

ESSAY

Time Allowed: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 250

Instructions to Candidate

- Both sections are compulsory.
- Attempt one 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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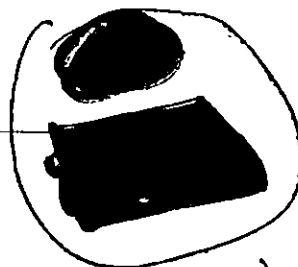
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Essay 1



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High potential!

Essay 2



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Please see carefully remarks inside for value addition!

SECTION - A

1. To be successful in Men's world, a woman must be more man than men.
2. Laws are spider webs through which the big flies pass and the little ones get caught.
3. True equality means holding everyone accountable in the same way, regardless of race, gender, faith, ethnicity - or political ideology.
4. Wise men speak because they have something to say; Fools because they have to say something.

SECTION - B

1. India hasn't unraveled the potential of its long coastline.
2. We forget that the water cycle and the life cycle are one.
3. One should like to be able to love one's country and still love justice.
4. Sustainability is about Energy, Economy and Equity.

TRUE EQUALITY MEANS HOLDING EVERYONE ACCOUNTABLE
IN SAME WAY, REGARDLESS OF RACE, GENDER, FAITH,
ETHNICITY OR POLITICAL IDEOLOGY.

Almost all the problem in world that we see
today are result of inequality of one kind or
other. — Amartya Sen

Equality is cherished goal of human
civilisation since from very beginning of concept
of civilisation yet what we see today is
universal nature of inequality. It is great
pity that despite so much chest thumping of
quality of civilisation; progress of values and moral
we fail to guarantee equality not only in term of
outcome but also in term of opportunity. The reason
for such inequal and non-egalitarian society
is inability of human civilisation today
characterised by nation-state to fix accountability
of individual and group action equally.

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All men were born equal, this
is what declaration of independence or Bill

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of Right of America said on promissory day of independence yet they defaulted on very next day by not guaranteeing equality to Blacks and slaves. There are many such declarations and stories which emphasize the fact that reason for inequality is inability of constitution and law to fix accountability irrespective of race, ethnicity, faith, gender and political ideology.

To understand the concept of equality and accountability together, ~~we~~ in this essay we will try to analyse the origin of idea of constitutional equality which ideas the first attempt to fix accountability in state to guarantee equality; what are failed to achieve because of poor accountability; who is the authority to fix accountability; how concept of equality can be applied across wide range of spectrum including environment and what promise the world has for us if equality is guaranteed with proper accountability.

Excellent
analysis

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500 Before proceeding one para mentioning how during ancient, medieval and even

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modern period inequality persisted on the bases of natural and social

PROBLEM OF INEQUALITY AND UNACCOUNTABILITY

Although men were born equal, naked and afraid but as they gain intelligence there started usurpation of power and evolution of concept of private property. In state of nature inequality was result of biological strength and justice of Fish world prevailed where might was always right. The reason behind such chaos and nasty state was absence of any curiosity to fix accountability for your immoral act.

and social differences. Biology the agony and consequences.

→ good!

As the civilisation grew the new concept evolved and people started searching for new concept to justify inequality. Some justified it on ground of Social Darwinism claiming that some race are more evolved biologically and they are more fit-to rule others. The rise of Nazi Germany on idea of Aryan race supremacy was end consequence.

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Other justifications came in terms of Divine Right theory of the King, division of society into nobility and commoner. Indian society justified inequality on the basis of caste, purity and pollution and codification of some traditional human law by Morley in his book Manuscripts. Similarly Britishers justified their rule over the world in terms of whiteman's burden which has taken burden to civilise world.

Gender based division and hierarchy does its justification from difference in biology and strength. Similarly political ideology more ranked one above other based on their success in global arena be it capitalism or socialism.

One thing that is common across these justifications is that though some deity, metaphysical or religious or biological explanation is provided they all faller on one ground - the concept of fixing Accountability. In these

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explanation accountability is debated based on your superior justification of race, gender, faith and ideology and laws are framed in manner to fix unequal accountability or many time no accountability

CONCEPT OF EQUALITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

The idea of philosopher who always think beyond their time always bring positive social change or society. This is what happened in Renaissance phase of Europe and national movement

phase of India. The concept of rule of law was reasoning across the world and it carried promise to provide equality to all by fixing accountability which will be guaranteed by state or sovereign political authority.

