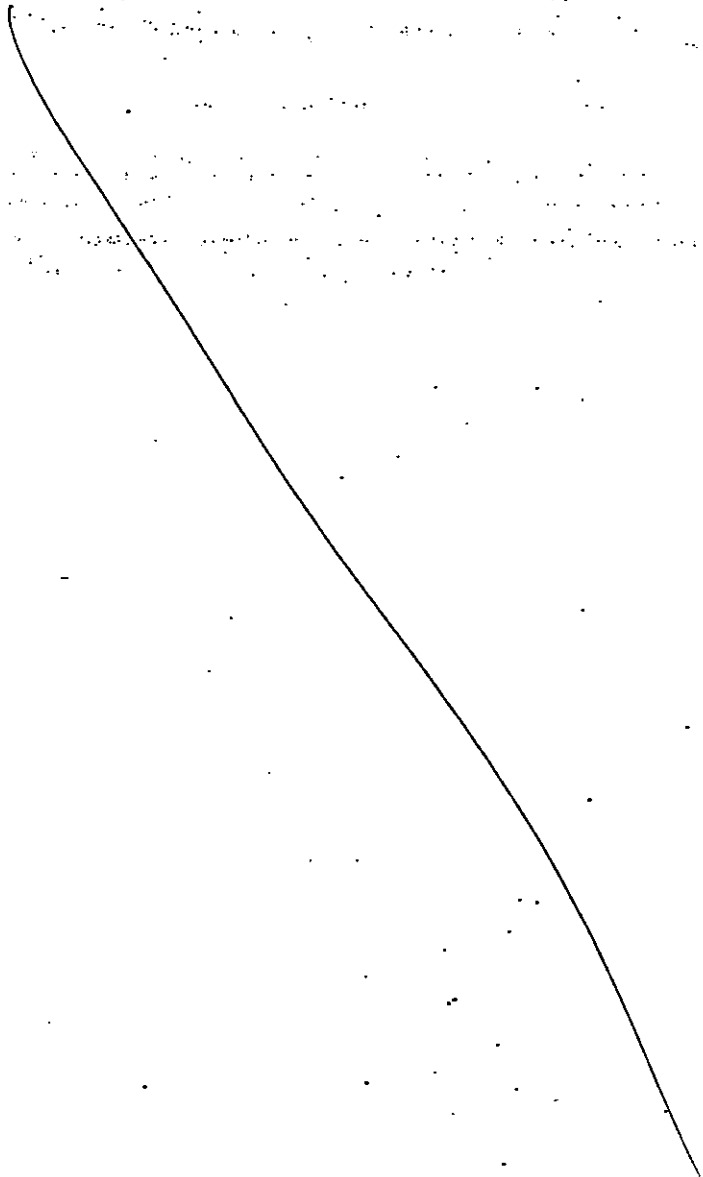
— Intro should bring out the "central theme" and its dimensions clearly and briefly.

— Conclusion should wrap up.

your write up is analytical, relevant and

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marked by good communication especially, your description is very good.



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3. THE LADDER OF SUCCESS, IS BEST CLIMBED BY STEPPING ON THE RUNGS OF OPPORTUNITY.

It was a hot afternoon in the streets of Kolkata. The results of matriculation exams were announced. A story eyed girl ran to her college to check her results. She had indeed stood first in her entire college. She came home running, excited to share it with her parents. But to her surprise was greeted with a marriage proposal with rich local business man.

She was determined to become more than wife of a rich businessman. At that time her teacher via his friend had advised her to take up course in Bio-engineering from university of Texas. She sold all her jewellery and grabbed the opportunity with both hands.

Today, she is the owner of a multi-million dollar cosmetic industry. She is none other than Chanda Zaveri.

Remarks

This story is a living example of a "rondway" success who grabbed the opportunity that came her way.

Opportunity comes in many different ways. We must be smart enough to recognise it. Have the courage to take the plunge and make the best out of a difficult situation.

Opportunities more often than not, come in guise of challenge. Challenges and hardships are an indispensable part of our lives. But these challenges also provide us the opportunity, the opportunity to break the status quo and to bring in a change.

France after the reign of King Louis XV, went in to the hands of Jacobians. It was a Reign of terror.

Remarks:

Their leader Robespier adopted cruel methods like guillotine, justice without trial, violent measures to quench any opposing views and feudal powers. This dark moment in history provide an opportunity for Napoleon to stabilise the nation and bring peace back to France.

