

Q.4. Write a précis of the following passage and suggest a suitable title.

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One of the most ominous and discreditable symptoms of the want of candour in present-day sociology is the deliberate neglect of the population question. It is, or should be, transparently clear that, if the state is resolved, on humanitarian grounds, to inhibit the operation of natural selection, some rational regulation of population, both as regards quality and quantity, is imperatively necessary. There is no self-acting adjustment, apart from starvation, of numbers to the means of subsistence. If all natural checks are removed, a population in advance of the optimum number will be produced and maintained at the cost of a reduction in the standard of living. When this pressure begins to be felt, that section of the population which is capable of reflection and which has a standard of living which may be lost will voluntarily restrict its numbers, even to the point of failing to replace death by an equivalent number of new births; while the underworld, which always exists in every civilized society \_\_\_\_\_ The failure and misfits and derelicts, moral and physical \_\_\_\_\_ will exercise no restraint and will be a constantly increasing drain upon the national resources. The population will thus be recruited in a very undue proportion by those strata of society which do not possess the qualities of useful citizens.

The importance of the problem would seem to be sufficiently obvious. But politicians know that the subject is unpopular. The urban have no votes. Employers are like a surplus of labour, which can be drawn upon when trade is good. Militarists want as much food for powder as they can get. Revolutionists instinctively oppose any real remedy for social evils; they know that every unwanted child is a potential insurgent. All three can appeal to a Quasi-Religious prejudice, resting apparently on the ancient theory of natural rights which were supposed to include the right of unlimited procreation. This objection is now chiefly urged by celibate or childless priests; but it is held with such fanatical vehemence that the fear of losing the votes which they control is a welcome excuse for the baser sort of politicians to shelve the subject as inopportune. The socialist calculation is probably erroneous; for experience has shown that it is aspiration, not desperation, that makes revolutions.

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## Consequences of Unchecked Population Growth

The intentional ignorance related to the obvious problem of population growth is leading to bad conditions. On the humanitarian grounds, the problem can be effectively addressed by the state resolve as there is not auto-mechanism to resolve it. If the population increase remain unchecked, it will negatively impact the standard of living. This pressure will compel the civilized section of the society to reduce its numbers willingly. This reduction will be drastic as the death rate will exceed the birth rate. Contrastly, the lower strata of the society will keep on adding new and useless citizens that continue to strain the national resources. The issue of population growth is very critical. The main drivers of the society refrain from openly discussing this unpopular subject. Some sections avoid it due to religious concerns and others view <sup>increasing</sup> population as a potential force to be used in their relevant cause.

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**Q.2.** Make a précis of the following passage and suggest a suitable heading. **(20+2=22)**

Probably the only protection for contemporary man is to discover how to use his intelligence in the service of love and kindness. The training of human intelligence must include the simultaneous development of the empathic capacity. Only in this way can intelligence be made an instrument of social morality and responsibility – and thereby increase the chances of survival.

The need to produce human beings with trained morally sensitive intelligence is essentially a challenge to educators and educational institutions. Traditionally, the realm of social morality was left to religion and the churches as guardians or custodians. But their failure to fulfil this responsibility and their yielding to the seductive lures of the men of wealth and pomp and power are documented by history of the last two thousand years and have now resulted in the irrelevant “God Is Dead” theological rhetoric. The more pragmatic men of power have had no time or inclination to deal with the fundamental problems of social morality. For them simplistic Machiavellianism must remain the guiding principle of their decisions – power is morality, morality is power. This over-simplification increases the chances of nuclear devastation. We must therefore hope that educators and educational institutions have the capacity, the commitment and the time to in-still moral sensitivity as an integral part of the complex pattern of functional human intelligence. Some way must be found in the training of human beings to give them the assurance to love, the security to be kind, and the integrity required for a functional empathy.

**Q 3** Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow. Use your own language. **(20)**

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## Necessity of Emotional Development for Humanity's Survival

In the present era, the emotional development along with intelligence development is essential to ensure the survival of humanity.

In the ancient era, the church and the religion were responsible to impose moral and ethical sense in the man. These institutions became corrupt overtime and failed in this duty. The philosophical developments of this era led to the belief that power ensures morality and this increases the chances of human devastation. Therefore, now the challenge to produce ethical, empathetic, and moral human beings rests on the educational institutes, and depends on their commitment to this cause. This development is necessary for human survival.

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