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(a) What is meant by public interest? What are the principles and procedures to be followed by the civil servants in public interest?

(b) "The Right to Information Act is not all about citizens' empowerment alone, it essentially redefines the concept of accountability. Discuss.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2018 · 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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Right to Information Act, 2005

Gives citizens a statutory right to information from public authorities, with time limits, a Commission, and listed exemptions under **Section 8**.

Section 4, RTI Act, 2005

Obliges public authorities to disclose specified categories of information suo motu, so that people need not always file an application.

Natural justice

The administrative-law duties to hear the affected person and to act without bias; a core procedure of public interest.

Comptroller and Auditor General of India

A constitutional auditor of public money; RTI adds citizen audit of documents but does not replace CAG.

Public Records Act, 1993

A Union statute on custody and management of public records, without which an RTI right is a right to an empty cupboard.

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