Team PTT

Interview Transcripts 2020-21

(Useful for those appearing in CSPT-2021)

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Introduction:

@yo_yo_choti_singh started the channel PTT2019 on telegram in his early days of CSE Preparation. Since then, this channel has become an essential component of everyone's CSE journey. The idea is simple, community members send their individual interview transcript to the admins, which are then posted on our channel. This was started when transcripts were sold on various channels and ORN market and due to community efforts only this stands demonetised today.

This pdf is just the plain compilation of all the Interview Transcripts of the session 2020-21 which were posted on our channel. This compilation is not that organized due to paucity of time.

This compilation is based on the initial works done by a user @KBK and I have just added few other transcripts in his pdf.

Lastly this was possible only because community (the members who appeared for interview sent us their transcripts) came forward and hence this is dedicated to the entire CSE family. I humbly request to those who will benefit from this pdf and are going to appear for CSPT-2021, please send us your transcripts on the admin handles mentioned in the description of our telegram channel (ptt2019).

Best Wishes, Kaptaan and Team PTT ▲

Candidate from Maharashtra

PT on 2nd August FN

Manoj Sony Sir Board

Qualification: BSc, MBA (Finance), CAIIB.

Optional: Public Administration

Place: Nagpur, Maharashtra.

Work Experience: 5 year + experience and last assignment was Assistant Manager in Public Sector Bank. Now fully preparing for civil services.

Hobby: DIY, Quora and Teaching.

I am not mentioning some of questions which were related to very personal information.

Well questioned are not in sequence too. But written for separately for chairperson and other members.

Chairman Sir:

- 1. Tell me about yourself in 40 second?
- 2. Why did you leave your public sector bank?
- 3. Wasn't it possible to prepare with public sector bank job.
- 4. What did you learn from your two year stay in Tamilnadu while working in bank?
- 5. Civil Services is of lot of uncertainty. Do you have any plan B?
- 6. Being from humble background how did I contribute to your Society. Especially in Taluka or District?

Members:

- 1. Why do you want to become IAS?
- 2. You are science graduate and you can use your science knowledge for administration?
- 3. You got two now national level prizes for optimizing banking operation? What was it about? (I just told topic and asked do he want me to explain in details. He asked me to explain). I explained my work.
- 4. What learning from of Shivaji Maharaj can be useful in present governance system?
- 5. Why higher cases of COVID in NAGPUR?
- 6. Do you know a writer who writes on Shivaji Maharaj? (I did not remember. I said I am not able to remember his name.)
- 7. What is Afghanistan issue? How do you see India's role in it?
- 8. Why banks are making lot of NPA (told them in policy issue and operational issues format).

- 9. Should governments go for privatization of bank?
- 10. Why NPA is lower in Private bank and higher in Public sector bank.
- 11. How do you see banking after 10 years when privatization and merger is going on?
- 12. Why Videocon group has failed (it was continuous question to IBC reference in one of my answer)
- 13. Asked me to explain DIY (Hobby). What innovations I did in It. He asked can you explain them. (I told one. He asked me one more)
- 14. He said will it be right to call them DIY? (as per my understanding there are part of DIY. But sir, if other name available please suggest me. He smiled)
- 15. How we are performing in Disaster management and what we can learn for future? (I mentioned DM in one of answer related to Diversity of work of IAS)

Name: Azeem Akram Bin Latheef

Board :- Manoj soni sir

Time duration - 35 to 40 minutes

- *Chairman*
- 1. Meaning of my name
- 2. Have you heard of Azeem o shan Shahansha song?
- 3. Seen film jodha akbar?
- 4. You studied in Mahatma Gandhi University. Tell me why Mahatma Gandhi is great?
- 5. Is Gandhian Economic model practical? Why, why not?
- 6. Tell me three things that u can do practical with Gandhian economic model?
- 7. Define yourself
- 8. What qualities you have that take you to greatness?
- 9. Name 5 areas of your interest? (most of questions asked by board members revolved around these interests areas of mine)
- *Member 1*
- 1. Medals for India in Olympics?
- 2. why india weak in sports?
- 3. What's the relation of sports with education?
- 4. You studied electronics and communication engg. Is Social media good or bad?
- 5. What's the issue going on now regarding privacy?

- 6. Explain pegasus controversy
- 7. If transparency is necessity in public affairs, why issues?
- *Member 2*
- 1. Why kerala good in education?
- 2. Why people moving gulf if its that good?
- 3.Impact on tourism due to Covid
- 4. What shd be done to improve tourism sector
- 5.Kovalam resort condition
- 6. You studied in Jawahar Navodaya vidyalaya. What are it's positives?
- *Member 3*
- 1. Why 'Bin Latheef' in name!
- 2. Explain the social development indicators of kerala.
- 3. Why then people moving to gulf?
- 4. How can kerala's economy be made better?
- 5. What you will do as an ifs officer to make the situation of NRIs better?
- 5. Even small and poor countries like Ghana plays football? Why football not getting momentum in India?
- *Member 4*
- 1. Why your profile says that you are an educator? (educator at kerala state civil service academy mentioned in DAF). What you have to do in Kerala State civil service academy?
- 2. Why you didnt work as engineer? Why turned into civil service?
- 3. Whats ur father and mother doing?
- 4. Favourite football club? (said FC Barcelona)
- 5. Why arsenal in decline? (seems member is Arsenal fan)
- 6. Why keralites not joining army?
- 7. Why spice trade from Malabar declining?

Shwetansh Mishra:

Background-

B.tech in Mechanical engg, MNNIT Allahabad

Work ex- Tata Motors, New Delhi

Native-Gorakhpur

Optional-Philosophy

Prof Manoj Soni Sir Board, 2nd Aug, afternoon shift

First in the group

M1(Chairperson)

Asked to remove mask to verify photo.

- 1) So 'my name', How is life?
- 2) So you left your job in TML after a couple of years to prepare for civil services, are you also giving other exams?
- 2) Why philosophy as optional, was it due to interest or a tactical decision?
- 3) Name six schools of Indian philosophyi.e. saddarshana, in order. Name various Vedantic schools.
- 4) After more than 70 yeras of independence has India been able to fully utilize its soft power?

M2(Lady member)

- 1) Meaning of name.
- 2) Tata leader who inspired you most. What was most prominent leadership lesson you learnt from him?
- 3) What strategies would you follow to promote soft power in abroad?

M3

- 1 Does your interest extends to sociopoltical philosophy also? What is the relation between democracy and socialism? Have read book titled 'democratic socialism'(also mentioned writers but i am not able to recall)?
- 2- What is the relation between FR and DPSP? What happens if conflict arises? Name the judgements related to it in order.
- 3- How EVs benefit in reducing carbon emissons?

M4

- 1- Why the EV market is not picking up?
- 2- Continuing with Constitution, what provisions for Power devolution between centre and state? What happens in case of conflict?
- 3-What are various environmental protection laws in india?
- 4- What is the forest cover in india? What's the trend, by how much it has increased?

M5

1-What do you like to read? Favourite biographies. What other writers do you read? What about poets?

So you like purist poems?

- 2-You are also interested in philosophies of other nations. Which ones? What about Sartre? Have you read philosophical books like that by ayn rand?
- 3- In what groups of people you can classify the population in Gorakhpur? What about for someone as development office?
- 4-In reference to your statement on diaspora, what do you think are reasons for attacks on indians in african continent?

Soumith Raju Kanchanapalli [2nd August]

Board: Air Marshall Ajit Bhonsle Sir

Order: 4th in sequence

Academics: B Tech in Computer Science from IIT Hyderabad

Work Experience: Worked for 2 years as Software Engineer at Flipkart

Optional: Political Science

Chairman

- Read my DAF out loud IIT, Flipkart, Hobbies, etc
- "You must be very popular in college"
- Who was your best friend in college?
- If we call and ask him to tell good things about you, what would he say?
- What are bad things about your friend?
- What is the most important thing in communication?

Member 1

- How has India's journey been in EODB? What are our challenges?
- Mention few factors of EODB
- Have you invested your money anywhere? How did you invest and where? [Along with other things, I mentioned cryptocurrency here]
- Differences between shares and mutual funds

Member 2 [Lady]

- You worked at Flipkart, how did e-commerce revolutionise the marketplace?

- Aren't these big companies a threat to retail stores?
- You mentioned investing in cryptocurrencies, what is RBI/Govt doing in regulating cryptocurrencies?
- What are the pros and cons of investing in cryptocurrencies?

Member 3 [Lady]

- *She Corrected my answer on regulation of cryptocurrencies*
- How did covid 2nd wave affect us?
- You are from Warangal, why was Warangal in news recently?
- How does a site get recognised as UNESCO World Heritage Site?
- What is the other site that got this status along with Ramappa?
- Who are "Covidiots"?

Member 4

- You studied Computer Science, what is Quantum Computing?
- How does Quantum computing affect encryption technology?
- What is the difference between Gandhi and Marx? (one more follow up question on this topic)

Bhupesh:

Air Marshal Bhonsle Sir's board.

Date of Interview: 02-08-2021 forenoon

profile- Btech ECE

Home State Uttarakhand

Hobbies Cooking and movies.

History Optional

work ex: IT Sector and currently in govt job (ASO)

ch:

What do you know about Dholpur House? Why are there so many houses in delhi like Hyderabad house, bikaner house.

do you cook by watching YouTube videos?

Which movie watched recently?

Justice bhandare's article something reg india not doing enough for its daughters. where not doing enough.

M1: Why you left private sector job?

Difference between private sector and public sector?

what are your views on lateral entry? will it change the government work culture?

M2:you are an ece engineer what will happen to the world when we remove plank's constant?

what are different schools of historiography?

what was Marxist school's view on 1857 revolt?

do u agree with their view?

M3: what is limited at the end of a pvt company's name?

what is a listed company? Differences bw private sector and public sector?

what is your view regarding privatisation?

which indian psu did not perform well after privatisation?

M4: Need of independent directors in pvt companies?

Who was Jim Corbett?

why tigers become man-eaters?

Chamoli disaster happened? why such disasters are happening? so shall we stop all the development works in backward hill areas? how to prevent such disasters?

Ch: What is Mission Karmayogi? what is the difference between rule based and role based model?

Can the cloudburst be controlled using Doppler radars?

S.A. Aziz

Board : Air Marshall Ajit Bhonsle Sir

Date:2nd August 2021

Order: 5th in sequence

Duration: 35-40 mints

Academics : BE (Mechanical)

Work Experience: 1. Automobile parts Designing 2. Event Management

Optional: Literature Urdu

Hobby: Poetry/Automobiles/Modeling and Fashion show

Hometown: Aurangabad - Maharashtra

Chairman:

We will do conversation, and we will look for your suitability for the services. Language of answer doesn't matter. Be comfortable. Let's start.

Chairman:

- Read my DAF out loud Mechanical, Poetry, Fashion show, Judo, Karate etc
- What is the meaning of your name?
- -All the activities you mentioned, were you able to continue them during pandemic lockdown?
- I will tell you a sentence, please explain it to me, "if you don't identify yourself, you are vulnerable to be identified by others"
- Have you ever been in a situation where you thought that you cannot handle it but you came out of it very well.?

Member 1 (Lady)

- What is your strength?
- Where and how do you use your strength? Example?
- -What is your weakness?
- one followup question on weakness
- what is section 66(A) of IT act.?
- -how supreme court should deal with the issue going on with section 66(A)?

Member 2

- Do you know Nida Fazli (Poet)?
- Have you read his poem? (He mentioned the name of poem)
- -Have you read about Faiz (Ahmed Faiz)?
- -Please explain about uniqueness of Faiz poetry?
- Recites one line of a couplets and asked me to complete it.

(Lambi hai ghum ki sham magar sham he to hai)

-faiz Ahmed Faiz wrote a poem on 15th August 1947, do you know which poem?

- -Why he wrote that poem?
- -Please elaborate and explain that poem of Faiz Ahmed Faiz?

Member 3

- -What was your job profile? (One followup question)
- -what you did after quitting job?
- -so many years of prepration of civil service exam, why so much zealous about services? Basically, why you want be a civil servant?
- -What extra will you do after becoming a civil servant? How will you contribute?
- what do you understand by "Sweat Equity"?
- -How it is different from "Employees share of Profit"?

Member 4 (Lady)

- Aurangabad is a tourism hub, How will you promote tourism? what will you do to protect monuments such as Ajanta and Ellora?
- -are tourist counter productive for such heritage sites?Do we need to restrict the footfall of tourist to protect monuments?
- -You have organised Youth leadership workshop and done Youth counselling, what measures will you take as secretary Ministry of Youth Affairs?

Chairman:

- You have done fashion shows and modelling, did you participated as model or did you organised it?
- Your interview is over. You can go now. All the best.

Interview Transcript□

Why was your Start-up called that?

Explain the gap in your DAF

Three places that you worked on? What role? Work ex?

Health care - kerela, mp: which one better?

M1:

Is Economics an exact science?

What is economic scenario post covid? What was it last year?

Is the figure of de-growth right, because informal I'd not really a part of calculation?

What is a strategic alliance that has recently been news?

Which country will hold influence in Afg? Who will hold power?

How India shall solve the Taliban issue of islamic radicalisation?

M2:

Start-ups, why rising in Banglore and not in Mumbai?

Is Existence of mentorship a growth factor?

Railways privatisation - what advantage?

- but if is is still mired with delays and bad service, who will pay more?
- how to better manage privatisation?
- why do airports have carpet, when so hard to clean?

What is Quilling? (Hobby)

M3:

Why stock market so erratic?

What has SEBI done to avoid scam?

Why is stock market so bullish with the current economic situation?

Do you think alpha, beta gives good perspective of stock market happening s?

M4:

Farmers protesting, why?

What to do then? (don't make MSP statutory) Board Satyawati mam - 35 minute

Background

Bsc IT

In food business since last 10 years

Manager at RBI past six months

Sujata Mehta madams board

Chairman.

- 1. Introduce yourself
- 2. Tell me something about your business.

- 3. Why do you want to join civil services leaving ur business
- 4 .why corona cases are rising in Maharashtra

Members

- 1. What should be done to propel economy
- 2. What measure have government taken
- 3. LPG reforms
- 4. Rbi functions
- 5. Rbi government controversy
- 6.. historical importance of pali district .(My home town)

7.mumbai corona model

8. Monetary policy and fiscal policy.

Some counter questions wer der .. mostly it was on economy business and RBI

My friend, who is civil Engineer and from Tamil Nadu shared some questions.

Today, Manoj Soni Sir Board

Corruption, india china standoff places, importance of doklam plateau, Tamil literature, they asked which format cricket best test or T20,

what is the current major problem India facing?

how the situation of corruption in india?

and leather industry in tamilnadu.

Do u victim of corruption?

What will you do if u r senior officer is corrupt?

whether we should live with corruption? Like living with corona?

Board - Manoj Soni Sir (5 Members)

3rd August, Afternoon Session - 1st to go.

Piyush Kumar Rai

Graduation- BTech, Material Science and Engineering IIT Kanpur

Optional - PSIR

Hobbies - Listening Talks on Advaita Vedanta and Reading Non Fiction Books

1. What's going on in life?

- 2. Advaita Vedanta Philosophy of Shankara, Right! Very unusual for a young person!
- 3. Your graduation subject is a very specialised subject with high demand, why do you want to join services?
- 4. Which of the following subject are you most comfortable with PSIR, Agriculture, Forestry etc. follow up on IR!
- 5. So, There is a concept called Thucydides trap in IR, have you heard of it? What is it?
- 6. Do you think this was applicable to India-China Relationship in recent times?

M2

- 1. After IIT, Why IAS? Don't you think it's a waste of a seat!
- 2. You are a sports person, volleyball! You Run Marathon too! What is the best timing? Do you run regularly!
- 3. What do you think of Odd even scheme, do you think it worked well!
- 4. Why is zomato IPO getting oversubscribed! Don't you think it's a risky thing?
- 5. Why did you change your school after 10th (JNV Ballia to JNV Pondicherry).

Wanted to ask few more, I guess! But Soni Sir reminded him of time!

M3

- 1. Have you heard of Max Muller? Translated upanishads!
- 2. What do you think of disinvestment by government? Some areas where we shouldn't disinvest?
- 3. Does genetics have to play some role in sports? Why do you think we aren't doing well? Offer some solutions.
- 4. Are you following olympics! What happend in today's match!

M4 -

- 1. Have you heard of Badrayana? What does shankara has to do with him?
- 2. Have you heard the name of Plato! What's the name of his book? What is he talking about?
- 3. Brahma Satyam, Jagat Mithya! Tell your interpretation of it!
- 4 Russia, France and Isreal Indian Relationship-

A follow up question on - Economic Dimension of the relationship!

M5 (The only lady member)

- 1. Why IAS, IPS over IFS when you have good knowledge of IR?
- 2. You didn't work after graduation, didn't you ever think of it!
- 3. What are the similarities between Machiavelli and Chankya?

4. Why do people put Machiavelli ahead of Kautilya?

Soni Sir: Best wishes, your interview is over.

PS- Will update, in case I remember any question that I forgot to add.

Candidate's optional is economics.

Vyas Sir panel

- 1. Niti Ayog freight policy have you read about it?
- India at OECD about global minimum corporate tax
- follow up question on Treaty Shopping
- CAD comment.
- 3 TOP INTERNAL SECURITY CHALLENGES OF INDIA

2nd member:

- GDP IS DROPPING/ SLOWDOWN- WHY DO YOU THINK THAT?
- 5 trillion dollar economy, when will we achieve and at what rate
- Stock market boom despite lockdown.

3rd member:

- what is Resistance training?
- K-DRAMAS and their reflection of the society

(was asked about gender discrimination also)

- Why is K-pop so much out there/ why is the following so high?

4th member:

- Energy policy in India -Why is India not doing Renewable energy?
- Difference between nuclear fission and fusion
- AI/ blockchain, what are these technologies?

5th member:

- Afghan Peace process, is us troop pullout valid?
- what India should do?
- Aspirational youth and Depressed Youth of india
- IPS- WHAT WILL YOU DO ABOUT THE NAXAL SITUATION?

- IAS- HOW WILL YOU TACKLE MALNUTRITION?

- one word answer: How will you fix the civil service structure esp police, how to make it more responsive?

Chairperson:

- "3 schemes" - differenciate - UDAY/ UJALA/ UJWALA

—the end—

Interview lasted for 20-22 minutes

Sandeep Kumar

3/8/2021

Maths and computing, IIT kharagpur [2019 graduate]

Board: Manoj Soni Sir

Afternoon, 2nd in order.

Chairman:

How is the name of your village pronounced?

Are you the first person from your village to appear in the CSE interview?

Which basic facilities are available in your village? Which are lacking?

Suppose a person from your village has gone to the USA and earned a lot of money and gives you 50 crore to bring development in your village. You have to spend it within 5 years. Tell me your priorities.

(5-6 minute long discussion on various issues I mentioned. He insisted on specifics like how much exactly I will spend on which projects and how I will implement it.)

Member 1:

Carrying forward the discussion on your village, tell me what is the potential of mustard oil production in your village? Will you include it in your list of projects?

What about fisheries?

What is Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan? What is the National Rural Health Mission?

What is the Indradhanush mission?

(Forgetting few questions. I will update as I recall.)

Member 2: [Lady member]

Why did you join NCC?

What are the aims of NCC?

What did you learn from NCC?

What was Ramanujan's contribution? What is so special about his achievement?

How will you use mathematics to solve the problems of your village?

Member 3:

What is the status of sanitation in your village? Will you include it in your list of projects? [with reference to the last question by the chairman.]

So many IAS/IPS from Bihar, but development has still not come in Bihar. What are the reasons?

The problems you mention are known to people in Bihar, still no action has been taken. Why?

What do you understand by development?

How to achieve practically what you said? [I had emphasised inclusive and participatory development]

What parameters will you use to measure this kind of development?

Define sustainable development.

Why is air pollution such a big issue? What should be done so that industrialization takes place and air remains pure too. [He was talking in the context of Bihar's industrialization.]

What is the greenhouse gas effect?

Member 4:

Why is the Siachen Glacier important to us? Why do we have armed forces in such extreme conditions?

Not even a blade of grass grows over there. Do you think it is justifiable to spend so much money in that region?

Why has the defence budget not increased as a percentage of GDP in so many years? What do you recommend regarding an increase in budget?

What are the challenges in defence budget expenditure? [discussion on revenue expenditure vs capital expenditure issues.]

Chairman sir: We wish you best of luck. Your interview is over.

I thanked the chairman and members.

Panel was cordial and gave me ample time to frame my answers.

PS: Few questions might be missing. I will add them later when I recall. During the interview, a mask is mandatory but face-shield is optional.

Board: Sujata Mehta ma'am

Duration: 30 mins

Date: 03/08/2021

Maharashtra/MBBS/IRS IT/Geography

Chairperson:

Tell me about yourself briefly. When did you finish your graduation? Were you in IRTS before? What are you doing currently?

- 1) Due to recent changes in income tax law which reduced the window for reopening of past cases, a lot of reassessment notices are being issued suddenly. Are you aware of this issue? What is your view on that.
- 2) Don't you think IT department has very adversarial view of taxpayers. After so many years of independence is this still okay.
- 3) Why so less number of taxpayers in India, do you think it is related to how taxpayers are treated by tax department.

- 4) Do you think income tax department is sensitive about this issue.
- 5) Do they sensitise you in academy regarding how taxpayers should be treated, is that a part of your curriculum?
- 6) Are the measures taken by department in this regard adequate? Are they working?

M1:

- 1) What is Demographic Dividend?
- 2) Where does India stand in this case?
- 3) What are the steps being taken to take advantage of India's demographic dovidend
- 4) What are your views on government mandated population control measures. Do you think it can work.

M2

- 1) What measures are being taken by income tax department to increase the tax base
- 2) How many people declared income above 5 crores in last 3 years. Based on the these numbers do you think these measures seem to be working then?
- 3) Petrol prices are rising steeply, there is so much uproar over it. What are the reasons?
- 4) Do you think government should pass on the benefit of lower crude oil prices to common people

M3

- 1)'Vivaad se vishwas' Is it successful?
- 2) 80% of total income tax is paid by 20% taxpayers. In this case do you think we should exempt remaining 80% population from paying direct tax as they are paying very insignificant amount as it is. Will this work?
- 3) Some economists demand abolition of Income Tax altogether, what's your view on that.
- 4) Some economists suggest income tax is government mandated forced labour. Do you agree with this view?

M4

- 1) What do you understand by quid pro quo. Isn't it inherent between taxpayers and government?
- 2) Did you study mathematics in school? Do you remember that formula $(a+b)^2$.
- 3) What are various landholding categories in India?
- 4) What is share of India in global land? Share in global population? What are corresponding figures for China?
- 5) Do you remember the PURA scheme. What is it?
- 6) What is reverse migration? What are the reasons?

Chairperson:

- 1) What are your views on Aarey metro controversy. Should they go ahead with the project
- 2) What about the alternative land for the project, shouldn't they go ahead with that instead of aarey land.
- 3) What do you understand by intergenerational equity.

Thank you. Your interview is over.

Surya

Date of Interview: 03/08/2021 - afternoon shift - 3rd to go.

Board: Air Marshal A S Bhonsle

Optional: PSIR

Edu: BA, MA - Pol Sc

Chair:

- Greeted and Welcomed. Told to take off the face shield.
- Talked about long names (as my name is one of the long ones)
- Suryavansham and Agneepath discussed to bring me to comfort zone
- What is your aim in life, except your career goals?
- How have you been trying to achieve that?
- which 2 qualities of yours can I learn about, from outside your DAF?
- Why did you not join the NDA?
- Since you have already qualified both CDS and NDA in the past, what is the difference in the crowd that applies for these exams now vs then?

M1 (Lady):

- What is unique about diary writing?
- What reflections does diary writing bring in your life?
- Assume you are the incharge officer of a department, and a junior lady approaches you suggesting that she has faced sexual harassment. What will be your approach to the issue?
- What are the issues faced by women in your district?
- What are the changes you would want to bring to improve the conditions of ladies?

M2 (Lady):

- What is a meaningful change, as per you?
- What has been your contribution to the society in the 2nd wave of pandemic?
- How is WHO being criticised for pandemic response?
- What is the take of EU, USA, and the west towards pandemic response by China?
- What are the theories of origin of the pandemic?
- What is the current status of the pandemic origin tracing?
- What are monoclonal antibodies, and how useful are they?
- Why are we unable to get Moderna and Pfizer vaccines in India?
- What are some issues with Covaxin?

M3:

- What are salient features of Madhubani paintings?
- What are salient features of the work of Raja Ravi Verma?
- What is NAM, and is it losing relevance now?
- Should India continue with the idea of NAM, or drop it?
- What is your opinion on "dynamic neutrality" and "peaceful co-existence" regarding NAM? Should we remove these words?
- What is identity politics and what are issues with it?
- Is identity politics detrimental to democracy?

M4:

- What was your job profile in [one of the previous firms]?
- What is an audit committee?
- Who can be a member of the audit committee?
- What are the things you will take care about while making an overseas offer?

Chair:

- What do you think of the quote "When stupidity is considered patriotism, it is unsafe to be intelligent."
- Can you repeat your opinion on whether identity politics is detrimental to democracy?
- it was a pleasure talking to you. Best wishes for your future endeavors.

This is where the interview concluded.

Sathiyavathy mam board

Background -

BTech in Mech engg

Masters of Public health

Worked as Chief Ministers fellow (Govt of Maharashtra)

Currently working as Health and wellness officer.

Optional - History

Positions - social service coordinator, sports coordinator, alumni commitee representative

Hobbies/extra curricular - Public health intern BMC Mumbai, worked with Chief minister CSR cell (Govt of MH), Jagriti yatra participant, Practicing Hath yoga asana.

Chairperson -

(Mam read out whole DAF in start.)

What were the subjects that you studied during Masters?

Did you studied gender as a subject (had it in my PG)?

What is Chief minister fellowship?

What work did you do during your fellowship?

Roles and responsibilities

You are from public health background, tell me your view on UP population draft bill? Do you support it?

What is TFR India right now?

What is our TFR aim?

UP TFR?

Follow up - if you don't have such bill then UP will take many more years to stabilize its population than other states .. wont it be imbalance?

Member 1 -

Let's talk abt history.

What do you like the most in ancient history? (Said Ashoka and his Dhamma)

Tell us something abt Chandragupta, bindusara, ashoka. (Open ended Q to tell whatever I know)

Who was chandraguptas guide/mentor?

Mention some of the books written by Chankaya

Why ashoka embraced Buddhism?

Tell us something abt vedic period.

Buddha got enlightenment. What do you mean by that?

Member 2

Continuing with history, at what point of time Marathas reached at the zenith of their empire?

We have seen lockdowns in COVID. If 3rd waves comes do you thing complete lockdown will help? We also need to take care of our economic considerations.

Member 3

What measures are needed to strengthen rural health systems?

Told abt few things.

Then he asked me to specifically pin point measures in every field I mentioned.

Do you think pandemic like COVID can be handled at village level? At PHC level?

What is history?

Isn't history means interpretation?

Member 4 -

What is euthanasia?

How can we increase income of rural households?

03/08/2021

Sujata Mehta mam board

Andhra Pradesh, PSIR, Cricket, Tehsildar

Chairman:

- 1. Tell about your education and work experience?
- 2. Where do you work?
- 3. Why did you move from your earlier job (excise inspector) to this job(Deputy Tehsildar)?
- 4. What was your duty during COVID time?
- 5. How's your experience working during that time?
- 6. There was lack of resources during early COVID times. There was lack of PPEs, money?
- 7. How did people respond to stringent lockdowns?
- 8. Have you seen migrants and were you posted on that work?
- 9. What kind of training is given to you in your present job?

Member 1

- 1. How do you assess the functioning of PSUs in india?
- 2. Why are PSUs not functioning to expectation?
- 3. Do you feel that government needs to move away from sectors where private sector has capacity?
- 4. Are there any other things that need to be considered before privatization
- 5. Do you feel that commercialization of cricket has reduced the game? Did it help cricket?

Member 2:

- 1. I have heard that there is politicisation of bureaucracy in you area? How much of involvement is there?
- 2. In what manner do they intervene?
- 3. Do they make legally acceptable requests?
- 4. How much percentage of those representations are legally possible one's?
- 5. There is a demand for creation of separate state by merging Nellore and Prakasham districts and forming nee state? What do you say?
- 6. Your view on 3 capitals? Does it help people or politics?
- 7. Should Rayalaseema have a capital (at least a part)?

Member 3:

- 1. In north India we call Patwari? What do you call them in your state?
- 2. Tell about hierarchy in Revenue department?
- 3. In north India Jamabandi is done yearly thrice? How many times it is done in Andhra Pradesh?
- 4. When was the last time settlement of land records done?
- 5. Are the person appearing in online records and the possession of land are one? Are there any issues?
- 6. You must be facing lot of law and order issues?
- 7. Who does land mutation?
- 8. You must be facing lot of civil cases in courts?
- 9. Do you feel that computerisation is not the only solution to land issues?
- 10. What's the constitutional role of a legislator?

Member 4:

- 1. What is the meaning of Tehsildar?
- 2. A saint comes from your district? (about Satya sai baba)?

- 3. Is there any relation between about Satya sai baba and Shiridi sai baba?
- 4. He has done great good your district?
- 4. How a law is made?
- 5. You're from PSIR? I want you a question? Arrange Plato, Aristotle and Machiavelli in Chronology?
- 6. What about Kautilya?

In the end mam asked me if I wanted questions on any topic?

Board-Bhosle Sir

04/08/21

IPS, Geography Optional

Your Ustaad good and bad things

Israel palestine issue air dome

Why geography

Demographic transition

Up population bill your views

What is the desirable population

Sedition law

Terror related recently 3 students released by delhi HC, your views

Welfare role of police

Good Samaritan law

Why police not do FIR

Puttaswamy case judgement

Geographical location determining history, sri lanka example asked

No question on naxals problem etc. though I mentioned it once explicitly

No question on why IAS etc

Along with counter questions related to same topics

Approx 90% questions on policing and my geography optional (they asked my fav topic so questions on that - demography)

Harsh

Interview Date: 3rd Aug

Board: Vyas Sir

4th One to go

Background: B.tech (Mechanical) + MBA

Workex: 5 years in Pvt, Preparing for last 2 years

Home state: Haryana

Optional PSIR

Chairperson:

- 1. You were getting handsome pay in your job, it must have been a difficult decision for you to leave everything and prepare ?
- 2. Why PSIR?
- 3. Have you heard of Kailash Satyarthi?
- 4. What are your views on Child abuse?
- 5. Tell us what is POCSO act?
- 6. What is Happiness?
- 7. What is PPP (Public Pvt Partnership). Name some models. Have u heard of Hybrid Annuity Model.

8. What do you think of bullet trains in India?

2nd Member (Lady)

- 1. What are the implications of Military Junta taking over Myanmar?
- 2. Top 3 priorities for FP of India
- 3. Why Afghanistan is 1st priority (Follow up on previous answer)
- 4. We promote Natural world heritage sites, promote tourism, but Animals do not want it. How should we go about it.

3rd Member

- 1. U studied Mechanical, Then MBA, but took PSIR. Why? (asked again. Dont know why)
- 2. Germany was once divided and then restrictions were removed. Do you think such unification is good?
- 3. Can u tell 2 parties of Germany?
- 4. What is the latest J&K amendment bill?
- 5. What is waste Management?
- 6. What can we do through Waste to Energy Plants (follow up on previous answer)

4th Member

- 1. Why all these fugitives go to England. What is so special there?
- 2. With smart TVs, Alexa and Siri we are getting snooped all the time, so why so much of fuss about Pegasus issue in Parliament.
- 3. How does this Peagasus works (follow up on previous answer)
- 4. Was migration to rural areas in 1st wave responsible for 2nd Wave?
- 5. What should be our strategy for 3rd wave?
- 6. You studied Mechanical, Tell me how can we replace IC Engines?

5th Member

- 1. Why are farmers protesting?
- 2. What are these 3 Farm Laws?
- 3. How will the issue in any contract be resolved. What is suggested in these laws? (follow up on Contract Farming mentioned in previous answer)
- 4. And What do you think about all this? Your views.