A.V. Dicey when talked about equal amenability of everyone before law it was taken as negative concept as world till that time had become habit of privilege and advantages yet the wave of change

A good idea with details

Remarks

generated in that phase forced the new generation leader to make promissory note of equality in their respective constitution. True equality was enshrined in Human Right Declaration, International Convention on Civil and Political Rights and various constitutions of the world with appropriate mechanism to fix accountability.

Democracy was hailed as a form of government which will guarantee equal political and social, economic rights to all irrespective of faith, gender, race, ethnicity but as it has been said that political equality is no guarantee to social and economic equality and world entered into a life of Paradox where every vote have equal value but every man does not equal value. The problem was not political accountability but social accountability.

Very good elaboration on how the concept of equality was adopted in modern systems.

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MODERN WORLD, ACCOUNTABILITY AND EQUALITY

True equality that we aspired in our ideal of democracy and ideal of constitution has failed to get wings because accountability to punish those who violate concept of equality is missing.

The rich and powerful nation ^{declared} ~~can~~ war in name of weapning mass destruction topple the regime and hide themselves behind the fig leaf of democracy. So accountability in global institution is missing and true equality in global order remains a decree. As United Nations itself give veto power to permanent members.

Similarly when European countries deny entry to refugee only on suspicion that they are follower of Islamic faith and may go for terrorist attack and commit in crime in name of Jihad, when USA deny entry to immigrant from certain muslim countries it seems that equality of faith is missing.

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Racial inequality is clearly visible in case that most of the prisoners in America are blacks or Asian American, world is yet to fix accountability of war crimes done on Tamil community by majority Sinhala community

Similarly Rohingyas in Myanmar, Ahmadiya in Pakistan, Gypsies in Europe, Shias

in Saudi Arabia are still searching for basic human rights. They are denied any life of dignity and respect on ground of race and ethnicity and faith. The reason for such discrimination is our inability to fix accountability for crime done against them for crime done against these communities

Gender inequality is earliest form of inequality which exist ~~at~~ across all societies, all spectrum. Women still represent vulnerable lot with limited rights especially in Arab countries. Even in countries where they are treated equally by constitution.

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They face challenge in property rights, they face problem of gender based violence and they are denied meaningful employment. This problem become more severe when we talk about Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Community but ~~the~~ one thing is common across these challenges or is either we do not have law to fix accountability or if

Excellent reference!

we have law then there is no proper governance structure, civil society voices or popular pressure to help fix accountability of improper action.

In term of Environment we do talk about Common but differentiated responsibility climate justice yet large nation and largest emitter withdraw from biggest climate pact (Paris Pact) { withdrawal of USA } and problem is we do not have any mean to hold them accountable for their act.

Something on need for "positive discrimination".

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TRUE EQUALITY IN INDIA

Our constitution not only promises equality before law but also guarantee equal protection of law (equality of opportunity). It provide protection to minority, vulnerable sections, guarantee religious freedom and make promise of social economic and political justice.

But India is worst performer in gender equality index, it has one of the largest urban-rural divide, caste divide (gini coefficient > 0.4) ethnic divide (most casteism facing article) inequality of faith (attitude on certain community people by so called jai saleshali). All these continue to exist despite article 15 saying that state shall not discriminate people on ground of religion, race, caste, sex and ability people to do so. The reason behind such inequality is lack of accountability.

Also mention why accountability fails to be implemented despite constitutional

Remarks/provisions -

To guarantee true equality we need to move beyond statues, Constitution and make beginning from society itself. As long as attitude of people do not change equality will continue to remain a cherished dream.

The best way to fix accountability is to bring accountability at individual level by teaching them moral values through value education. So that every time he go for any sort of discrimination his inner conscience challenge him.

Next step would be fixing accountability by community and society thus bringing in concept of - Social accountability. Society have enough power to make greater change of adopt value of equality and ostracise every member who violate principle of equality. But one thing is noteworthy here is value that society cherish should be of equality not inequality as happen in Khap Panchayats.

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Similarly civil society, non governmental organisations are equally important in state and its machinery - to fulfill promises of equality that are made by constitution. The passing of horizontal Bill after pressure of civil society, reversal of judgement of Jesava murderer spell out the power of civil society to fix accountability.

Lastly state is the most important institution to uphold cherished value of constitution by ensuring fair and equal applicability of law by ensuring proper enforcement of law through police and by guaranteeing fair, free and fast trial in court of law. All this will surely bring equity as accountability is fixed. Right Based Approach to empowerment can be a add on this.

Such true equality will help us to wipe out tree from every eye and

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this will also rephrase the Rousseau saying.
all men are born equal and nowhere in
chains ~~from~~ ~~equity~~

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SUSTAINABILITY IS ABOUT ECOLOGY, ECONOMY AND EQUITY

Sustainable Development is 'development that meets the need of present generations without compromising with ability of future generation to meet their needs.

