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Q1

(a) Wisdom lies in knowing what to reckon with and what to overlook. An officer being engrossed with the periphery, ignoring the core issues before him, is no rare in the bureaucracy. Do you agree that such preoccupation of an administrator leads to travesty of justice to the cause of effective service delivery and good governance? Critically evaluate. (b) Apart from intellectual competency and moral qualities, empathy and compassion are some of the other vital attributes that facilitate the civil servants to be more competent in tackling the crucial issues or taking critical decisions. Explain with suitable illustrations.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2022 · GS IV · 10 marks · Civil Service Aptitude and Values

Aptitude and foundational values for Civil Service, integrity, impartiality and non-partisanship, objectivity, dedication to public service, empathy, tolerance and compassion towards the weaker-sections.

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Second Administrative Reforms Commission

Its reports treated citizen-centric delivery, accountability and ethics as the substance of good governance, not as optional virtue.

Article 21, Constitution of India

Protection of life and personal liberty; the usual core when an officer must choose between a ceremony and a person in danger.

Right to Information Act, 2005

A transparency tool that can become periphery if the officer litigates every query and never fixes the underlying service failure.

Public grievance systems

CPGRAMS and State portals are meant to rank harm; they fail when VIP references jump the queue.

Empathy versus sympathy

Empathy is accurate understanding of another's situation; sympathy may only be a feeling that still leaves the file unmoved.

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