Again Chairperson

1. What is Fake news?

2. What is government doing for it?

Thanku. Your Interview is over.

Manoj Soni sir board, last to go

Profile: Btech in Engineering physics from IIT Delhi

Optional: Physics

hobby: Student mentoring, Blogging, Covid cashrelief fundraiser

Work experience: Milaan Foundation (India Fellow social leadership program)

Summer research internships at University of Saarland and Leibniz institute in Germany

Chairman (M1)

- 1. What is milaan foundation and what did you do there?
- 2. Don't you think you wasted Investment in IIT course given its very specialized course? (Don't give any theoretical answer like you will use experience in administration)
- 3. Who was Thomas Kuhn?
- 4. What is Higgs boson and why is it called God particle?
- 5. Use of Higgs boson particle

M2:

- 1. What's your opinion on corona virus as bioweapon?
- 2. What is Crispr CAS9 and it's implications on coronavirus issue
- 3. So many lies are being spread in the world, how do you address it?
- 4. What is linkage between quantum physics and AI?

M3:

- 1. You mentioned about Hindi medium, Till what class, were you in Hindi medium?
- 2. What's your view on regional language courses and discussed on it thereon?
- 3. What's controversy on western part of India?

M4:

- 1. What does govt do for underprivileged section (I mentioned it)
- 2. Are underprivileged section getting benefits of govt. Program on ground?
- 3. Did everyone get govt. Job as per up govt. Has suggested?
- 4. What would you do if you are made DM and will you give govt. Job to these people?

M5:

- 1. Tell about your project in Germany and how you got it?
- 2. Can you recall an Indian who made it big after studying in Germany?
- 3. What is namami gange project and how can we use clean water for agriculture?
- 4. Why is UP poor despite so many PM? What is it that is going right for UP? What do you see it's future in?
- 5. Tell about Palestine issue
- 6. What is going on in Lakshadweep?

Name: Rahul Mandiwal (Currently working in IDAS - 2019 batch)

Board: B B Vyas Sir

Date: 04.08.21

Afternoon: Last to Go.

Optional: Literature of Hindi Language

UG: B.Tech Chemical Engineering from NIT Jalandhar

Hobbies: Traveling, Watching Movies, Reading Books and Newspapers

Chairperson:

So you are the last person with whom we are interacting today.

- 1. What kind of thoughts in your mind there when you were waiting for so long?
- 2. Which newspaper do you read?
- 3. Tell one headline from first each of 3 pages of the paper.

- 4. You are Chemical Engineer, what kind of heavy metals pollute the water?
- 5. Reasons for this pollution?
- 6. Remedies?
- 7. You are a student of Literature as well...so tell me that why Official Hindi is not much being used? Like Sangh ki Rajbhash ki progress me kya badhayein hai?
- 8. Two characters of Manak Hindi?

Member 1

- 1. So what kind of movies do you watch: Hindi, English or regional?
- 2. What difference can be observed in cinema of 1970s and Today's cinema?
- 3. Progress of Cinema in past 80 years.
- 4. Which book inspired you most and what lesson we can learn from that book?
- 5. 30 Years to LPG Reforms...Still regional disparity is there ...why so...how we can address it?

In answer I told Finance Commission...then follow up question was like FC is there since independence but still regional disparity is there...why so?

Member 2:

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- □. □□□□□□□□□□□□?
- 4. There was one statement from General Rawat that we need revolutionary changes in Civilian Bureaucracy...why he said so? What do you think?
- 5. Why hindi is on declining trend in India in terms of usage?

Member 3

- 1. Is UN becoming irrelevant?
- 2. Time and again UN is showing anti India sentiment? Why so? How would we tackle it?
- 3. China is taking place of US in UN ...how come? What will be impact of it?
- 4. Every service in district is having specialist like Police service has IPS, Health Service has PMO or CMHO that is a Dr...so is it okay that DM is a generalist?
- 5. Today what kind of role a DM playing more... Revenue Collector or Distributor / Authority to expenditure?
- 6. Should DM be a generalist person?

7. There was a statement from Germany Cgancellor Angela Merkel like we made India self reliant in Pharmacy, no body stooped India from producing vaccines...why she was saying so?

Member 4:

- 1. Internal Audit
- 2. If internal audit is there then why CAG audit is mandatory?
- 3. If some document is highly confidential that you can't show that document to CAG then sanction from which authority is required?

Name - Rishabh Shukla

College- IIT BHU Civil Engineering

Hobbies- Journaling, guitar& ukulele, strength training

Board - Satyayavathi Ma'am

Chairperson

Read out my DAF aloud

- 1. What is journaling? How is it different from diary writing? What do you write?
- 2. What is a ukulele? (I told her) Okay so how is it different from guitar? Which of them do you prefer more?
- 3. Name few iconic civil engh structures in India (recent ones)
- 4. Follow up- how is Chenab bridge so iconic?

M2/

Okay so you did a project on Earthquake Engineering...

- 1. Can we predict earthquake? (I told him a recent technology installed in Uttarakhand which gives a 15-20 sec time after Primary waves have hit).. then he said ," is 15 minutes enough to evacuate? And this conversation went on for a minute or 2
- 2. So you did engineering from Varanasi where bhakti movement was prevalent. Name some saints

M3.

- 1. What is laissez faire?
- 2. What is the role of a govt in laisses faire?

- 3. What is a welfare State?
- 4. Why so many potholes in Indian roads?
- 5. One question I don't remember and I even didn't know it's answer.
- 6. Do you think judiciary overreach is a reality?
- 7. Do you think so many people filling PILs and appeals? Is this trust in judiciary or manipulation of system?
- 8. Recent inter state border issue? What do you know about that?

M4

- 1. Your are from UP. How many districts in UP
- 2. Geographical divisions of UP
- 3. Should UP be divided?

M5:

- 1. What is hyperloop?
- 2. What is diff between hyperloop and magnetic lavitation?
- 3. What are the issues with hyperloop?
- 4. Rishabh you said that concrete roads are more durable but bituminous roads are more feasible in urban areas, district roads etc. Why?
- 5. Then Sir asked about tolls system and how it should be reformed further...PPP models etc...(This part troubled me a bit though... I didn't know many things here)

Chairperson

Thank you Rishabh your interview is over.

Board -Smt. M. SATHIYAVATHY Mam

3rd To go . Forenoon Session.

Started 11:10 - 11:45 AM - Around 35 mins.

Hobbies - Reading books, Mindfulness Meditation.

Work Exp - Currently Working.

Graduation- B Tech Computer Science 2018.

Nervous walking along the corridor.

- Waits for the bell to ring, Peon opens the Door*

"May I come in Mam?"

Yes please walk in.

Good Morning Mam, Good Morning Sirs. - Big smile there.

Please Seat.

Remove your face mask and face shield.

Mam verifies my face, with the photo in Hand - Ask me to keep the face shield on lap, Wear the mask

 $\mbox{\sc Mam}$ Read the DAF loud out. - JP Morgan , Mindfulness Meditation.

- 1. You are earning in lakhs, CSE will reduce it like anything? Why CSE?
- 2. What is Mindfulness Meditation?
- 3. Okay you said a reason for joining CSE? But I want to know what will you do once joined? What will be your priorities?

The discussion Begins -

- 1. Okay, What will you do for Education?
- 2. Okay, What next? What will you do in Hygiene and Education?
- *Mam Directs her Hand for 1st Member, Here comes M1*
- 1. What is the neuralink Made my elon Musk? What do you think about it?
- 2. Okay sounds good. What about this Smart City thing?
- 3. What about the Some Rejuventing Scheme?
- 4. Okay so what is the bottom line? Technology AI good or bad?
- We had Discussion He was patiently Listening.
- * Now Comes M2 Female Member *
- 1. You talk about Ethics, Whom do you look upto?
- 2. All seems to be great personalities We all have learnt lessons from Babasaheb Ambedkar and shivaji maharaj .
- 3. What is contribution of Shivaji Maharaj to the society?
- 4. But don't you think about the myths we propogate with Mythology?
- 5. Yes story telling is good. But right now -Society is seeing significant impact with mythology Who do you think is impacting more? Lord Ram or Krishna?
- 6. Why don't you think it is Lord Krishna? What is the significance of lord Ram?
- 7. Why he is called Marayada purushutum?
- 8. Okay enough of this mythological part Let us talk about the Finance and money What is LIBOR? IBOR
- 9. What is the Bank rate decided?
- Disappointed by my economics answer on LIBOR and bank rate -
- * She said Thank you with a bit Disappointed Face Directs to the third Member *
- 1. What qualities do you think a leader must have?
- 2. Lets talk about sociology, What is social mobility?
- 3. Is it Caste or class? Mobility?
- 4. What is Sanskritization? What is Westernisation?
- 5. What is happening in India? Westernisation I see youth moving away from our culture.

Okay sounds good, Looks like you are hungry now - Have Pizza Tonight.

*Directs me to the last member - 4th Member *

- 1. I will only ask 2 Questions. Under Whom did the Mharatha Empire reach the Zenith?
- 2. Can you do the Sociological Analysis for Maharashtra? The western Belt Vidarba, Marathwada?
- 3. What about the Tribals in the gujarat Maharashtra Belt?
- 4. Are small states a solution? Should Maharashtra Be Divided?
- *Mam says Thank you your interview is Over *

Sujata Mehta Ma'am

Profile

Education - Architecture and Urban planning

Anthropology

Work exp - Smart Cities Fellowship

Interests - editor in college magazine, research and writing about road safety

Chairperson

- 1. Introduce yourself
- 2. What was your smart cities project about? What is your criticism of the project?
- 3. Why is India not ready to take on a net zero target?

M1 (lady member)

- 1. What is your view on regulations on social media content? Do you know the recent regulations?
- 2. What is your view on data localisation?
- 3. Will the new data laws stop innovation?

M2 (gentleman member, probably from academia)

- 1. Based on your knowledge of architecture, how will you bring people in a district together?
- 2. Based on your knowledge of anthropology, is it right for foreigners to come to India, click pictures of poor people and sell it?
- 3. When there is a conflict between implementing a law and interest of marginalized groups, what will you do?

M3 (gentleman member, could be a police officer)

- 1. As an architect, what steps can you take to make public spaces safer for women?
- 2. What steps will you take to make a building energy efficient in North India?
- 3. What is transit oriented development? Have you been part of such a project?

M4 (gentleman member, probably IAS)

- 1. Long question about how to handle traffic in small and medium towns.
- 2. Opinion question on whether traffic police are responsible for poor condition of roads
- 3. Telengana and Bhubaneswar have progressed in terms of water supply. Why are other states behind?

Chairperson

1. Anything else you want to tell us. 2. Don't you think you will miss the creativity and opportunities in urban planning if you shift to civil services? Thank you

Chairman: Sujatha Mehta

Educational Background: Electronics and Communications Engineering

Optional: Psychology

Work Experience: Deloitte

Hobbies: Vipassana Meditation

Home State: Telangana

Interview date: 02 Aug 2021; 3rd to go

Chairman:

- 1. Tell me about something about yourself apart your educational background?
- 2. About work experience at Deloitte
- 3. Suggest Civil Services reforms wrt your work experience at Deloitte.
- 4. Why should one not find faults in existing civil services?
- 5. Why to civil services after working at an MNC with a decent pay?

Lady Member:

- 1. Asked about my activities at college (Mentioned in DAF)
- 2. Asked about my leadership position (Mentioned in DAF)
- 3. How will you use these learnings in civil services?
- 4. Asked about project and its functions (Mentioned in DAF)
- 5. Why did you not opt for Entrepreneurship after all these varied activities?

Member 2:

- 1. Tell me about what is Narcissistic personality?
- 2. Why psychology as optional after electronics?
- 3. Why India is poor in Entrepreneurship? What steps needed to nurture it?

- 4. Who are the founders of Goggle who were from Stanford University?
- 5. How Psychology will be used in Civil Services?

Member 3:

- 1. Should we prefer small states or Large states? There are demands for smaller states like Vidharba, UP into 4 smaller states etc. Can we go for smaller states?
- 2. Did AP bifurcation helped both states AP and Telangana and the Nation?
- 3. Name any two companies that were setup in AP after bifurcation?
- 4. Are you sure economic growth of both states is high after bifurcation?
- 5. What are this schemes Mission Bhagiratha and Mission Kakatiya?

Member 4:

- 1. What is Vipassana Meditation? Compare with other meditation techniques like Hath yoga, Raja yoga etc.
- 2. If you were in charge of Bastar district, how will you tackle the issue of LWE?

(I could not recollect other questions, will update once I remember)

Chairman:

- 1. Is there anything that you wanted us to ask?
- 2. (Answered: No, Mam I am good and Thank you)
- 3. Okay, you may leave

Thanked lady members (both chairman and other) and male members and left the room.

Name: Anonymous

Board: Sujatha Mehta Mam

Degree: B.Tech IT

Optional: Geography

Work Experience: IT Company

DOI: 04/08/2021

Duration: 25-30 minutes

Chairman:

- 1) Introduce yourself mentioning specifically about graduation and work experience if any.
- 2) What was your role in your IT company.
- 3) Why IT job to civil services.

- 3) Are you in social media?
- 4) Do you just see others tweets or u urself will you tweet?
- 5) There is an opinion that women are abused more in social media than men. What's your opinion?
- 6) Do abuse come from anonymous accounts or open accounts?
- 7) What measures are taken to curb this abuse on social media?
- 8) What is cone winding? (Hobby)
- 9) Do you do it for passing time?

Member 2:(Female)

- 1) Is women discriminated in our society?
- 2) Tell me about me too movement.
- 3) Is the movement done with good intention or is it wrongly used against men at times? Example if any?
- 4) How digitalization is going on in India?
- 5) Why rural urban digital divide?
- 6) What infrastructure is lacking in rural areas for providing digital connectivity?
- 7) What is Bharat net and how well it is performing?
- 8) What is most important thing happened in 5G recently in India?
- 9) Why India didn't go with Chinese company for 5G trials?
- 10) What implications will India have due to this?

Member 3:(Male)

- 1) What are the geographical divisions of India and South Asia?
- 2) What is BRI?
- 3) What are the benefits for China because of BRI?
- 4) Will it benefit India & Why India didn't join BRI?
- 5) Are you aware of a similar project of India connecting to South East Asian countries?
- 6) What is money laundering?

Member 4:(Male)

- 1) What are the 5 pillairs of Atma Nirbhar?
- 2) Do you think AtmaNirbhar is possible with globalisation?

- 3) What are the structural reforms done in Indian economy since independence?
- 4) If no globalisation then India might not have been affected by Covid this badly. What's ur view on this?

Member 5:(Male)

- 1) Is atmanirbhar an import substitute?
- 2) What is the relation between population density and more transport connectivity?
- 3) If an economy of a region grows well then what is the effect on population density in that region?

Again Chairman:

- 1) Did we left anything which you felt that might be questioned?
- 2) Why IPS as first choice?
- 3) Which area you like in IPS like law and order, intelligence, criminal investigation?
- 4) Do you read any books or watch movies related to police?
- 5) So do you prefer IPS inspiring from movies and books?

You may leave. Thank you.

Pratik

- *Date: * 3rd August (12:55 to 1:25)
- *Board:* Dr. Manoj Soni Sir
- *Candidate Profile:*
- B. Tech (Mechanical), Anthropology optional, Worked in Tata Motors
- *Chairman:*
- Q. You've studied Mechanical engineering, Anthropology, Agriculture Engineering and Forestry. So which subject among these will be useful to you in administration?
- Q. What are the recently enacted new agricultural laws. Explain in nutshell. And why are the farmers protesting?
- Q. How will you use Mechanical engineering in solving the issue of recent farmer protests?
- Q. What is your opinion about these reforms?
- Q. Tata Motors is a good employer. Would you agree? Then why did you leave the company?
- *Member 1 (Lady member):*
- Q. When did you start writing Journal? Why?

- Q. You have written Emerging Technologies as your interest area. What are these technologies and how can they be useful for India? Explain with specific cases.
- Q. Do you know about Gilgit-Baltistan issue?
- Q. Can you explain entire Kashmir conflict since its origin in brief?
- *Member 2:*
- Q. Explain your role at Tata Motors.
- Q. Is Burma important to India? What is happening there?
- Q. Should India intervene?
- Q. What's Philosophical Anthropology?
- *Member 3:*
- Q. Applications of 3D printing?
- Q. Can we build buildings using 3D printing? Explain the mechanism?
- Q. What is CSR?
- Q. How much does Tata Motors contribute in CSR? Where?
- *Member 4:*
- Q. What is the biggest problem in front of humanity? (I said Climate Change)
- Q. Are we doing enough to solve climate change?
- Q. Why are we not able to move ahead?
- Q. As the president of USA what will you do solve this?
- Q. Why should developing countries cut their emissions when major emitters are developed countries? Don't you think it's unfair? What's the way ahead?
- *Chairman:*
- Q. Which values are core to you?
- Q. Suppose you are a senior level govt officer and you have strong views about a particular policy. But the govt has brought out policy which is contrary to your views or values. How would you proceed?

Arun

Date: 04/08/2021

Time: Afternoon (3rd)

Board: Sujata Mehta Ma'am

Optional: Geo

BTech Mechanical, 1.5 yr work exp

Chairperson:

- 1. Tell us about your educational and occupational background
- 2. Are you still working?
- 3. Are you following olympics?
- 4. If you were the deciding body, Would you have gone ahead with the Tokyo games, why?
- 5. Olympics hosting cities are facing massive losses, why?
- 6. Why shouldn't we shift to conducting these games at a single venue in Greece instead of auctioning each year?
- 7. Don't you think 20 billion loss is too much to an event just to promote sporting excellence and bridging cultures?

Member-1

- 1. What is your opinion about the debate on greatness of Sanskrit and Tamil language?
- 2. How will you use ur mechanical knowledge in administration?
- 3. How to address regional imbalance?
- 4. Forward and backward linkages

Member 2

- 1. Do you subscribe to the idea of doing things that gives maximum good to max ppl (ethical question)
- 2. To what extent do you don't accept it?
- 3. Choose btw high economic growth with social ruptures, stressful life and steady slow economic growth with social harmony and peaceful life?
- 4. Two great achievements of cholas?

Member:3

- 1. Do you think civil servants are tested for mental health aspect before recruitment?
- 2. What is the one thing you will do to address high crime, politics and violence in UP (worked there)?

Member:4

- 1. Do you think referendums are good way to decide things?
- 2. Why not cite some episodes brexit
- 3. What is PM AWAS?
- 4. what is geo tagging and how it helps?

Thank you! You can leave Nisha Board-Satyawathi ma'am, -5/8/2021 Date Forenoon- last one to go. UG- chem honors PG- MSc chem IIT Madras Achievement- gold medalist of IIT Madras Optional- chemistry Hobby-doing yoga, Current job City Magistrate, HCS State- HARYANA Ma'am read out my daf loudly... 1-what is HCS? oh that's the reason of filling Ltd services. 2- why society is backward in Haryana? Then why some girls are able to do great? 3- reason of existence of khap panchayat? 4-as a City Magistrate what have you done to empower girls? 5- is there any role of boys in women empowerment? M1: Full form of NABARD, What is microfinance institution? Different types of bank? Small finance bank? Types of commodity exchanges?? M2-

What kurukshetra is famous for?

Relevance of that place today?

What have you learnt from that place? Thats usage in administration?

M3-

Translation of first past the post in hindi?

Digital divide in various domains??

Tell me about yama, niyama?

What is hatha yoga and Gyan yoga?

Who have achieved moksha from Gyan yoga?

Which one will you prefer?

M5-

Khap vs PRI

Will magistratial power be with executive? Isn't it against separation of power?

Can't you order against khap panchayat decisions as a magistrate?

The interview was over after this...

5/8/21- morning

Name- Ajay Yadav

Background- Btech in textile technology-IITDelhi, Geography optional

HOBBIES- Basketball, having conversations with parents

Achievements- Chief Minister award in Mathematics, Mathematical Modelling in Textiles

Board-Bhonsle sir

Chairman

- 1. Have we met before?
- 2. Ajay u look like Sonu Nigam. Are u agree?
- 3. Has anyone said this before?
- 4. Ur a good student, tell me what u converse with your parents.
- 5. How it strengthen ur personality?

Member 1

- 1. Tell me reasons for poor conditions of Textiles
- 2. Tell me some suggestions for upliftment of handloom sectors
- 3. Explain with some examples

Member 2

- 1. What do u mean by model?
- 2. How you have done mathematical modelling in Textiles??
- 4. Have u read about geography modelling
- 5. How geography modelling differ from mathematical modelling
- 6. What is slam dunk in basketball

Member 3

- 1. Why India not able to do good in olympics??
- 2. Is there is need for more sponsors for upliftment if games??
- 3. Why Textiles export is poor??
- 4. How to increase india's share in Global Textiles??

Member 4

- 1. Which country has basketball as integral part of culture??
- 2. Explain reasons.
- 3. Reason for Delhi Air pollution
- 4. What recent steps taken by government to curb Delhi air pollution.
- 5. Tell something about Etah
- 6. Etah is Agrarian economy. Is there any kind of farmer protest??
- 7. Why there is no farmer protest??

Chairman again

- 1. What is your today's plan.
- 2. Keep enjoying with your friends.

Ajay you can go, your interview is over now.

Overall a very cordial board.

Name: KK

Date: 05-08-2021

Afternoon Session, Last to go

Duration: 30 Minutes

Board: Dr Manoj Soni

5th Attempt

Optional: Sociology

Graduation: B.Sc

Hobby: Ted Talks, Cooking

Chairman:

- 1. What's going on?
- 2. What are you doing after college?
- 3. Don't you think the time for some back up plan has come?
- 4. What was the role of planning commission?
- 5. Why was it dismantled and why Niti Ayog now?
- 6. Full form of Niti Ayog?
- 7. In which year was PC dismantled?
- 8. 3 points which can justify that NITI Ayog is the right step.

Member 1(Lady):

- 1. What 3 sociological challenges you see in today's society?
- 2. How to remove Caste Inequality?
- 3. Suggest some practical steps instead of idealism?
- 4. How to reduce corruption in the Civil Services?
- 5. Whats your view regarding Nuclear Disarmament?
- 6. Name of the treaty?

Member 2(Male):

- 1. View regarding division of UP into two smaller states?
- 2. View regarding our federal structure? Centralisation needed or decentralisation?
- 3. Why China did what it did at Indo-China Border?
- 4. Was granting asylum to Dalai Lama right decision?
- 5. History of British steps regarding Tibet and China?

Member 3(Male) (Was in grilling mode, never agreed fully on any answer):

- 1. Why historically high rate of crime in your district (UP)?
- 2. Do you foresee the situation where any country can resort to nuclear attack anywhere?
- 3. Have we achieved any success with respect to elimination of plastic?
- 4. Which two states have decided to ban plastic?
- 5. What's integrity pact?

Member 4(Male):

- 1. Which ministry works for Diaspora? (Lady member corrected that it's been merged with MEA)
- 2. What steps has government taken for Diaspora?
- 3. What benefit to us from Diaspora?
- 4. Name any sociologist you are comfortable to talk about (told Emile Durkheim)?
- 5. Tell about Emile Durkheim?
- 6. Explain his concept of Suicide?

Chairman: Thank You. Best Wishes to you.

Name: - Gaurav

Date: - 5/8/2021

Background:-

From: Rajasthan

IIT Guwahati, Chemistry

Optional:- Chemistry

Board: - Sujatha ma'am

Chairperson:-

- 1. Why did you leave your job?
- 2. What is the border dispute between Assam and Mizoram? Did it shock you or was it normal for you?
- 3. What steps should be taken to deal with it? How to maintain national supply chain in this case?

Member 1:

- 1. Who gave current concept of bureaucracy?
- 2. What are the characteristics of bureaucracy?
- 3. Why is bureaucratic anonymity necessary?

- 4. Bureaucrats joining politics?
- 5. Why hasn't government brought cooling off period for it?

Member 2:

- 1. Basics of 1991 reforms?
- 2. Why does government need to regulate markets?
- 3. Should government be part of production and provide services?
- 4. What about Health and education sector?

Member 3:-

- 1. How many seconds for national anthem?
- 2. Proposed expenditure in National Education Policy?
- 3. What is biochemistry? And its importance in Covid.

Member 4:-

- 1. What is Ruy Lopez Opening?(Chess Hobby)
- 2. Role of bureaucracy in administration?
- 3. What about lateral entry?
- 4. If specialization is needed in policy making then why need of general administrators in policies?
- 5. Why shouldn't bureaucrats be given same rights as citizens in case of joining politics?
- 6. Isn't it possible that government hasn't brought concept of cooling period for bureaucrats before joining politics because it's right of everyone to be part of political process?

Chairperson:-

Do you want us to ask anything from your daf that we might have missed?

- Name : B Ruthvik
- Date: 05/08/2021
- Board: Sathiyavathi Maam
- DAF Details : Warangal district in Telangana, Computer Science graduate, kho kho, swimming, Writing novels
- Chairman: Read the DAF aloud, all the basic details like hobbies, grad etc.
- ° So, how is your name spelt? Am I pronouncing it correctly?
- ° So, how many novels did you write? In which language did your write it?
- ° What is the name of the novel. Tell me about it

- ° Warangal is famous for naxalism right? How is it today.
- ° What is warangal famous for?
- ° Ramappa is ok. Tell me more.
- ° So, you play kho kho. Is it in Olympics?
- ° Kabaddi is in Olympics right? (I said no)
- ° I think kabaddi is played in Olympics earlier and removed now. I thought to ask the next question on it
- Member 1
- ° Discussion revolved around driver less vehicles. The technology used in it (wrt computer science) & whether it's a failure or success.
- Member 2
- ° What is Human trafficking
- ° Why are children being trafficked. What is being done to them?
- ° What is Vagrancy
- ° What is mediation. Why is court backed mediation in vogue
- Member 3
- ° What is culture (anthropology related)
- ° Cultural anthropology & how it is studied
- ° Is culture the same, since 2000 years ago to now..?
- ° How it differs?
- ° Tell me about IPR.
- ° Any Patent in computer science?
- Member 4
- ° Why state bifurcation?
- ° What are the differences in telangana and Andhra pradesh
- ° Are there no sociological differences. Is the caste structure same?
- Chairman: Your interview is over

Name- Vijay Thalor

Optional- Hindi Literature

M.Phil-DU, Sikar(Rajasthan)

Hobbies- Watching web series, reading magazines and singing folk songs

Board- B B Vyas, 3rd to go

CM

- 1. You have done your masters in 2015 so what you did since 2015
- 2. No I'm asking you were in good academics then why hindi literature
- 3. Have you read 'ashadh ka ek din'. Tell me the importance of it.
- 3. 'Godan is a burning document of agriculture problems' do you agree with it
- 4. Tell me another stories/novel based on agriculture
- 5. Which countries will you choose except india if you want to agriculture or model
- 6. Nowadays we are looking at 'anndata to urjadata' do you agree, is there any policies
- 7. Where is ethanol

M1(he's haunting me till now)

- 1. Thalor Ji
- 3. Which 'alankar' is there
- 5. Which alankar?
- 6. how many rivers is there in namami gange

(Even he didn't gave the chance to say sorry and looking at chairman like see i'm asking good questions but candidate unable to give answers)

M2

- 1. There is abundant policies for women, but there is no result. What will you do in administration
- 2. Hindi's conditions is not good. Why?
- 3. What will you do to improve it in administration
- 4. Why there is so legal cases pending problem
- 5. What will you do to improve it in administration

(all the time he was saying 'sorry i'll interrupt you' and 'i want to take just your opinion')

M3

- 1. You did M.Phil, why govt has scrapped it in NEP
- 2. There is so fake universities in USA and we allowed foreign universities campus in india, how we will combat it (follow up question)
- 3. Till which rank university we allowed
- 4. There is a place in Rajasthan 'Guler'. Which famous hindi story writer belongs this place. He said will give you a hint and said 'He has also revolutionised hindi story'
- 5. Do you know bhagwati charan verma. Why he is famous. Tell the message, which he has given in 'Chitralekha'
- 6. Have you read 'gunahon ka devta'. Tell the message
- 7. name of the movie based on gunahon ka devta
- 8. Dharmveer Bharti was a editor of a magazine. Tell the name

M4 (Lady Member from North east and she was trying to speak in hindi, so the formation of question was not clear)

- 1. Who made the HDI index, name those people
- 2. What is the importance of HDI
- 3. Why there is Maternal benifit act
- 4. Amendment.
- 5. How to give maternal benefit to informal sector women

Chairman didn't asked any question in the last as i was expecting it. He just said 'your inter is over' and combined both hands wishing good luck.

Comment: Chairman was very cordial but it was bad luck to have some members.

Chairman - Sathyavathy Ma'am

Time - 25 mins exact

Chairman Read my DAF Aloud. Said I have only few questions.

- 1. Why bank PO to ITI job?
- 2. So govt dept has less work you are saying?
- 3. What is this solo travelling. Are you an Introvert? Where did you go?

Member 1

- 1. What was unique in Rann of kutch?
- 2. I talked about chir batti phenomenon Chairman interjected here and asked me to explain it?
- 3. What do you mean by disaster management. ? What legislation or setup we have in India ?
- 4. How was this NDMA setup effective in Delhi during covid wave?
- 5. Tomorrow 1000 people will die if earthquake comes in Delhi. What is govt doing?
- 6. Able bodied people come out at first warning. what about disabled, blind, children etc?

Member 2

- 1. What is this rural project you have done? Your role in it?
- 2. Do we need WB, IMF, UN for funding and other needs. what is their relevance?
- 3. Has faceless assement reduced your workload? How?

Member 3 - I will ask only 2 questions

- 1. Why is wallet like Paytm have more popularity than Bank apps?
- 2. Should we Tax agri income?

Member 4

- 1. Diff between USA and Indian model of federalism?
- 2. Can state govt define a crime?
- 3. Can they enact their own crpc, evidence act etc?
- 4. What is Sir creek dispute? Did you go there? Why Not?

Thank you. You may leave.

Unknown person/board

Chairman:

- 1. Introduce yourself to the board highlighting your education and professional experience.
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- 3.Do you think you have taken risk?
- 4.As a first person of the year, don't you think about you are at a disadvantaged position?
- 5.Can you tell me how the structure of exam evaluates an individual?

6. You said improving. What are the things improved?

Member 1:

- 1. What do you mean by per capita income?
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- 3. Can you name two Indian Nobel laureates in Economics?
- 4. What are their works?
- 5. What is randomized control trail?
- 6. Did Abhijit Banerjee have any role in MGNREGA?

Member 2:

- 1. What is Bad bank?
- 2. What is its role in Indian economy?
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- 9. Can you trace its origin?

Member 3:

- 1. Which is your famous play?
- 2. Do you know Girish Karnad?
- 3. Which is his famous play?
- 4. It is based on whom?
- 5. Why Tughlaq is famous? What are his policies?
- 6. From where to where he shifted his capital?

Member 4:

- 1. What kind of defense issues do you read?
- 2. Whether defense technologies should be used for civilian purposes?
- 3. Name one technology used in 20th century for civilian purpose.

- 4. Anything at international level?
- 5. When was Karnataka formed?
- 6. Can you explain the meaning of Karnataka?

Chairman:

- 1. Do you want any other thing to ask?
- 2. Banks and economist oppose loan waiver. What should we do?
- 3. Any scheme on interest waiver?
- 4. Is agriculture extension working? Whether we should extend it?

Chairman:

- { Explained the process of the test. Made me feel very comfortable(You can drink water anytime, write anything, wipe your glasses & face, ask to repeat Questions any number of times etc) [Nearly for a min] }
- 1. Read out my achievements, academic records, NCC etc. and said there's nothing below 98. Excelled in everything. So there must have always been great pressure on you all the time.

Me: Emphasized on my interests in them which gave me pleasure & so didn't feel pressured

2. Ok. That's how you see it. You're even cleared ND4-134 batch. Why didn't you join?

Me: Explained about medical disqualification [conversation on what Spondiolomylothesis is.....]

- 3. I think the armed force are at a loss for missing such a candidate, and I hope the civil services will be lucky to have you. (Then 'Q' on preference)
- 4. What were your preferences for NDA?