Bruntdland Commission Report
(1987)

The above definition of sustainable development or sustainability clearly brings out that sustainability is golden trinity of ecology, economy and equity because relative balance of all three can only help us to meet need of present generation along with saving for future generation.

The term sustainability gain more popular currency after united nation summit in 1973 and after that it has become a buzz word where every discussion of growth and development is dominated by idea that

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whether development would be enduring, whether it would help to establish a fair balance between environment and growth. In 2015 world adopted Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) with 17 goals and 169 targets and they collectively blurs about that sustainability is about ecology, economy and equity. As goal range from protection of life on earth, life below water, curbing climate change, equality of opportunity, abolition of poverty, ending gender discrimination and ensuring global cooperation which clearly reflect the three accepted principle of sustainability.

This essay will try to analyse sustainability from perspective of Ecology, Economy and equity separately then it will try to show interrelation among three aspect and later on presenting a path to achieve balance among them.

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- and trade-offs and how to reconcile and achieve balance among them

achieve our desired agenda of sustainability

SUSTAINABILITY AND ECOLOGY

"Earth has enough resources to meet everyone's need but not enough to meet a single person's greed." This beautiful idea of Mahatma Gandhi clearly spells out the urgency of achieving balance between development and ecology.

It is often remarked that nature nurture us we must nurture nature. Nothing in nature live for itself tree do not eat their fruit, trees do not drink its water and flowers do not spread fragrance for themselves. So working for others is principle of nature so we must use these bounties of nature in judicious manner so that we do not exhaust the supply of resources.

Man's unquestionable greed and need has already created great havoc resulting into rise of green house gases, rise

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of global average temperature, depletion of ozone because we failed to distinguish between stock and income. Stock i.e. resource of earth are something that we must preserve to gain benefit of income in terms of a subsidiary output.

Beginning with "Silent Spring" of Rachel Carson, to "limits to growth" of Club of Rome and Bruntonel Commission Report all spell out urgency of to preserve ecology and environment because once this balance is disturbed our idea of sustainability will be in peril.

Climate change is accepted reality and we must act fast to reverse this trend as with each coming year Earth's overshoot Day is shifting back & climate induced disasters like drought, submergence of island, decline in crop productivity and rising incidence of flood will shot dead our idea of sustainability.

very good
insight
and
info!

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SUSTAINABILITY AND ECONOMY

The very idea of sustainability begins in economy when we learn to distinguish between growth and development because growth may not be sustainable but development if it need to be enduring has to be sustainable.

Sustainable economy also spell out ~~future~~ features where economy is resilient to cycle of recessions and shocks of global market. An economy which can preserve itself without external support yet remains connected to global market can be considered as sustainable economy.

For economy to be sustainable GDP contribution and employment generation must be properly distributed with almost zero incidence of joblessness and absence of poverty. All these require favorable investment climate and capacity building.

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human resources / True wealth of economy is not measured in terms of gold, silver and FOREX deposit rather it is measured in terms of productive potential of human resources, their skill level and their level of education. Thus wealth of nation ^{is} its

Demography with requisite talent and adaptation.

Today we determine health of nation not in terms of growth and GDP but in terms of human development and most recently in terms of gross happiness. Thus it is Happiness Index which rather than per capita income and this happiness can only be guaranteed by sustainability.

A sustainable economy will have capacity to handle disaster, capacity to handle global recessions and more importantly will have capacity to establish balance between environment and growth.

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SUSTAINABILITY AND EQUITY

What I oppose is idea for rapid expansion of machinery not machine as such because machine by very nature is labour displacing and leave thousand of poor to starve on roads. Here Mahatma Gandhi clearly tried to establish balance between growth, wealth and equitable distribution of wealth. For growth and development to be sustainable it is necessary that it percolate down to bottom of strata.

Inclusive growth is what we desire today because it provides equal level of opportunity to poor and vulnerable section. This help us in enlarging choice for SC/ST women, minority, disabled and help them provide meaningful employment and a decent standard of living. All this is possible if principle of equity is epitomised as ideal by society itself. Our constitution.

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Our constitution ensure policy of affirmative action and our directive principle ask a state to make policy for social empowerment of vulnerable section. Thus equality of opportunity is of utmost essence to ensure social, economic and political justice and justice is first principal of sustainability.

This principle of equity also dominates Paris summit of climate states of world leader where they promised to adhering to idea of common But Differentiated Responsibility (CBDR) and also promised to help poor and developing nation in meeting their targets ⁱⁿ combating climate change and fighting vulnerability caused by climate change.

