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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).

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Excellent!  
 Keep your natural flare!  
 Think about creating more "effect" in "intro" and "conclusion". No keys to tell you "how" except

Already you have what "more" is possible

- (A) Better placement of ideas which are "special"
- (B) Better placement of quotes
- (C) Effective communication

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**SECTION - A**

1. The new global order: A trade-off between industrialization and environment?
2. The Presidential election in the USA is the most global elections of all.
3. Water diplomacy in the era of globalization.
4. Military Nationalism is the strongest form of nationalism, but it has its own flip side.

**SECTION - B**

1. The best of mankind is a farmer; the best food is fruit.
2. Knowledge is the most democratic source of power.
3. Human has changed from being predator to prey, however, the instincts haven't changed much.
4. Everyone should stay in school until the age of eighteen.

**Remarks**

"Water diplomacy in the era of globalisation"

"What oil was for 20<sup>th</sup> century,  
Water is for 21<sup>st</sup> century"

good  
quote!  
Relevant!

N. K. Narayan  
(Former Indian diplomat)

21<sup>st</sup> century is the era of globalisation with world more inter-connected and interdependent on each other through the mandates of WTO's (World Trade Organisation) free trade policy. There is increased exchange of economic goods, capital, human resource, culture, way of life etc among the countries. In this era of globalisation water based diplomacy is playing a crucial role. Water is necessary for irrigation and related agricultural production; water play a crucial role in manufacturing and

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associated processing; water provides sources of economy and routes of transportation or exchange; water security is related to nutritional and human health security; water is basis of frontier demarcation and associated national security. Owing to the importance of water in determining global trade and security, it has caused conflicts and associated disruption of global order. The shining era of globalisation seems to break if international cooperation and collaboration don't find a place in water diplomacy. Since "Blood and water both can't flow together", it's the latter which must be diplomatically allowed to flow unhindered to serve the interest of all stakeholders.

v. good effort to decipher the possibility of "water as a tool" of diplomacy

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India and Pakistan being an agrarian economy, their fate is much decided by the flow of rivers like Indus, Ganga, Brahmaputra, Yamuna etc. Considering India, Agriculture contribute 17% to India's GDP and near absorbs nearly 60% of India's unskilled and illiterate population. Thus, creating sanctions in flow of water has been recently used to cripple the economy of a country. Recent canary River water dispute has impacted both the economy of both Tamil Nadu and Karnataka leading to declining agricultural productivity, reduced export to world market, reducing farm income and associated farmer suicide. Recently as a tactic to punish Pakistan terror attack in Uri diverting the "Indus river water" in Jammu and Kashmir has been sought to be an option. It will economically cripple the Sindh and Punjab (Pakistan) provinces which depend on river water irrigation. Loss on domestic economic front leads to higher

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trade deficit, increase foreign borrowing in more globalised world which ultimately amount to loss of sovereignty in foreign policy.

Water has been one of the cheapest route for transportation and geopoliticians emphasise this by highlighting —

"Those who control the South China Sea controls the sea trade; those who control the sea trade controls the global economy."

South China sea is presently the bone of contention in global power shift. On one hand where China making historical claims on South China sea which is associated with nearly 40% of global trade in Indo-pacific ocean. While on other hand USA is promoting "pivot to Asia" to safeguard "South China Sea" from monopolistic dominance. Water has been a natural territorial frontier and ~~demarcate~~ owning the water resource

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is associated with ownership of resources such as marine resource, polymetallic nodules, sea bed resources etc. Apart from this water support coastal trade. Owing to these economic importance which significantly contribute in global trade, water has been a diplomatic tool in multilateral, bilateral and regional cooperation. It is the water which connects Indian ocean rim countries; it was the "warm water policy" that led Russia to interfere Afghanistan, ~~and~~ Ukraine, Crimea and central Asia; it is the water-accessibility which is looking new global grouping like CPEC (China-pakistan Economic corridor).

India-outreach to central-asia or to its North-East is much dependent on the ~~Chabbat~~ port in Iran or Sittwe port in Myanmar.

Water diplomacy is therefore, leading to new global grouping.

good point

and relevant!

Globalisation has made the world a flat landscape, and Friedman says if 3rd world <sup>War</sup> will be fought the tool would be economic exchanges on this battlefield.