Me: Air, Arm, Navy

5. Read about RUSH [Rise Up Serve Humanity] aloud and talked about how tribal children are disadvantaged. Then asked me to share my experience on their issues majorly as what we saw.

Me: Narrated how it was difficult to even approach then for first few times. Language barrier.

Trust barrier. How their education status was. And our approach initially of English and Kannada books wasn't successful but later their native language story books were.

Member 1:

1. Population Control Bill. What is your opinion on that?

Me: Sir, I'm sorry I couldn't hear it. Can you please repeat that.

[Repeats the 'Q']

Me: Policy on Population stabilization is needed for better standard of living and limited resources. The goals of UP and Assam govt is good in this regard. But, I don't believe the incentive, disincentive

method is good for pursuing this. It can lead to more sex-selective abortion, divorces, women issues. As contraceptives aren't yet prevalent, we need to first increase health infrastructure and promote contraceptives as well as women education

2. What is TFR- of India? What is its role here?

Me: TFR = 2.2, Replacement rate ideal = 2.1, Very close

3. So, We are nearly stable population, why would we need a population policy? Most states already aging.

Me: States of UP (TFR = 2.7), Bihar – more than 3 TFR need to control their population for future needs. States of south India have lower TFR without any such incentive/disincentive method and I believe similar gradual approach of northern states will balance our young population(demo dividend).

Member 2 (lady):

1. Talked about disabled children and their problems in accessing education despite being law(RTE). What is the issue behind this?

Me: Took example of my own secondary school. Poor disabled friendly infra, so less than 5 disabled out of more than 1500 strength, said newer laws like Rights of People with disabilities & Accessible India making this better now.

2. Added few points on how RTE had all provisions for disable friendliness, but still couldn't perform. Why so? Are you saying there are flaws in the government and policies?

Me: I'm not exactly aware of these provisions in RTE, but the fault lies mainly in the implementation of any policy. Our school never enforced it, no higher authorities enforced it on our school. This implementation is being tackled in last few years and will be better in future definitely

3. Asked me about what we actually worked for the disabled and how is education progressing there?

Me: Talk about Neerekshe school where we volunteered. How they incorporated livelihood training alongside curriculum to increase education broader sense. Making of soaps, phenols, pots etc., for their future.

Member 3:

1. Talked about my academic and how important for people like me to join as teacher, scientist. Why IAS?

Me: Honestly ma'am, my dream started after clearing NTSE when teachers & parents told me about IAS, its competitiveness. Though i was immature back then, as I grew up, I realised my interests, skills learned would better serve civil services, with the dynamism of job and the satisfaction it provides.

M3 : Oh. Ok. If that is how you see it. (smiling).

2. Mysuru, is a beautiful city. I have visited Lakshmi Vilas Palace and Dasara celebrated there. Tell me about it .

Me: Talk about Jayalakshmi Vilas palace. Then about Dasara which occurs in Amba Vilas palace or Mysuru palace

3. When was this built?

Me: Not aware of the original year, but in 1890's it was rebuilt after a fire accident, the present structure now visible.

4. Talks about destitute girls. Ask me to explains my work with them.

Me: Talk about Shaktidhama project. About nearly 96 girls of Devadasi, rape victims, orphans of varying age- 18 month project. Initially difficult. Extracurricular activities like Treasure hunt, rhymes, games to teach them.

5. So what is this shaktidhama. Is it government centre?

Me: It is a govt aided rehab centre owned by a private trust.

6. Tells me how important it is for upcoming generation to have social work orientation. Asks me how do we help build that is future generation?

Me: Talked about how we are brought up mainly as individual-centric in every aspect, but actually are always result of social co-operation. So need to nurture children in family, education by making them feel blessed of what they have. We should feel we are all in this world together to develop empathy.

Then talked about social media usage to promote and used my own example.

Member 4:

1. Tell me the difference between rotting and fermentation

Me: Explained well

2. Tell me what do you think about setting up of stem cell banks in India? Do we need it?

Me: Yes, definitely Uses of it-R&D of future, gene therapy, treating genetic disorders of future generation, personalized medicine and even in Public health care.

3. Explains further applications of stem cell banks. Continues by asking do you know what histocompatibility is?

Me: Explained

4. Let me go out of Biotechnology. You are interested in under standing human mind and intelligence. What is intelligence according to you?

Me: Explained

5. Intelligence comes in various forms- AI, social intelligence, Intelligence in security. So tell me what you understand by intelligence in security?

Me: (Couldn't form proper sentence structuring).

Any information unavailable in common media but to govt agencies which are crucial in dealing with national threats and security. (added I'm sorry, unable to give clear sentence)

6. Explains to me what it actually means clearly. (I said, Thank you)

Chairman:

Continued earlier talk on IG in security by giving his quote.

1. Ok, you are interested in evolution. Tell me the name of the book of Charles Darwin in which he propounded his theories on

Me: I'm unable to recall it now.

2. Ok, you are also a zoology student. You have to tell me if Charles Darwin talked about human evolution in that book?

Me: (Knew the answer, but wasn't very clear). Sir, I need to go back and look more on that

- 3. He didn't. Explained and told me to read about it as it is very amazing.
- 4. This will be my parting question to you. You said how we need to know about the blessings we get in our life. So tell me how do you comprehend for the quote of(Name cant recall), 'we should certainly count our blessings, but we should make our blessings count'.

Me: Explained my idea on giving back to society, govt, family etc. as a whole.

5. Said concluding line on this conversation about giving back to society and how it is very crucial now. What do you want to do now?

Me: Want to go and have lunch now with Suraj, who is earlier candidate in the same board and how much I'm hungry. Also want to call my mother who would be worried as I haven't called her till now & she'll be thinking something went wrong.

Sir: Oh, Chotu and Lambu, Nice friendship ya. Good good.

Me: Sir, a huge coincidence that we wrote mains exam next to each other, same day interview name list, same room allotted in Karnataka Bhavan, same interview board and also were last 2 candidates in the entire hall of UPSC after 5PM.

Sir: And also will have lunch now (everybody laughing)

M3: Maybe you'll do things together in future too

Me: Hope it continues till LBSNAA.

Thank you Your interview is over.

Amrit Jain, Electrical and Electronics Engineering from NIT Warangal

Indian Defence Accounts Service 2019

Hobbies: Singing, playing guitar

Optional: PSIR

Board: Manoj Soni Sir

Interview: 4th August, Afternoon

Chairman

- 1)So Amrit, you are the last candidate for the day, Are you tired? Are you hungry?
- 2)Lets start, so you are 2018 batch IDAS officer?(I corrected him politely)
- 3)Okay, so your training has just finished, How do you feel about about your current service?
- 4)But then, I believe you want to get into a "better" service, if I may use that word gently?? Why?
- 5)So you play guitar? What kind of guitar? What kind of songs?
- 6)Okay, then what do you like to sing on guitar?(Indian bollywood) Okay, then you dont do classical songs on guitar?
- 7) Really, are you interested in learning Indian classical? Tell me the difference between Drupad and Khayal form?
- 8) Do you know anything about Gharana tradition?
- 9) What is your opinion on this statement, "Indian classical music has led to formation of several composite cultures in India"?
- 10) Should we make Indian classical music a compulsory part of higher learning education curriculum? Do you know anything about SPICMACAY, I believe its an acronym for something, Can you tell us its full form?

M1

- 1)Are you more comfortable in Political Science or International Relations?
- 2) What do you make of the threat of China and Sino-Pak axis?
- 3) How is India able to deal with it?
- 4) Which international grouping supports us against them?
- 5) Tell me something about Representation of People's Act? Who are observers? What is the role of Returning officer?
- 6) What is Model Code of Conduct?
- 7) Tell me how would you like to improve our policing?

M2

- 1) You are already into a finance service, Don't you think that Government should allow only commerce graduates or CA/CS professionals to enter into such finance services(IDAS, ICAS)?
- 2) Is excessive democracy a hindrance for growth of nations(particularly India)?

- 3)Ok you are right, but don't you think, too much of viewpoints on an issue bring policy paralysis in India?
- 4) Then how do you resolve it, you take a decision, but you are not able to implement that decision in India? Don't we need a very strict form of democracy?(He spoke at length about failures of African democracies)
- 5) But that is the issue right, Government is not being strict enough, Look at the timing of Kumbh Mela, don't you think we needed stronger government to disallow such events?

M3

- 1)Okay Amrit, I see that you have graduated from Electrical and Electronic Engineering from NIT Warangal(long back), Can you recall any of it ?(Dont worry I am not going to ask you anything from it)Do you think this engineering is of any use to you now?
- 2)Don't you think that this realization of serving better through civil services came very late in your life?
- 3) Why did that happen?
- 4) Okay, it is said that we are doing too much of auditing? What is your view on it?
- 5) But then, financial scrutiny of every administrative decision(procurement, proposal) is causing so many unnecessary delays?
- 6) Recently, I attended a conference in which all esteemed members agreed that we are having too many auditing procedures, (they were all experts in this field), What do you think needs to be changed?
- 7) Tell something about India's UNPKF in Srilanka adventure? How did it impact India-Srilanka relations
- 8) Talk something about Afghan situation and why is India so much worried about its security?
- M4 (lady member who tried to ask a question earlier, but chairperson told her to wait till her turn comes)

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- 1) India and China are both approaching big historical events in their respective national history, do you think either of them will back down to arrive at any possible solution for their mutual problems?
- 2) Yes exactly, but we are getting any breakthroughs in land boundary talks, Don't you think we heading for a conflict?
- 3) How is China approaching Europe aggressively from two directions?
- 4)Talk about water crisis which Shimla faced in recent times?
- 5) How is tourism impacted?
- 6) Yes exactly, tourism and water crisis have a cause and effect relationship in hilly areas, Tell me how would you solve it ?Given all the permutation combinations of the same?

ChairpersonSuppose you go to office tomorrow and you receive a complaint in which you are accused of a major financial fraud/corruption/irregularity? What will be your first response?

There are a few questions which I am unable to recollect. Best wishes to all.



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Thank you

Rahul Yadav:

Name - Rahul Yadav

Hindi literature,b.tech chemical engineering (nit Srinagar Kashmir), hobbies-zero budget natural farming, Rajasthan state

Sujata Mehta board

Chairperson-

- 1- introduce yourself in brief
- 2-kashmir 4 yes experience, perception about Kashmir in mainland India and reality what you observe??
- 3- accidents in chemical industries like Bhopal gas tragedy?
- 4-how as chemical engineer you feel about industrial safety
- 5-you chemical engineering by choice or luck?

M1-

- 1-natural farming? How it is different from organic farming
- 2-what do you mean zero budget natural farming
- 3-green revolution side effects??
- 4 sustainable agriculture??
- 5- why government regulates farm produce, MSP etc

M2

- 1- why u choose Hindi literature
- 2- chayavad poet
- 3-how Hindi language is a scientific language, give 3 argument
- 4-who wrote Ramayana,ramcharitmans

M3-

- 1-merger of banks, benefits and concerns
- 2- current Indian economy
- 3-covid related basic questions

M4-

- 1- crypto currency??
- 2- India stand on crypto currency
- 3-modern Hindi poet and their contribution to Indian society

Farm laws and other current affairs extra

Overall cordial board

Thanks & regards

Air Marshal AS Bhosle board sir

Name-vibhav

Qualifications-BTECH(ECE)

Hobbies-stand up comedy, jogging

Work experience-DySP in uttrakhand

Optional-Geography.

Questions

- 1. Meaning of your Name and difference from vaibhay
- 2. Why you left CAPF
- 3. Problem of policing in Hilly states
- 4. Pilgrimage and policing
- 5.why police arrive late at crime scene
- 6. How would you ensure quick response
- 7.why police do not go in civil dress to grab the criminals
- 8. The concept of Revenue policing
- 9. Pro and cons of Revenue policing...and my views
- 10. who is RS tolia and why he don't want to extend regular police in mountains.
- 11.we know crime happens...why police can't able to suppress these
- 13.Uttrakhand and disaster
- 14. why not doing sustainable development
- 15. Model for building earthquake resisted building
- 16. model for sustainable development for Roads and Pilgrimage.

- 17. Stand up is spontaneous or scripted
- 18. Controversy in stand up
- 19.what precautions did you take.
- 20 .Famous stand up comedians
- 21.what is unconfrormity
- 22. Example of sedimentary rocks
- 23. 5G and it's issues in India

Vivesh

Board - Bharat Bhushan Vyas

background- Chemical eng, Hydrocarbon engg - IIT Roorkee

current service - Indian Civil Account service

Chairman

started reading DAF and then he said that you are working as Academic Director (it was my last job). I told him that right now I am in civil account Service. He corrected himself. voice was not coming properly so asked to remove mask

- 1. Hydrocarbon policy of India
- 2. What are water polutants?
- 3. If you are going to some place as you are from rajasthan. to check water pollution what parameters you will check?
- 4. Laws in India to control water pollution
- 5. Have you read Kurukshetra. there is "shankakul Hridya". what does is mean
- 6. Yuddh ko present time m aap kaise dekhte hain.

M1

what is GVA. why agriculture GVA is low?

why indian productivity of land is low compared to developed countries?

Why you want to change your service?

M2

why did you choose hindi literature over engg or science subject.?

How your engg degree and chemical engg will help in adminstration (lots of argument on this)

M3

What is AT1 bonds.?

recently SBI has floated 40000 cr AT1 bonds.

Do you think audit and accounting should be done by same person?

... i said conflict of interest issue

what political parties and legislature is doing to avoid conflict of interest?

(he was expecting a specific one line ans)

Told two scientist name what are the similarities?

He asked about writer of one book ... then he gave a hint Later i told him Hariwansh rai bacchan.

M4

you are in accounting service you do accounting for central gov?

who does accounting for state?

is there any accounts which consolidates centre and state account both?

how we will get a holistic picture.?

What suggestings you will give to improve accounting of central govt?

(i tried to ans bt intrupted in between)

then he asked are you aware of GASAB?

what GASAB has suggested to improve govt accounting?

Chairman said your interview is over.

No questions on hobbies, interest, state district or home town.

Sourav Sinha

Board: M. Sathiyavathy Ma'am

Date: 04/08 Forenoon

4th to go

Hobbies- Blogging, Online Math Tutoring (Chegg)

Maths and Computing @IIT Kgp

Chairwoman:

-Read my DAF aloud

- -What is this Chegg thing? Do you get paid? How much do you earn? Why don't you continue it given that you could earn a lot? (M4 also got involved in this question)
- -What do you write in your blogs?
- -Total number of IITs?
- -Is increasing the number of IITs diluting its brand value?
- -Why is it necessary that we should name all of them as IIT, they can be called something else?
- How are older IITs affected by this proliferation of new IITs, many of whom don't even have their own campus?
- -Difference between Science, Technology and Engineering?

M1 (the member was quite energetic!)

- -Detailed discussion on Blockchain Technology- Multiple questions and counter-questions (he seem to be very interested in the topic)
- Difference between Make in India and Made in India? (my answer to the second part was bit naive and the board burst with laughter \Box)
- Should govt fund SII (a pvt entity) to enhance vaccine production? Some questions on legal nuances related to it?

M2

- -Issues with renewable energy? Negative \~]effects associated with them? Any negative effects with battery technology?
- -Challenges faced in installing wind energy in Andaman and Nicobar islands?
- -Waste to energy?
- -Detailed discussion on Cybercrime in Jamtara (my neighbouring district in Jharkhand) (didn't look convinced with my answers)
- Cricket Stadium coming up in Jamtara, do you know about it?
- Origin of Santhals?
- How many people in your state speak Bengali?

M3

- -Aim of NSS (part of my Extra-curricular in college)
- -What exactly did you do in NSS?
- -People usually do not acknowledge their civic duties. How do you feel about it? What will you do? (His explanation was a bit detailed but this was the crux)
- Few questions on Statistics? Some follow-up on their real world applications?

M4

- -Total Fertility Rate of India? States which have higher TFR?
- Follow-up questions on population policy? Views on recent steps by state govts? What will be your approach?

Chairwoman again

- -Why didn't you opt for IPS?
- Your interview is over. You can go.

PS: I will add as and when I recall any more questions.

ATB everyone!

My transcript: CSE 2020 Optional: sociology B.tech NIT surathkal, IT Jharkhand state.

Hobby: watching movies on social and motivational themes. Last to go.

Sujata ma'am board.

Chairwoman:

- 1. Tell me about yourself. Your workex and all.
- 2. When did you pass out?
- 3. What is public good?
- 4. Is the internet a public good?
- 5. Is public healthcare a public good?
- 6. Should we go for privatisation of district hospitals?
- 7. Do you think it would bring private investment?
- 8. Have you been to Ayushmaan Bharat hospital?

Member 1:

- 1. So you studied from Netarhat
- 2. District of netarhat.
- 3. What is your view on naxalism
- 4. District of mangalore
- 5. Why it is popular

6. Koderma(my place) is also resource ful area in comparison to mangalore, then why is it not developed vis a vis mangalore

Member 2: (lady member)

- 1. Should we give free vaccines?
- 2. Which kind of movies do you watch
- 3. What is the message of the great indian kitchen?
- 4. Are you married?
- 5. Suppose you get married, will you allow your wife to work outside?
- 6. What if she earns more than you? Tell me honestly
- 7. Who will cook food, you or your wife?

Member 3:

- 1. When you moved from village to district to ranchi to delhi, you must have observed the difference in development. How to fill the gap.
- 2. State from the non BJP government is accusing the centre of not giving vaccines. As a district collector how will you respond to this?
- 3. Tell me the difference between NIT IIT and IIIT. (unable to recall other questions)

Member 4:

- 1. Your place famous for?
- 2. What do you do for entertainment?
- 3. Watch serious movies?
- 4. We have to give not a correct solution nor a wrong solution. Suppose you are a district collector. In your area there is an industry which releases harmful discharge into river water nearby on which downstream people are dependent. But the chemicals discharged are not on the prohibited list. If you shut down the industry many will lose their jobs. What will you do?
- 5. But Treatment of discharge is a costly affair!

Chairwoman: kuch air discuss karna hai apko jo hamne chor diya ho. (do you want discussion on something which you think we missed).

Thank you. Your interview is over

Space X

Board - bhonsle sir

Timing - afternoon

5th one to go

Optional - anthropolgy

Work ex- 6 yrs in EIL (psu in oil and petroleum sector), capf ac trainee

Chairman -

He asked me to get relaxed ..said some good lines so that i feel cool n relaxed.

- 1. Went through my daf reading out my achivements in different field ...he said me that u find enterainment in everything ...expected a reply and i gave it.
- 2. What the the things .. you have not done but want to do in future ..
- 3. As i mentioned world tour in last answer.

He said a quote " more i travel more i get knowledge and more i get knowledge more i travel "

What do u interpret from this.

- 4. U selected in capf . U joined it?
- 5. Why u left it.

He said some good words and passed to next member .

Member -1

1. Is your optional anthropology?

I said - yes mam, for this yr atempt.

- 2. Why u choose anthropolgy.
- 3. Use of anthropolgy in administration.
- 4. Why tourism is not developed in india.
- 5.3 rd wave of corona.

How it can be managed?

6. Which body is specific to tribals?

N recent book compiled by this body.

Member 3 -

1. Why various moments in recent times are of highly long duration?

2. Dont u think maoist have entered and captured these movents .

Then he told me a story about some caste violence in central india and maoist link n key role in this movement.

I thanked him for enhacing my knowledge.

3. Now u dont think, MAOIST were also part of CAA and totally captured it.

When he was asking this question..chairman phone rung.

I politely asked him to give me 10 -15 seconds as chairman sir is on call.

He allowed me.

I replied after call was disconnected.

He said sime good words and passed to next member.

Member 3

- 1. What does EIL do.
- 2. What is tge difference between lstk and pmc projects.
- 3. which one is more beneficial n why.
- 4. What was your role in company.

Then some counter questions.

5. U worked for 5 yrs as engineer.

Dont u get promotion,

- 6. What is criterion for promotion n why u dont get it.
- 7. U got gratuity?

What is the formula used to calculate it.

- 8. What are main elements of MOU.
- 2 questions related to EIL after that.

Member 4

- 1. What does EIL do .tell in simple language .
- 2. What are good things about EIL.
- 3. what are good and bad about rules and procedures of EIL.
- 4. Name the industries in your region and r they polluting?
- 5. What type of movies u watch.

Chairman sir.

1. What were the issues of father stanlay (recent controversy)

I said ..sorry sir, i dont know exact about it.

He told me 6 -7 issues and i thanked him for enhacing knowledge.

Chairman - cocluded interview and asked me to leave .

I waled 2 steps and again asked me to sit and asked kast question.

How was your tenure at EIL.

i gave a honest reply.

Finally concluded.

Time duration approx 35 to 40 mins.

Name- aditi jain

education-BA(hons) Economics

optional- PSIR

hobbies- reading fiction, freestyle dancing, solving sudoko

date- 3/8/21

board-bhonsle sir

time- afternoon (2nd to go)

chairperson- good afternoon, please sit (explained to me the whole process)

Mentioned my academic achievements and tried to lighten up the atmosphere by joking about how he does not like over achievers since he was never a serious student himself which got him in trouble with his parents- i laughed it off

Ques 1- did you always want to be an ias officer? when did you decide?

ques 2- how do you make any decision in life?

ques3 - if a young girl studying in class 10th comes for advice on career, what will you tell her?

ques 4- we are focussing on innovation & technology a lot. has it distracted us from the larger economic issues of our country?

member 1 (male)

ques 1 - what were your subjects in 11th class?

ques 2- you have studied accountancy. we have a double entry accounting system. can you tell us the principles of the same?

ques 3- why do we account for depreciation? does it benefit in any way?

ques 4- what is CSR?

member 2 (female)

ques 1- what was the recent suez canal issue? (follow up question on how it affected indian economy)

ques 2- indian monsoons have been causing trouble. some areas have deficit while others have flooding issues. why do you think that is? what is the solution?

ques 3 - issues with urban drainage system and how to resolve it?

member 3 (female)

ques 1 - were you head prefect in school or college? (just asked this without any details)

ques 2 - what is cairn energy issue in news recently? (follow up question on why has it become a big deal on international forum)

- ques 3- who are your fav authors? (follow up question about some author who i did not know)
- ques 4 why vaccination drive so slow in india?

member 4 (male)

- ques 1- difference between amartya sen and adam smith? (told me about the latest book amartya sen wrote)
- ques 2 who is thomas pikkety? what book did he write and what is it about?
- ques 3- implication of US pullout from afghanistan? what should india do to protect its interests in the region?

chairperson- asked me to explain a quote on dancing- "i danced and danced, till only dance remained"

thank you, your interview is over

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Chairman:

- 1. How are you feeling today?
- 2. When was the last time you had the same feeling?
- 3. What is rat hole mining? Is there any ban on this? So, why it is still practiced?
- 4. Why Goa people are protesting for resuming mining? What is solution of illegal mining of goa region?

Member 1:

- 1. What was Battle of Panipat?
- 2. How many battles, fought between whom?
- 3. Why only Panipat?
- 4. Why farmers are protesting? Solution?
- 5. What are three farms laws? All this laws are optional then why protesting?
- 6. Does there will be loss to them if they would trade their produce outside APMC?

Member 2

- 1. You have chosen mining or you got this branch?
- 2. Employment opportunities in mining branch? Which opportunity is more domestic or foreign?
- 3. Do u know ISM Dhanbad? What is special in ism Dhanbad?
- 4. What is history of democracy?

5. What is modern history of democracy?

Member 3

- 1. What are rare earth minerals? Deposit in India? Highest deposit country? India's import? How should India fulfill its demand? Deposit of Australia?
- 2. What is acid mine drainage? Solution?
- 3. Ancient democratic system in India?
- 4. If we do not learn from our failures then we are more likely to repeat them? Give examples

Member 4

- 1. Which is your favorite portion in history?
- 2. Contribution of Chhattisgarh in Indian history? Local revolts?
- 3. Local revolt tribal personality?
- 4. Where do u swim? What is your personal records? Where do u participate?
- 5. Where did u played handball?
- 6. What u have done as head coordinator?
- 7. Baster is in Chhattisgarh? How became part of it?

Chairman:

Read the daf out aloud.

1. What have you done between 2014 and 2019?

Me: I have been wholeheartedly engaged in civil services preparation madam. It has been a long journey.

2. Why did you start teaching as opposed to taking up a job in civil Engineering? What do you teach?

Me: Towards the end of 2019 in ordered to sustain myself and my preparation I have started teaching students who prepare for civil services in the basic concepts of Indian economy, agriculture, problems in agriculture and so on. I chose this because it would also help me prepare for the exam simultaneously.

3. But why economics? Your optional is Mathematics know?

Me: Yes madam I was open to teaching other subjects as well. The choice of economics is based on availability of openings at that point of time when i joined.

4. So why are the stock markets booming?

Me: I can think of a few reasons madam. Firstly world over during covid countries has two choices. to go for structural reforms or increase liquidity in the market to improve the demand. most countries

chose liquidity injection and this is being invested in India in the form of foreign portfolio investment and so on. secondly the savings of the people in general increased

4.1 No the savings have decreased no. (other members also mumble the same). If you look at the epfo earnings people are withdrawing because of lack of savings .

Me: thanks for pointing that out madam. It might be true. I have the date of the first quarter of 2020 where the Savings increased by 20 percent.

4.2 But that is just one quarter no. the Savings have declined overall.

Me: Thank you madam, i ll read more about it.

4.3 Other reasons?

Me: I can think of one other reason madam. a survey of 2100 listed companies has been done and it was found that they registered profits because of laying offs, steps taken by the government to postpone interest payments or rents and so on. this is one of the other reasons and madam nodded

5. What is this covid food relief campaign that you have done?

Me: In the first phase of the lockdown the messes were closed and the maids and house-helps weren't available because of the lockdown. in order to prevent starvation and hunger it was an initiative to provide food for the students 100 in number and this later increased to 150

6. Ok but what have you done in it specifically?

Me: I have coordinated with the NGO called gobharti foundation for the food supply. i have taken the help of seniors to take passes for our movement. we have set up multiple counters to prevent cluttering of students. we have faced problems in this initiative but i was able to continue this until lockdown relaxations came . madam said good.

Member 1:

1. Visakhapatnam has a steel plant is it?

Me: Yes sir. It is called rashtriya ispat nigam limited.

2. So tell me how steel is produced as in what are the inputs of steel?

Me: From what i know the inputs include limestone and iron ore. but i ll have to read more about the other inputs.

member says- you don't have to read anything. that is all that goes majorly with some other minor elements.

Thank you sir.

3. what is the contribution of Ambedkar?

Me: Firstly has has brought the dalit movement to the forefront and he was able to show the atrocities and problems faced by dalits and he worked for them. secondly he helped in the creation of an inclusive humane and welfare society by drafting the constitution.

4. So is that a reality. are the dalits doing well now?

Me: certainly not sir. the atrocities against the dalits is still high and the same has been pointed out by reports of norb and so on. secondly even to this day if an upper caste boy wantes to marry a dalit girl or even vice versa there is a lot of resistance.

5. So what should we do?

Me: can i take some time sir?

Yes please.(i wrote fee points down quickly)

Me: firstly we have to change the perception in the society that dalits or others are the same as everyone else in terms of constitutional rights or even by the laws of nature. for this education of the young minds is important so that they see others as equal to themselves. Next we have to make sure that we implement the provisions of affirmative action to improve their social standing. lastly from a policing point of view we need to make sure that the atrocities against dalits are fast tracked for faster justice.

member says - good

Member 2:

1. Do you know about the oilseeds and pulses program?

Me: I am not very aware about it sir. I will read more.

2. I will give you a hint. its related to increasing the oilseeds production. it is a very big component of imports . how much is it?

Me: Around 20 metric tonnes sir but i am not very sure.

3. In dollar value I mean?

Me: I am not very sure sir.

4. Ok leave it. tell me about the water scheme which telangana has launched. it is mission bhagirathri right?

Me: I am not very well versed with it sir.

5. What is its impact in Telangana . think and answer .

Me: Sir, logically i would believe that the rice cultivation and the sugarcane cultivation must have increased.

- 6. That is correct . with all the hints i have given. members speak to themselves saying everyone there is growing rice.
- 7. So you are from Telangana or Andhra?

Me: Sir Andhrapradesh, Visakhapatnam

8. Tell me about the crops of each district of andhra pradesh?

Me: Sir i will start from the bottom. rayalaseema has four districts namely cuddapah, kurnool.

9. No I know the districts. Just give the crops fast. We have time constraints.

Me: Yes sir. Mangoes and orchard farming in rayalseema region. chillies in guntur nellore region. rice and sugarcane in east and west godavari region. next we have turmeric rice and some other crops in the north andhra region of Srikakulam, vijianagaram and vizag.

(member not very satisfied)

Member 3:

1. so tell me the schools have closed and the children have not gone anywhere from home, the marks were given for cbse etc without even exams, do we need such system as in do we need exams? and what about digital education why cant we just continue with it because it is very easy.

Me: sir i would like to answer this in two parts . firstly with respect to the exams i think an end exam which decides everything for the student isnt desirable. maybe a continuous comprehensive evaluation over the year is more useful with an end semester exam having say 40-50 percent marks

2. but why have an end semester exam? isn't continuous comprehensive evaluation sufficient?

Me: (fumbled) sir the aim is to create a skilled workforce with some common standards and this will be ensured if we have some uniformity in the form of end sem exam

3. but these are children and they aren't exactly trying for jobs. ok second part?

Me: Sir, I think continuing only with digital education has its problems, we have a situation where most children live in one or two room houses and it is difficult for them to concentrate on online classes, secondly a family of four or five are dependent on the same Wi-Fi and it decreases the buffering speed of classes, and the most important reason is that a student who goes to school not just learns from teachers but also from peers and he learns to gel well with society, maybe a blended system is the way forward but offline component needs to be there.

4. But you say offline learning and we don't have enough schools or teachers or infrastructure. we are winding already present schools.

Me: Sir in that case we should look into ways in which we can provide this infrastructure for the people because it is what is guaranteed by the constitution. and from a civil engineering perspective we can think of eays in which we can construct these school buildings or make them remunerative. for example 20-30 solar panels generate 1000 units fo electricity and this can give some income or cut down costs. also waste can be utilised to construct building and so on.

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member nods and agrees

Member 4-(felt she was hostile)

1. So you work in coaching. should coaching industry be regulated and why?

Me: can I take some time madam.

(yes sure. wrote few words down.)

Yes madam, there is need of regulation madam, firstly there are some good parts in the coaching institutes for they hire the best talent and provide quality assignments and education for the children, this increases the chance of clearing the examination, but on the flip side there are problems as well in that the fees of coaching say iit coaching is exorbitant to the tune of 1.75 lakhs per year, and this is very inaccessible to a child from tribal area of Andhra Pradesh or otherwise, so we do need regulation to improve the good part and cut down the negative part.

2. Why not just go on with coaching and stop all public schools, the products of coaching do not know what a lab is and they have fake degrees, you must be known about it in civil services or IIT preparation.

Me: I am not very aware.

2.1- Arey you must be knowing about how the records of students are written by coaching institutes.

Me: Yes madam at the iit coaching level I do know this happens and this wrong doing must definitely stop through proper regulation.

3. Why not make the curriculum of iit in line with CBSE so that people from public schools as well do well in exams. should we not do it?

Me: Madam i think even if the curriculum is brought in line the examination of IIT is difficult and requires a good amount of practice and very good teaching, at the moment it is not available in the public school system. But I do understand the point madam, the idea should be to ultimately create a public school system where we will be able to increase the competency of students so that they dont have to go for coaching centers as such.

4. Presidential system is the best compared to parliamentary form. it is my view. what is your opinion?

Me: (was nervous by now) from the limited understanding I have if there one keader at the helm it might turn into a totalitarianism in some time...sorry not totalitarianism but dominance over other organs of the state. so I feel parliamentary system is better. but I will need to read more on this madam

5. What are the advantages of a presidential system?

Me: The policies can be implemented faster in a presidential system madam . I am able to recall this only at the moment.

interview is over. thank you. chair didn't ask questions in the end. interview was close to 30-33 minutes

Felt like the board members didn't have pointed questions especially the last two members and it was difficult to understand what they actually wanted to ask because they kept saying things in between.