ECOLOGY, EQUITY AND ECONOMY

Ecology, economy, equity together form trinity of sustainability which cannot be separated.

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from each other. As ~~ecology~~ ecological sustainability is endangered by economic unsustainability and violation of equity may result into protest and movement which in turn will endanger economy. Similarly without preserving ecology it is difficult to think of a healthy and disease free human population thus very idea of sustainability will get violated. Thus they form a closed cycle with none of them superior or inferior to other.

In past whenever we tried to achieve growth and development without caring about tribals, women, poor people we witnessed protest in form of Chipkoo movement, Araloo movement and Narmada Bachoo Andolan. These protest signify that Indian cultural heritage, ethos of preserving

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life and emaninate objects

Good understanding of trade off

Mention about the trade off

between growth, equity, development and deterioration

of human beings and other natural forms of

Environment will bounce back on you
if state ever try to neglect environment

Today problem of global poverty, global hunger, refugee crisis all are in some way result of imbalance between ecology, equity and economy. State led capitalist agenda of making big dams or extraction of minerals lead to displacement of tribals resulting into high poverty, mortality among tribals thus one of goal of SDG i.e. ending poverty in all form failed here.

Similarly, big dams, big mines, big industry ~~do~~ not only displace people but create harm on environment resulting into climate change and other causes. This development which believe in rapid extraction of oil, mineral and other resources is essentially not meeting the need of future

good
causation,
correlation
etc

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... This being back us to Gandhian idea
of cooperatives, village republic and small

is beautiful because our ancient way of
living in harmony with nature was only
sustainable way. Here what had been
suggested is not the idea of rejecting
industry and development but we need
to accept alternative idea of renewable
energy and judicious use of resources

World has already made "a beginning with
historic Paris accord and setting up of

International solar Alliance. To add to this

ancient Indian way of preserving nature.

by soared governments and bring in conjunction with

nature truly speak about economy where

people matters not money.

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need based, conservation and
green technology based models
of development which never
forgets intergeneration
equity as well as equity in
the contemporary times
between different
countries and
social economic
classes.

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include
urgency
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To conclude I am reminded of ~~Arnold~~ Arnold J. Toynbee who said that —

The ~~chapter~~ ^{the} chapter which has western beginning surely had to have an Indian ending. If world do not want to destroy itself. At this supremely dangerous moment in human history the only way of sustainability / salvation is an ancient Indian way because here we have attitude and spirit which allow human race to grow together.

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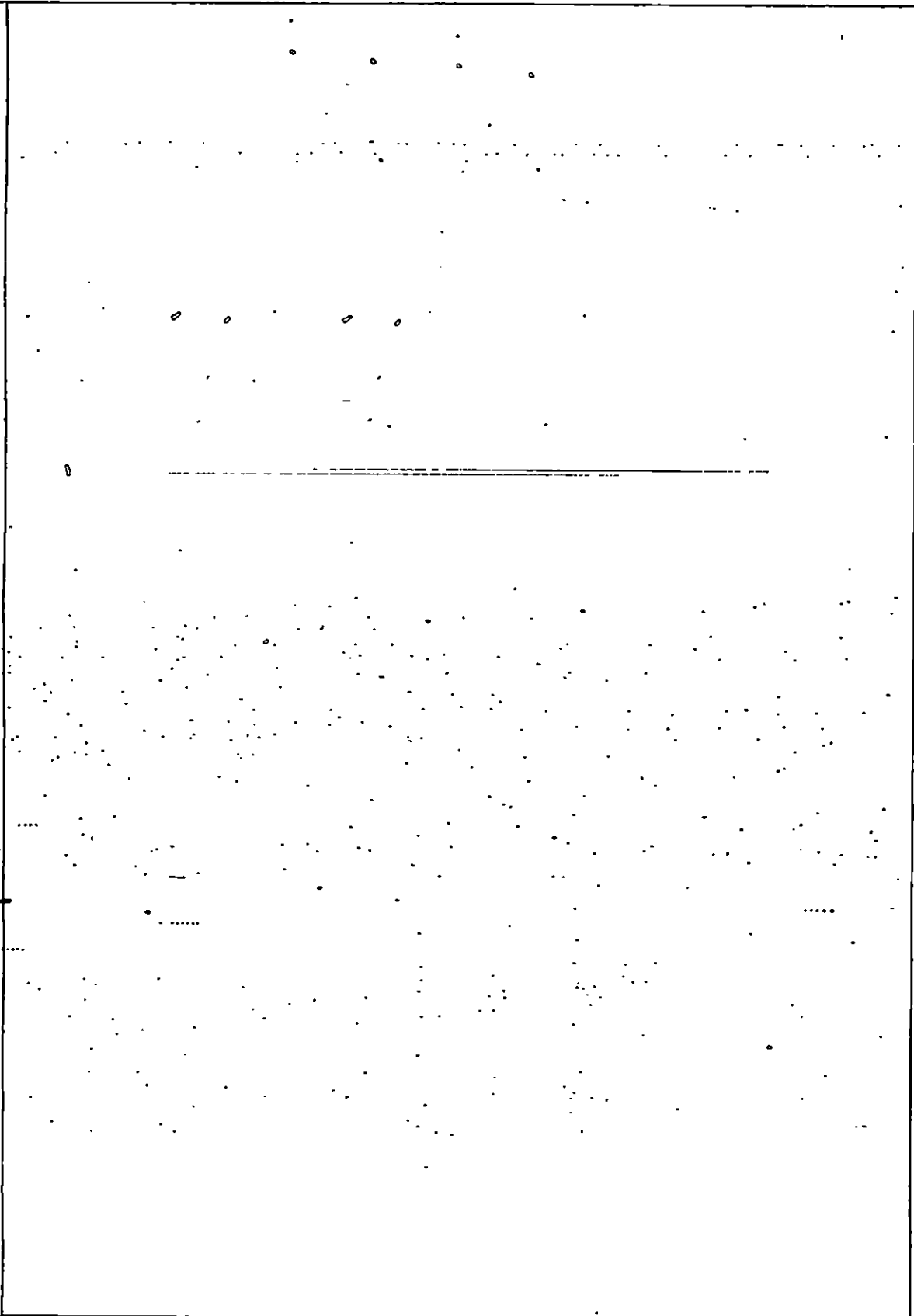
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Sustainability is about Ecology, Economy and Equity

