

## MA Development

### Descriptive Sample Questions (Answer within 400-600 words)

1)The burning of municipal solid waste across our villages and cities is a significant source of air pollution. This pollution adversely affects our health. This can be easily avoided if villages and cities properly manage their garbage. A first step for such management is for households to segregate their garbage into biodegradable, recyclable and non-recyclable parts. Yet, as a country, we continually fail to achieve this basic step of segregating our own household waste. Comment.

2)Covid highlighted the plight of migrant workers in India and the financial and social hardships faced by them during the lockdown. What could the government and civil society organizations have done to reduce their vulnerability and handle the situation better?

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1a) Social media platforms encourage users to present short posts and catch one-another's attention. Some people believe that such mediums of communication are harmful for debates and discussions in a democracy. Do you agree with this view? Explain.

1b) Village X has a large pond. One group of people in the village want to make it a conservation area so that people will keep the pond and its surroundings clean, and it will be a convenient source of drinking water for elderly people. Another group wants to develop it into a fishing ground and allow commercial fishing so that young people in the village can earn some money and pay for their own education. Which group would you support and why?

2a) Rural-urban migration has significantly increased in India in the last few years. According to you, what are the driving factors for this and what could be the remedial measures?

2b) The number of Indians buying and eating food not prepared at home has been increasing. In your view, what economic opportunities and challenges has this change produced in our society?

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1a) Incidents of sexual violence take place regularly in our society. What in your view needs to be done to address this problem?

1b) As education levels rise among the youth, many are moving away from traditional livelihoods in agriculture, handlooms, and handicrafts. What strategies can be implemented to preserve these traditional occupations?

2a) Is the problem of graduate unemployment in India due to an outdated curriculum? Discuss.

2b) Several states have introduced free bus travel for women in government-owned buses. Do you think this is necessary? Justify your answer.

3a) What are the causes for the rising economic inequality in India? Suggest measures to tackle the problem.

3b) Should India focus on improving the quality of primary education or building world-class universities? Discuss