Was calm throughout, except for the ending where I used the word totalitarianism. My take on the interview is that it started well but it slowly tapered down as time passed by.

Date 6/08/2021

Optional PSIR

Btech electronics

Fort trekking, writing marathi poems

Panel- sujata mehta mam

Forenoon session (Last to go..)

Chairman

- sangli flood reasons
- -do u know committees related western ghats?
- difference between gadgil and kasturirangan committee?
- should we go with gadgil or kasturirangan? What is ur opinion?

Members questions -

- technical questions abt poetry (wht is ur writing style muktchandh or other format ?)
- three pillars of govt (legislature, judiciary, executive) independent or dependent?
- which pillar u will represent after getting selected?
- is it really independent?
- why india lacking in chip manufacturing?
- why china more developed than india? Is due to our democracy?
- which is better in one party dictatorship with more development and democracy with less development ?
- which is better direct democracy or indirect democracy?
- so why india chose representative democracy?
- -gad ala pn sinh gela (related to which fort) and is it real story abt tanaji use ghorpad (monitor lizard) to climb the cliff?
- have u climbed that cliff?
- police encounter related questions (mumbai police)
- what do u mean by encounter?
- representative democracy related questions
- ratnagiri fort speciality. Chairman anything u want us to ask? Ur interview is over..Thank u.

Anonymous

Board: Bhosle sir, Last person to go in afternoon round

Education: BTech IIT Delhi

Optional: Chemistry

Hobbies: Vipassana, Cricket

Chairman: then he read DAF aloud to all the panel members, appreciated good academic background and so on

1-What is nightwatchman in cricket? I answered to which he commented why don't we say him Bali ka Bakra instead?

2-why chemistry optional?

Few more questions which I don't remember

M1:

- 1-what is Ph?
- 2- Ph of distilled water Ph?
- 3-Give 3 definitions of acids
- 4- What are uses of iodine isotopes?
- 5- Difference between Law and order situation and internal security situation?
- 6- Difference between Law & order situation, Public Disorder, and Internal security situation?
- 7- Where should we draw that thin line between Law & order situation, Public Disorder?
- 8- You are from Gaya, who is Dashrath Manjhi?
- 9: what is vipassana?

10-what is the source of Vippasana?....then Chairman asked next panel member to ask questions as he was going to ask few more questions it seemed..

M2:

- 1- What are Perks?
- 2-should we call Housing & accomodation as perks?
- 3- How did you file ITR?
- 4- In what tax bracket your salary comes?
- 5-Reasons for rise in fuel prices recently?

M3:

- 1-Where did you do vipassana?
- 2- what are the physical difficulties in doing it?
- 3-How was the food over there, How did you managed eating habits etc?
- 4- you did vipassana till level 1 only, you don't want to go for another level?
- 5- why did you start doing vipassana? Some more questions on it which I don't remember
- 6- what is cryptocurrency?
- 7- how one can get cryptocurrency?
- 8: Told me one Chinese proverb which is curse, I was asked to explain it: "May you live in interesting times"

M4:

- 1-what are potential for India becoming global manufacturing hub?
- 2- why could not we do good in manufacturing?
- 3- evaluate Make In India. What are the reasons we could not do well?
- 4- You are SP of Naxal affected area, How will you handle the situation?

Concluded

Scout

2nd last to go

State: Uttar Pradesh

Optional: Psychology

Language of interview: Hindi

Hobbies: poetry writing, reading fiction.

Board: Air marshal bhosle sir

Chairmen - Welcomed, explained process..you can use English words..asked to removed shield..sit comfortably and be prepared for next 30 min discussion to know your suitability for Civil service..you need to speak a loud..it's okay we know the situation (etc...)

So I see you have decent academics and work for NGO too..seems like you have these qualities..you write poems too which shows your sensitive side (basically sir was literally trying to cheer me up and doing warm up as it was around 5 PM when I entered).

Than asked just 3 questions

- 1. What is theme of your poems?
- 2. Please recite your original work and give its background (got confused with a line and were going to discuss that part but as I cleared that confusion, praised the thought behind it).
- 3. What time and how you chosed the civil service?

Right side members (both males)

M1 - Asked many ques (around 5) which I can't answer..was hearing those name for first time..like some book name, psychologists name \Box

Only answered question on Pavlov's conditioning. (All were around my hobby non fiction books and psychologist)

M2 - Asked current based que

1. CAA, why people r against it?

Gave 3 reasons but wasn't satisfied much asked more.. again said you r missing something...than asked Which countries r included..asked communities included? Left out?

- 2. What do you know about insurance?(Father's background) What is professional liability insurance?.. persisted to try answering even after my sorry..later said okay leave it you are not reaching there.
- 3. What learning we got from Covid? Gave 3..asked more .. Follow up que on Atamnirbhar Bharat.

Left members (both ladies)

M3 -

- 1. You spent a large part in your hometown please tell me something about your district? (Unable to hear one aspect of it than second ma'am helped me to convey it)
- 2. You talked about digital education, are school important for children? I said yes...why? explained why.
- 3. Than why school closed in India while they were opened for kids worldwide?.
- 4. Science behind school should be open? I answered child immunity..than she went on to explain the scientific reason (I patiently listened her..said thanks after nodding in agreement) later ma'am asked me why Indian parents r apprehensive even now?

M4 -

- 1. Okay what your NGO do?
- 3. How you get attached to it while living in hometown?
- 3. asked my favourite area of psychology? I answered mental health.. follow up question on same.
- 4. How to take care of mental health of orphans of covid? (We discussed it well).

Chairmen..okay your interview is over now..you may leave..best wishes!

Went for 25 min approx..I may have missed 2/3 questions..will add if I recall any.

Devi

Board: Satyavathi ma'am

04/08/2021

Afternoon session,5th to go

Background State: Kerala, Btech in Electronics and communication engineering.

Optional: Geography

Interests: Watching travelogues, listening to AR Rahman songs.

Chairperson

Asked me to remove the shield.

Read the daf aloud and started to discuss between them, on my native place.

- 1. Question on pronunciation of my native place and in which all languages, that pronunciation do exist?
- 2. Question on project during BTech (mentioned in DAF) and subsequent questions on the same.
- 3. What type of travelogues do you watch?
- 4. Prospects of space tourism.
- 5. Won't the space tourism widen the already existing economic disparity, with only very few able to access it?

M1

- 1. Why AR Rahman songs?
- 2. Kerala doesn't have economic viability due to its geography,lack of hinterland etc.Do you think it is better to reorganize the state and club it with Tamil Nadu? Or is there any other possibility?
- 3. Geographical limitations force people to go out of Kerala. Explain.

M2

- 1. You have talked about traffic signals(project). Let us talk about traffic signs and went on asking about smart traffic controlling, what are the options for pedestrians in smart traffic control systems.
- 2. Need for labour reforms.
- 3. As part of labour reforms, if I chose to ban strikes, Is that possible. What is your opinion?

M3

- 1. What is Bhakti movement? Which all regions the movement existed? Some south indian saints associated with Bhakti movement? She went on to ask about Advaita Vedanta(which I told I am not sure about)
- 2. Opinion about the police force in the country.
- 3. When I began with positives, she interfered asking if you are satisfied with their performance- I told her about the limitations.
- 4. What are the problems with attitude of police?
- 5. Discussion on IPC and CrPC- whether it need to be replaced with new codes, what are the problematic sections?

M4

- 1. Which are the major mountain ranges in India?
- 2. Through which all states do Aravallis passes?
- 3. Through which all states do Western ghats passes?
- 4. Which mineral is found in Western ghats?
- 5.Geographical importance of Indus valley civilization (When I took a pause to think, he restructured the question)Tell me recent news about india valley civilization.



Profile- Already in IPS

Optional- Hindi Lit

Graduation- IIT Delhi, B. Tech

From Jaipur

Date of Interview- 06-08-2021

Board- Dr. Manoj Soni

Around 30-35 minute interview

Chairman-

- 1. Why IAS now?
- 2.Limitations of IAS?
- 3. Would you join politics?

m1-

Recites a poem of hindi... Asked to tell about the poet.

EIA and EPM

Our common future report

Kashmiri pandit Rehabilitation

m2-

Why hindi literature after B. Tech?

What kind of music you listen to?

Gave a situation on rural development

m3-

Gave a situation of sand mafia and police.

M4-

If you become IAS then in which department you will like to work?

Chairman-

Asked one follow up question on situation which member M3 asked .

Abhi ye hi yaad h...

End of interview

Chairperson:

(Reads out the DAF aloud to the members. Confirms my photo)

- 1. What were you doing after engineering?
- 2. Did you face any discrimination as you come from Assam/NE?
- 3. How did you find the culture of Vellore/VIT University?
- 4. Reasons for Assam-Mizoram clash.
- 4.1 Solutions to them? Specific solutions, as I am a native.
- 4.2 Blockade situation at the border. Can Assam do it?
- 4.3 If made DC/DM of Cachar, what would you do?
- 4.4 Role of centre.

What your Society/NGO does? (I am part of an NGO)

Member 1:

Topics: After Engg, Insurgency in NE/Assam.

- 1. Is it necessary to stay in Delhi for preparation? How can one prepare from remote areas?
- 2. Reasons for insurgency in North East?

Member 2:

Topics: Geography, Education of marginalized.

- 1. What are the topics you like in geography?
- 2. Tell us about Urban Geography, with examples.
- 3. How will improve the women education among SCc/STs/Muslims? Give specific solutions.

Member 3:

Topics: Photoshop(Hobby), Insurgency in NE/Assam, Mechanical engg.

- 1. Size of Photoshop software? Can it be made lighter? How? Do you develop apps? (Interruption by Member 5, corrected by Chairman as well as Member 4 in my favour)
- 2. Some dialogue from Assam agitation. Didn't hear of it. Said sorry.
- 3. Some term from Mechanical engg.
- 4. How many insurgent groups in North East/Assam?
- 5. What is Chicken's Neck?
- 6. What is IoT?

Member 4:

Topic: Privatization of Higher Education in India.

- 1. No Indian HE institutes from India is in top 200. Shouldn't we privatize them?
- 2. Why are they ranked poorly?
- 3. Comparison with MIT, Harvard.
- 4. Is present system Ok? What are the alternatives?

Chairperson:

Thank you. Your interview is over.

Ravinder kumar:

Ravinder, haryana, btech and mtech electrical engineering

Job-lecturer govt polytechnic

Optional-sociology

Ajit S. Bhonsle sir board

Ch-man is social animal. Explain

Only human social or any other animal.

Tell me about bees there organization and working.

M1-which subject you teach in college.

Renewable energy resources

Wind energy grid connection.

Geothermal in haryana. transmission and distribution losses, commercial losses in transmission system.

How to reduce these losses.

M2: bhashan partiyogita topic(daf)

What is Stage fever.

Anomy

Anomic suicide.

Modernization and its consequences.

M3:- bad effect of eucliptus.

From where this plant came.

Its impact on soil health.

You have done m.tech in 2015 and got job in 2017, what are doing in between.

Oil bond

What is difference between simple oil amd power oil.

What is hybrid vehicle its benefit

Cost of solar plant ,wind plant, geothermal plant.

How you select a site for solar plant.

What is mppt.

M4:- why sociology after electrical engg.

Why you shift job from JE pwd to lecturer in govt college.

Problem of agriculture in haryana.

Why you grow only rice not pulses.

Status of pulses in india.

Why stubble burning in haryana. What are other ways farmer manage stubble remaining.why govt not taking strict action on those farmer.

How electrical Engineer you solve this problem.

Chairman- why farmers till their pulse before sowing rice.

Why rice remaining are not decomposable.

Why rice remaining can't used for fodder of animals.

6/8/21 morning session

Name-Gayathri S

Background- Chartered accountancy

Optional- economics

State- Tamilnadu

Date-05th august

Vyas sir board (forenoon- 3rd to go)

This is how interview started- CM- "you can pull down your mask and wear your shield. Do you feel comfortable? (So i gave my interview with mask pulled down and with face shield put on)

- 1. So you are a CA and worked as audit manager, tell me suppose you are representing India at UNSC, what points will you put forth 5 points for why India should become permanent member. (I mentioned two and he insisted for some more)
- 2. What are these payments bank and small finance banks. What were the recommendations made by Nachiket Mor committee?
- 3. What is the difference between extradition and deportation? Can't extradition happen automatically. Does it necessarily require a agreement?

M1-

1. What tax reforms would you suggest for government (and follow up questions on that)

M2-

- 1. We passed electricity act in 2003. And it is still facing lot of problems. Give us an account of that. What are problems faced by discoms
- 2. What is glass ceiling

Recently many international organisations presented reports on that. Can you give me some pointers on this glass ceiling presented by them?

3. Can you tell me something about yourself

M3-

- 1. What's intellectual property?
- 2. Who are special children(from hobby-training children with intellectual disabilities)
- 3. What's blended learning? What's inclusive learning
- 4. Tell me what's the recent things going on in tamilnadu

M4-

- 1. Why are tamilnadu people so emotional? why they attach so much to political leaders that few even commit suicide when leaders like Jayalalitha or Karunanidhi died?
- 2. What are causes for intellectual disabilities?
- 3. Whenever there is a border emergency why is paramilitary called for even before army?
- 4. There was recent news that many chaatwalas, street vendors earning huge income and accumulating wealth do not pay taxes. Why is it so? What could be done to it?

CM-

Before you leave, what's the difference between rainfall and precipitation.

Overall random questions. Around 30 min. It was evident that Board was prepared with set of random questions, not many follow ups, they were nt much ready to engage in a deep conversation in our area of interest(may be they wanted to keep the interview brief), still they were cordial in approach.

Candidate from Hyderabad

Board : Sujatha Mehta Mam

Date of interview: 3rd August

Work experience: One year in IT

Optional : Anthropology

- Tell me about yourself
- Why did you quit your job?
- I have seen many people quit their jobs after one/two years . Why is private sector causing them disinterest?
- Govt is doing all it takes to promote entrepreneurship/startups like Mudra scheme etc . But you had quit your job and want to join Government . This means govt has failed in its job . What is your take on it?
- Is birfurcation a good decision?
- How is the state performing after bifurcation?
- If it is doing well in EODB, what are the companies it had attracted?
- About Polavaram project
- Opinion on interlinking of rivers
- Cyber crimes are not being reported . I want how technology is a reason for not reporting . Give examples .
- PESA act and tribal development related questions
- Apple had Steve Jobs . Who is the other person involved in Apple's story?
- Software industry developed without govt . So should govt withdraw from all other areas ?
- Why do you want to join government when it itself is withdrawing from many areas and you play a very little role?
- What are the three pillars of 1991 reforms?
- Are they related?
- Asked about a chapter's name in mathematics and what does it deal with
- Name some Hindi poets

- Do you know modern Hindi poets like Dinakar
- Why did you choose anthropology as optional?
- How do you want to use anthropological knowledge for economic development of a region?
- What is your designation in TCS?
- What is your role in it?
- Problems of primary education
- Should govt withdraw from education sector ?
- In what other sector govt's role should be present?
- If you are state education minister, what steps will you take for primary education?

There are few other questions which I am not able to recall.

Nikhil - 4/8/21

BE Automobile/Sociology/Nashik ,MH

Manoj Soni sir board.

[major questions]

- 1. Give name of 3 indian sociologist
- 2. Which one is your favourite? Why
- 3. How will you apply M.N.Srinivas work in administration?
- 4. Application of Automobile engg knowledge after engg.
- 5. Marathi drama related question- vijay Tendulkar- name his play/theme[hobby]
- 6. Saints of Maharashtra-their impact on Maharashtra society.
- 7. Do you think Vidarbha has faced discrimination? Why
- 8. Domestic Tourism issues/ solution/ your experience[hobby]
- 9. How safety issues in tourism can be tackled?
- 10. Statement- "individual initiative gets impede by institutional structure" do you agree/disagree. explain[connected to 3rd qstn]
- 11. What is bimstec? SAARC?issues
- 12. What disturbances are going on in India's neighbourhood
- 13. What is happening in Western sahara?
- 14. Which countries recognized Israel?

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Karnataka, PSIR

Smitha Nagraj Mam board.

CM:

You interned at Intel? Did they offer you PPO?

You would have done well in Software industry? What will you do here in Civil Services.

Have you forgotten CS programming? Can you still do?

2) Which areas AI you will use?

AI applications to increase Rural income.

Drone attacks? How to prevent them?

3) E vehicles in India? issues.

E vehicle global share as a percentage?

Equity Zomato why oversubscribed?

Is equity financing a free financing.

4) What is Ethical Hacking?

Ethical hacking is there a thin line with Hacking?

You seem like a technically equipped Bureaucrat, how will you marry the area of technology with poverty alleviation or agriculture?

Which recent event you think will shape the future of India and the World?

What are the positives out of the Covid_19 pandemic?

5) You don't get personal credit for your work in Bureaucracy one tends to be reduced as a 'clog in the wheel'? Whereas in Corporate they give monetary incentive. How will you work in this environment?

Is getting Personal credit a bad thing?

Tell me a situation from your life where you stepped up which shows quality of a civil servant.

End of interview. Very cordial experience.

Anonymous

IPS, Punjabi literature optional

Board: Smita Nagaraj

- how has npa changed you
- what has it taught you
- why you want ias then
- a question about police beating people during covid in punjab
- does it send a negative message
- what has your experience been with punjab administration. Positive, negative experience

Member1:

- some question about hydrogen electrolysis.. no clue what he asked
- learnings from covid
- fiscal deficit how much
- how can we bridge fiscal deficit

Member2:

- why cricket more popular than football
- why punjabi litt

Member3:

- some questions about police
- how can you use police knowledge in administration

Member4:

- drug issue in punjab
- do we have bad relations with all our neighbor countries
- some protests in sri lanka against our port there. Why? I had no clue
- what about our relation with nepal
- list 5 negatives of npa

Chairman again:

- do you think punjab govt is biased against any social group.
- do you think police is biased against undertrials from minority, marginalised communities.

Over. Said i dont know 100 times

CR7

Kerala, B.Tech

Optional: Malayalam literature

Board: TCA Anand Sir

09/08/ 2021 - Last one to go in afternoon session.

Chairman

- 1. Why you choose malayalam literature as optional?why not engineering?
- 2. How your technical knowledge will help you in adminstration? Tell me a specific example?

M1

- 1. You were a software engineer. And you were having good salary. Then why did you left your job?
- 2. Why Didn't you joined any MNC in India?
- 3. Tell us about an initiative taken by govt for the development of IT sector
- 4. What is national super computer mission?name any 2 super computers developed by India? Do you know it's global rankings based on its speed.
- 5. Which is the fastest super computer in the world?
- 6. You are wasting your Coding skills by joining civil service. Do you agree?
- 7. What is the difference between central service and all india service?

M2

- 1. What language is spoken in Dubai? Do you know arabic?
- 2. Tell me 2 life lessons you have learnt from your life in Dubai

M3(lady)

- 1. Your hobby is traveling. With whom you travel usually?
- 2. How often do you travel?
- 3. What are the places you visited recently? What are food you tasted from these places?

M4

- 1. You are a football fan. why Lional Messi was crying yesterday during the press meet? What was the reason?
- 2. Section 66A of IT Act is struck down by the supreme court years ago. but still police is charging cases on this section.why?

- 3. What is a cold mail. Is it opposite of hotmail?
- 4. What is Ethical hacking

Chairman again

Why Covid cases are increasing in Kerala. Some people saying that it is not a big concern. They are explaining it based on the serum prevalence and number of tests. What do you think? Is kerala doing really well?

Your interview is over.

Duration: 25-30 mins

Tushar:

Date: 9th August

Board: Bharat Bhushan Vyas

4th to go

Textile Tech, IIT Delhi

Bihar, 5th Attempt

Hobbies: Cricket and Badminton

Worked as an Intern with MP

Chairman:

Q1: What were u doing for all these year?

Q2: Textile tech? Have u wasted ur knowledge?

Q3: Role of textile sector in economy?

Q4: U have Geography Optional? What are the Major Solar missions?

Q5: Pvt. In Space sector? Is it against our strategic interest?

M1 (Lady Member):

Q1: Powerloom vs Handloom?

Q2: Water pollution in textiles? How to solve it?

Few more questions.... which I don't remember

M2: Work from Home? Is it new normal?

Q2: Education in Pandemic times? Lessons learnt?

Q3: Should Young MPs be trained? How sold we do it?

M3: Flood Problem in Bihar? Why govt. failing? What she we do?

Q2: Role of Dams and Barrages in it?

Q3: Few factual questions on Badminton and Cricket...

Q4: How will u relate bowling with Administration?

M4: Corporate tax cut? Benefits?

Q2: Gold imports? Good or Bad?

Q3: Bihar and GST? How sold we improve it?

Chairman: Thank you! Ur interview is over

Around 30-35 minutes

Board: T C A Anant Sir

Date: Aug 9

Session: AN 3:30-4 pm; 3rd person

Home state: Kerala

Degree: B Tech in Computer Science

Work Experience: IT, Banking, Judiciary

Optional: Malayalam literature

Hobbies:singing, writing poetry, writing letters to the editor to leading national dailies

Chair:

Read out daf details and asked some personal questions from that.

Eg: Why Malayalam literature optional after doing BTech computer science?

M1 (male):

- 1. Why the hobby of writing letters to the editor?
- 2. Which is the recent letter you have written ?(Vaccintion-related)
- 3. Follow up question on vaccine strategy- what is the present situation?
- 4. What suggestions do you have to resolve the crisis?
- 5. Kerala is ahead in education and other developmental parameters compared to North Indian states, but crimes against women do exist. How is the police system there?
- 6. Follow up on Janmaitri police system in Kerala's efficiency
- 7. Is legislation effective in bringing social change?

M2(male):

- 1. Job profile in banking job
- 2. How do you feel about the shift to judicial job?
- 3. Job profile in judicial job
- 4. Constitutional provisions regarding judicial independence
- 5. Collegium system
- 6. Which all places have you visted other than Kerala and Delhi?
- 7. If you get posted in Bihar will you accept?
- 8. As an administrator in an LWE affected district in Bihar, what all will be the challenges you face?

M3(female):

1.Do you subscribe to the statement "justice delayed is justice denied"?

Follow up qns on judicial pendencies

- 2. Why so much pendency?
- 3. Measures to resolve the issue of pendencies.
- 4. Do you think our judges are efficient?
- 5. Do you believe in treating people "innocent until proven guilty"? Is it a good trend?

M4(male):

- 1. Questions on the bank I worked in- its position, parameters like profit, NPA etc
- 2. Follow up question on NPA, wilful defaulter
- 3. Why were wilful defaulter names not published?
- 4. Do you think it should be published?
- 5. Why is Kerala known as "God's own country"?

Venkatesh

Board - Smitha Nagarajan

Date - 10/08/2021

Background - MSc Agriculture, PhD scholar

Optional - Agriculture

Other detalis - NCC, NSS, published Research article, Badminton

Chairperson -

- 1. What is your research topic. Explain
- 2. Tell me details about green revolution, can same practices be continued even now?
- 3. What are the problems of green revolution.
- 4. We talk about diversification of the crops in Punjab and Haryana. Do you support it.

Member 1 -

- 1. Explain your research article
- 2. How much time did you take to conduct research.
- 3. Being a researcher, why civil services now?
- 4. After getting into civil service, how will you ensure continuing your passion in agriculture
- 5. India consists more of small and marginal farmers, they face lot of obstacles, what will you suggest to them.
- 6. Stubble burning and solutions to control

Member 2 -

- 1. What do you think about controversy over celebrating Tippu sultan jayanti
- 2. What technology advances he brought
- 3. Where is Tippu sword presently?
- 4. Tell me issues with china.
- 5. Do we need to engage with china.
- 6. Tell me weaknesses of China, which india can take advantage
- 7. Recently some country offered us something (later he said submarine) but India refused it. What is
- 8. We have large agriculture institutes, but agriculture is not developing why?

Member 3-

- 1. Tell me about commodity exchange in agriculture produce. How it works
- 2. What are the issues in it.
- 3. We have storage issues in india for agriculture produce, explain and give solution
- 4. What government is doing for Doubling farmers income, list 5 scheme and why it is not happening.

Member 4 -

- 1. Government often regulates import and exports. Do we need to open up trade? If no why?
- 2. Don't you think because of instability in the trade policy interventions, farmers are the sufferers.
- 3. Who is gaining due to lack of stable trade policy.
- 4. What should be the way forward regarding unstable trade policy interventions
- 5. What is your biggest failure in your life
- 6. What are biggest achievements in your life

Your interview is over.

Manish

Manoj Soni sir board

3rd one to go

Graduation - civil engineering

Hobby- writing articles on social issues

Optional - Sociology

Chairman

- life kaisi chal rahi h
- 5 social reformer in 21st century
- kya kisi desh ko apni sanskriti follow krni chaiye

M1(Lady member)

- Quad meeting's decision regarding covid pandemic
- asked name for muslim minority in China and its province(factual)

M2

- what is cryptocureency
- blockchain technology
- India's stand on cryptocureency
- who owns data in blockchain technology
- what do you wanna contribute for your alumni
- what is the plan B

M3

- Social issues of Rajasthan
- sex ratio in Rajasthan
- New technologies in civil engineering
- Technologies for earthquake resistant building
- Reasons for India doing worst in Olympic
- why same states are performing better than other states
- on which issues you wrote article

M4

- reasons of child marriage
- ghunghat Partha...good or bad

Chairman

- ghunghat ka shringar ras mein importance...agar ghunghat htaa diya toh ek ras hi khatam
- agar ghunghat prtha htani h toh burka prtha kyon na hatayein

Anonymous

Bharat Bhushan Vyas Board

Electrical engg,

Yoga,

Work-CAG

IIT BHU

Varanasi

Chairman

Read DAF

- Q1 corruption legislative and institutions
- 2 unity in diversity, explain
- 3 CAG- it's role
- 4 questions on banaras, it's culture
- 5 Ganga Cleaning

M1

NCC, why not Armed forces

Girl education promotion

Fee questions on schools

Ceasefire with Pakistan

M2

Issues with higher education and what measures have been taken

M3

Electricity reform and issues

Demonitisation pass or fail

JP movement

M4

Yoga

Performance auditing

New IITs your take

Distribution reform in electricity sector

Teacher Student ration management

Anonymous

Board: Dr Manoj Soni Sir

Graduation: B.Com Honors

State: Madhya Pradesh

Optional: Commerce and Accountancy

Hobbies: Practicing Zero waste Lifestyle, Vipassana Meditation

Forenoon Session, 04 August, Last one to go (1.05 PM - 1.35 PM)

Chairman:

(Explained the protocols, Asked for facial verification)

- 1. Can you suggest some other measure for facial verification so that we can avoid impersonation? (I mentioned Biometric identification finger prints, iris scan)
- 2. Why people are reluctant to share Biometric details?

- 3. What are your views on Right to Privacy? Also, tell about the Supreme Court's recent judgement on the same.
- 4. What was the need to make Right to Privacy, a Fundamental right? How giving this status is different from already existing legal provisions?

Member:

- 1.Can you mention some famous monuments of MP that can be made a tourist attraction?
- 2.Do you know some famous hotels of MP?
- 3. What are the major minerals that are found in MP?
- 4. Does the government alone mines them or private sector is also involved? How is the collaboration between both?

Member:

- 1. Explain your hobby (ZWL). What do you do?
- 2. What about the huge plastic waste that is being generated presently? What should we do about it?
- 3. How will you convince someone to adopt these ideas of ZWL?
- 4. How will you convince the farmers who are protesting for adoption of new farm laws? + Also asked the provisions of laws and full forms.
- 5. What do your friends talk/think about you as a person?
- 6.Do you empathize with people?

Member:

- 1.Do you know Western Sahara? What is happening in Western Sahara currently?
- 2. How is India's relations with Latin American countries? How can it be improved?
- 3. Name some technologies that you think can revolutionize the world.

Member:

- 1.Do you think India is a regional power? And even global power in some sense?
- 2. Why India does not adheres to the concept of Waste to Wealth?
- 3. Why MP is performing so good in agriculture?

Chairman:

Your interview is over.

Are you staying in Delhi or going back home?

Amar

Board - Smita Nagaraj ma'am

5th one to go

History optional

Hobby - Poetry writing

30 mins approximate

Cm

How are you feeling today?

What is non-collegiate?

Why didn't you joined the regular graduation program?

What is your opinion about freebies?

What should be given to a household a mixer or TV?

What do you think that you missed because of not going to college?

Who is your best friend? what do you like about him most?

What pandemic has thought us?

Migrant Labourers in your village belong to which state?

Why is India most labour is from Bihar?

Do you think mgnrega distorted the labour market?

M1

How many smart cities are there in Rajasthan?

What works govt has been done in Jaipur under the smart city program?

Chairman asked him to stop.

M2 lady

Aapke yaha women sir pe bojh uthati hai aur aadmi chati taan kar chalte hai? What are the reasons behind this?

The dye industry is one of the most polluting industry .tell us about some solutions?

Why there are floods in Rajasthan?

Why there is vaccine hesitancy? Should the vaccine be compulsory?

What type of rumours is going around about the vaccines?

What technology is been used in the indian vaccine?

Few more questions on the same lines

M3 lady

What is desertification? What are we doing about it?

Tell us about your village (facilities and all). Who is your sarpanch?

If she is that good and working well why don't you join local politics?

How did you come across working with United Nations?

What was the nature of your work?

Did you work with them again?

Why not since you enjoyed working with them?

What are your views on population policy?

Do you think we should conduct a caste-based census?

What is the delimitation commission? Why there is a delimitation commission is working in j&k right now not in Rajasthan?

M4

Do you know about the industrial safeguard measures? What government has done regarding them?

If the rupee is deprecated by 5% let's say from 75 what will be the current price of the rupee?

(I gave the wrong answer and the chairman corrected me I thanked her. And everyone laughed.)

Wanted to ask more the chairman stopped him.

Chairman

Amar since you were playing 100x4 meter relay .how did you manage to have 3 more players in your team?

Thank you Amar your interview is over.

Marx

Transcript CSE 2020 ,Smita Nagraj Ma'm Board

Date of interview - 09/08/2021

Forenoon session, 1st to go

Duration - 40 mins approx

Profile

Home state - Bihar

Graduation - Civil engineering (optional as well), NIT Warangal

Work Ex - L&T

Hobbies - Documentaries, twitter, meditation

(Attendent himself asked me to leave face shield outside)

Chairman

- 1. What are you doing these days?
- 2. There are 3 ways of serving people directly -as a bureaucrat, politician and by joining Ngos. What are the specific skills required in each of these jobs?
- 3. What is the one thing as per you which is required in bureaucracy to work effectively?
- 4.Is it healthy for our democracy that bureaucrats take or influence most of the crucial decisions?

Member-1

- 1. Why you left L&T so soon?
- 2. Why civil engineering projects get so much delayed and cause so much cost and time over run? How can we reduce it?
- 3. What is steel to cement ratio in India and how it is different from rest of the world?
- 4. What is the issue behind electronic voting? Should we allow it? Why it is not happening now?
- 5. What are Electoral bonds? What is the issue behind it? What is your suggestion in this regard
- 6. How gold bonds are different from electoral bonds?

Member-2

- 1. Why you want to join civil services when you graduated from one of our most reputed college and worked in India's top company?
- 2. Don't you think L&T too works for the people while constructing buildings, roads, railways?

Some more questions which I am not able to recall now.

Member 3 (lady)

- 1. Whom do you follow on twitter?
- 2. What are the good things and bad things about social media?
- 3. Did you face any issue of language in Warangal?
- 4. How staying is Warangal will help you in administration?

Member - 4

- 1. Why bihar is so much backward?
- 2. But how much those issues are still relevant after 70 years of independence?
- 3. Why bihar which was once a center of learning is not having any of those good institutes now?
- 4. Status of Nalanda University which is being rejuvenated and how do you evaluate its journey since then.
- 5. How many players were there from Bihar in India's Tokyo olmpics contingent? (Sir kept insisting me to tell numbers and I told sir I don't know 3 times).
- 6. Then sir says it was very less (but doesn't give the numbers ;D) and why it was so?
- 7. What are the 5 things as a DM you would like to work in your home district?
- 8. Why civil eng structures of earlier days like Tajmahal is still intact from last 400 years?
- 9. Is there any censorship for documentaries?
- 10. What is the role of CBFC? Is it working objectively?
- 11. What is OTT? And what is the controversy surrounding it?
- 12. Should OTT be regulated?