Ecology

- ① DSOP
- ② Rachel Carson
- ③ Brundtland Report

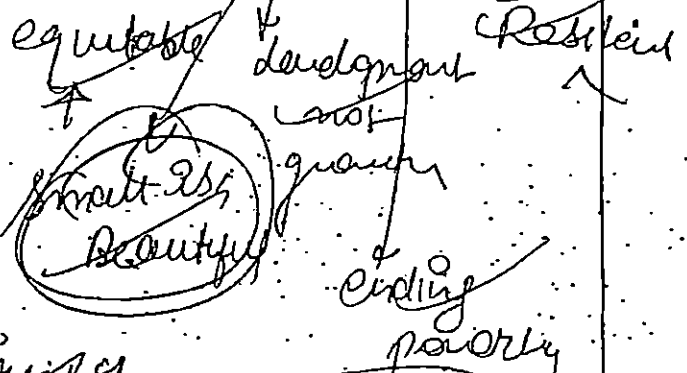
hunts to growth

Capitalism
governments
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Key # Brundtland Report

- ① Protecting life on Earth
- ② life under water

Economy



equity

Fair sharing of burden

Inclusive growth → protection to vulnerable

equality & opportunity

Equity → affirmative action

ending gender discrimination

- ① Disruptors
- ② Narendra Modi
- ③ Inher Rights
- ④ Sacred groves

① CBOR

Praise Indian Civilization

ethos
preservation of nature

End

Buddhist Economy

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Climate change → problem & disasters

role of India in Socis

India is powerful

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Rough / Judd / Items

race, gender, faith, ethnicity

accountable

True equality

①

Equality before law

Equal protection of laws

Respect for Law

Equality

Biology

Social Darwinism

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Racial segregation

Civil Right Movement

③

Mann's Law

degradation of Indian civilisation ethics

④

Who will fix this accountability?

State

Law

Bureaucracy

Civil society

⑤

Creation of hierarchy

Social Darwinism

⑥

Religion

Race

Class

Ethnicity

accountability failed

① ~~idea of~~ ~~idea of~~

Eg Jessica Lal murder case

② separate court for minorities

Fixing accountability ~~is not~~ environment degradation

Idea of climate justice

Remarks

⑥ Accountability as aspect of governance

⑦ Problem that majoritarianism might create
(what inequality may cause to us)

Amartya Sen →

bending of law by rich, powerful

1 Dimension

discuss by Sen →

evolution of concept of equality before law, shift
from privilege to less privilege society

(classical ordained theory)

might is right, justice of fish world

① Uds will for accountability

② Solution to promote accountability

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