He was approached by the political class after he demonstrated his military prowess and he grabbed it with both hands, got rid of Jacobians, brought economic reforms and France returned back to it's glorious self, albeit briefly.

Excellent!

Sometimes opportunities are made. As Mark Twain said, a successful man makes his own destiny. We must actively put ourselves in a situation and conjure an opportunity out of nowhere. It takes great skill and vision to make an opportunity for ourselves.

Remarks

America was witnessing the bloodiest war ~~best~~ in the history of the country. More than 2000 battles were fought as part of American Civil War. This was in reaction to the demand by the industrial northern states to abolish slavery and grant equal rights against the more feudal southern states which preferred states quo.

Abraham Lincoln, a greatest visionary of that time, though a strong supporter of anti-slavery principle. Took this ~~aspect~~ difficult situation and conjured up an opportunity to make America the greatest capitalist economy known today.

Post civil war, the southern states were reconstructed, roads were built, financial institutions were strengthened. Public services and utilities were set up. He removed any obstacles that were present for America to become the greatest power in the contemporary world.

Remarks

opportunities sometimes do come our way by themselves. We must be smart enough to recognise them and grab them. However, taking an opportunity itself is not sufficient, we must actively work toward it. Hardwork, determination, diligence, persistence and perseverance can only make the most out of this opportunity.

After a dismal exit in the world cup 2007 in the first round itself, Indian cricket was in disarray. A fresh wave of energy was the need of the hour. Mahendra Singh Dhoni, was given the opportunity to lead the national team in the world cup 2009. Dhoni took this opportunity and with his sheer leadership, hardwork, determination has led India to glory and has won the inaugural world T20 tournament.

It is an ~~other~~ important attribute to ensure that the opportunity thrown

Remarks

at all in need to the bullent. Here we must use the best course of action to lead ourselves toward success. There is no room for high handedness, personal ego, self interest or pride.

Nelson Mandela, after being at the receiving end of the apartheid oppression by the whites, was released from prison 27 years later. He had the opportunity to define the future of the country.

Instead of taking revenge against the oppression, he forgave the whites and adopted a peaceful reconciliation process. His wisdom has ensured that South Africa today does not suffer the fate of other African neighbouring countries.

That, opportunity is indeed the first step toward our destiny. But destiny to where? Success to whose? It is also as important as the opportunity itself.

Remarks

The battle of Plassey, ~~1757~~ 1757 marks an epoch in the Indian history. The forces of Siraj-ud-daula was against the forces of East-India Company led by Robert Clive.

The East-India Company offered Mir Jafar, the commander in chief of Siraj-ud-daula's army to help them and he would be made the nawab post the defeat of his king. Mir Jafar took this opportunity and helped the English forces later to become the nawab himself. But it started the ball rolling for the British dominance in India and we had to fight for next 200 years for independence.

opportunity though must be grabbed,

Excellent!
 However we must not be opportunistic. Being opportunistic only never self-interest and seek by will lead to a moral decline in the expanding society.
 the perspectives!

Remarks

Nepal recently, met with a severe earthquake killing thousands of people. India was first to help them. But the Indian media took this ~~opportunity~~ as a PR advertisement opportunity for Indian goodwill and promoted nationalism by following unethical practices to promote self-interest. This has only caused a lot of anger among the Nepalis and affected our international relations with them.

To conclude, opportunity is indeed the necessary spark to ignite the fire, but it must be supported with hard work, diligence, vision and wisdom. The destiny that this opportunity would lead to is as important as grabbing the opportunity itself. Hence we must grab the opportunity but not be opportunistic.

Excellent!
Keep your natural flare!

Remarks

Can add value by "playing" with "hidden" elements
in the title — take care of "intro" and "conclusion"

— "stepping" "rungs" of opportunity — you are as good
at descriptions

Go a
little
deeper

→ "Rungs" — From possible to seemingly impossible
journey

From "base camps" to ^{the} ~~about~~ [#] Everest!

What does it imply with "stepping"

- Gradual effort
- Patience, perseverance
- consistency

avoiding unnecessary "hurry", "short cuts" —
waiting and striking when "right moments"
come —
extended meaning and dimensions
may be explored with balance
and connect!