Chairman Again

- 1. Why people don't follow good thing and why do they follow negative things so easily? (Ma'm took it up from OTT discussion)
- 2. What is hero worship? Do that happen because of fear or by choice?
- 3.Can you name one case where people do this out of their choice?
- 4. Who was the leader of the Ranvir sena?

Thank you. Your interview is over

CSE 2020 TRANSCRIPT

Chairman- Sujata Mehta mam

Date- 04/08/2020 (afternoon- 4th to go)

Duration- 35 min appx

Profile

Name- Mugesh kumar K

Home state- Tamil Nadu

UG- Telecommunication engineering

Optional- Public administration

No job experience

4th attempt

Hobbies- writing poems, reading fictions.

Chairman

- 1. Intro yourself. (Name, graduation, optional, employment status)
- 2. Asked if I were placed in college. (Said, refused 3 placement offers)
- 3. If there is a rule that you can work only for 5 years as civil servant, still will you try civil service.
- 4. For what other criteria, a person choose civil service as career
- 5. Is clearing an exam where 5 lakhs people write and 1000 people getting selected a criteria? Do you feel it prestige? Why?
- 6. Did u ever face any unpleasant experience with administration (I told about corruption)
- 7. Recite the corruption event
- 8. Why corruption so common in India

M1 (male)

- 1. What are the institutions handling corruption.
- 2. What govt has done to prevent corruption.
- 3. If u r DM of your district and your subordinates are corrupt, how will you handle it.

(In total, for ten - 15 minutes, it was only about corruption)

M2 (male)

- 1. What do you consider as bad habits of a poet?
- 2. Name the other campuses of your university.

M3 (Female)

- 1. Why higher education institutions rank low in global list?
- 2. Any other criteria to rank institutions
- 3. If u r education secretary, what will you do to improve education

M4 (male)

- 1. What is periyar movement.
- 2. What is self respect movement?
- 3. Whose self respect it is?
- 4. From whom, it wanted self respect? (I told, it had anti brahmanical elements)
- 5. Why only anti brahmin? Why not other castes?
- 6. Can we correlate every brahmins to be elitist and developed then?
- 7. List Social factors leading to communal violence?
- 8. Why people of jammu and Kashmir protesting?
- 9. Can bifurcation be a solution? Do you think it will solve kashmir problem?

Chairman again

Do you want us to ask anything that we didn't ask?

(Told about my final year project)

3-5 questions subsequently on my project.

Your interview is over.

Jayant Nahata

Date - 04/08/21- Last one, Forenoon

Interview Board - M Sathiavathy ma'am

Chair (C) - < Greetings, she asked me to sit>

<Reading out my DAF points> Oh, so you have done B. Tech in Biochemcal engg and Biotechnology. Oh, and M. Tech also, so it's an integrated course! <I said, yes it was a Dual Degree programme ma'am>

So, you are already selected, In which year exam 2019?.

So, you have joined or what.

C - So what are you doing since graduating in 2018?

A - Ma'am, 1 year serious study, then got selected in 2019. Then, was at home preparing for interview this year. Also, practising my hobbies.

Okay she read along DAF, Nomura Consulting Intern, Gurugram, Harayana, Director's Award for Best Gen Sec, Student Affairs Council, Project A A N C H < I pitched in with its pronounciation> Read out leadership positions. Then, Hobbies - Journaling, Reading Self Help Books, Vipassana Meditation..

- <all of my interview revolved around these points so mentioning..>
- C What is this journaling? What do you do?

Ma'am, it's one of my creative pursuits where I explore my thoughts and ideas and do self reflection. Track my progress, identify my weakneses. Gives me sense of direction and control over my life.

- C What was your project in IIT Delhi?
- C Oh, so what were your findings. What is its commercial significance?
- C But aren't these known earlier too?
- C There is so much talks of biogas but we have not much biogas plants? What are the reasons?
- A Maam, not much RnD. Investment/costly. Skilled manpower needed.
- C But we dont we have skilled manpower?
- C What newspaper do you read? So, Why is this Sec 66A recently in news? Why still being invoked? What should be done? But it's been 6 years now since the judgement, shouldn't it be removed from statue books?
- M1 (lady M) You did Finance right so..
- <I clarified that i worked in NRI ie in Management Consulting not Nomura Finance. She said oh! But she said I will just ask you some basic questions on it and went ahead>
- M1 Is speculation good? Investment in share market good? How good for economy? How good for society?
- M1 Two rivers which have religious significance? I said Ganga and Krishna. She asked whether Narmada has religious significance? I said yes.
- M1 So compare the religious following of Krishna and Narmada!!
- M1 Sewage water and Drinking water mixing in urban cities. What is the reason? What is the solution?
- M1 Do we have an issue of drinking water. Does everyone have access to it?
- M1 Why is drinking water polluted?
- M1 Single biggest pollutant hampering drinking water quality?
- M2 What is diff in IQ and EQ?

M2 - What self help books you have read recently? Then said a monologue on why do we need self help motivational gurus? Can't we decide to live life ourself without their motivation?

Tell me about the book?

Give me tips on how do I break a bad habit?

There's talk of One Nation One Election, do you favour it?

M3 - Isn't vipassana escapism?

M3 - So, now does it make you are immune/better prepared to external things, like whatever ppl might say or do?

Isn't the ideological debate ended in Indian context?

<Member interjected me here and said no tell me in Indian context>

M4 - You know about NEP 2020? What does it have?

M4 - Are there are any disadvantages?

M4 - So, you think it's the right move?

M4 - What is Vaccine Cocktail?

M4 - Mix the vaccines together? What are its advantages? What is India's stand on it?

M4 - Given Cairn Arbitration dispute, don't you think investors will not want to invest in India?

M4 - FII or FDI?

And what about FII?

Chairwoman - Okay, Jayant your interview is over.

Hey! Here's my transcript. Bharat Bhushan Vyas Sir Board

10th August, Forenoon Session, 6th to go

(IRTS, Sociology Optional, Electrical Background, Agra, Project on Innovative Sources of Energy)

Chairman Sir

Did you join the training.

Has Railways connected the country or has it integrated the country.

Heard about Labour Laws? What are they?

National Minimum Wage.

What day is today (World Biofuel Day). Ujjwala 1 and Ujjawala 2.

M1

Why 'X' on the last bogey of a Train?

Is Electrical Engineering a redundant branch?

Plastic Waste. Is banning plastic an option?

How about recycling? Can PET bottles be recycled?

M2

As a DM of Agra, what steps would you take to improve on the archaic infrastructure apart from tourism.

M3

Speciality of Taj Minarets. What about Centre of Gravity?

What are Kirchoff's Laws? How to use in admin.

Are Poors and Rich equally to be blamed for pollution?

Who did Indian hockey team defeat in Men's Semifinal?

M4

What is Green Fabric

Last week some development happened in Andhra Pradesh on innovative source of energy. Do you know about this?

If Bose were to lead India, how different it would have been?

Should UP be divided into multiple states., Thank You. Your Interview is Over.

Aswin

9th August

B Tech Civil Engineering

Geography Optional

Kerala

2nd last to go - Afternoon Session

Board: TCA Anant Sir

Chair

- 1. So, what have you been doing since graduation?
- 2. Tell me about this Lectures programme you conducted? Was that year long or part of fest? (DAF related)

- 3. What was the criteria of selection of the speakers?
- 4. Playing Cricket -- Who do you play with and where?

M1

- 1. Have you heard about SDG Goals? Tell me some
- 2. India's progress in SDGs you mentioned
- 3. Do you think India is really achieved ODF? ()
- 4. What are the civil engineering constraints faced in Sanitation and Water Supply for Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan
 - 5. India's climate change initiatives and progress
- 6. Geography has an important part in creating boundaries. Boundaries separated by geographical barriers are more stable. Do you agree?
- 7. Ok. Then give me an example from India where boundaries were drawn without respecting the geography (I said Radcliffe Line)
 - 8. Then where do you think the boundary line should have been drawn?
 - 9. Tell me the provinces of Pakistan- there are only 4

M2

- 1. What have you been doing since 2017? Do you have a plan B?
- 2. I dont think Kerala has much problems with ODF. You have only seen that part right, thats not the case with rest of the country? Why do you were the major challenges faced in implementing SBA
 - 3. Does China border Afghanistan?
 - 4. OK. Wakhan corridor belongs to which province of Afghanistan?
 - 5. Boundary length of Wakhan Corridor with China? Make a guess
 - 6. Is China engaging with Taliban? Why do you think so?
 - 7. Tell me about the geography of Balochistan?
 - 8. Tell me about your state's COVID scenario?
 - 9. It is not worrisome right?

M3

- 1. So you are a quizzer. What do you think is the quality that you need to be one?
- 2. Covid has caused a lot of problems in all spheres all life. My question is what all good has it brought about?

M4

- 1. Have you heard about EIA? What is the full form?
- 2. Ok. Are you aware about the recent amendments?
- 3. Why do you think the US had withdrawn from the Paris Climate Agreement?
- 4. Do you know about Carbon Trading?
- 5. Do you agree that Civil Engineering is the mother of all engineering?
- 6. Tell me one civil engineering marvel of India?

Chair: Thank You

Y Naveen

Interview

Board: B B VYAS

Background: Bsc zoology, MBA (Banking)

Hobbies: Dancing and cooking., Date: 10-08-2021, Morning session.

Optional :Anthro.

Chairman

Said my name loudly

How do your friends call u?

Why do we need peace in East Asian countries

What all these shares, Bonds, Debuntures are they all same.

What do you know about ETFs any example

What abt Masala bonds.

Member 1

You worked in Banks, how do cyber crime happens in Banks

Recently major issues happened on this do u know

What financial inclusion, jst opening an accounts brings u inclusio

Is crypto currency legal in india and status now.

What e-rupi, why do we need, we can have DBT know, govt can top up, whats special about this.

Is India planning any crypto.

Member 2

You studied in Navodaya schools, how are they now, shd we increase them.

You worked in bank, now a days lot of people from banks calling us and selling products ...is there any Ethics over there

How about NEP doing.

Member 3

You are from village, in organic farming we use earthworms, how they help(when I started answering,), tell me the biochemistry involved in it exactly.

What type Dance you do.

What is the classical dance of Awadh

Member 3

We been seeing some problem in our democracy, that our MPs wanted to talk, but they will get anti defection law, if they don't that's a betrayal for peoplehow do u see this.

Ok, you are from Andhra, why still Yanam(pondicherry s part) not included in Andhra, can we do that,

What are the privileges they have from french govt,

What is paymey gate way, how does it work..tell me the technical details behind this.

Thanks you, your interview is over, Have a nice day.

Anonymous

BB Vyas Sir, Very Cordial

4th one to go by 3:30 PM [I was f rom Afternoon Batch]

Hardly 20 mins passed. [More like 15-17 Mins]

Sorry, i couldn't replicate the exact experience and Qs but try to cover it as much as possible.

- No Q from Hobby
- No Situational Based Qs
- No Inquisitive type Qs
- None from Background [EE Engg]
- No Personal Based Qs like
 - -- Strength
 - -- Weakness

- -- Introduce yourself
- 1 Q from Achievement [Photography]
 - -- With Mobile Camera developing so much do we need Professional Camera.
- Many Qs from PSIR [Optional]
 - -- How is our Relations with Maldives,
 - -- What was the turning point in relations
 - -- How is our Relations with Gulf Countries and their importance.
- -- Importance of Legislative Councils in States. Its too much money wasted for nothing. Your View?
- CAs based Qs
- -- Financial Inclusion : Define it and how can me make it better : Do we need laws or anything else is needed.
 - -- Social Audit: What do you think about it. Is it doing anything good?
 - -- Why farmers are protesting against the new laws. You support or oppose the new laws?
- Qs from Home Place
 - -- Why Alwar is Famous?
 - -- What type of industries are there? Is there anything specific about it?
- What great thing India has which we can promote abroad. Only Precise and Specific Ans needed.

And the interview ended.I know it seems quite short, and Maybe 1-2 Qs I couldn't mentioned. But it was nothing extraordinary and quite basic ones.

PS

Profile

Btech cse, 2019

Psir

Football, badminton

Uttarakhand, Smita nagraj ma'am board

1st to go afternoon

Chairperson

Gave LONG and complex speech about indian students going abroad for higher education (I was initially taken aback. Was expecting simple Qs like introduce urself or a daf q at the start to calm my nerves as written in nearly every transcript) Asked my views. 3-4 follow up questions on same issue based on my responses.

Member 1

- 1. Badminton- is India bad? What can be done?
- 2. Commercialization of football
- 3. Why psir?
- 4. Where china meddling in South Asia?
- 5. Follow up- what are we doing to counter?
- 6. Is our interference in neighbour's politics justified?

Member 2(lady)

- 1. Issues of uttarakhand
- 2. Problems of your home district? Solutions?
- 3. Lac china issue? Will our border disputes ever be solved? When and how?
- 4. chipko impact on uttarakhand
- 5. Why uttarakhand became a separate state?
- 6. Are smaller states better?

Member 3

- 1. followed up on my answer to uttarakhand problems- are people to be blamed for choosing bad mla MPs?
- 2. Gave LONG speech on upsc not doing its job or something. Asked my views.
- 3. Relevance of nam
- 4. Nam vs non alignment
- 5. Followed up on my answer to brain drain question- should parents be blamed for misguiding and pressuring children?

Member 4

Asked difficult and theoretical qs.

- 1. State in pol theory
- 2. Compare west vs indian conception of state

- 3. Which is more accurate today?
- 4. Nature of state in India?
- 5. I said secular among other things so his follow up- but secular was forcefully added don't you think?
- 6. Matsyanyaya?

Chairperson

- 1. How to keep personal views away from professional work?
- 2. You seem critical. Don't you think it will hamper your relationships with Netas?

Your interview is over. , Nearly all questions from daf.

Anonymous

Candidate from Delhi

BA Political Science

Optional: PSIR

Hobbies- Saura Painting, Reading

Worked in NGO and NSS

Date: 11/08/21, Morning Session

Sathiyavathy Ma'am board

Chairwoman:

What is Saura Painting?

How is it different from other paintings?

Tell about recent OBC bill and the issues involved?

How is it different from the reservation given to SC and ST?

Question about domicile based reservation?

M1:

If you are posted as CM of a backward state, what will be your priorities?

Importance of regional parties

Problem when regional parties don't follow national interest politics?

Difference between psychology and sycophancy?

M2:

How did you come to UPSC? (Means of transport) How has the economic growth been impacted due to Covid-19 pandemic? What are the measures to revive the economy? If you are posted in Finance Ministry then what short term or immediate measures will you take? Tell about Ujjwala Yojana? Is it a success? M3: Why women beneficiaries under Ujjwala Yojana are not getting LPGs refilled? What measures will you suggest? What incentives can you give? What is resource curse? Tell examples of Indian states which suffer from this? How it affects tribals? What is our forest policy? Do we want forests or only trees? How will we encourage greenery in states which are cutting down forests? Question about Finance Commission and forest and ecology criteria. M4: Which are the failed states circling India's neighbourhood? Tell me the situation in Myanmar? Why military coup happened? What is the likelihood of democracy being restored there? How will it impact India? Name some projects which India is developing with Myanmar? How is Thailand involved there?

Tell the difference between state and nation?

Chairwoman didn't ask anything after M4 and said interview is over

Name: KEFI

Home state: Rajasthan (Working in Mysuru, karnataka)

Commerce Graduate (University of Rajasthan) Optional: Philosophy

Work Experience : Ex Banker (SBI & OBC) , current - GST & Customs (SSC CGL) (TOTAL 8+

Years)

Hobbies: Football & Writing poems in Hindi Langauge

Interview: 11th Aug, Morning session (LAST TO GO 1PM)

TCA ANANT SIR BOARD

Chairman:

- 1. What is ABST, EAFM & BADM (short forms of BCom subjects written in DAF)?
- 2. You are working in direct or indirect tax?
- 3. What is your work profile?
- 4. How your work changed after shifting from Excise to GST?
- 5. What are the problems of GST?

Member 1 (Female)

- 1. what are the cultural differences between Rajasthan & Karnataka?
- 2. Are there more temples in Karnataka? Why?
- 3. What are the social problems of Rajasthan?
- 4. What will you suggest to remove the social problems of Rajasthan?
- 5. How is the health sector of Rajasthan?

Member 2

- 1. So you have philosophy optional? Have you read the novel Fountain Head? Atlas Shrugged?
- 2. Who wrote Fountain Head?
- 3. What is the philosophy of Fountain Head?
- 4. Fountain Head has a very typical language to read and comprehend, still people love it.. why>
- 5. Did you liked fountain Head?
- 6. What you learned from Fountain Head?
- 7. Why retrospective tax is being dropped? Main reason?

Member 3

1. What are the two types of accounting standards?

- 2. How to control expenditure? Make it economical? make it efficient?
- 3. What is the basic idea behind RTI? Explain with an example
- 4. what is work culture? How you can improve the work culture of an organization?
- 5. What is a citizen charter? How it can ensure transparency and accountability?
- 6. Why there are multiple slabs in GST?
- 7. Asked one transparency related scheme of Rajasthan Govt
- 8. Why football is not popular in India?

Member 4

- 1. Why you left Officer job to join a lower pay scale job?
- 2. What is GST compensation scheme? Is GST compensation is perpetual? Why state are demanding to extend it?
- 3. Why some states are witnessing low collection of GST?
- 4. What are the financial problems of Punjab? (based on my last answer)
- 5. What subsidies are given by Punjab Govt to farmers?
- 6. If you have not left OBC Bank where you would have been?
- 7. Is bank merger a good idea? Syndicate bank is merged with which bank?
- 8. Give two examples of successful mergers?
- 9. So you are finding lot of time in your present job? is it true?
- 10. One movie was released 20 year before your birth which have reference to your name, have you seen it?
- 11. farm law which side will you take farmer or govt? How to resolve the issue?
- 12. Why you not liked reading Fountain Head? (my answer to m2 was I enjoyed it a lot)

over to chairman --- Chairman said you can leave (35-40 MINUTES)

APS

Date: 10/08/21

Board: smitha nagraj mam ,Grad: EEE

Optional: sociology

Dist: agra, hobby: lifting, cooking,

Last to go, so direct qsng strted as i sat down.

CM: you're student of sociology, which books you've read for socio?

Tell me about sociological problem of state?

How will u improve it as an civil servant?

Tell me one measure, only single measure that you'll take to improve condition of violence against women in your state? (This was follow up, as i mentioned violence against women as sociological problem in state)

Tell me about some sociologist from india?

What was tha famous theory of mn Srinivas?

Explain sankritisation.

M1: difference between monetary policy and fiscal policy.

You belong to agra which hosts world class monuments, but do u think that it is ready to host world class tourists?

Two-three follow ups on this.

M2: why you did not chose electrical engg as ur optional?

2-3 follow ups.

How will u use ur electrcl engg in administration?

M3: what are ppp models? What are issues? Tell me Innova solutions?

Four years of GST, its success and what needs to be improved.

M4:your hobby is cooking, tell me about five energy efficient ways of cooking?

How pressure cooker works?

Have u visited itmad ud daulah? What is famous abt it?

Any link with taj?

Afghanistan is called graveyard of superpowers? Do u agree?

Why indian automobile industry is suffering?

What is the issue with chips? Why we cant take lead in chips?

Which country entered india's maritime border? What was USA's reaction and what was india's reaction?.

Your interview is over, you can leave.

Duration: 25-30 mins.

CSE 2020 Interview

Optional: Anthropology

Graduation: Mech Engg, BITS Pilani

Work: Min of Commerce

Hobbies: Plogging, Reading Sports Biographies, Basketball

Home State: Haryana

Date: 6th August 2021 - Afternoon

Board: BB Vyas (second to go)

(Forgot Shield)

Chairman:

Where is your shield?

Measures by the govt to enhance inter-state trade

Measures by the govt to enhance exports

HSN System? Advantages

Meaning of my name?

Why did you take anthropology after engineering?

Haryana poor sex ratio reasons?

M1:

Issues with Judiciary?

How to fix those issues?

Should government recruit officers locally for administration?

Why IFS?

M2:

What is plogging?

Which sports book did you read?

Why did you quit private sector job?

Why did you take a pay cut?

What did you learn at the private sector job?

M3:

Why is Mewat in Haryana known?

What is Hamas group? What are they fighting for?

Question on some geographical location?

Why was Jacinda ardern in news recently?

Why do post-war institutions fail?

M4:

(My name means perpetual)

What are perpetual bonds?

What character in Mahabharata was perpetual?

Will digital currency replace USD?

Chairman again:

Kharif and rabi crops from Haryana

M3:

Did we miss out on something? (I answered basketball since I'm a national player)

Height of Michael Jordan?

Most important player in the team?

More important skill – dribbling or shooting?

(Interview Over)

Kartikeya Verma, IIT, Civil engineering,

Rajasthan, Optional PSIR (rest details on DAF were not touched)

Sathyavathi Ma'am board, 3rd to go., Why so many IITians coming to CSE

Wastage of resources in technical students in IIT, when they have to do generalist work, that can be done by anyone?

Should students from IIT/AIIMS/IIMs be banned from CSE?

M1

What is Disaster management?

Disaster management philosophy – vulnerability x hazard / capacity

Constant calculation in the disaster management formula?

How use civil engineer in Disaster Management?

M2

Use of force by Israel-Palestine issue justified?

Proportionate use of force by Israel?

Balakot strike was justified?

Use technology in administration?

Technology use in land administration?

M3

Swachch Bharat Mission – which city top

Why Indore able to secure top rank?

Public participation importance in keeping city clean?

Technology use to keep city clean?

Waste related tech use?

M4

Desertification increasing in Rajasthan?

Desert land to cultivable land?

What is organic farming?

Techniques in organic farming?

Anybody to control inflation?, Overall, the interview was outside comfort zone of DAF.

Anonymous

State: Bihar (Kishanganj district), Date of Personality Test (PT): 06th August, 2021; 2nd to go (Forenoon), Chairperson (CP): Sujata Mehta Madam, Optional: Mathematics

Graduation: Civil Engineering, IIT Delhi-2018, Hobby: Playing Cricket

Work: IRS IT-2020 (on Extraordinary Leave till December 2021)

PT Experience:

No questions on IRS IT, Cricket, IIT Delhi and Bihar

My PT Room was not that big (it was roughly a 20 feet x 20 feet room). Hence, there was no mic in the room. The members were separated from each other by about 6 feet.

Room door was already open. I entered the room wearing a face-shield, mask and hand gloves (provided by UPSC). All the members were also wearing masks throughout the interview (only 2 members removed their masks while asking questions during the interview).

Greeted the Chairperson and then other 4 Members (1 lady and 3 gentlemen).

CP said that I may remove my face-shield if I want. I removed the face-shield and kept it on the table in front of me. However, I was wearing the mask throughout the PT (The candidate just before me was scolded by the board for removing the mask without the permission of the board).

CP then showed me two passport size photographs and asked whether it was me (However, she didn't ask me to remove the mask to verify me). I said, "yes Madam".

Trivia: These are the photographs submitted by us during document verification on the date of PT and the Board writes our PT marks at the backside of the photographs.

Chairperson (CP):

- 1. Introduce yourself by giving details about your education and work.
- 2. What are the ideals in the Preamble along with 'Justice'?
- 3. Arrange the four ideals as per their importance and also give reasons for the same. (I said, "Madam, 1. Justice 2. Equality 3. Liberty 4. Fraternity")
- 4. Shouldn't Equality be placed before Justice? (I said if there is Justice then there will be Equality)
- 5. Define Liberty and Fraternity.
- 6. Is there Justice in India?
- 7. Difference between Law and Justice? (I said Law is the means and Justice is the end).
- 8. Section 498A of IPC is there. We have the burden of proof on the accused. So, you think Section 498A is doing justice? (Question about Sec 498A came up randomly. I never mentioned any keyword like IPC or Sec 498A etc.)

I said, "The Supreme Court has said..."

CP: No, forget about the Supreme Court. Tell us your opinion.

(I said yes Madam Sec 498A is doing justice because there are crimes against women in India like domestic violence. So we need Sec 498A dealing with cruelty by husband and his relatives.)

CP cut me short at this point and said thank you and passed the baton to Member 1.

Member 1:

- 1. So we were talking about Justice. In India there are huge pendencies in Courts. You know that Justice delayed is Justice denied. Don't you think in India Justice is denied?
- 2. Now assume you are the Law Secretary of India. How will you solve the problem of judicial pendencies?
- 3. Suppose you are made the Collector of a district. There is a welfare scheme which is to be implemented. The local politician in the district is asking you to post two of his known officers at a particular posting where there is scope for corruption. What will you do? (2-3 follow up questions like don't you think if there is some corruption then everyone will be happy as the scheme would be implemented easily. I said that means is also important and corruption ultimately hurts the common man the most.

The member continued his follow up questions and stopped only when I said, "if I am the DC then it will my responsibility to ensure corruption free administration and hence I will deny the request by the politician")

Member 2:

- 1. Have you heard of a place in Jharkhand which is famous for cybercrimes? (I said, "Yes Sir. It is Jamtara")
- 2. You must have seen that Jamtara serial? (I said, "Yes Sir"). So, despite having low literacy, why are the youths there engaged in cyber crimes?
- 3. If you are made the SP of Jamtara district how will you tackle such cyber crimes? (Then 2-3 follow up questions)
- 4. You must have seen in the serial that the local politician was also involved in the cyber crimes. As the SP of the district how will you handle the local politician?
- 5. What are the different types of soils in India?
- 6. What is topsoil? (I said, "Sir, the top part of the soil is topsoil". He smiled and said, "That is obvious. Tell me the importance of topsoil for agricultural growth.")
- 7. Suppose you have to make a dam in the Himalayas. What all things will you keep in mind as a Civil Engineer?
- 8. What are normal distribution, Poisson distribution and XYZ distribution (I am unable to recall XYZ)?

(I said, "Sir, I know only about normal distribution.")

9. Normal distribution is symmetrical or not?

Member 3 (Lady member):

- 1. What is this research award mentioned in your DAF?
- 2. Tell me two of your weaknesses which may go against you as a civil servant?

(Second weakness I mentioned was regarding lack of life skills like 'driving', 'cooking' etc.)

3. No, but cooking will not affect civil services. I was asking about those weaknesses which will adversely affect you being in civil services.

At this moment before I could answer, CP said, "Yes, cooking is also important." She cut the member short and passed the baton to Member 4 (This was done probably because Member 3 didn't have much time as around 10-12 minutes were taken by Member 2)

Member 4:

- 1. Name three Indians who got the Nobel Prize?
- 2. Who got the Nobel prize in mathematics recently? (I said, "Sir, in mathematics there is no Nobel Prize but we have the equivalent as Abel Prize")
- 3. Isn't it the Fields Medal? (I said, "Sir, some consider the Fields Medal as the Nobel Prize. However, Abel Prize is specifically created as an equivalent of Nobel Prize in Mathematics")
- 4. Okay which Indian got it? (I said, "Sir, I know about the Indian origin people who got Fields Medal")
- 5. Okay tell the names?
- 6. Tell us how mathematical modelling is used in administration?
- 7. What is the use of mathematics in economics?
- 8. Another question was related to how you will use mathematics when there is a land which is spread over two districts? (I couldn't understand the exact question. The member immediately moved to another question).
- 9. Why do people after being selected in the civil services forget their friends and stop being humble?

CP:

1. Okay. Do you want us to ask anything else? (I said, "No Madam. Thank you. I think most of the areas are sufficiently covered".)

CP then said, "your interview is over. Please take the head-shield with you before leaving."

I thanked the CP and then the other 4 members and left the room.

P.S.: When I came out of the room the lady candidate whose interview was next to me said that my interview was too long. I nodded and wished her good luck.

Federer

Smita Nagraj madam

Background: Electronics, IIT KHARAGPUR, Chandrapur district, playing badminton, Anthropology optional

Chairperson:

What are you doing since you graduated? How do you keep your moral high? Which social issue you want to work on ?(I told about gender equality and some discussion on how will you approach it?)

There are many controversy in role of governor. Should we abandon that post or what changes would you suggest?

Member 1

What is super thermal power plant? Tell me about its positive and negative effects?

Should we close that plant? Who will be benefited if we close that plant and who will be adversely impacted?

In your district do you get energy from chandrapur coal plant?

What can we do to reduce the negative impact coal power plant on the chandrapur city?

Member 2

Should we give subsidies or not?

Should we give fertilizer subsidy or not?

Member 3

Why farmers sucide not in Bihar but in Maharashtra?

Which crops are allowed under GM apart from Btcotton? Should we allow it?

Difference between ujwala 1.0 and ujwala 2.0?

Erupee, difference with cryptocurrency?

IITs not helping rural areas, what do you want to say about it

M4

You spent 4 years in Kharagpur. Did you learn Bengali? What attitude one should have if one have to accept other culture, for when one is posted in other state?

Chairperson:

Thank you

I might be missing some questions. Second last to go. All panel members were very cordial.

YM

Date: 11/08/2021 ,Interview Board : Shri Bharat Bhushan Vyas Sir

Candidate Name: Chauhan Siddharth Hasmukhray

State: Gujarat, Optional: Public Administration

Hobbies: Reading Biblical Scriptures, Watching Movies

Graduation: Architecture ,Afternoon session: 1st to go.

Chairman Sir: Initiated the conversation by complimenting my tie and the polka dots within. Any reasons for this Shade (Navy Blue)?

- 1) So you have graduated in the field of architecture. It is a very creative field. Why do you want to join the civil services?
- 2) In the context of Ram Mandir, what are your view on the Architectural style?
- 3) What do you think of the various temple styles that are created in the Indian Architectural context
- 4) Any 3 iconic buildings in your opinion?
- 5) Will the Dholpur house be able to resist earthquakes?
- 6) What are your views on AFSPA? Individual rights vs National Security n territorial Integrity?
- 7) As a student of Public administration, what are your views on Govt as an actor itself vs Govt as an enabler?

M2 Sir

- 1) Given that the climate change is taking place, what are your views on best methods and how green architecture can be practised?
- 2) So your hobby is 'Reading Biblical Scriptures'. How many books of the bible have you read?
- 3) Have you read some other works or only the Holy Bible?
- 4) What is the LAC, LOC and the AGPL?
- 5) What is the working line?
- 6) What are the ways of amending the constitution?

M3 Sir

- 1) Since you have read the Holy Bible, which is the most holy site on earth according to you?
- 2) Follow up question after i mentioned the human body as the most holy site. (context 1 Corinthians 3:16)
- 3) Question on West Asian architectural impact on India?

- 4) Have you heard of Le Corbusier?
- 5) Importance of Vaastu Shastra?

M4 Sir

- 1 Given the covid situation and the vast population, the latest reports suggest that there have only been 35000 deaths for a given period of time, it means that India should not be worried about the pandemic any more. Whats your opinion?
- 2 What is the 'R value' in the pandemic context?
- 3 Gujarat what has it done specially for development?
- 4 Follow up question but so have many other states like MH,MP what is peculiar?
- 5 Coastal economy of Gujarat?
- 6 Which SEZ port in India has been the least productive?
- 7 Who is Sobha Singh?
- 8 One of your hobbies is watching movies, so tell us what different content would we would find in South Indian movies, Hindi movies and English movies ?

M5 Ma'am

- 1 What are the two features which you would differentiate in the parliament and the cricket ground?
- 2 What is the utility n effectiveness of precast elements in architecture?
- 3 How much expense? How much convenient?
- 4 Any important Bible Character you would like to mentions with a value? Jesus Christ and forgiveness (implicitly cited Romans 3:23 and John 3:16)
- 5 Follow up question Any Mahabharata characters you would like to associate with sin/wrongdoing?
- 6 And Pandavas? Have you heard the story of Yudhisthira and the dog?

