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Block-1: Understanding Rural Communities: Structure, Culture and Polity

1. How has caste system evolved over centuries in India and how is it affecting regional politics?
2. What is the importance of social structure in rural polity?
3. What is Social mobility? Explain its impact in the rural areas?
4. What is the impact of social exclusion in the economic development of the rural community?

Block -2: Development Theories

1. Describe the difference between the concept of growth and equity.
2. What do you understand by Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and how does it help in understanding of the economic scenario of a country?
3. How do developing and industrial countries differ in their use of technological change, labour, capital and natural resources to produce economic growth? Why do these differences exist?
4. What are the major components of human development?

Block -3: Sustainable Development

1. Explain the difference between development and sustainable development?
2. How will empowerment of women help in equitable growth of the society?
3. What is the significance of social change in sustainable development?
4. Analyse the evolution of concept of inclusive growth.
Block -4: Rural Development and Poverty: Concepts and Strategies

1. Discuss the various concepts of poverty?
2. What do you understand by Millennium Development Goals? What progress has been achieved in India in meeting these Goals?
3. Explain the role of CSR in rural development?
4. What are the major schemes implemented recently for eradicating rural poverty?

Block -5: Decentralised Governance

1. What are the main factors behind the emergence of civil society organisations?
2. Narrate the features of cooperatives.
3. What are major implications of 73rd Amendment of Constitution of India?
4. What are the main causes of success and failure of cooperative movement in India?

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Block-1: Approach, Theory and Methods

1. Describe Gandhian model of Rural Development. Which are the principal component of Gandhian model of rural development?
2. Which are the “tricks” of economic growth according to Harrod-Domar Growth Model of economic development?
3. Explain in brief the basic assumptions under the Feldman–Mahalanobis model of development.
4. Which are the five stages of growth according to Rostow's Growth Model of development?

Block-2 : Quantitative Methods and Techniques

1. Explain in brief about quantitative and qualitative data with suitable examples.
2. What type of information we get from less than ogive curve?
3. Write the formulae for calculating the median for any grouped data set?
4. How mode is calculated for the grouped data?

Block-3: Quantitative and Qualitative Methods?

1. How questionnaire as a research tool is used for collection of data?
2. Which are the qualities of good research questionnaire?
3. Explain about different types of case studies?
4. Discuss the issue of ‘Reliability’ in data collection. What measures can a researcher take to address this issue?
Block -4 : Various Steps in Research Process

1. Differentiate between quantitative research and qualitative research.
2. How quantitative research is integrated with qualitative research? Explain.
3. Explain ‘Ordering and Coding’ method of qualitative data analysis with an Example.

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Block-1: Vision for India’s Rural Development

1. What are the basic tenets of Gandhi’s Swaraj (self-rule) and its relevance in today’s situation?
2. Critically examine Nehru’s contribution as a builder of Modern India.
3. Critically examine the Jayaprakash Narayan’s philosophy of Sampurna Kranti (total revolution)
4. Write a note on state of agriculture in India and the prospects for doubling former’s income.

Block -2 : Planned Rural Development

1. Write a note on India’s Strategies and Programmes for Rural Development.
2. Explain the constitution & functioning of Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) in any of the States with a focus on women participation in the functioning of the PRIs.
3. Write a note on Micro Finance Programme in India and describe the SHG-Bank Linkage Model.
4. Define the concept of right based approach and critically examine one of the Right Based Approach implemented by the Central or State Government.

Block – 3 : Rural Development Programmes for Sustainable Development and Poverty Alleviation

1. What are the salient features of the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act?. How it has been helping the migrant worker induced by the COVID19 pandemic
2. Critically examine the self-employment and poverty alleviation strategy and achievement under DAY-NRLM.
3. Write a success story on watershed Development through People’s Participation.

Block – IV : Vulnerable Groups and Rural Development

1. Write a note on the Status of Women in India and how governments can use gender budgeting to improve equality?.
2. Write a note on policy and programmes for women empowerment in India since Independence.
3. Write a note on survival, protection and development of the primitive tribal groups (PTGs)
4. Critically examine Forest Right Act and its achievement so far.

Block – V : Rural Development and Quality of Life

1. Is rural health care infrastructure sufficient for fighting COVID 19 Pandemic?
2. What are the basic tenets of Participatory Learning and Action (PL&A) and its importance in village-level planning?
3. Describe the major Policies and Programmes for health security in India.

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1. Write short note on Four Characterises of livelihoods in detail?
2. Explain DFID Framework with diagram?
3. Write short note on LEAP Tools?

Block-2:
1. Write short note on Common Property Resources with examples?
2. Explain the Importance of Natural and Financial Capital for livelihoods promotion?
3. Write short note on factors affecting Physical capital?

Block-3:
1. Write short note on Environmental Pollution and explain about Water and Air Pollution?
2. Explain sources of Primary Energy in India?
3. Write short note on Environmental Policies in India?

Block-4:
1. Write short note on Farming System in India?
2. What do you understand by crop rotation and its Importance?
3. List out different kinds of factors that are influencing farming system?
Block-5

1. Write short note on Skilled Vs Unskilled Employment?
2. Explain Non-farm livelihoods and their importance?
3. Write short note on MGNREGA?

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