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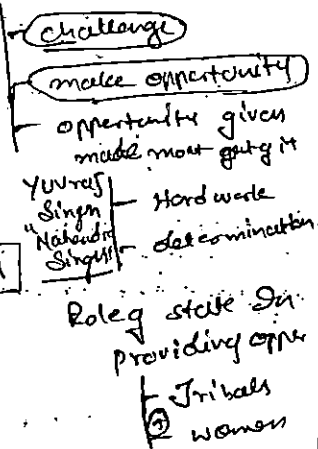
Remarks

Ladder of success : runway of opportunity

Chandra Kocher :

- ✓ American Civil War
- ✓ Napoleon : Robespier

Challenges at opportunities



It was a hot afternoon in Kolkata, the result of SSC came : an eyed girl went to her school to check her scores. She had passed in first rank. Excited but was greeted with proposal to marriage. But was greeted with proposal to marriage. Strong desire to become something have her own identity other than wife of a rich businessman. Her professor was obsessed through with passion in USA. Obsessed not least to pursue Bio engineering in university of Buffalo, Texas. She too

✓ Mir Jafar

✓ Medica (Opportunistic)

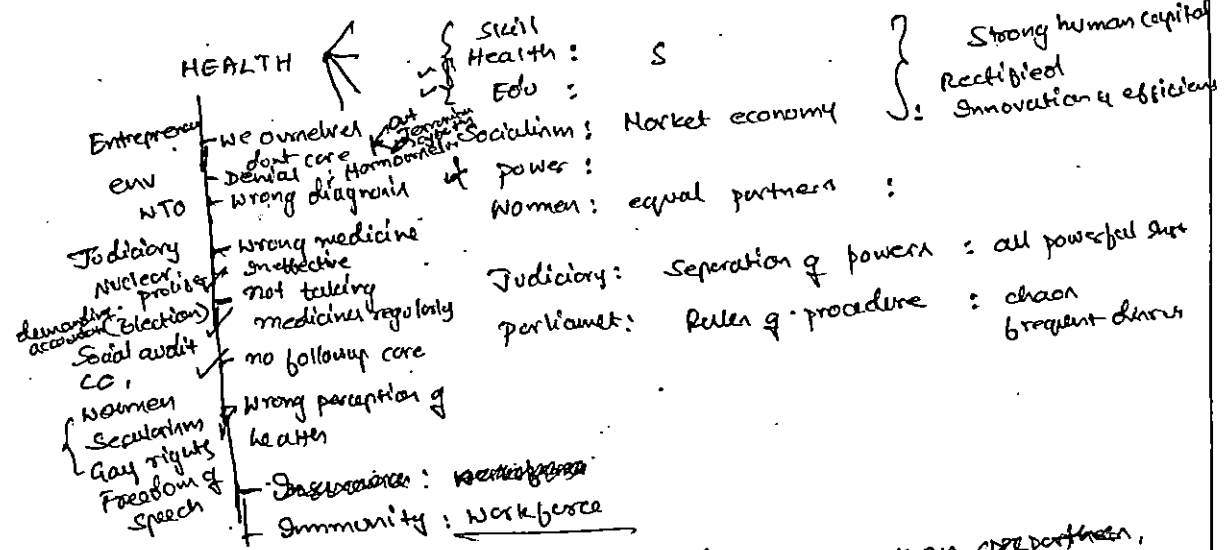
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Modern
Post-Independent
Rural/urban
young/old
men/women
Casteism
Communism
Greed

Qs2
F.R.
FDs
DPSPs
Parliament
Judiciary
Election
Governance
IPs
World Bank

Qs3
Budding
Capitalism
Terrorism
Budgeting
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Agri
Food processing
Envt. CC
K. E, Entre
IPR
Security
Normalism
Cyber
Terrorism

Qs4
Morality



Robust front and Harvey Pearson ~~are partners~~
 bounding owners of billion & corp: Role models
 Family & friend
 Time a tide not wait: Health also can reach: Will push us into the state of decline
 Question: Can we become aware of real problems about health?
 Parliament: In Non-union version of both Lok Sabha, The members were familiar & not disinterested from the recent trend.
 The speaker was partner not enough time to opposition
 Leader equated democracy to authoritarianism
 Opposition equated disruption to voicing their opinion
 It was getting down to two wells
 In totality: In functional... Health & morality
 Working & parliament was lost. We have already witnessed this
 Fortunately, it's not a reality. But it could be a reality one day
 trend recent it could be a reality one day
 if we keep health generation & functioning of
 This is true to all walks of life be it person

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