Chairman Sir: Thank you. Your Interview is over.

Gist of Interview preparation --- Deuteronomy 31:6 + 1 Peter 5:7 + Psalm 46:1 + Exodus 14:14 + Matthew 7:7 + Proverbs 16:24 + Jeremiah 29:11

My best wishes to everyone. Stay blessed.

Board: Sathiyavathi ma'am
Background: B.Tech Computer Science & Engineering
Work Exp: Software Engineer (2 yrs)
Optional: Sociology
State: Kerala
Chair: 1. What were you doing since 2014? 2. Karala gulf returned consequences, rehabilitation?
2. Kerala gulf returnee consequences, rehabilitation?
3. Ministry of cooperation and centre-state attained relations? Should cooperatives be regulated by centre? Isn't it a state subject? Isn't cooperative movement a failure in India?
M1:
1. Don't you think India would never be able to reap it's demographic dividend?
2. Why skilling programmes failing in India, we had been skilling since independence?
3. What's Dignity of Labour? Is it there in India? (To this answer, chairwoman intervened to ask me "Are you trying to give diplomatic answer?")
1/12.
M2:
1. Have you ever voted? In which election? Who conducts Panchayati raj elections? What's NOTA, what if NOTA gets the maximum votes? Sarpanch pati system
2. What is caste system? How to solve caste inequalities?
M3:
1. Why Kerala's public health system robust? Why Kerala able to manage Covid even though the cases are on the higher side? Role of oxygen
M4:
1. What is production linked incentive scheme?

2. Opinion on Sabarimala

Augustus 9 2021, Last to go

Chairman - Smitha Nagarajan Maam]

Chairman - you passed out in 2017, so what did you do after that?

1. There was recently a report that this generation has good height and weight as compared to past one but

the trend is opposite in tribals. what do you see are the reasons?

2.are you aware of the residential tribal schools?

3. why do tribals need specific and separate schools? Cant they be assimilated in normal school?

Member 1

M1- you have written biographies reading as hobby, which one did u read recently?

And what did feel about it?

M1-good, I see you are a electronics graduate and like musk and all, so why did u choose Pubad and electronics?

M1- so you wouldn't have been an asset to the private electronics company?

Member 2

- 1. well Nikhil, I see you have done Pubad. So what is the difference in a public administrator and a manager?
- 2. What is the most important issue that public Administration has in conditions of today?
- 3. what have we learned from the the pandemic?
- 4. so its like a new normal?

member 3

- 1. Nikhil you are from Maharashtra, so tell me do u think sugarcane is more of a political crop than a regional crop?
- 2. so do you favour bifurcation of state of MH into Vidharbha and rest?
- 3. You read biographies, so tell me is reading a fundamental right or a natural right.?
- 4.no no that's rights, but natural rights cant be curtailed .so govt bans books? do u know about any?
- 5,So is it ok to write such books?

- 6. then why govt bans?
- 7.Ok what is difference in electricity and electronics?
- 8.what is PN junction?
- 9. What kind of communication is used in submarines?

Member 4

- 1. what is the difference in 4G and 5G? In terms of speed and different parameters?
- 2.Great, what is gsm and cdma?
- 3. How will you balance the current power generation systems . On one side we have polluting thermal and

other side we want green energy.

- 4. wait tell me how much is coal energy generation
- 5.total energy is how much?
- 6. ok, can solar power sustain India's needs?
- 7. do i know what is PLA of solar?
- 8.-Do you know NOx and SOx
- 9. what is micro finance? How is it done? What are the platforms?
- 10. what is the definition?
- 11. what if you or I want to take a loan in micro finance? Can we?

Chairman -

1. recently the hustle bustle about the cooperative ministry, maharashtra is a state with good cooperative

movement, so how do u see it?

- 2. why specially Maharashtrian politicians are apprehensive? What do u think is it a good policy?
- 3. what do u think is cooperative movement necessary? Or just a thing of past? should we continue?

Good Nikhil .. ,Your interview is over .

Chairperson

- 1. Tell me about yourself
- 2. Do you follow news? Which channel do you follow? What difference do you find among these channels? Which channel is most preferred?

- 3. Don't you think debates over these channels are biased?
- 4. Where do you get factually correct information? Verify the facts?
- 5. Do you follow DD news? How do you make current affairs notes?
- 6. Why fake news spread so easily? What is there in it?

Member 2:

- 1. What is DBT? What are its advantages ?Do you promote this and why?
- 2. What is digital divide? How do we reduce it? What do we have to reduce it?
- 3. What are the advantages of digital payments? What govt is doing to promote it?
- 4. How digital payments reduces the gap?

Member 3:

- 1. What Bharat ki veer?
- 2. Why Karnataka has conflicts with Tamilnadu and Maharashtra but not with AP and Telangana?
- 3. Which river Karnataka shares with AndhraPradesh? What about Tungabhadra?
- 4. Whose music do you like in Telegu industry?
- 5. Have you heard of farm protests? why are they protesting? What do they want? Whose side are you?
- 6. Why govt is not giving legal status to MSP? What will happen if its given? after legalising the MSP, do you think farmers will recall the protest?

Member4:

- 1. What is your full name? What is the meaning?
- 2. Why govt is promoting privatization?
- 3. What is Ghandian model of privatization? What is the difference?
- 4. What is CSR and details?
- 5. Do you remember maths and tell about trigonometry?

Member 5:

- 1. If you are the secretary to ministry of women and child development, What will you do to improve the status of women?
- 2. What are the safety issues at work place? How do you think safety can be improved?
- 3. How do you use your E AND C to improve education and literacy?
- 4. What are conflicts between social media and govt? What govt is trying to do?

- 5. Do you support privacy or freedom of speech?
- 6. Do we need creativity or censorship?

CHAIRPERSON:

- 1. Do you think something left to be asked to you?
- 2. If not civil services what would you like to do which keeps you happy? ANS i will associate with cooperatives to establish custom hiring centre and warehousing facility
- 3. You mean to say your interest is rural development? after joining service how will continue this?

Thank you

Chairperson:

- 1. What were the you doing after graduation (mbbs)?
- 2. Why didn't you work during covid?
- 3. Major crops in yavatmal?
- 4. Should we change crop pattern?

Member 1:

1. Vaccine initiative under quad? Responsibilities of each nation?

Relations with Africa?

Member 2:

- 1. What is your view on govt focus on health insurance?
- 2. What is your view on ayush practicing modern medicine? Why opposition?

Tech and healthcare?

Member 3:

- 1. View on alternative medicine
- 2. Enumerate malpractices
- 3. What should we do?

Member 4:

- 1. WW2 countries, year, consequences
- 2. Enumerate wars by India and year
- 3. Why do you want to be civil servant?
- 4. What happens with your bond?

Chairperson:

1. If there is war and trained soldier sits at home and study to become health sec, What do you think about it?

Me: i said i was active during covid and took call on telemedicine

Ch: Is that enough ,thanks for giving time to those poor who could afford to have teleconsultation with you.

You should read your Hippocratic oath, Thank you

Name-rijul

State- uttarakhand, Sociology, Graduation- civil engg, nit jaipur

Currently in danips

Nukkad natak, athletics,11aug,2nd to go

Board - smita nagaraj mam

Meaning of your name.

Its origin.

Have you joined.

Why we have danips as a separate service

Why union territories are made.

Why cooperation ministry formed? Were we not doing good earlier? Why south india is doing good. (Acc to my answer)

M1-

Recently surges in landslides, floods etc in uttarakhand. Reason?

What is global warming?

Paris deal?

Montreal protocol.

Tell those gases..

Why police image is bad. Give reasons

If you are made delhi police commissioner, what changes will you bring..

M2-

Private vs govt sector..

Tell 5 things in which private is doing better..

Then why you want to join govt sector.

Ek lamba ques regarding regulatory bodies something..

M3-

Suppose we want to give cycles to girls in village for going to schools, what will you choose- cash transfers or direct distribution. (More ques regarding same)

Have your senior in training or your professor in college asked you to do anything which you felt was completely wrong .. (more ques from this)

M4-

On what topics you did nukkat natak.

Can it help in police image building?

As an administrator of uttarakhand, tell 3 areas which you want to improve..

Difference in andaman and delhi policing..

Vishnu meena ,Forenoon session

Btech IT

Working: Teacher

4th to go

CH: (Manoj soni sir)

- 1. How are u?
- 2. Kite lying kaise karte ho?
- 3. Wat u learn from kite flying
- 4. Aerodynamic law of kite flying
- 5. Different types of manjaa (for kite flying)
- 6. Tell me one thing how to solve india's one problem that other problems can be solved \Box

M1

- 1. bharatpur famous for
- 2. social problems comparison between bharatpur and delhi
- 3. Problems of delhi
- 4. sex ratio comparison between delhi and bharatpur

M2

- 1. Malware and pishing
- 2. Spyware
- 4. Pegasus iasue
- 5. 4G and 5G comparison
- 6. Why 5G
- 7. IPv 4 and IPv6
- 8. Change in school education in last 2 decades
- 9.are u satisfied with ur job

M3

- 1. School timing
- 2. NEP 2020
- 3. Job, naukari, service mai comparison
- 4. Sports events in school
- 5. Why we are celebrating just 7 medals

M4.

- 1. Permanent seat in unsc for india
- 2. NSG and india
- 3. Military training for students in india like south korea
- 4. Ncc related questions

Finally

Your interview is over all the best

U can go now

H, Forenoon session

1st to go

Date of interview- 11th August

1-Doing MPhil in?

What was your research topic?

Summary/conclusion of your research.

2-How did you assess the results?

3-Lsr- why is lsr not moving forward?

4-Why on 2nd rank for many years?

5-Current status of India Russia relations.

6-Why does Russia do well in Olympics?

7-What have you been doing since 2018? (Since not mentioned in daf)

8-US always follows america policy and tries to maintain its influence. Do you agree?

One example where/when it has not been able to do so?

One national or international celebrity you would like to have lunch with?

Baking(hobby)- how does microwave work?

Since you have no work experience, convince us that you are a good candidate for becoming a civil servant.

Print media- status in india?

How would you use social media for administration positively?

Afghan situation- has india lagged in dealing with situation?

Taliban is also Afghan/its part/afghan people. Why not engage with them?

Jnu- why is it popular? Been in news for many reasons. How do you see it?

How do extremes(ideologies) co exist there?

As a headgirl, what did you do for students?

Anti poverty schemes of government (chronologically)

How much poverty declined?(especially via LPG reforms)

School where is it? Ans -jewar

Jewar- a town? /Suburb of which area?, Population of jewar?

Population of your village?

3 problems in Indian agriculture

First preference? Why IAS and not IFS?

If you are posted in a sub-district what would you like to be briefed about?

Trends in indian political system since independence?

Dated 12/08/2021, Last one to go ,4:30-5:05 Pm

Board:- M Sathiyavathy Ma'am , Academic Background- Mcom, State :- Himachal Pradesh

- C:-1) What you did in your gap years? (One year between graduation and post graduation, 2 years between Post Graduation and 2021)
- 2) Why Stock Exchange Booming?
- 3) Why even after slowdown in economy,?
- 4) Why foreign investors are shifting their money from Chinese economy to India?
- 5) Why retail investors getting attracted to Stock market, when on the one hand we say savings has been suffered in pandemic.
- 6) Difference Between FDI, FPI, FII?
- 6) What is mud wrestling? (hobby)

MEMBER 1 (Lady Member)

- 1) Which one is good For India FDI or FPI?
- 2) IPCC report and it's signal for India?
- 3) What causes Global Warming? (majorly),4) What should we do to tackle it?

MEMBER 2 (sir)

- 1) SWOT analysis of India.(atleast 3 points on each).
- 2) What Vijaya Malya Did? Do you think it's criminal act or a normal Buisness act?
- 3) About Harshad Mehta Scam? What he did and it's impact?

MEMBER 3 (Sir)

- 1) What should be India's strategy with respect to Afganistan.
- 2) Should we Engage with Taliban?
- 3) Recent disasters in Himachal (landslides) tell me the local reasons for this. (Don't tell climate change etc).

MEMBER 4 (Sir)

- 1) Cognitive Marketing and developments in recent past under this strategy by Companies ? (With examples).
- 2) E commerce Rules and do you think it will be able to protect privacy of customers.
- 3) What are your views, do e commerce companies compromise with our privacy?

Chairwoman:- Your interview is over.

Sunny

Jharkhand IIT Bombay (B.Tech+M.Tech) Workex: PWC-US, Service Delivery Centre Mumbai | Physics Optional | Poem writing and Cooking as Hobby

Board : Smita Nagaraj mam

Chairperson

- 1. Why have not you changed your name yet?
- 2. Why Consulting firms hire IITians?
- 3. What was your role
- 4. What is your financial management plans for future as civil service will give you less salary as compared to your past job?
- 5. What is Service delivery centre? (I worked in PWC Service delivery centre)

M1

- 1. Why Jharkhand is poor and backward?
- 2. Tell me 5 engineering solutions to solve problems of Jharkhand
- 3. What is difference between LOC, LAC and International Border (Follow up on why they are called so?)
- 4. What are current developments in Leh?
- 5. What is IIT's contribution towards rural development?

M2

- 1. Difference between carbon steel and stainless steel
- 2. What is BOF, Why metallurgical coal is used in BOF?
- 3. What is collective responsibility? (Discussion on this)
- 4. What is its relevance in Corporate?
- 5. Should Independent directors be responsible for action of firm? (What is legal standpoint?
- 6. Tell me current disputes related to independent directors
- 7. What is FIFO, LIFO and HIFO (Inventory Management concepts), are they really in use or just bookish concepts

M3

- 1. Why is Iron pillar famous?
- 2. Why is govt opening so may IITs in spite of lack of primary schools

- 3. What is use of Higher education?
- 4. If you have just Rs 100 what will you chose Primary or Higher education
- 5. How do you waste your time?
- 6. Tell me pros and cons of IIT

M4

- 1. What was your role as mentor?
- 2. Why PwC which is financial services provider should hire IITians in place of CA students
- 3. Tell me the recent poem you read and what inspires you to write poem?

Chairman picked from M4 when poem discussion was going one, had little discussion on that.

Board: T C Anant sir's board

Date of Interview: 11th August 2021

Background: Mechanical and Automation Engineering

Optional: Public Administration

Attempt: 2nd

Hobbies: Watching bollywood movies based on social themes and thrillers, playing lawn tennis

Chairman - So simran you went to V.S.P.K school, what's the full form of school?

Where is your college?

Despite coming from mechanical engineering background and from a reputed college why did you opt for Public Administration as your optional?

What are some major reforms you think are transforming public administration?

M1- Since you watch bollywood movies, which one was your most recent? What social message did it offer?

Do we even produce bollywood thrillers?

As you play lawn tennis, tell me why is Mary kom so important? Why has she been given more importance than other female athletes?

M2: What do you understand by inclusive development?

Do you know about Gini coefficient? How has India been faring in it?

Which travels faster a tennis ball or shuttle?

How important do you think is the ambience of an organisation?

How can we ensure employees welfare in an organisation?

So you have done Mechanical and Automation, tell me which sector and sub sector has high potential for automation?

Suppose you are going in a fully self autonomous car and there's an accident that's about to happen. Where you can only save the pedestrian or yourself. Whom will you save and why?

M3- Why couldn't you pursue lawn tennis further?

So don't you think that lack of sport infrastructure is the main reason? What policy measure will you suggest?

You have been part of technical fest team of your college, which leadership qualities are inevitable as per you?

M4- Let's focus on rule based and role based. What's the difference between the two? A lot of discussion on this. So what's rule of law? Does rules form part of rule of law?

If yes, then why are we saying that we should move away from rule based to role based?

Define role based for me.

Let's talk about implementation of 73rd, 74th CAA. How do you think its being implemented, explain with case studies. (He was trying to grill)

Chairman: Thank you, your interview is over. You may go now.

(There were more questions asked, but I can recall these.)

smita nagraj

2nd one to go

law, IRS, rajasthan

13/08/21

chairman-

- 1. your life has been a bumble ride(3 services changed)
- 2. pro and cons of changing service
- 3. should we make it compulsory to serve for certain time after training.
- (2-3 ques i dont remeber regarding training in service)

m1

- 1 rich get justice faster than poor. am i right?
- 2. shall we make special court for rich
- 3.do we have special court for certain categories?

4. question on gst

m2 (lady)

- 1. citizen charter
- 2. what are essentials of it.
- 3. whom should we involve in citizen charter prepration
- 4. shall we merge income tax and gst? pro and cons
- 5. awareness amongst taxpayers, how to build it?
- m3. (seemed police guy)
- 1. indira gandhi canal
- 2 what are issues with it?
- 3. why do we empty it every year?
- 4. what about expenditure tax?
- 5 which country has it?

m4.

- 1. what is karauli stone?
- 2. what are the issues with its mining?
- 3. is it open cast or deep mined?
- 4. direct and indirect taxation
- 5. difference between mistake of law and mistake of fact.

very cordial board apart from the police guy.

Board- Sathywati Mam Board Forenoon-

UG- BSC PG- Masters MA ECO MBA FINANCE Post gradute diploma Remote Sensing GIS IIRS ISRO Dehradun

Optional- Maths

Hobby- Doing Yoga, Blogging, Social network

Selected RBI GRADE B (Manger) BPSC, State- UP

Ma'am read out my daf loudly..

1-Tell me meaning of your name.

Any 5 streighth and weakness? 3- reason of existence of khap panchayat? 4-Suppose u r City Magistrate what have you will do to empower widow? 5- is there any role of boys in women empowerment? M1: Full form of NABARD, What is microfinance institution? Different types of bank? Small finance bank? Types of commodity exchanges?? Libor? Vivad se Samvad is it successful? TFR? M2-What Prayagraj famous famous for? How many prayags are there? Differentiate among Kumbh, Mahakumbh They asked themselves and chided any quarter kumbh? Relevance of that place today? What have you learnt from that place? Thats usage in administration? M3-Uniform Civil code do india need? Caste based census is more needed or socio econmic based Tell me about yama, niyama? What is hatha yoga and Gyan yoga? Who have achieved moksha from Gyan yoga? Which one will you prefer?

M5-

Khap vs PRI

Will magistratial power be with executive? Isn't it against separation of power?

Can't you order against khap panchayat decisions as a magistrate?

Today a scheme related to pds in news have you idea?

kaun sa paper padhte hai?

Headline yad hai?

Why you choosem maths optional?

What is difference in lemma, therem and corollary.

What is differnce between eqn and identities.

Can derive Pythagorus theoerem?

Had we left something to ask..(smile)

Goodluck interview over ...

Anonymous Background-Mech Eng IIT Madras Optional – PA, Weightlifting, powerlifting, 3D printing Board :BB Vyas

Chair:

1. What is new START? 2. What are the safegaurd available for Civil Servants? 3. Have economic reforms been against constitutional principles? 4. What is rules of origin?

M2:

1. How will 3D Printing impact job situation?,2. Follow up on CS safeguards 3. Qn on e commerce rules

M3:

- 1. How to popularise WL/ powerlifting 2. What is chabahar and significance
- 3. What are the values of India 4. Situational qn on disaster management

M4:

- 1. What are estuaries?,2. Water pollution from textile industries?
- 3. What was your mtech project?

M5:

- 1. Why more trade on west coast compared to east coast?
- 2. Why we are importing cheap goods? Problems of manufacturing sector? End of interview

Name: *anonymous*, NIT Warangal, Mechanical engineering, Optional: public administration

Board: TCA Ananth, Time: 4:30-5:00 PM

Went in and wished everyone good evening and chairperson asked to take the seat. Asked to lower the mask for verification and gave permission to remove the face shield. The mask was compulsory.

Chairperson read the DAF out to all the panelists.

Chairperson: (talked to me for just 2 min in the whole interview. Yes, very unusual)

- 1. I see that you are the blogger for your college fest. What is it about?
- 2. What are the articles you wrote as a part of that job? Describe briefly.

Member 1: (completely in grilling mode. He looked at me as if I don't deserve to be in that room. Interrupted many times and asked sub questions.)

1. What is this INSPIRE scholarship about? ,2. Apart from Andhra , Telangana and Delhi what all states did u visit ?,3. Tell me what did u find interesting in Rajasthan. (Mentioned Rajasthan in previous answer),4. So, you did not get the first choice in engineering counselling yet you choose to remain in your home state NIT without waiting for further rounds. Why? Dont you think it would have been better had you gone to a different state ?,5. How many provinces did the Taliban capture as of today ?,6. What are the implications of Taliban raise to India ?

Member 2: (a true gentleman)

1. What are the main principles of administration? ,2. Differentiate between line and staff in an organisation? ,3. Electric vehicles - what is their future in India? Chart out a plan if you are put as the head to disseminate this tech into the public. (A detailed 10min discussion happened - my biggest postive in the interview)

Member 3: (lady with a serious face but very receptive)

1. If you are the head of an organisation, how would you ensure the welfare of workers?,2. Follow-up questions: what about informal relationships? – explained,3. What about grievance redressal? - explained,Roughly 7 min discussion on this only question.

Member 4: (chilled out man)

- 1. As u mentioned about the wheel previously, what came first wheel or zero?
- 2. Asked a question about RBI which I don't remember told him openly that this is the first time I've heard about that he was surprised \Box
- 3. As u did a project on disc braking system- what type of brakes we use in Formula 1 racing?
- 4. Which country has the largest users on Quora? (Hobby related) Chairman: Now you may leave.

Didn't understand that and was waiting for the final set of questions which the chairman usually asks. Surprised that he didn't ask any!,He again asked me to leave. Then I got up and left.

Overall a mixed response.

Anonymous, 12 August 2021 morning, First person to go, Manoj Soni sir board

IIT Delhi, chemical engineering, nss, public administration, working in startup

What you doing now?

Whats you role and responsibilities in your company?

How you using chemical engineering knowledge in your job?

Member 1:Tell about socio- economic status of rajasthan?

Tell about the social issue of rajasthan?

If you appointed as dm of your district, in which three area you like to focus? (Detailed discussion in that)

Member 2

Winter Olympics where and which year?

Tabilan taking control on Afghanistan impact on Afghanistan, region and global?

Whats india concern?

Member 3

Oldest iit? And whats the different about iit delhi from other iit?

Why You choose nss in college and why not ncc?

Who is Vikram Batra?

Gallatary award during war time?

Civilian award in India?

What the big significant happen today at 5.45? (Isro-eos-3)

What happen? Why not successful? Name of fuel?

Member 4

What the issue with the renewable energy?

What are the issue related to the storage?

Chemical used in the battery? And what the issue in it?

How geopolitics of new world is different from the geopolitics of oil?

New emerging technology and how will it change our life?

What is smart cities? What the meaning of smart in smart cities?

Chariman sir your interview is over you can go now thank you.

Sanjay K Meena

Transcript CSE 2020

August 10 2021, Morning Session, 3rd to go

Chairman-Manoj Soni Sir

Duration-40 mins approx

Profile:

Home state-Rajasthan

Graduation -Electrical Engineering ,IIT ROPAR

Post Graduation-MA in Sociology from IGNOU

NET-JRF In Sociology

SBI PO(Haven't joined it yet)

Hobbies-Stairs Running, Watching Web Series and Listening to Music.

(Chairman asked me to remove my mask and face shield to varify my photograph.)

Chairman-

- Q1-What you are upto these days ??
- Q2-Why masters in Sociology ??
- Q3-Should govt intervene in customs ,traditions and cultural practices of citizens ??
- Q4-What is your stand on Dowry??
- Q5-If your in laws are quite well off and they want to give dowry would you accept it ??
- Q6. Why no ?? They are giving it happily.
- Q7. How dowry is unconstitutional??
- Q8. Why liquor is banned in some states like Gujarat and Bihar and not in others ??
- Q9. What is your stand regarding banning it at national level??

Male Member 1 -

- Q1. You have enrolled for masters in 2017 and haven't completed it yet ??why ??
- Q2.Forex reserve of India ???Its constituents ??
- Q3.Is US dollar also part of Federal reserve??
- Q4-Tell me something about IPCC 's 6th report ??

- Q5.India's stand on it ??
- Q6. What is Maritime security??
- Q7 Asked about UNSC 's August presidentship and Maritime security resolution ??
- Q8. What was RIN mutiny and significance of it in India's Independence ??

Male member 2-

- Q1-Who guided you for civil services ??
- Q2-Why India is focussing so much on Renewable energy??
- Q3-Developments in the field of solar energy in last one decade ??
- Q4-Negative impacts of 5G on society??
- Q5-Difference between High commissioner and ambassador ??
- Q6. Your views on changing the name of award(Rajiv Gandhi khel ratna award) and stadiums ??

Female member -

- Q1-What type of songs do you listen to ??
- Q2-Mention about a modern history leader who was a poet, singer ,author , and also painter ??
- Q3-Steps that govt has taken to promote Indian culture at international level and what more should be done??
- Q4-Unique features of 2021 UNSC meet ??(As I have mentioned the word while answering Q3)
- Q5-Uniqueness of this year's Independence day ??

Male Member 3-

- Q1-Differentiate between Ramayana and Mahabharata Sociologically???
- Q2-How Pre 1990s India was different from Post 1990s India ??
- Q3-Social issues of Rajasthan??
- Q4-Difference between Punjab and Rajasthan on social parameters ???(As I have done my graduation from IIT Ropar,Punjab).

Chairman -Best of luck for the results . Your Interview is over ,You can go now .

(It was mostly DAF +Current Affairs based)

Transcript:

Date: 13.08.21 Afternoon, First to Go

Board: Smita Nagraj

Back ground: ECE, 4 years work life in PSU

Smita Mam:

- 1. R u continuing in Ongc??
- 2. How best is ongc as a employer?
- 3. What is your role?
- 4. What is your achievements in work life?
- 5. How you maintain your relations with contractual employees? (Counter questions on this)
- 6. How you change your attitude

M1:

- 1. Performance of ongc decling in recent times do you agree?
- 2. Private players are good at exploration compared to onge? Your take on this
- 3. Govt Business not to do business, what is your view on this?
- 4. How can make purchase system more efficient? (Work life) (counter questions on this)
- 5. What is reverse auction? How it helpful?
- 6. Do you agree with the view private sector best compared to public in terms of efficiency and other parameters??

M2.

- 1. What is aatma Nirbhar bharat?
- 2. What are telecom issues?
- 3. Is minimum floor price is good?
- 4. What recent amendment bill? (Basically referring Obc)
- 5. What stopping us to have caste based census?

He try to ask more questions..but abruptly given to another member..may be due to signal from smita Mam

M3: (Lady)

1. What is enegry sector future in India?

- 2. Is ongc Navaratna, right..? (I corrected, its Maharatna)
- 3. Is giving them permanent status is a good idea??
- 4. What is biggest challenge you faced in work life and how you approached that challenge?

(Some more questions)

M4:

- 1. How many refineries in AP?
- 2. Asked difference among three refinery products?
- 3. India is importing crude and exporting also why?
- 4. Diff. LPG, CNG, PNG?
- 5. Recently India send warship to South china sea. Why?
- 6. Is state can stop you from listening songs and singing? (Hobby)
- 7. difference between corporation and commission?
- 8. I can say, bifurcation is complete failure! Do you agree?
- 9. What are the issues with srilanka?

I think he already prepared some questions..!!

Smita mam:.

Your interview is over..

Α

Date - 13/08/2021 Time -3:30 3rd to go

Dr TCA Anant Board

Background: IRAS service

Optional: Sociology

Educational background: Civil engineering from IIT Delhi, 2 months summer internship in INSA

Toulouse, France

Hobbies: Reading non fiction books

Chairman

What is the full form of INSA? (college where i finished my summer internship)

What did I do during my summer internship?

What am I doing? How is my training going?

Which book am I reading these days? What is it about?

Member 1

What did you do in your research internship? Can you not do this internship in India? Who funded the internship?

What places did you visit in France? Tell me something about Notre dam and its restoration project?

What is the difference between architecture and civil engineering? You are not taught architecture as part of civil engineering? What elements of architecture should be taught in civil engineering?

Member 2

Should we retrofit heritage structures or completely redevelop it? A debate ensued where I conceded he was right.

As you are a civil engineer, what quality checks will you ensure while awarding a highway contract?

Why never thought of becoming a civil engineer? Why do you want to join the administration?

Member 3 (Lady member)

What is the impact of rural-urban migration on the rural economy? I said feminization of agriculture.

What are other impacts of rural urban migration? If its so bad for both recipient as well as sender, why is migration happening?

Should we stop the migration? What steps do you suggest?

Member 4 (Mr Not Impressed \rightarrow whatever I said he gave such a pathetic reaction \Box)

Tell me something about the Eiffel tower from a civil engineering point of view? How did such an ugly structure become a global icon?

Do you think the glass pyramid in the Louvre museum gels with the surroundings or is it something off? I told him I found a blend of modernism and heritage. He was completely not impressed!

Tell me why railways are not able to improve non fare revenue?

Despite finding from Japan, the high speed corridor is not financially viable. How will you improve the financial viability of the project?

Chairman abruptly thanks me

I confirm whether my interview is over and he replies in affirmative.

Overall too much emphasis on civil engineering. Member 1 and 4 were adversarial.

Anonymous

Home state: Gujarat

Work experience: KVIC

Interest/Hobby: Yoga, Meditation.

Ch. Sir:

- 1. What is ashtanga yoga?
- 2. What are the eight limbs of ashtanga yoga?
- 3. What is pratyahara??
- 4. What are 5 types of yams in ashtanga yoga ??
- 5. What are 5 niyams in ashtanga yoga ??
- 6. Do you really practice ashtanga yoga or you just interested in collecting knowledge of it ??
- 7. Give me examples of how you implement tapas and aparigraha in your daily life ??
- 8. What is khadi vichaar dhara??
- 9. What is kvic doing to promote khadi vichaar dhara ??

M1:

- 1. What measures government took to promote yoga ??
- 2. What are measures taken to promote it internationally?
- 3. Why gujarat has high economic development ??
- 4. Any economic conclave happening in gujarat for investment ?? What is it ??
- 5. Give some examples of public private partnership in your state ??
- 6. Can you name different economic patnerships/unions at international level ??

M2:

- 1. Define Yoga as per your knowledge.
- 2. What is meaning of Yoga Chitt Vriddhi Nirodha??
- 3. What is Gujarat Model of Development?
- 3. Why is Devbhoomi Dwarka famous for ?? (DAF)
- 4. How can you precisely say there was Lord Krishna's palace 9000 years ago ??
- 5. How it submerged into the sea ??

6. What are government measures to promote indigeneous goods ??

M3:

- 1. Who is Baba Ramdev?? Why is he so famous ??
- 2. What is patanjali? Have you used its products? What is so special about it??
- 3. Why is patanjali so successfull and KVIC not in that matter ??
- 4. What is sales of Khadi this FY??
- 5. You made a project on Bird Sanctuary. Why is it necessary to preserve species ?? (DAF)
- 6. So is it necessary to preserve them for our own survival ??

M4:

- 1. What is yoga sutra ?? What does sutra mean ??
- 2. Only doing asana is yoga or it is more than that?
- 3. Do you know about Sepoy Mutiny?
- 4. What was its impact on our country?
- 5. What was its impact on the British??
- 6. What is British Raj?
- 7. Which is the topmost position in Civil Service ??
- 8. Who is Cabinet Secretary at present ??
- 9. Who decides in a country to go for/declare war on other state ??
- 10. What is on 26th January ?? (Birth day)

Chairman Sir:

Your interview is over. Good wishes.

TRANSCRIPT 2020:

Smita Nagaraj Ma'am Board.

12th August, afternoon session (Changed from 6th May).

3rd one to go out of 6 candidates.

Timings: 3:07 to 3:33 pm (I asked for time from one person sitting outside).

BA Graduation: History, Political Science, Economics.

History optional- no question from here.

Other things in DAF: Sports captain, Volleyball, Taekwondo, Scouts etc- nothing from here.

Chairperson:

- 1. Are you in Government service: BDO in UP from UP PSC exam 2019.
- 1. Why it got delayed: Covid.
- 2. Tell me only one major reason responsible for backwardness in UP: Literacy.
- 1. She asked me again as I stumbled here by saying education instead of literacy.
- 3. What is Literacy.