Excellent examples

It is evident from the recent economic agreements and treaties which connect nations along oceans. The Trans-Pacific partnership and Trans-Atlantic Trade and Investment agreement both under control of USA partnered with countries along Pacific ocean and Atlantic ocean seems to be new alliance on one hand which contribute 60% share in global trade while CPEC (China-pakistan economic corridor), RCEP (Regional Comprehensive Economic ~~Cooperation~~ Partnership) and OBOR (One Belt one Road) with China at central place seems to be the 2nd superpower. The world war <sup>seems</sup> ~~is~~ about to start and will cause devastation to economies of least developed, developing

A separate mention of "maritime Silk route" may add punch.

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or emerging economies. It is the water diplomacy a tactful policy that can manage the inevitable upcoming crisis. It is this diplomatic failure that is witnessing the increased preparation for this war through naval exercises such as Malabar exercise between USA - Japan - India; China - Russia South China sea exercise, Australia - Indian naval exercise. <sup>is it desirable to use water bombs (Big dams in the upper zone countries) against riparian states?</sup>

can also highlight the positives of water diplomacy, water being the prospect for 3rd world war and its necessity for global trade and maintaining global order there is a need to make water as tool of diplomacy. It is not a surprise that during the heightened tension <sup>(i) Mekong sub region (ii) Mekong - Ganga (iii) Indo-Bangladesh (iv) Indo-Nepal (v) India - Bhutan</sup> of cold-war period, UNCLDS, the United Nation Convention for Law of the Seas, has been the most successful diplomatic solution to increase cooperation among nations in 2<sup>nd</sup> half of 20<sup>th</sup> century. <sup>Re-defining relation between "upper" and riparian states</sup>

The "International seabed Authority" has defined the prospects of resource extraction and

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equitable distribution among littoral nations which has been a reason for greater integration among nations promoting maritime trade.

"Laws of the sea" has promoted the notion of "Freedom of navigation" for the free-flow of maritime trade serving the interest of all.

Some words on water conservation - National & International efforts for provision of potable water, irrigation and industrial uses.

Water is necessary to support economy and human survival. Given the increasing pressure on water resource and declining sources of freshwater, water can be an important tool for cooperation and dialogue between nations.

Israel has recently contributed technology for cleaning water to India. Such initiatives need to be promoted. Water can create

cultural link between nations such as India's "Project Mausam" to link countries along

Indian ocean. Water having huge implications on security of nation needs to properly

managed and its resources be shared

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Some reference to piracy and collective efforts to contain.

To save water system

with equity and justice. Given the limited landmass and increasing population pressure water and water resources seems the next commodity to promote global trade. The need of hour is, promotion of free maritime trade. The rising concern of sea level rise and submergence of Island nation further intensify the importance of water diplomacy for the "migrating island nation's population settlement and mainstreaming in new socio-cultural and economic system. Thus, new globalisation seems to be constructed on the pillars of water diplomacy."

excellent grasp and presentation.

Keep your natural flare!

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No specific weakness because your effort is "encompassing" and "comprehensive".

Some additions mentioned in the margins can add value.

"Punch" may be generated by

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relevant "ideas" and "voices" of people and institutions that matter

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Knowledge is the most democratic source of power.

" Learning gives thinking

Thinking gives knowledge

Knowledge makes us great"

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- A.P.J. Abdul Kalam

Knowledge means the accumulation of information that builds up due to interaction with the external world's events, incidents or elements.

Knowledge based on rationality, distributive justice, welfareist approaches has positively led to human evolution and creating

new world orders. Knowledge gives the ideas which act as a powerful tool.

to challenge the impediments of human evolution. Knowledge is the most democratic

source of power since it is accessible

to all who are willing to accumulate it

V. good grasp and presentation shown at intro level!

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And  
So it is  
the most  
democratic  
state  
this is!

Knowledge is not discriminatory to caste, creed, race or religion. However, monopolisation of knowledge source or manipulation of knowledge in itself creates a false sense of accomplishment which if misguided leads to radicalisation and breaking of social order. It becomes a power which destruct itself like "Bhasmasur" in old mythological stories.

Knowledge of something opens up new opportunities. It's a key to wisdom. It is the knowledge quest of accumulating knowledge about the cause of sorrow and suffering that gave Gautam Budha the "enlightening power" of truth and solution to world suffering. This knowledge has been "democratic source" since Budha belonged to kshatriya clan who and not brahmanical entity who claimed to monopolise the knowledge sources.

