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Q1(b)

Why should impartiality and nonpartisanship be considered as foundational values in public services, especially in the present day socio-political context? Illustrate your answer with examples.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2016 · GS IV · 10 marks · Probity in Governance

Probity in Governance: Concept of public service; Philosophical basis of governance and probity; Information sharing and transparency in government, Right to Information, Codes of Ethics, Codes of Conduct, Citizen's Charters, Work culture, Quality of service delivery, Utilization of public funds, challenges of corruption.

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Article 14, Constitution of India

Equality before the law and equal protection of the laws; the constitutional core of impartiality.

All India Services (Conduct) Rules, 1968

Require political neutrality and integrity of All India Service officers.

Model Code of Conduct

Election-time restraint on using the government machine for party gain; a seasonal public test of non-partisanship.

T. S. R. Subramanian v. Union of India, 2013

The Supreme Court directed civil services boards and greater stability of tenure to curb arbitrary, partisan transfers.

Central Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964

Union conduct rules that forbid political activity unbecoming of a government servant and require integrity.

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