M1 (Male):

- 1. Why Southern states are ahead of Northern states in development: one of reason was lack of better connectivity in UP.
- 2. Why connectivity to remote areas is important?
- 3. Tell me social, political and historical reason for backwardness of UP.

M2 (Female):

- 1. What is political importance of UP (something like that).
- 2. If I ask you only 1 thing on which you can determine the success of a state, then what it will be: capability of people or Human Development Index.
- 3. Some more questions were there.

M3 (Male):

- 1. What are Kyoto, Montreal and Paris deal (out of the blue question).
- 2. What is India doing for Paris deal?
- 3. Is it legal to write against any religion or society in Diary (Diary writing hobby).
- 4. Should UP or Purvanchal be divided (Home in Purvanchal)

M4 (Male):

- 1. Taking Environment question from M3, why we should use wind farms when there is no wind or why to use solar energy when no sunlight is there- I put the keyword of intermittency as a criticism here.
- 2. Difference between FDI & FII (out of the blue question).
- 3. Limit of foreign investment in economy: I said depends on sector,
- 4. Government is monetising its idle assets, what are your views?
- 5. How government will monetise its assets other than land: the example of using railway platform for 5 star hotel in Gujarat came to my mind and I gave this example.

My observations: Ma'am had a smile throughout, which was very assuring. The person who came to call told to keep face shield outside but mask was on.

It's difficult to look at all the members while answering as they will cover almost 180 degree of your vision.

Sapien Script:

Board: TCA Anant

Date: 16/08/20, morning session

- tell me about Tiger reserve, when it was declared?
- Two issues in Rajasthan and their solution
- How to further promote tourism in Rajasthan
- your learning experience in Iit + most enjoyable experience
- two issues you would like to work upon in future(Agriculture and tribal development)
- what will you do for agriculture
- which services you have filled, why you want to come in these services?
- custodial death in police station, what action will you take to resolve them at ground
- have you followed Olympics, what was ROC, Anthem for ROC, its name?
- five scheme related to women, sex ratio
- how tiger help in conservation of ecosystem
- your opinion about village relocation from Tiger reserve?
- 3 on going civil Eng projects in country

What was CATS, is you tiger reserve in it?

B B Vyas sir board.

Chairman

Why literature despite engineering?

What's core of literature?

What's cyber security?

What are the Institutions and acts available?

Section 66 of IT ACT

M1

Why u read spy novels?

Do u read only kannada or English as well?

Why people aspire to join their kids to private schools instead of govt?

What measures needed to change it?

Do we need states collaboration too in order to improve education sector? What's Karnataka contribution of GDP to education?

M2

What's carbon footprint?

Difference between developed and developing countries wrt carbon footprint?

Envt protection Act wrt effluent treatment? What do you do as DM?

M3

Why have moved from high salary to low salary?

GST related improvements, benefits, issues...

Present issue between states and centre wrt compensation

M4

What are direct taxes?

Recent benefits given to people in terms of direct taxes

Why startups are facing issues wrt direct taxes?

What are the recent change in direct taxes? They were expecting about removal of retrospective tax clause.

What's bit coin?

What's digital currently?

Why from private to public after long time?

Who's Rajkumar? Why his name was in news recently?

You was a programmer. Tell me why India is not acquiring many patents in this domain?

Chairman

What's the significance of India heading UNSC council?

When is national voter's day?

Why do you think we are celebrating it?

Thank you. Your interview is over. All the best.

Date: 16/8/2021

Session: Afternoon

Graduation: BE (Mechanical)

Optional: Literature of Kannada

Interests: theatre workshops/educator on YouTube/reading novels

Board: Bhonsle sir.

Chairperson:

(Asked me to remove the shield.

Briefly gave an idea about the process, not a Q-A but a conversation to see the suitability. Made sure I was calm and settled properly before starting)

Read out some parts from the DAF.

- 1. On Mission Karmayogi-Let's not get into the details. Just tell one feature which caught ur attention (said- rule based to role based)
- 2. Is rule based bad?
- 3. What's the need of role based now? (Said changing times wrt technology, capacity etc)

Member 1:

- 1. U said tech change. One such is 5G. Tell me about it.
- 2. how do you decrease latency
- 3. How are these waves affecting us?
- 4. Don't you think we need to stop these harmful radiation?
- 5. How are length and mass measured?
- 6. If you are using tools in shop floor how would you say the instruments are accurate?
- 7. Who sets standards of these tools at national level?
- 8. At intl level?

Member 2:

1. (From DAF -Was opposition party leader in school)

Tell me the role of opposition Party and the tools available in constitution for opposition

- 2. Why do we need standing committees?
- 3. If you are the DM of a dist and there is a sudden influx of migrants what will you do to assist them

Member 3:

1. Continuing with the migrants- on July 29 or so SC came up with a verdict. Any idea? (couldn't recall exactly, said it could be about migrant data)

2. Yes. Data was part of it. Why data on migrants are important now? Any progress in this regard?

3. Are you a body builder or do some physical workout?(nope) ok i thought you were and prepared

some questions on it. U said no. I have to skip them.

4. Anyway what do u do for brain work? (mentioned the same in DAF, member asked any other. Said

Sudoku and read non fiction etc)

5. Minimum no. of logical moves required to solve a sudoku.

6. U said role based- rule based etc why not reason based? (said that's foundation quality in both and

therefore not explicitly talked about)

7. But reasons can be good or bad. How will a role based person choose better reason. (Said ethical,

logical, legal dimension must be considered)

8. How ll you choose ethical point here? (Said utilitarian, rights approach etc)

Ok but these are hypothetical and outdated ethical views isn't it. Anyway let's not get into philosophy.

Member 4:

1. U are into theatre who is your favourite? (I Asked if i have to name a playwright or actor) member

said Both.

2. Why Karnad

3. Your fav play of Karnad?

4. What's so good about tughlaq?

5. You are from Bengaluru there are too many complaints on lake water and its deterioration. Why

lakes are facing these and how to deal?

Chair- what plans now? You must be hungry. Ur huge body needs good food. Go eat nicely.

Looking fwd to see u in the service soon. ATB. U may leave.

Thanked everyone. Came out.

(Asked an attendant sitting outside how long did it go. He said more than half an hour)

SS

Date: 16.08.2021

Afternoon Session

1st candidate to go

Profile: Manager in RBI

Home state: Odisha

Hobbies: Diary writing, watching animated movies

Board: Rajiv Nayan Choubey

Chairman:

Did you have lunch? Many candidates skip lunch.

- 1. Introduce yourself in one minute
- 2. What do you know about the Me too movement and do you fully support it, partially support it, not support it at all.
- 3. But once they take it to media, the person's chracter is maligned without fair trial. Isn't it unfair to the person named?
- 4. Why do you want to join civil services when you can be posted in remote place like Meghalaya in some service like Civil Accounts.

M1: (lady member)

- 1. You mentioned about leadership. What are the attributes of a good leader? Mention as many adjectives as you can.
- 2. Mention examples when you displayed honesty, listening to team members etc.
- 3. Mention examples, when you you displayed leadership in worst and best situation in your college.
- 4. If you are given chance to be DM, which district would you prefer and why? Give profile of the district.

M2: (lady member)

- 1. Mention how your role in RBI helps in financial stability?
- 2. What is the state of the economy right now, in the pandemic?
- 3. Which sector of the economy needs help the most now?

M3:

- 1. You are from Odisha. I am hearing about Odisha's role in Hockey, about the sponsorship. Is it true?
- 2. You mentioned about 3 sports. What is the other sport where Odisha should focus?
- 3. Why India is good in IT sector but not in hardware components manufacturing?

M4:

- 1. What is trickle down theory? Is it working well in India?
- 2. The government played very different role in Yes bank as opposed to PMC bank. Why?
- 3. What is the difference in case of a cooperative bank(as compared to commercial bank)?
- 4. What is AT1 bonds?

5. What is the difference between AT1 bonds and shares(equity).

Priya Meena

Date: 13th August 2021

1st to go in the afternoon session

Duration: 25-30mins

Chairperson: Sathyavathy Ma'am

Optional: Sociology

Background: dual degree in Chemical Engg, IIT Delhi

Areas of DAF covered: Chemical Engg, work ex, Sociology optional, worked in Gender Sensitization area, worked in Bhatti mines in the field of Adult Education, NSS

Chairperson

Ma'am asked me to remove the shield and put it on my lap. Then asked me to remove the mask for photo verification.

Read out the highlights of my DAF (best time to calm yourself and get ready for the next 25 minutes)

- 1) Why did you leave your job?
- 2) What is this gender sensitization issue?
- 3) What age group was the target group?
- 4) How and what did you do?
- 5) Which section was amended in IPC regarding homosexuality?
- 6) Any example where women supress other women?
- 7) Why does that happen?
- 8) Did you cover this issue in the gender sensitization program?
- 9) Do you know about geriatrics?

Who decides the age?

Member 1 (male)

- 1) Do you think democracy is good for India?
- 2) But so many views are there, can we accommodate all? But then that leads to delay.
- 3) Dam construction, people protesting \rightarrow how will you proceed?

A few more counter questions.

4) Will you use stick to go ahead with the project?

Member 2 (female)

- 1) What is this retrospective taxation issue?
- 2) Does it hamper India's position to tax in future?
- 3) What difference you can spot in a north and south Indian woman?
- 4) Why is it so?
- 5) What are the social indicators and economic indicators differentiating north and south India?
- 6) Which model should we adopt for whole India? Tell one.
- 7) Is there any region in India where caste does not play a dominant role in society?

Member 3 (male)

- 1) Stand on Central Vista.
- 2) If you are a labour Ministry officer then what will you do for 90% unorganised sector?
- 3) Don't remember other questions

Member 4 (male)

- 1) As a chemical Engineer what problems do you see in Bhatti mines?
- 2) Since you have worked in NGOs, how govt regulate NGOs?
- 3) Any recent amendments in FCRA?
- 4) Why do we need regulations?
- 5) Some questions about foreign NGOs.

Chairperson: Your interview is over, you may leave

There were a few more questions but I don't remember them as of now.

Overall Experience: cordial, helpful when I got stuck at times, last member was in a grilling mood.

Good luck!

Akshay

17th aug 2021

1st to go.

Comps sci., Currently in Audit.

30 mins.

Board - unknown/sir

Made me relax

Asked intro - school, college, job

Artificial intelligence - loss of jobs

AI good or bad?

ICT in govt. Departments, how to increase?

Economic recovery of India Post covid - which sectors affected?

GPS of India - NAVIC

Trp scam, why done, how it benefits the channels

Dada Saheb falke - film award

Industry 4.0 meaning.

IOT

Where do the logic resides?

Cricket so famous and not other games

Qualities of administrator and where shown in administration in functioning?

Rest - not able to remember, will add up later.

Overall - average experience.

17/08/2021

Smita nagraj mam board

Afternoon 3rd to go

PSIR

Football lawn tennis badminton

Rajasthan

Railways

Ch

How long have u worked in railways?

Railways when doing any change does it take into account the minority view point or those who do not agree?

Unions in private how will they differ as compared to govt?

In your experience what change have u noticed?

M1

What is one sector which is challenged in rajasthan?

How would you improve upon it?

Why india is lagging behind in lawn tennis when a similar racquet game like badminton is very good in our country?

What should we do?

M2

Do you notice any change in the way the council of ministers at the state govt is being constituted?

Your view on members from a particular community getting more seats in COM?

Other questions not able to remember

M3

You said kota is an educational hub but what are the problems of it being an educational hub?

How do you think a children's stress or pressure should be dealt with that they do not commit suicide after failure?

As an administrator what will you do so that these coaching institutes hub can be changed?

M4

Do you think priorities are being given to freight over passenger?

If railway minister asks u do this....will u do this....he gave 4 options?

Why tenures of CRB are being extended again and again?

Chair said thank you!

Name - BH

Profile-

Graduation-

Maths and computing (IIT ISM dhanbad)

From - West Bengal

Afternoon (2nd to go)

Most of the questions from the DaF.

West Bengal -

Legislative council importance, change of name to Bangla (answered)

* History of West Bengal related to sarat chandra(name some movies), amartya sen(contribution to economics),

Bibhuti bhushan bandhopadhaya, rabindranath Tagore(contribution to Bengal Renaissance)

and raja rammohan roy to education (hindu college)!

(I was kind of tired by this time) \square

- * Economy of Bengal and Bangladesh! Who is doing good in HDI! India and Bangladesh? Why? Who is doing good in textiles (I said I don't know exact data)? (I tried my best but dont know how much they are convinced)
- * Mathematics? How to improve basic numeracy skills? Is there lack of good mathematics teachers? (sir said u didn't get good teachers that's why u r leaving maths and coming to CS but somehow I answered well)
- * Afforestation what is micro afforestation? (said don't know)
- * Philosophy (optional) Charvaka philosophy, name three bengali philosopher, what things u learn from philosophy? Give specific examples! (well answered)
- * Taking care of dogs (my hobby) how many dogs are there in your colony, what u learn from them, what things u need to take care while taking care of dogs, what names u have given them? (well answered)
- * do you believe in God? (Well answered)

Time - 35 mins approx

Board - TCA anant sir

Board was very receptive, supportive and cordial, no cross questions, grilling level zero.

One place I got stuck - crime rate against women is highest in West Bengal still u r saying women are empowered! I was trying to answer but mam said leave it $\Box\Box$

Shaloka

17th August

Board: TCA Anant

Work ex 1 yr in fin services company.

Afternoon, First to go

Straight away questioning. No making-comfortable business. Not told to take off mask or shield. Answered one question. Then asked to remove shield. Later on asked to remove mask as well.

2 members were very interactive and smiled. Rest were either too serious or in grilling mode.

- 1. Why did you work? Why fin services and not Chem engg?
- *remove shield *
- 2. What work does the company you worked in did?
- 2. People start early, Why did you work and not start immediately?
- 3. Why Pol sc? Basics of Thomas Hobbes.
- *Remove Mask*
- 4. Order of service preference?
- 6. String of pearls?
- 7. Why india left rcep?
- 8. FTA with which countries? Types of Services agreements (Model, Model, etc)
- 9. Relations with neighbors?
- 10. Problems with SL? Why?
- 11. Impact of online education on Children? What about mental health?
- 12. Who is set to lose in new 12th exam pattern? Follow up questions and grilling.
- 13. Impact of RTE, is govt wasting resources, both in govt schools and pvts schools?
- 14. RTI- has it really helped the common people?
- 15. Have you read Hariri's Book 21 ideas for 21st century?
- 16. How social media companies using algos to manipulate human behavior? Is it desirable?
- 17. What is Indorr famous for (home district)?
- 18. A famous poet from Indore?
- 19. Have you read Rahat Indori's poems? (No, lol)
- 20. Is assessment in schooling necessary?
- 21. How engg useful in Civil services?
- 22. International Solar alliance? India's role? Is solar energy viable?

(Will add more when I remember)

V

16/08/21: Air Marshal Bhonsle Sir Board

Last one to go in the forenoon session

(Called in around 1:30 PM and the interview was over in 17-20 mins)

Background:

-Graduation: B.A. (Eco Hons)

-Optional: Sociology

-Hobby: Cooking

-From Tenali, Andhra Pradesh

Chairman:

- -You can take off the face-shield, wipe your face and adjust your mask whenever you feel like. We will have a conversation with you for the next 20 minutes and will assess you on that.
- -So, you come from Tenali, is this where Tenali Raman comes from?
- -I feel like Birbal is represented more in the Indian textbooks than Tenali Raman. What do you think?
- -(Long story about Indian textbooks and how cultures are represented) How will the NEP address this problem?
- -Do you think learning in mother tongue is a good idea?
- -Explain to me how it helps a child

M1 (Lady Member)

- -You were very active in college, (reads out positions of leadership etc from DAF), but no question was asked on these
- -What problems do women face if they want to become an entrepreneur and how will you as policy maker address these?
- -Your hobby is cooking, what do you like to cook?
- -(After I spoke for about a minute)Okay, what else do you cook?
- -What is retrospective taxation? What did the government do about it recently
- -Do you think it'll boost investments?

M2

- -(Talks about trains in India and all)What are bullet trains?
- -(I mistook it to be Vandebharat express, so he corrects me gently)
- -Do you think bullet trains, space projects and all are good economic decisions?
- -Explain to me how they are good Eco decisions
- -How does pollution affect us?

M3 (Lady member)

- -Since you come from AP, do you think small states better governance?
- -What are the problems of AP after bifurcation?
- -Tell me the barriers, sector wise, that India faces in its goal to achieve \$5 trillion economy?

(She was going to ask more questions, but chairman tapped the pencil on his table- I think was an indication for her to stop)

M4

- -Oh, you are a bright student, (takes pause) or are you? Why have your scores been decreasing from 10th, 12th and graduation?
- -Do you think male chefs get more recognition than female chefs?
- -Okay, what do you see on that window?
- -(I was clueless as to what he's pointing at) Okay, that's a window blind. Now compare this with the door curtain (next to him) and tell me the pros and cons of each.
- -(My answer had more pros of window blinds than cons) So, does that mean you are "blind lover"?
- -(Chairman picks up) Okay, he's accusing you of being a blind lover. How do you respond to that?
- -I said that I think the member has meant that I was inclined more towards the window blinds
- -(Member interrupts) How are you sure that I said it with that intention?
- -I said that it was because we were speaking in a particular context (he seemed satisfied at this)
- -(Chairman comes in) 'Okay, let's put a blind on that question now'

Chairman: Your interview is over. What are your plans for the day? Told them that I'll go for lunch with my twin. Then 3-4 mins discussion about my twin and some jokes. Finally, he said convey our best wishes to your brother.

Overall the board was very cordial. But barely any questions on optional, graduation subject or DAF in general.

16th August

Forenoon session

Board: Sujata Mehta Ma'am

Grad: ECE

Optional: Sociology

Hobbies: Doodling, Short films, Reflective writing

Chairperson:

1. You passed out in 2020, what difficulties you faced?

2. How was the end sem project affected?

3. Hobby related questions:

What is the difference between doodling and cartoon?

- 4. But now we have comics that have cartoons, how can you differentiate based on story telling?
- 5. What are the problems of AI?
- 6. How can we make algorithms more gender neutral? Don't you think they should be made open for transparency?
- 7. Okay right. So what is more important- intellectual property rights (for research and innovation) or transparency and equity?
- 8. Youtube evade your privacy by recommending things? Are you okay with it?

M1.

- 1. CPEC- problems and what should India do?
- 2. What balochistan demand from Pak?
- 3. What is BIMSTEC? India's role?
- 4. What is debt trap diplomacy?
- 5. What is India doing in Sri Lanka and Bangladesh to counter it?
- 6. What is that port by China in Sri Lanka?

M2:

- 1. What is bureaucracy?
- 2. Why is bureaucracy criticized and what should be done?
- 3. 14 points of management?
- 4. What is NEP? In which year last NEP was formulated?

M3:

- 1. Internal brain drain?
- 2. What should be done for that?
- 3. Waste of resources if people go for it and long term solutions.
- 4. Select any sector you want to work in?
- 5. At which level in it? (Education)
- 6. What will you do?
- 7. Don't you think voucher system can be there instead of infrastructure upgradation?

M4:

- 1. Tell something about triple talaq.
- 2. Impact of 5G.
- 3. What is reflective writing (hobby)?
- 4. Tell one example of it.

Chairperson: Do you want to ask anything?

Your interview is over.

Manish Meena

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Sujata Mehta ma'am board

3rd to go, afternoon session - approx 30 min

Optional - anthropology

Graduation - B. Tech ECE from IIT ISM Dhanbad

From Rajasthan

Hobbies - self help books, reflective journaling, swimming

Chairmen -

- 1) tell us about urself education and family background
- 2) why do you read self help books and lot more discussion on it like types of self help books, which type u read, difference between foreign and indian writers, are those techniques of public management applicable for all?
- 3) what u have learned from anthropology?
- 4) it is said that anthropology was a colonial creation? Ur views?
- 5) tell me something about the ngo u have worked with in college?
- 6) what kind of activities ur ngo is doing there?
- 7) from where u getting volunteers? Funding?
- 8) is it okay to put this kind of work in cv?

M1-lady

- 1) why Dhanbad famous?
- 2) types of minerals found there?
- 3) issues with coal production and exploration? And how to solve those problems?
- 4) issues in iron production? Solutions?
- 5) what technologies indian school of mines has designed for efficient mining?

M2-

- 1) what kind of leader u are? Self made or inspired by someone?
- 2) qualities of a leader?
- 3) ur role model?
- 4) ur genuine opinion on afspa?
- 5) origin and provisions of afspa?
- 6) how will you prevent excessive application and misuse?

M3-in a complete grilling mode, even I forgot some of the the questions he asked

- 1)rti implementation how to prevent misuse?
- 2) cultural anthropology?

M-4

1) about college.. Year of establishment, why established in India at that time?, any similar institutions in other countries? Original name at the time of establishment?

- 2) tell me something about varrier elvin? His research and work? For what he is famous?
- 3) asked me about a book written by elvin ... Didn't remember the name
- 4) director general of mines safety where it is? Role?

Ma'am didn't even asked me to remove the mask to match the photo. Very difficult to get their questions due to distance and double masks they were having.

17th august 2021, afternoon session 3rd to go

Computer Engineering ,Public Administration

Computer Science and Engineering ,Rajasthan

R.N. Choubey sir board

Case study on police fake encounter

What is this CAA controversy?

What is the issue with caa-nrc? What do u think about it

M1 (ma'am)

Computer Engineering and technology how it can be used to make autmanirbhar Bharat?

What is crypto currency? what is ur opinion on so many cryptocurrencies?

What are countries worldwide doing for issues with cryptocurrency? How to ensure financial bubble is prevented?

What is the difference between RBI currency and cryptocurrency?

Which currency is better? How craze about cryptocurrency started?

M2 (sir)

Case study- convince farmer/stall owner to send his son to go back to school

What is cyber physical system?

What is super conductivity?

Is it practical? What are the world wide developments on it?

What is quantum computing?

How it is different from normal computing?

M3 (sir)

What is trickle down economy? can u explain it in indian context? Is it successful?

What do the critics of trickle down economics say about it?

What do u think of today's economic model?

What is universal basic income?

Why it is needed?

Name any two govt schemes for universal basic income.

do u know about the road connectivity scheme? how govt has built so many highways? what is golden quadrilateral?

M4 (ma'am)

What is the status of economy?

What is the future for indian economy?

Which sectors are badly affected from covid? How govt is helping them?

What is LAC? Do u know about it?

What is the history of LAC? Why it is in news? What is the issue relating to the developments on the Chinese side of LAC? How it is impacting security in the region?

Recent developments in India- China relations(in context of LAC)?

Chairman sir

1-2 questions I can't remember. Asked me if I wanted to ask/share something.

Prateek Rao:

Chairman - Air Marshal A S Bhonsle Sir

Background - Btech, MBA, Credit Rating, IRTS

Hobbies - Cricket, Singing and Songwriting, Stoicism, Weight Training

Optional - Management

Home State - MP

17/08/21, Forenoon, First to go

Chairman

Be comfortable, take off your face shield. Remove your face mask and wipe your face off it is very hot outside you must be sweating. Get settled in your chair and then we can start

So I believe you have been here before? Have we met earlier?

So, you are already aware of the process. I don't have to explain the process again to you.

Alright, so we will go one by one ask you a few questions. At any point of time if you cannot understand or cannot hear because of the masks please ask them to repeat the question so that you are absolutely clear on what we are asking. Also I want you to listen to the questions very carefully and then respond to what is being asked. Since you're wearing a mask and sitting a bit far try to be a bit loud so that we all can hear you okay?

Read the DAF - You seem to be a very high achiever and you have consistently done well in academics. You seem to have had a slight drop, I won't hold it against you – I think you are a very good student and you have done well and proving your mettle. Also I think that you have a lot of hobbies. You have cricket, music, stoicism, weight training.

I see now that you also sing isn't it, what do you do?

Where are you posted right now

Oh okay okay, but they are no longer recruiting IRTS are they? Are you the only one in your batch?

You are interested in stoicism, should you not be content with the current job you have as IRTS? Aren't you going for something that is against the philosophy of stoicism when wanting to change your service?

Prime Minister has announced that 75 bullet trains will be started in the 75 weeks, do you think it is too ambitious target

Why do you think we need high-speed trains what is the need of high-speed trains?

Okay, now tell me you have lived in in Calcutta, studied at IIM and also worked in Powai where IIT Bombay is, why do you think they are still called IIM Calcutta and IIT Bombay and not IIM Kolkata and IIT Mumbai?

We hear about changing of names very often sometimes Anglicised names are changed to Indian names, other times even some erstwhile Indian names are being changed in different contexts what are the pros and cons of changing names.

Okay, we have also seen that in many cases particularly like the Rajiv Khel Ratna award the name was changed to Major Dhyan Chand award. Tell me particularly if this is a good thing, regarding the Khel Ratna award to change the name?

Do you think we are a sports superpower?

M1 - Lady member

I will carry on from what chairman Sir was asking you about the railways. Now with the merger of services proposed in the railways how do you think it will affect the service efficiency of the Railways (she was not audible through her mask so I asked her to repeat the question since I was not able to hear)

Well that is okay, but my question is on service efficiency. The customer service that the railway provides how will that be improved?

Okay. Tell me about this stoicism what is this?

So CRISIL, what was your role?

M2 - Male Member

You are into music. Please tell me what is octave?

Yes but what is the change between two octaves, how much is the difference of frequency?

Okay, tell me what do I mean when I say decibel?

Okay, what kind of string instruments are there, since you play the guitar

Okay, coming to computer science, there is a lot of talk nowadays about an upcoming technology that is totally disruptive that will go beyond anything in computing power that we have seen till now and also something that will change the way computing process happens. Do you know what I'm talking about?

Yes yes, please tell me something about quantum computing?

What are the superposition and entanglement?

Okay, lastly what are the fastest bullet trains that currently run in the world any idea?

And what is the fastest that are Vande Bharat and other trains can go in India?

Okay, what is the technology that is used in these trains which run at such high speeds?

M3 - Lady member

Do you know about this Har Ghar Jal concept?

You have lived in big city's like Mumbai and Calcutta what can be the challenges to water conservation in the cities and what can be done to take care of these challenges

How would you make people aware of the issues of water conservation?

Okay, now let's suppose that you are a subdivisional police officer and there is a clash between your team and mobs and it violent and what would you do?

M4 - Male Member

You spoke about Zeno and stoicism you said it was during the Roman time? But isn't Zeno from the greek time?

So tell me, who has been your idol?

Why do you like Dhoni?

Calculated risk-taking. Please tell me an instance from your job in CRISIL where you took a risk.

And tell me an event where you slipped up

You spoke about ambition, isn't the philosophy of stoicism completely opposite to being ambitious?

Chairman

So what will you do after the interview you must be very tired?

Please tell me what is so interesting about yesterday's match although you might not have been able to see it.

Yes, but what was the turning point of the match according to you?

But wasn't it a very risky decision it could have gone either ways.

What if it would have gone wrong what if India would have lost the match?

You spoke about risk-taking and Vision earlier. Do you think Vision and risk-taking or mutually exclusive or they go together?

Do you also think that vision and risk-taking is only for leaders and the person down the hierarchy doesn't have vision?

TCA Anant sir board

Date - 16/08/2021

Akunuri Naresh

Jayashankar Bhupalpally, Telangana

Optional – PSIR

Graduation - ECE

Work exp - IT

Currently in Railways

Hobbies – Badminton, movies and teaching

Last to go – around 30-35 mins

Read my DAF for a bit

Chairman:

When did you join Railways?

You were 2018 batch right? Why did you join so late?(I corrected sir by saying I am 2019 batch)

When will you do your Foundation course?

- 1) So you have worked as design coordinator in college. What is it about?
- 2) What is your role in it?
- 3) About the migrant crisis during the first covid wave
- 4) What government could have done better?
- 5) If you are the DM of a district, what would you do?

M1(Madam):

- 1) What was the role of community during migrant crisis?
- 2) How did they help out?
- 3) In 2015 one big movie was released in Telugu. What was it? How did it change the film industry?
- 4) Have you seen 'The Great Indian Kitchen' movie?
- 5) How movies influence joint family system?
- 6) How women are portrayed in movies?
- 7) Is it changing recently?

M2:

- 1) Why PSIR from engineering background?
- 2) What are the economic problems India having with other countries?
- 3) What are the problems related to WTO?
- 4) How did Telangana perform post bifurcation?
- 5) Tell me about Kaleshwaram project and Bhagiratha?
- 6) What is their current status?
- 7) What are the problems with Kaleshwaram project?

M3:

- 1) We are having so many laws like TADA, POTA. What is your view about them?
- 2) We can handle every crime with IPC or CrPC. Why do we need those laws?
- 3) What about UAPA?
- 4) Do you think they should be temporary or permanent in nature?
- 5) In the past year we are seeing growing agricultural exports specially rice and groundnut. What is the reason?
- 6) Do you think it is a temporary phenomenon or it is going to continue in future?
- 7) What is needed small states or big states?
- 8) Looking at Telangana, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Uttarakhand how they are performing?
- 9) Still what do you suggest small states or big states?

M4:

1) What is the importance of Indian ocean?

- 2) What is India doing in Indian ocean?
- 3) What is the biggest threat to India in Indian ocean?
- 4) What is China doing?
- 5) What is India doing to counter China?
- 6) What is India doing under SAGAR initiative?
- 7) Do you know SLOCs?
- 8) How many SLOCs are there in Indian ocean?
- 9) Do you know about Diago Garcia?
- 10) Tell me what is Incubation means?
- 11) Do Telangana have any institution for this?
- 12) Telangana is planning to replicate T-Hub with another state. Do you know which state is that?
- 13) What is WE-HUB?

Last member was rapid question and answer types.

Overall board was cordial. Gave me time to answer. It was a good experience.

All the best to everyone.

Date of interview- 12th August

Afternoon session (1st to go)

Graduation- B.Com(h), optional- public administration

Home state - Bihar

Smita nagraj mam

Greeted everyone after entering the room

Chairperson- 1. What you have been doing after graduation.

- 2. Question on AI, robotics (as doing content writing job)
- 3. Question followed use of robotics in healthcare
- 4. How do you see India after 10 years.
- M1-1. So commerce graduate, tell me about intangible assets, give examples
- 2. PPP MODEL, difference between HAM and BOT models
- 3. Should there be reservation of locals

- M2- 1.Difference between ujjwala 1 and ujjwala2
- 2. Should there be a religion based survey
- 3. Stand on doubling msp
- 4. Cropping pattern of bihar
- 5. Question on 3 wings of democracy
- 6. Question on LPG and PNG.

M3 (lady member)

- 1. Leadership skills
- 2. Question on education sector
- 3. Literacy of my home district.
- 4. Question on AI (one see India in next ten years) they were quite intersyed to know AI Question from me.
- M4-1. Coneectivity of air transport from my home district
- 2. Socio economic issues of my district.

Finally, chairperson - your interview is over.

Bhonsle sir

Vijeta

Btech- ECE.

Sociology

Chairperson:

- 1. What is this 'talking to stressed people' and What type of issues people face there?
- 2. Do u think WhatsApp has intensified breakups
- 3. Do u think humans require human touch to heal and not the use of WhatsApp and all.

When did u teach at unacademy,

Why did u leave it?

What did u teach at unacademy

M1-

4. What is patriarchal and patrilineage

- 5. After Reading sociology how do u think ur traditional value have changed into modern(didn't understand the question exactly)
- 6. Difference in lokpal, lokayukta and vigilance commissioner.

What do they do, prevention or investigation?

M2:

- 1. Rajasthan is considered a bimaru state, what is the status now?
- 2. Has any Migrant labour data collected? What problems do they face.
- 3. What all comes under social security
- 4. Problem of elderly

M3:

- 1. Which satellite is used for communication and their frequency range
- 2. Can Leo be used for communication satellite
- 3. What is geostationary satellite
- 4. U have digital antenna etc at home? which frequency band they use
- 5. What is frequency range of optical fiber.
- 6. What is IOT
- 7. How do machines communicate
- 8. What is internet in internet of things
- 9. What is your project on street light
- 10. Why didn't u make it working.