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It is the sources of knowledge such as books like Mahabharat, Ramayana or language like "sanskrit", which ~~can~~ restrict accessibility to knowledge treasure. But it is the willingness, determination and unending quest to find wisdom that leads to the knowledge through different routes. Mahavir got "nirvan" and ~~propagete~~ propagated his knowledge in prakrit, Budha preached in pali, the language of common man. therefore, knowledge is a "democratic source" which is accessible in equitable and justifiable ways.

Knowledge is not at the mercy of powerful. even a "tea-seller" can accumulate knowledge and become the most-powerful leader of country dictating the world order.

Being equally accessible to all, knowledge about software has made Bill Gates a collage drop-out to a billionar, ~~it has~~ ma. knowledge about American government and political participation has - made erstwhile racially

good arguments and examples to show knowledge as a democratic source of power!

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discriminated black population Barack Obama (First Black president of America), knowledge about cricket has made @ M.S. Dhoni from a ticket collector to world's number one cricketer.

Knowledge is a wisdom which leads to innovation. Its Grandhiji used to say - knowledge is power. because it is the availability of knowledge which gives the technique to utilise the resources of nature. Those who have knowledge are ahead in creating new discoveries. European based on the knowledge of seas colonised the whole world. The renaissance and its consequential sci. national scientific revolution created industrial revolution, new machines, weapons, and tools and techniques which made human being powerful enough to survive the wilderness, manipulate environment at its mercy, explore the universe and even modify the living creature.

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Shows good skill to "connect" examples with the main premises

It is good to expand the content without losing connect!



Those who lacked the instinct to gain knowledge became beast of burden, disempowered, haunted by the vagaries of nature and even extinction such as dinosaur species. This is the lack of knowledge about technologies to deal drought, food production and resource management that is creating disparities and incapacitating living organism.

*mention some low fruits*  
~~However~~, It is the power based on knowledge is that has long sustenance and self-reliant. *A little discussion on "basics" low knowledge helps the poor and weak, the marginalised and exploited*  
 power acquired through knowledge is unquestionable. *(a) Awareness*  
 This is why America being a superpower and *(b) Skill*  
 China being the next emerging super economy. *(c) Productivity & efficiency*  
 provided a roadways, an inspiration of growth and success that can be replicated and followed by all. It is this democratic nature *(d) self reliance and self confidence*  
 of ~~process~~ knowledge of struggle, skillful planning and better cooperation that creates a respect for power. Power if accumulated through *(e) Helps in making choiced and rational decisions*  
 undemocratic means is rarely appreciated and tends to be misused. undemocratic sources of power such as succession,

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decisions

favourable opportune conditions tends to undermine the process of power gain and the responsibilities associated with it. a power thus accumulated corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely. The

dictatorship in North Korea, Nazism in Hitler's Germany or Fascism in Mussolini's Italy were the power which were ~~disregard of~~ unconcerned with the knowledge of social-economic policies leading to world-prosperity. Such a greedy power led to collapse of world order, in world war I and world war - 2.

The manipulation of knowledge and dissemination through ~~pot~~ powerful sources has led to increased radicalisation, rise of communalism, casteism, breaking of social order and disruption of social fabric. Knowledge is a democratic source to become powerful. Thus, world across people are engaged in creating weapons of mass destruction. Those who have become powerful are

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~~restrictor making it undemocratically to access~~  
 undemocratically restricting others to become  
 powerful. The neo-colonialism, Intellectual  
 property rights, patents, copyrights, resource  
 monopolisation etc. are the new ways  
 to which are undemocratic since discriminatory  
 to accessibility of knowledge, idea and  
 power. The persistent poverty, malnutrition,  
 rich-poor divide where world's top 50 richest  
 person controlling 50% of global wealth are  
 the manifestation of misuse of power  
 which is based on undemocratic sources of  
 power accumulation.

Excellent  
 critique  
 of the  
 thesis!

