

**Q. 2. Write a précis of the following passage and suggest a suitable title: (20)**

In the heart of bustling cities, urban green spaces stand as oases of tranquility, providing respite from the hustle and bustle. Parks, adorned with vibrant flora, become havens for relaxation and recreation. The greenery offers a sanctuary for diverse wildlife, creating a delicate balance between urban development and environmental preservation. Beyond their aesthetic appeal, city parks play a crucial role in fostering community bonds. Families gather for picnics, friends engage in sports, and individuals find solace amidst nature's embrace. These communal spaces serve as venues for cultural events, open-air concerts, and art installations, enriching the urban experience. The benefits of urban green spaces extend beyond leisure. They contribute to improved air quality, mitigate the urban heat island effect, and promote overall well-being. Access to nature within city limits becomes a vital aspect of mental health, offering a refuge for introspection and rejuvenation. However, the challenge lies in balancing the increasing urbanization with the preservation of green spaces. Sustainable urban planning becomes imperative to ensure the coexistence of concrete jungles and natural havens. Efforts to create and maintain parks, tree-lined avenues, and green rooftops become integral components of shaping cities that prioritize both human and environmental health. As cities evolve, the preservation and enhancement of urban green spaces become a shared responsibility. The vision is to cultivate urban landscapes that seamlessly integrate nature into the tapestry of city life, fostering a sustainable and harmonious cohabitation between human progress and the environment.

## Precis CSS 2024

### Urbanization and Preservation of the Nature

Urbanization needs to be balanced with green spaces. These spaces provide relief from the city life. Aesthetics of the parks nurture<sup>s</sup> souls and minds, and the greenery <sup>works</sup> as a shelter for wildlife. Green spaces are communal spaces, where families enjoy family time and concerts are arranged to enjoy city lifestyle. They further function as environmental purifiers. Rapid urbanization is a main challenge posed to them. Sustainable planning that promotes urban growth along with the preservation of parks and green rooftops is essential. Their coexistence is a shared responsibility as both need the balancing. Hence, the aim is to develop a landscape which integrate human development along with the environmental protection.

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over all content is fine  
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Precis words: 109

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**Q. 3. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given at the end.**

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"In the heart of innovation, where creativity dances with technology, a new era of possibilities emerges. The digital landscape, once a distant horizon, now envelops every facet of our lives. From communication to commerce, the symbiotic relationship between humanity and technology shapes the contours of our modern existence.

In this age of rapid change, the role of education becomes pivotal. The traditional classroom, with its four walls, expands into the boundless realms of the internet. E-learning platforms and virtual classrooms redefine the notion of education, offering a dynamic space for collaboration and knowledge exchange. The democratization of information, facilitated by digital platforms, challenges traditional hierarchies and empowers learners across the globe.

However, as we navigate the seas of technological progress, questions of ethics and inclusivity arise. The digital divide, a chasm separating those with access to technology from those without, underscores the need for inclusive policies. In this context, the role of educators extends beyond imparting knowledge to fostering a sense of responsibility and ethical conduct in the digital realm.

The integration of artificial intelligence (AI) into various aspects of our lives further blurs the boundaries between human and machine. As AI algorithms make decisions that impact society, the importance of ethical considerations and transparency grows exponentially. The intersection of technology and ethics becomes a defining point in the evolution of our digital landscape.

As we stand at the crossroads of innovation, the challenge is not merely to embrace technological advancements but to do so with a mindful and ethical approach. The synergy between humanity and technology holds immense promise, but it is our collective responsibility to navigate this path with wisdom, ensuring that progress aligns with the principles of equity, inclusivity, and ethical awareness."

**Questions:**

**(4 marks each)**

1. What is the main theme of the passage, and how does it emphasize the evolving relationship between humanity and technology?
2. According to the passage, how does education adapt to the digital landscape, and what challenges and opportunities does this transformation present?
3. Discuss the concept of the digital divide as presented in the passage. Why is inclusivity crucial in the context of technological advancements, and what role do educators play in addressing this divide?
4. Explore the role of ethics in the digital realm, especially concerning artificial intelligence. How does the passage highlight the intersection between technology and ethical considerations?
5. What is the message regarding the responsibility of individuals and society as a whole in navigating the intersection of humanity and technology? How can progress align with principles of equity, inclusivity, and ethical awareness?

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## Comprehension CSE 2024

Q#01] The main theme of the passage is that technology and its integration with human life is no more a distant dream. It is constantly engraving in daily life settings and makes decision for humans. Therefore, it needs a continuous check in terms of transparency and ethical principles.

Q#02: The education sector is under the influence of technology, which comes with its own opportunities and challenges. For instance, it has revolutionized the digital classrooms, and the world is witnessing knowledge sharing and mutual learnings with an open access to information. However, e-learning platforms challenge the traditional hierarchies of education sector by <sup>knowledge wise</sup> empowering everyone. Thus, it has its own challenges and opportunities.

Q3: According to the author, digital divide means the division between those who have access to technology and those

who do not. This access provides equal opportunities to everyone e.g., access to e-learning platforms without discrimination. Therefore, it is the responsibility of educators to advise the policymakers for inclusive policy making and to highlight the importance of digital inclusivity.

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Q#04: With the evolution of technology, especially Artificial Intelligence (AI), its ethical consideration has become imperative. AI is making decisions for humans on their behalf, which blurs the line between two. According to the author, it can be addressed by establishing the ethical guidelines to direct the ethical and transparent use of AI in different spheres of life.

Q#05: The author gives a message that it is the responsibility of individuals and society to adapt technological advancements with mindfulness under the ethical guidelines. Likewise, it is the responsibility of <sup>the</sup> society to use wisdom while advancing and adapting.

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the technology. So that, it remains  
in consonance with principles of equity,  
inclusivity and ethical awareness.

well done satisfactory  
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## Translation

پاکستان، افغانستان میں امن کیلئے پُر عزم ہے کیونکہ افغانستان میں امن، پاکستان کیلئے انتہائی اہم ہے۔ تاریخی تناظر میں دیکھا جائے تو پاکستان اور افغانستان پڑوسی برادر اسلامی ملک ہونے کے ناطے تاریخی، ثقافتی، لسانی رشتوں میں جڑے ہوئے ہیں۔ یہ رشتے اٹوٹ ہیں، دونوں کا انحصار ایک دوسرے پر ہے اور دونوں الگ الگ رہ بھی نہیں سکتے۔ پاکستان کا موقف روز اول سے یہی رہا ہے کہ افغان مسئلے کا سیاسی حل نکالا جائے۔ اس موقف کی حمایت چین بھی کرتا ہے۔ اس ضمن میں چین نے کہا ہے کہ افغان تنازع کا افغان قیادت میں ہونے والے امن مذاکرات سے ہی حل ممکن ہے۔ پاکستان اور چین اسٹریٹجک شراکت داری کیلئے افغان تنازع کو مذاکرات کے ذریعے حل کرنے میں اپنا کردار ادا کریں گے۔

## Translation CSS 2019

Pakistan is determined for peace in Afghanistan, because peace in Afghanistan is of great importance for Pakistan. In historical context, being the neighboring Islamic states, Pakistan and Afghanistan are glued with historical, cultural, and linguistic ties. These ties are unbreakable, both are dependent on each other and both cannot live separately. Since day one Pakistan has this stance that Afghan issue should have a political solution. China also supports this stance. In this regard, China has said that Afghan issue is resolvable only with peace negotiations under Afghan regime. For strategic partnership, Pakistan and China will play their roles to resolve Afghan issue through negotiations.