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Q18

Can Civil Society and Non-Governmental Organizations present an alternative model of public service delivery to benefit the common citizen. Discuss the challenges of this alternative model.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2021 · GS II · 15 marks · Development Processes and NGOs

Development processes and the development industry - the role of NGOs, SHGs, various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional and other stakeholders.

Facts & figures for this PYQ only.

Numbers move. Confirm the latest Budget, Economic Survey or census round. This sheet is for revision, not a substitute for the model answer.

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SEWA / social-audit collectives

Illustrations of civil delivery and accountability that complement, rather than erase, the State.

FCRA

Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act; the sharpest regulatory lever over NGO money and, at times, over dissent.

Articles 38 and 47

Welfare-State duties that remain the government's even when NGOs run a project.

Public-private / NGO contracting

The actual Indian pattern in health, education and livelihoods - partnership with audit, not dual sovereignty.

Project-cycle risk

Grant timelines that end a school or a clinic the citizen had begun to trust.

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