World is an ecosystem where each  
 organism is interdependent and interrelated  
 for their own survival. Given the fact  
 that knowledge is always guided to having  
 guiding tendencies regarding welfare of  
 society, equity, justice and moral and

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ethical responsibilities, there should be greater sharing of knowledge to empower the society to make them dynamic, increase their productivity and making the ecosystem more vibrant and resilient to survival challenges. Power, which is a source of discrimination between those who have and those who haven't should be utilised to empower the incapables and dependables. Power is respected if it can serve the society, bring prosperity to those who are powerless and provides opportunities for all to acquire it. Knowledge being the most democratic tool to provide power shall be made easy, easily accessible and affordable to all. ~~The~~ ~~then~~

Right to Education under Article 21A of constitution is the necessary step making it fundamentally inalienable right of each individual to gain basic knowledge.

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of acquiring higher knowledge. The schemes like Skill India, Make in India, Start up - India and Stand up India are based on dissemination of knowledge and if successful can lead India to achieve its dream of becoming a super power, a model to be replicated by other emerging economies.

Thus, knowledge is indeed the most democratic source of power.

Excellent!

Conclusion ends with "good" summing up of the arguments and analysis. But that "final effect" is still less than desirable.

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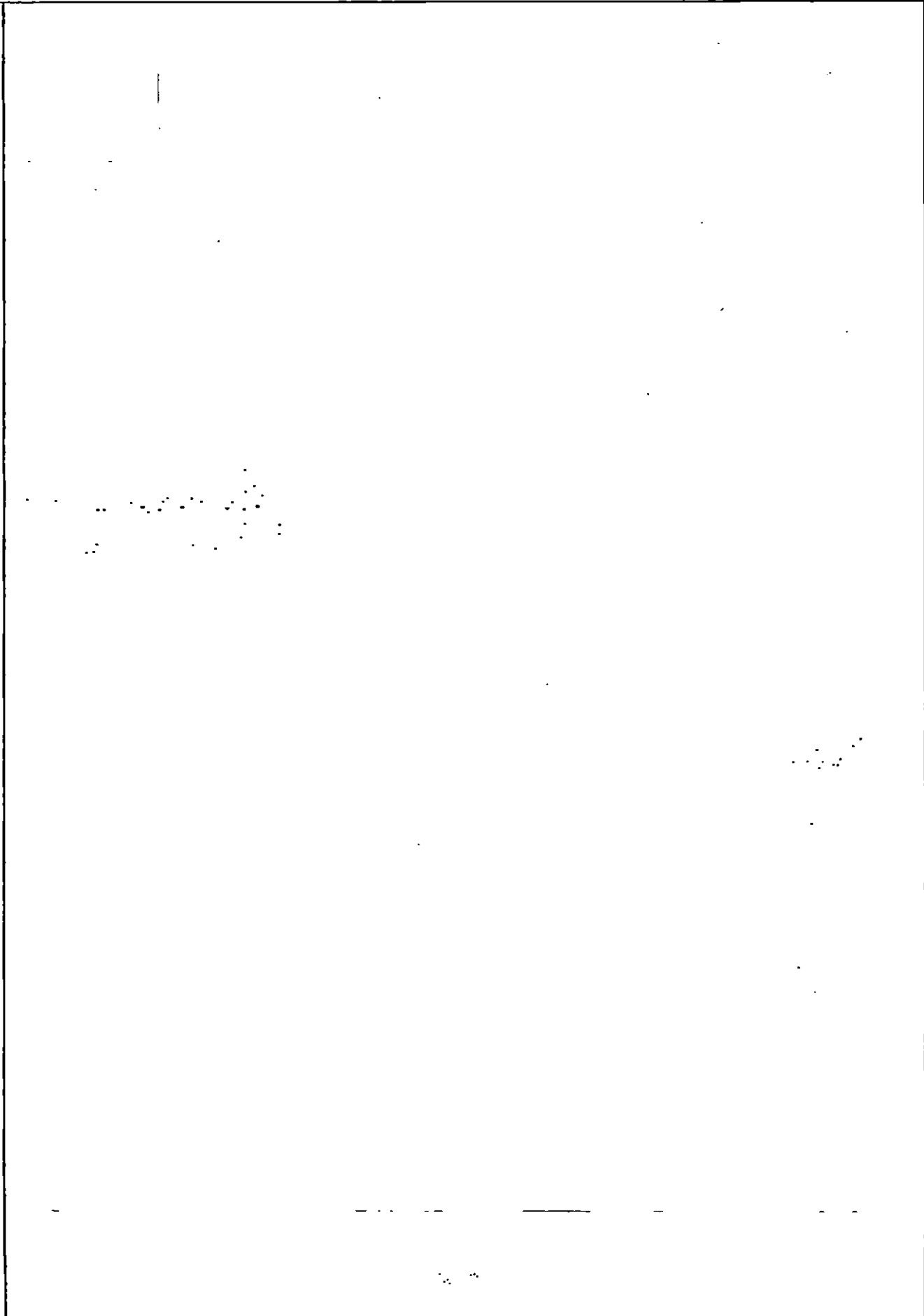
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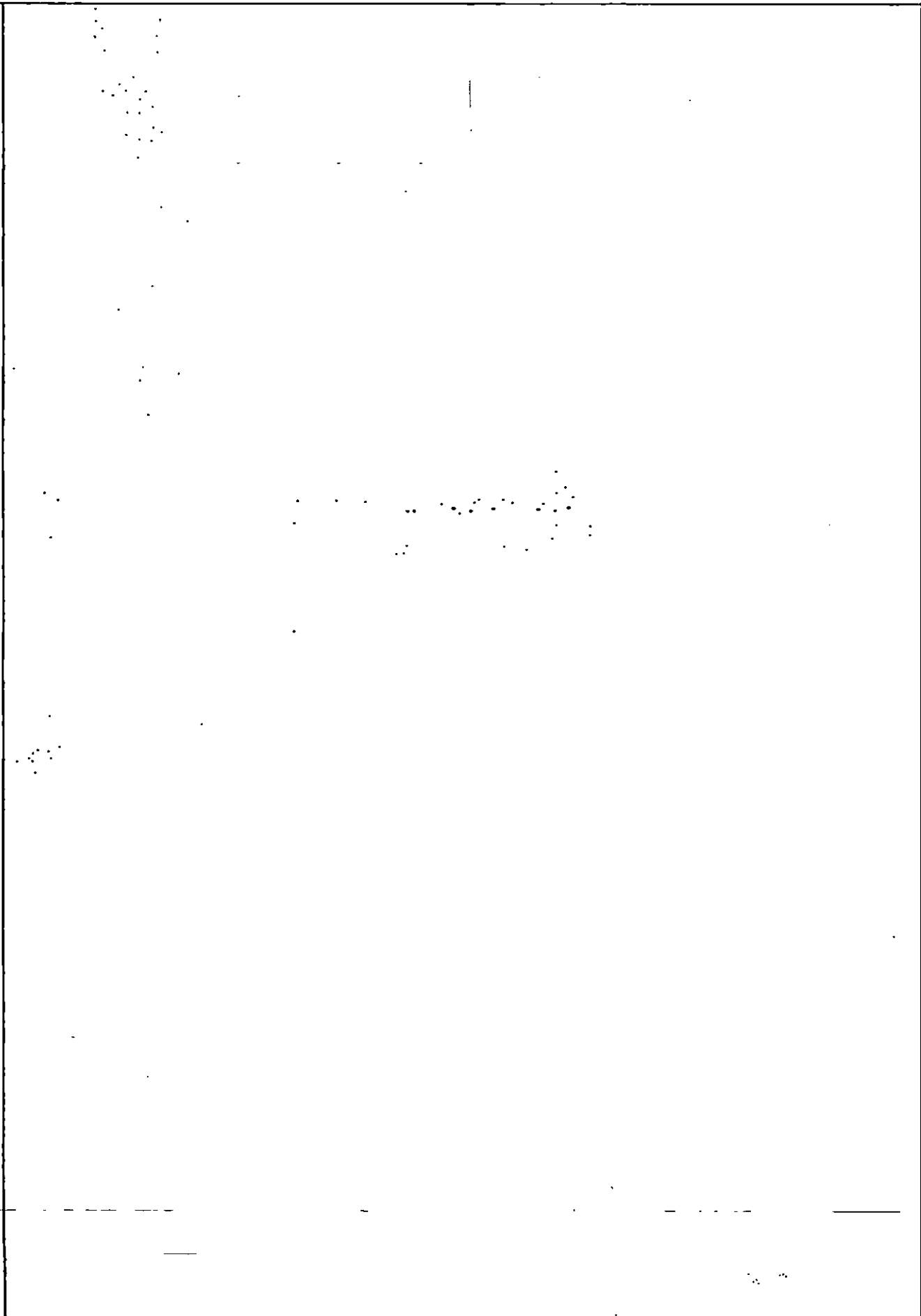




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