

**Departmental Examination for IAS/ HAS Officers**

**February, 2007**

**Paper: 6**

**General Administration**

**Time allowed: 3 Hours.**

**Maximum Marks: 100**

**Note: 1. Attempt any 5 questions.**

**2. All Questions carry equal marks.**

**3. Only bare Acts/ Rules are allowed.**

**Q.No.1 (a) “Governance is not only Government- it is the framework of rules, Institutions and practices that set limits on the behavior of individuals, Organizations and companies (UNDP- 1999).” Please discuss. (15 marks)**

(b) It may be worthwhile to organize a well-published

(c)

(d) public debate on what

Constitutes PUBLIC INTEREST’. Apart from the Government, this may also educate the public at large on what they should be expecting from their Government. Comment. (5 marks)

**Q.No.2** Decentralization, whether fiscal or political has been a struggle to achieve? How does the constitution of India promote democratic decentralization? Can social services (irrigation/ schooling/ health) at the panchayat level be Delivered better by panchayats or Government departments? (20 marks)

**Q.No.3** Answer any two of the following: (10 marks each)

(a) In your opinion, what can be the areas of expenditure control in order to ensure maximum budgetary provision for development.

(b) Would you recommend any specific measures to augment resources of the Government.

© Are subsidies justified?

**Q.No.4** What penalties can be imposed upon an erring government servant ? What is The protection provided to a Government servant against arbitrary discipline Action? Can a penalty be imposed without conducting any enquiry? (20 marks)

**Q.No.5** Write short notes on any four of the following: (5 marks each)

1. What do you understand by the term ‘Fiscal Policy?’

2. National Population Policy.

3. Deficit financing.

4. Characteristics of a Good Taxation System.

5. Have Regulatory Authorities benefited the Indian public?

6. Right to Information.

7. National Rural Employment Guarantee Act.

8. Disinvestment of public enterprises.

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Q.No.6 Attempt any four of the following: ( 5 marks each)

1. Procedure to be followed for Compulsory land Acquisition.
2. Procedure to be followed for transferring Government land in favour of Govt.departments.
3. What in your opinion are the steps required to make implementation of Watershed Development Programmed, Drought Prone Area Programmed and Desert Development programmed, effective?
4. External assistance and the Five Year Plans.
5. Targeted Public Distribution System.

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