Mains Notes for IAS and PCS

GS-3 Internal Security

Last year Question papers

- 1. The terms 'Hot Pursuit' and 'Surgical Strikes' are often used in connection with armed action against terrorist attacks. Discuss the strategic impact of such actions. (Civil Services Examination 2016)
- 2. "Terrorism is emerging as a competitive industry over the last few decades." Analyse the above statement.

 (Civil Services Examination 2016)
- 3. Border management is a complex task due to difficult terrain and hostile relations with some countries. Elucidate the challenges and strategies for effective border management.

(Civil Services Examination 2016)

- 4. Use of Internet and social media by non state actors for subversive activities is a major security concern. How have these been misused in the recent past? Suggest effective guidelines to curb the above threat.

 (Civil Services Examination 2016)
- 5. Religious indoctrination via digital media has resulted in Indian youth joining the ISIS. What is ISIS and its mission? How can ISIS be dangerous for the internal security of our country?

(Civil Services Examination 2015)

- 6. Human rights activists constantly highlight the view that the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, 1958 (AFSPA) is a draconian act leading to cases of human rights abuses by the security forces, sections of AFSPA are opposed by the activists? Critically evaluate the requirement with reference to the view held by the Apex Court? (Civil Services Examination 2015)
- 7. The persisting drives of the Government for development of large industries in backward areas have resulted in isolating the tribal population and the farmers who face multiple displacements. With Malkangiri and Naxalbari foci, discuss the corrective strategies needed to win the Left Wing Extremism (LWE) doctrine affected citizens back into the mainstream of social and economic growth.

(Civil Services Examination 2015)

- 8. Considering the threats cyberspace poses for the country, India needs a "Digital Armed Force" to prevent crimes. Critically evaluate the National Cyber Security Policy, 2013 outlining the challenges perceived in its effective implementation. (Civil Services Examination 2015)
- 9. In 2012, the longitudinal marking of the high risk areas for piracy was moved from 65° East to 78° East in the Arabian Sea by International Maritime organisation. What impact does this have on India's maritime security concerns? (Civil Services Examination 2015)
- 10. China and Pakistan have entered into an agreement for development of an economic corridor. What threats does it pose for India's security? Critically examine. (Civil Services Examination 2014)
- 11. The diverse nature of India as a multi religious and multi ethnic society is not immune to the impact of radicalism, which is seen in her neighbourhood. Discuss alongwith strategies to be adopted to counter this environment. (Civil Services Examination 2014)
- 12. International civil aviation laws provide all countries complete and exclusive sovereignty over the airspace above their territory. What do you understand by airspace? What are the implications of these laws on the space above this airspace? Discuss the challenges which this poses and suggest ways to contain the threat.

 (Civil Services Examination 2014)

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- 13. How does illegal transborder migration pose a threat to India's security? Discuss the strategies to curb this, bringing out the factors which give impetus to such migration. (**Civil Services Examination 2014**)
- 14. Cyber warfare is considered by some defence analysts to be larger threat than even Al Qaeda or terrorism. What do you understand by cyber warfare? Outline the cyber threats which India is vulnerable to and bring out the state of the country's preparedness to deal with the same.

(Civil Services Examination 2013)

15. Money laundering poses a serious security threat to a country's economic sovereignty. What is its significance for India and what steps are required to be taken to control this menace?

(Civil Services Examination 2013)

- 16. Artide 244 of the Indian Constitution relates to administration of Scheduled areas and tribal areas. Analyse the impact of non implementation of the provisions of the Fifth Scheduled on the growth of left wing extremism. (Civil Services Examination 2013)
- 17. What do you understand by 'The String of Pearls'? How does it impact India? Briefly outline the steps taken by India to counter this. (Civil Services Examination 2013)
- 18. How far are India's internal security challenges linked with border management, particularly in view of the long porous borders with most countries of South Asia and Myanmar?

(Civil Services Examination 2013)

19. Write short note on National Security Advisory Board (NSAB). (Civil Services Examination 2009)

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