Only 4 members asked questions, 5th member didn't ask anything

Yo Yo Choti Singh

IPS, Pub Adm, Btech ECE, Haryana

RN chaubey sir, 18/08/21 AN

CM:

Long talk on what board excepts and when I don't know its ok etc. Made me fully comfortable and then started formal interaction.

1. Vikas Dubey Encounter type case study and situation based long discussion on related Issues

2. Major Police Reforms chronologically / commissions thereof
M1:
1. Why USA failed in Afghanistan? Long discussion like UN role, should india send peacekeeping forces under UN for this etc etc?
2. Peacekeeping vs Peace enforcement difference?
3. Why IAS after IPS?
M2:
1. 1 minute - Comment on Illegal Mining ?
2. What will you do to control it?
3. Is law weak in this regard?
4. Technology Assisted Policing?
5. 1 minute- Comment on Internal Security Scenario of India.
5. Why LWE called LWE only ?
M3: (Lady Member)
1. How will you tackle this nexus thing you talked about mining etc?
2. How we can improve investigation in policing tell me specific things. ?
3. HR Violation comment by CJI on Police Stations?
M4: (Lady Member)
1. Vehicle Scrappage Policy. Provisions and utility
2. Other govt efforts for environment protection due to vehicles.
3. What is () bonds ? (Don't know)
CM:
DO you want to ask you anything more from you or want to tell us something which you want to say ?
Thank you, you may go.
AROUND 25-30 Minutes.
Self-Assessment :- Very very cordial board. Sir was throughout supportive and encouraging. Marks kitna bhi de but it was satisfying to end UPSC journey with this final interview of my preparation journey of 8+ years. Finally signing off from UPSC Cyclic Process formally. Ab tumhare havaale UPSC saathiyo ! $\Box\Box$ \odot \Box

Unknown

Smita Nagraj

Hobby - visiting forts, watching marathi movies.

Working in PSU

Optional - Commerce

Ch - Shld PSU b privatised (counter qns on it). Now a days govt privatising everythng, health, education. Is it good?

M1 - difference btwn forts in maharashtra and other states. Counters on it.

M2 - why childrens not included in vaccine initially. Age group in which vaccine provided. Why such preference. Give preference age wise grp in ascending order if u have to give vaccine. Then counters. Which vaccine India produced. How many vaccines in India.

M3 Lady - As IAS if u in stress, challenging situation how u wl take decision.

M4 - did gandhi blackmailed ambedkar in poona pact? Gandhi said soul is in village, is it still their due to urbanisation. Rate Maharashtra in 1 to 10 based on Gandhis vision of village economy. Karnataka MLA took oath on Gods name, do u agree? Can MLA take such oaths?

Time approx 30 min

 $\Box\Box\Box\Box$ - Lok Sevak

ICAS, Sociology, Rajasthan, BE in ECE

RN Choubey sir, 17-08-21 (Forenoon)

Basketball (Nationals)

Child Rights Volunteer (CRY and KSCF- NGO

Chairman:

Long talk on what board expects and when I don't know it's ok and told me to keep smiling etc. Made me fully comfortable and then started formal interaction.

1) Tell me about your academic background and work experience.

Followed up with

- -your selection year
- -your batch
- training joined or completed
- 2) Don't you like your service?

3) What do you understand by 'mainstreaming of tribals' ? Should we mainstream the tribals ? Give me your opinion

Member-1 (Lady)

- 1) What is cryptocurrency? India's stand? (I talked about SC judgement and RBI's CBDC)
- 2) How can cryptocurrency be used in India? Why should we launch CBDC? Should we allow cryptocurrency in India? Its benefits and challenges
- 3) Name of one country who have recently legalised it
- 4) There's a scholarly debate over Growth vs Inflation? Give me your opinion
- 5) You are RBI governor, what would you do, increase or decrease inflation?

Convince us on your stand, we are 5 other members of MPC

6)some technical Question from accounting, can't remember its name

Member 2 (Lady)

- 1) Latest technologies in Communication
- 2) How would you use knowledge gained in your graduation (ECE) in administration
- 3) Long talk on pre pandemic economy and post pandemic situation, then said, combining your graduation and your service, tell me how would you use your knowledge to revive economy?
- 4) Tell me your opinion about privatization of banks. How would you see it if your are manager of a bank?

Member 3:

- 1) Is India signatory to Refugee Convention?
- 2) Do we have national Refugee policy?
- 3) You are Secretary to MoHA, frame a Refugee Policy and give me its key features. Take 30 seconds and then tell
- 4) Should we consider Religious Minorities while providing them Refuge? Your opinion
- 5) should we allow persecuted Minorities to take refufe here?
- 6) some technical Question related SRN (I said I don't know)

Member 4

- 1) Types of orbital satellite
- 2) Distance range of Geosynchronous satellite? Its use? Why 36k- km is used for communication? Can't we use another satellite for communication and why 36k-km range?
- 3) Was Mission Chandrayan 2.0 a failure?

- 4) what were the achievements made by this mission?
- 5) What do you know about IRNSS?
- 6) Give me comparison between IRNSS and GPS
- 7) Why IRNSS is not popular? Your opinion
- 8) Tell me some reforms which should be undertaken in IRNSS?
- 9) your opinion on Kurds [I had to ask twice to pardon because of distance and pronunciation by sir sounded like Coorgs (a tribe in Mysore, a study in sociology), then chairman sir spelled it by alphabet that Kurds around Syria and Iraq]

Chairman:

I want you to tell us something about yourself which we haven't discussed over here yet.

(I talked about my experience, role, learnings as a volunteer in child rights organisations and I would use it in administration if I had an opportunity)

Your Interview is complete. You are free now.

Time - approximately 30 minutes

Can't remember 3/4 technical questions asked from communication and economics where I said I don't know

Very cordial board.

All the best to everyone.

- Dr. Varun Kumar Shukla, Board-Smita Nagraj Mam, Date of Interview-16/08/2021, Morning 3rd to Go, Optional-Mathematics, Board-Smita Nagraj Mam □
- 1. Good Morning Mr. Varun... How are you feeling Today?
- 2. Suggest us 5 Places of Interest in your Home City with its Significance.
- 3. You are working with Uttar Pradesh State Government... What role you play there?
- 4.Development Authorities are organised under which act. & their Role.
- 5. What SOP followed in Beneficiary Management under the Scheme PMAY.

M1:-

- 1. What is perception Management & Principle behind it.
- 2. How many figures are in 5 Trillian Dollar.
- 3. What is 5 Trillion Dollar Target.
- 4. Current GDP of India & USA & why so much variance see between india & USA GDP.

- 5. What Issues india facing Today... Elaborate
- 6. How you write 21 using digit 2 only.
- 7. What Vaule be Infinity minus Infinity. Difine Infinity.

M2:-

- 1. You are from one of the kumbh City.. Tell something about recent kumbh activity.
- 2. What is Kala Kumbh?
- 3. As mentioned in DAF, Your Father is a farmer. What issues/crises are faced by Our Farmers. & As an IAS what roadmap coruscate in your Mind for Its Resolution?
- 4. Suppose you are sitting on the seat of a crowded local train, you saw an old lady standing near you and then you offered her your seat but before she could take the seat a man took the seat and the man was aware that you had offered your seat to that old lady. In such a situation how will you manage the same seat for her?

M3:-

- 1. Why We do research if that creates Controversy? Govt. Strategy against Research Issues & Why failed.
- 2. What problems are responsible for the poor performance in Olympic by Indian Athletes... Suggest Povission that may rapidly Improven our performance.
- 3. Why do You Like to Play Chess.
- 4. Chess is game or Sport. What is difference between Game & Sport.
- 5. How many Permutation and Combinations can be drawn through Chess Board.
- 6. Who won first Olympic Medal & First olympic Gold Medal in India.

M4:-

1. What do you Know About IOT.

Why is it called a future Technology?

- 2. Is Technology Harms Humanity.. How?
- 3. Tell us about 5 Advance Technologies that are rapidly changing dimensions of Human Life & How?
- 4. Why Cyber Crime & Security Threats are increasing rapidly nowadays... Your Suggestions for its resolution
- 5. ISRO's last Two & Forthcoming two Missions & So of NASA.

Again Chairman Mam...

What is ethical Dilemma & Its Impact on Administration.

You're a research scholar... How Will you Improve Status of Education as an administrator by using your own skills and Technology.

Vikrant, 16th August 2021, Afternoon session, Board-Smita Nagaraj, Time-35 minutes

Hobbies- Trekking, Travelling, HIIT, Optional- Law

Chairman

- 1- Multiple bodies like CVC, CBI, Lokpal are working to check corruption. What do you think are its implications on working of a civil servant?
- 2- Is there any domain conflict between these bodies. What do you suggest to improve it.
- 3- Functions and roles of CBI, CVC, Lokpal
- 4- Permission is needed from higher authorities to act against a public servant. Your views?
- 5- Why India lacks in defence indigenisation
- 6- Why less private sector participation in defence?

Member 1

- 1- Gave a statement, ask me to complete it. After 75 years of independence, india is still marred with corruption.
- 2- How to make common man empowered to tackle corruption.
- 3- what steps you will take as an administrator?
- 4- What steps you will take to bridge digial divide as was evident during pandemic?

Member 2

- 1- What is the ground reality of farm laws. Not what is being stated in media.
- 2- why only punjab haryana farmers agitating?
- 3- What is major difference between punjab and up mandi system.
- 4- Then why leader of farm agitation is from western UP?

Member 3

- 1- What is an hovercraft? Its uses and why it is not popular now? (Based on daf)
- 2- Basic difference between trekking and cricket?
- 3- Why do you trek?
- 4- What exercises you do in hiit and how are they different from normal work out?
- 5- Difference between hovercraft and drones?

6- Changing form of warfare. Drone attacks. How to tackle them.

Member 4

- 1- Do you really think we are improving in terms of corruption?
- 2- Have you visted a public office like police station.
- 3- Did you pay money to get work done?
- 4- Why circus are not popular anymore!

Chairman-

- 1- What obstacles you faced when you visited public office.
- 2- What you suggest should be dont then?

Interview over.

Name: UNKNOWN, Date: Nth August, afternoon session, Last to go, Board: Dr. Manoj Soni sir

Time: 42-43 minutes to be exact as per attendant, Background: Bihar, PSIR, B.Tech (Mech Engg), IIT

Hobbies: Cooking and Household Chores, Mobile Photography, Content Writing for IAS Coaching institutes and for Social Media like Quora and Facebook.

CHAIRMAN Sir: Asked me to remove the faceshield and the mask. Verified my face and asked to put on the mask only.

Started jokingly with my well trimmed small beard which I maintained in the interview as well. Convention is to go clean shaved. "Did you keep it only for interview or you always maintain it". \square I nodded with smile and said I always maintain it sir. I wanted to come original and hence kept it. He was smiling and said it's the new trend among youth now. Good.

- 1. Okay UNKNOWN Ji, it's been months of this tiring and depressing Covid, tell me some GOOD NEWS you happen to come across. (I told one and he asked for more). I could have done better here.
- 2. You must be aware about Human Rights. What are some basic principles of HR and tell me two three things which constitutes it?
- 3. Do you know about League of the Nation? Why it was created and why it got dissolved?
- 4. You're a graduate of an IIT. You must have got a good placement offer. Why didn't you join?
- 5. If you decided for Civil Services way back, why did you go to IIT and why not some other courses? (I answered it associating a Fundamental Duty of the Constitution. He was very impressed and told other members that we should also talk of constitution everywhere $\Box\Box$)
- 6. IITs have proliferated in recent years. What do you think of it? What is the advantages and disadvantages? (Many counter questions on it)

- 7. What's so special about IIT? What's difference between IITs and other govt and private engineering colleges?
- 8. You're from XXXXXXXX, Bihar which holds great significance for Mahatma Gandhiji. What do you think of Gandhian Economic Model? What's so special about it? Why it's not paid heed upon? (I couldn't answer it properly and said I'm sorry sir I'm unable to form my response effectively as of now)

Chairman sir asked another member to proceed.

MEMBER 1 (We held opposite stand on our views)

- 1. You're from Bihar. Tell me some recent developments in Bihar with which you are happy and some things which you are not happy about.
- 2. After my answer, he asked me to suggest some measures which can be taken. (Seemingly not very impressed with my response \Box)
- 3. You have mentioned some sports elements in your DAF. You must be following Tokyo Olympics. What's your assessment of India of 130 crore population bringing only 7 medals? (We had some great conversation over it. Lot of question-answers followed on Olympics. I loved the discussion □).
- 4. You've mentioned Cooking and Household Chores as your hobby. Don't you feel shame in doing Jhaadu-Pochha? Don't you think it's work associated only with women? Why do you do it?
- 5. What all did you do to help your mother and sisters in their daily household chores? (We again had discussion and he seemed happy with my responses (a)).

He then passed the baton to the next gentleman.

MEMBER 2 (A true gentleman with great personality)

- 1. What's this Zeitgeist mentioned in your DAF?
- 2. Why were you so famous in your college? Laughingly, is it because you talk so much? □
- 3. So, you organized such and such things in your college and at other places. Was it also a reason you were famous? What all did you organize?
- 4. You also organized Women's Day Celebration. What's so special about it? Why do we celebrate? Do you know the history of it? (We had good discussion on it. Many questions followed).
- 5. What are the most essential aspects of democracy? (I told him about participation, Deliberation etc)
- 6. You must have heard the news that many Bills have passed in Parliament without much discussion. Do you think it's alright? (I answered mentioning Section 66A of IT Act, 2000 and how it was declared unconstitutional by Honble SC as it was passed without discussion).

Sir was seemingly very happy with the response. \odot

7. You seems to be knowing well about Tokyo Olympics. What do you think is the problem with Indian sports that we got so few medals. (We again had very cordial discussion about Olympics)

MEMBER 3 (Sir was in mood to ask only factual questions with poker face but I made him laugh by not answering a very simple question \Box
1. You're from Bihar, tell me when was the battle of Plassey fought?
2. What's the significance of Battle of Plassey?
3. When did English first visited India?
4. Why is it so that after so many years they thought to fight battle and be politically relevant? (Question emanated from my answer)
5. I can see that you've scored very less marks in your 12th as compared to today's kid who get 90-99% marks. Are you happy with it? Are you satisfied with it?
6. Since you're preparing for last 5 years, you must be very well versed with the history of UPSC? Tell me about the history of UPSC. (I didn't answer it and said, I'm sorry sir, I can't remember anything at this moment□).
7. So, you just fed UPSC location in UBER and came here directly? \Box (I said while laughing, sir this is how UBER works. I booked it with UPSC's location and he drove me here) \Box (He also started laughing \Box)
8. While laughing, do you even know the name of Chairman of UPSC? \Box (Fortunately or unfortunately, I couldn't answer this as well \Box). The gentleman continued smiling and I also smiled back at him. \Box He then passed the baton to the next member.
MEMBER 4 (The very beautiful lady with soothing smile all the while)
1. You've opted for Political Science as your optional. Tell me, if I get a US citizenship, can I still vote in Indian Elections as an OCI?
2. What's Overseas Citizen of India?
4. Can you tell me the exact Constitutional Article which revokes citizenship automatically if you get citizenship of another country? (Couldn't remember)
4. You seem to love this year's Olympics and the performance by India. And you're also a Political Science student, you know very well that India and Japan share a very cordial relationship due to ONE INCIDENT which shaped Indo-Japan relations forever. If you could tell me that INCIDENT, I would be very happy. (Fortunately, I knew the answer. I told about it and she was seemingly very happy□). She then narrated the whole story correctly in organized way. (I thanked her with smile for enriching my knowledge). □
5. She then asked, can you tell me the name of the lone Indian judge of War Tribunal who dissented in favor of Japan? (I couldn't recall the exact name. She told me the name of Justice Binod Pal. I thanked her again)
She wanted to talk further, but Chairman sir stopped her because it was already so late. \Box
CHAIRMAN sir again

- 1. UNKNOWN Ji, In my opinion, there's an element of corruption in almost every department, offices, agencies etc. Do you agree with this fact? (Simple Yes/No question with serious face).
- 2. Okay UNKNOWN Ji, have you ever been one of the victim of such corruption in public office? (I affirmed and told one incident which affects us all).
- 3. What did you do about it? (I said, I didn't do anything at that moment sir, but once in the service, I will try my best to reduce it in whichever department I will be serving).

(With smile ⊕ □) Okay UNKNOWN Ji. We wish you all the best for your future. "Aap Apna Khayal Rakhiye". Your interview is over. You may go now. (I thanked the chairman sir, beautiful Ma'am and other sirs, picked my faceshield and left the room with big smile on my face □).

DISCLAIMER: I may have missed some questions and counter questions as I couldn't remember them. I might not have written some questions exactly word-to-word and in correct sequence.

Overall, it was a very cordial board and all members were extremely good to talk to. Most memorable interview ever for me. I didn't want it to end. \Box I don't know what I'll be getting, but the great interaction with so senior and experienced personalities made my day. Please pray for the best. Thank you. \Box

Sociology, Rajasthan, graduation from iit, worked in software industry., Board : vyas sir

- 1. Ancient India coastal empires?
- 2. Civil services reforms and lateral entry?
- 3. Digital index?
- 4. Digital loan?
- 5. Digital divide and govt programs
- 6. Diplomacy? 2+2 diplomacy?
- 7. Diplomacy parameters/factors which play role in diplomacy? Most important factor in diplomacy?
- 8. Design use in forensic sciences?
- 9. Dholpur house design good bad aspects?
- 10. Digital gaming and why govt banned PUBG?
- 11. Desired qualities of Private company Project manager?
- 12. Discrimination against North East people in Delhi and reasons?
- 13. North East people good things?
- 14. Economic growth parameters/determinants?
- 15. eComm rules
- 16. Hybrid malls

- 17. Independent directors and their function?
- 18. Why cs now after job?
- 19. Which day is celebrated on 12th aug? Why we celebrate it?
- 20. What is radicalisation?
- 21. Women in combat role
- 22. Laws to prevent sexual exploitation of children?

Date of interview- 12th August

Afternoon session (1st to go), Graduation- B.Com(h), optional- public administration, Home state – Bihar, Smita nagraj mam

Greeted everyone after entering the room

Chairperson- 1. What you have been doing after graduation.

- 2. Question on AI, robotics (as doing content writing job)
- 3. Question followed use of robotics in healthcare
- 4. How do you see India after 10 years.
- M1-1. So commerce graduate, tell me about intangible assets, give examples
- 2. PPP MODEL, difference between HAM and BOT models
- 3. Should there be reservation of locals
- M2- 1.Difference between ujjwala 1 and ujjwala2
- 2. Should there be a religion based survey
- 3. Stand on doubling msp
- 4. Cropping pattern of bihar
- 5. Question on 3 wings of democracy
- 6. Question on LPG and PNG.

M3 (lady member)

- 1. Leadership skills
- 2. Question on education sector
- 3. Literacy of my home district.
- 4. Question on AI (one see India in next ten years) they were quite intersyed to know AI Question from me.

M4-1. Coneectivity of air transport from my home district

2. Socio economic issues of my district.

Finally, chairperson - your interview is over.

Date:- 17 August Forenoon, Board:- TCA Anant Sir (last one to go), Time:- Around 30 minutes approximately, Optional:- Sociology, Homestate:- Harayana, (Faridabad)

Background :- Btech IT(DTU), Workexperience :- None (Fresher), Hobbies :- Teaching Kids

Extra Curricular :- Coordinator at SITE

Chairman

- Q1) Why have you abondoned IT despite the need of IT sector in India?
- Q2) How's DTU?
- Q3) Where do you teach?
- Q4) Do children listen to you? Don't they resist while you teach especially your siblings ?(Said in a laughing mode
- Q5) What's this SITE? What was your role over there? What did you learn as a coordinator?

Member 1

- Q1) Reasons for recent glitches in IT portal?
- Q2) E commerce issue between Amazon and Reliance?
- Q3) What will you do as a DM?
- Q4) What will you do in secretariat?
- Q5) Don't you think teachers will become redundant in coming years? (I said teachers will always be relevant sir then follow up discussion on this issue)

Member 2 (lady member)

- Q1) NEP
- Q2) Do you support multidisciplinary approach in Higer education?
- Q3) why do Indian universities fare poor on world rankings?

There were some other questions too in the beginning ...which she picked from my answers given to Member 1...but I am unable to recall.

Member 3

- Q1) What's your take on special women University? What's the need?
- Q2) Why bill has not been passed for women reservation in parliament and state legislatures?
- Q3) What will you do to counter Sarpanch pati like things in local rural bodies?

(Here Chairman sir interrupted and said we need to move from husband dominated society to wife dominated society and other members started laughing)

Q4) Why have you abondoned Foreign service? (Have mentioned it at 4th)

Member 4

- Q1) Assess India's IT sector ?
- Q2) Govt initiative for IT sector?
- Q3) Challenges in Indian IT?
- Q4) Why Faridabad is not able to develop like Gurugram ?Is there any role of politicians here in deliberately neglecting Faridabad over Gurugram?

Chairman sir said, Your interview is over.

There were few more questions which I am unable to recall..will add them later.

Overall, Chairman sir was smiling and laughing in between. Other members were also very polite and treated me well.

Best of luck to everyone \square .

Background- Computer Science and Engineering, Post Graduation in Cyber and National Security, Optional- Geography

Chairperson

Give your professional introduction?

Asked about my post graduation - curriculum, subjects, practicals et al

How is it going on during pandemic?

M1

Had a discussion on

- cyber security scenario in india
- adversaries and vulnerabilities in cyber space l.
- -India's preparedness and security architecture in cyber domain.
- Why Private companies are not reporting cyber crimes
- Measures to protect our government institutions in cyber domain

M2

- -Do banks follow cyber security
- where do they lag and how transparent are they about reporting cyber breach.
- KYC technical need
- why do we need so much document verification in banks.
- money laundering in cyber domain
- FATF and money laundering
- global governance in cyber domain

M3

- -Case study based question if you are posted in Manipur what will be your priorities
- -Had a discussion on what goes wrong in policy implementation when policies are good in letter.
- -You are going into services and same time being critical about them.
- -Perception of people about governance
- How will you change these things. Do you have any experience or the officers who did such things
- Ports in india major/non major, deepest port
- -Production of Rice, leading state

M4

- what is role of think tanks
- do they have any practical relevance and utility (many arguments)
- if you are given a chance to form a think tank at Washington DC tell me the area in which you will do that.
- Greenathon (DAF based), my role, functioning etc.

Chairperson

- do you want us to ask anything (I replied international relations)
- why we are competing with China?
- is it really necessary to compete with China
- what's that asymmetry that you mentioned

A Raghul, 18th aug, FN, Mech engg, Sociology, Tamil nadu

Board: tca anant sir

Chairperson: asked where i did my schooling. And about hobby (body building)

M1 :what do you think about the mekadatu issue?

Dont you think karnataka should go ahead as its only for drinking water purpose?

What is stratification?

Difference between western and indian stratification.

Tell me about endogamy and exogamy.

M2 : dont you think cricket should be included in olympics ?

What do you think about changing the names of cities?

Tell me about indo china relations?

M3(lady member): tell me about self respect movement.

Do you have any interest in tamil literature?

Chennai people are still being called madrasi, so do you think changing name really matters?

Why IAS?

What are the challenges you've faced?

Major challenges of chennai (where i reside) and solutions?

M4: why dont states set up desalination plant for water problem?

Do you know how it works?

As a SDM, what will you do for malnutrition problem.

Chairperson: thank you.

My assessment: i was the second last one to go. It seemed they were rushing through every question. The chaiperson literally wanted all the members to wind up the questions asap.

So it hardly lasted for 20-30 min i guess.

Mayank

Smita Nagaraj Board, Profile: Manager in RBI, Optional: PSIR, Activities mentioned: Cricket, TT and Badminton

Following were my interview questions:

- A) Number of Panipat war and between whom
- B) Why war only in Panipat
- C) Number of players of MP in olympics

- D) GDP of India in pre british era
- E) IBC
- F) Bank Merger
- G) EV
- H) Why less medals for India in olympics and steps to improve them
- I) Have you faced any conflict in life
- J) Changes needed in RBI act to make it suitable to deal with frauds
- K) Vodafone Idea case issue and What is Vodafone seeking from govt. of India
- L) Between Mughal invasion and British invasion, which harmed India the most
- M) Why have you not pursued your career in cricket (mentioned in DAF)
- N) Is GDP right scale of growth
- O) Neo colonialism

Prateek Singotiya, Background- B.Tech (mechanical), VNIT Nagpur, IRAS 2019, optional PSIR, Madhya Pradesh., Hobbies/interest- badminton, international affairs, Board- TCA anant sir.

Last one to go, afternoon session (took around 30 minutes)

Chairman

Reads my DAF. Are you in service? Have you joined the training?

What is the situation in Afghanistan, how Taliban threaten our interest

I mentioned chabahar connectivity project so he asked how Taliban affects chabahar? He said chabahar is in Iran then how Taliban affect it? (Answered that it will affect our connectivity to central Asia, it Taliban closes Zaranj Delaram highway)

As a foreign secretary, what suggestions will you give to external affairs minister.

Members

On river linking project is going on in MP. What is its status, has it begun or in conceptual stage.

It impact a tiger reserve, what's the name?

Have you heard of a bill that pertains to DNA, he also gave a hint (I told him DNA fingerprinting regulation Bill)

What is the use of DNA

From where we can collect DNA? Can we collect it from our sweat? Any other source?

What is the use of intelligence, you have filled IPS right?

Another question on intelligence, some technical word he mentioned, I'm not able to recall?

Ma'am talks about Indore. Cleanest city. There's one lady who played a key role in ensuring maintenance of Muslim women in 1980s. Do you know name of her? (I told Saira Bano, but she corrected and said Shah Bano, I thanked her for correction)

What will you do to improve tourism in Madhya Pradesh?

Any possibility of local religious tourism in MP

Why Nagpur is developing so fast? Reasons

Can you name one city in MP comparable to Nagpur in term of development. (I told Indore)

You belong to Seoni district in MP. What are the problems with respect to development? And if you are given power and funds what steps will you take?

What is trans Pacific partnership?

What is maintenance of senior citizens act? What will you do for senior citizens who are left behind by their children.

Chairman said your interview is over.

I think they were rushing, I was last one to go. My interview started around 5:15 pm and went till 5:40.

Name - anonymous

BB vyas board

Afternoon

3rd to go

Background- chemistry (hons.)

Project on biodegradable polymers.

Optional-PSIR

I entered.

Chairperson asked me to remove mask and wear shield only.

He asked me to make myself comfortable

CP- globalisation is impacting bilateral relations. How?

Insider trading? Rules to prevent insider trading.

Is upsc statutory body or constitutional?

Under which article?

Quote- something which interests public may not be in public interest.explain.

Women safety and security in india.

M1- agriculture as a vicious cycle in area of western up, haryana and punjab.

MSP?

Tell me about one china policy.

Should india support this in future also?

M2- what are biodegradable polymers?

Did you use any microorganisms?

Biochemistry of those biodegradable polymers.

M3(lady)- India China relations in respect of bhramaputra river.

What India should do?

Natural disasters because of dams? What can be done?

Parameters which shows that position of women in india is inferior.

If political representation is low then why in South Asia there were and there are female head of state

Any particular reason?

Some other counter questions which I don't remember.

M4 (lady)- what are financial institutions?

Types?

Regulation?

Administrative bodies in Delhi.

Example of non biodegradable polymers?

How we can tackle them.

Chairperson again- name 3 indian women and how they inspire you?

Thankyou! Your interview is over. You can go now.

I cannot recall some questions.

Overall board was cordial

But questions were indirect.

I simplified them for transcript.

Interview transcript!!

Graduation: history, Optional: history, Tamilnadu, Hobby; world cinema, Playing chess batminton!!

M1;

What is the importance of history ?how will it be useful in administration?

Does tradition and history go together ??

What is subaltern history?

Why tamilnadu politics and cinema is so much attached to each?

Why do u think cine stars suceeded in politics ??

M2

What is difference between new and old education policy?

What is skill india mission?

Do tamilnadu have any skill programme ??

Does govt or private sector should skill the workers'??

M3;

Have u watched satyajit ray movies ??can u name any tamil movie match the quality of Satyajit ray movies ?

How brithish was able to conquer india with just very small number of British officers ????

M4

Can u say basic data about skilled workers in india?

How to improve sports ?If u are a sports secretary?

What kind of leader u want to become ??

Do u know emotional intelligence?

How do you rate as an emotionally intelligent person?

Jashwant yadav

18 August, Afternoon, 3rd to go, Sujata ma'am board, Optional sociology

State- Uttar Pradesh, Electrical engineering, IITK

Hobbies- cooking, calisthenics, shadow boxing

Chairperson started straight with the questions.

1. Are you currently serving in armed police?

- 2. How is Indian society different from others in the world, take for eg Pakistan.
- 3. Do we see unity in diversity in india? How?
- 4. Why is north east neglected?
- 5. Economic diff between UP and Assam?
- 6. What is relevant GDP or GDP per capita?
- 7. Why do people keep Nagaland as last choice?

M1(Lady member)

- 1. What are the qualities important for a counselor?
- 2. What is big data? What is AI?
- 3. If you're DM what will be your focus of development and how will you use AI?
- 4. Where else can AI be used?
- 5. What is Varanasi famous for?

M2

- 1. Despite large no of PM coming from UP, why is UP still backward?
- 2. Is UP culture and people responsible for its backwardness?
- 3. Money and power makes a person wise, do you agree?
- 4. The editorials in newspapers are dependent on ownership, to be pro or anti establishment, do you agree?
- 5. Don't you think ownership of newspapers decide what headlines will come on first page of newspaper?
- 6. Why are temples in varanasi not clean like gurudwaras?

M4

- 1. What is ragging?
- 2. Should be ban it?
- 3. Why ragging continues in NDA, OTA, IMA?
- 4. PM comes from varanasi constituency thus schemes launched for the city, don't you think its wrong as other cities are neglected?

M5

- 1. What books have you read on sociology?
- 2. What is the contribution of MN srinivas?

- 3. Who is Yogendra Singh? His contribution to sociology?
- 4. Why do we see caste resurgence in recent times?

DoI: 16/08/21 Board: Sujatha Maam, Name: B Adithya, Background: IIT M, Civil Engg, Working in PNB, Optional: Public Administration, Hobbies: Football and short film making

Chairman

- 1. Tell me about yourself
- 2. What is your current job profile?
- 3. What is your opinion on the IPCC report?
- 4. Should india set a net zero target? Is it feasible?
- 5. I say there should be a complete ban on building new infrastructure to reduce emissions. What do you say?
- 6. (Follow up)Techniques where infra and environment are complementary and not a trade off

M1

- 1. What is the Assam Mizoram conflict. Reasons, consequences and what should be done(5 mins on this)
- 2. Why and how do you make short films? What are the themes and what are the different departments?

Lady member asked a few more questions. Cannot remember

M2

- 1. A PNB subsidiary has been in news recently. Why?
- 2. Tell me about the entire issue and the current status PNB HF and Carlyle (5 mins on this)
- 3. What are the functions of SAT?
- 4. A few follow up questions on regulatory bodies and their role

M3

- 1. What is the meaning of Adithya? What do you have in similar with the sun?
- 2. As an administrator, how will you tackle political pressure?
- 3. Share a few stories of IAS officers upholding the Constitution in its true spirit.
- 4. Not only success stories, there are failures as well. How then will you uphold Constitution?
- 5. What are the challenges you face in making films? How do you overcome them?

6. Bank mergers and privatization - Should we go ahead or not? Which protects customer interests better?

M4

- 1. How to bring about mass movement in environmental conservation and pollution control?
- 2. How to promote exports especially after covid?

A few more questions I cannot recollect

Chairman

1. Is there anything you want us to ask? I said football. Ma'am asked other members to take the lead

M2

- 1. About the la liga and messi transfer
- 2. The sale of new messi jerseys made a lot of money. Can you guess how much?
- 3. What is your opinion about commercialization of football? Thank You

Chairman

Ok Adithya. You can leave now. Thank you

Overall, it was fine. Half the interview revolved around work ex and hobbies. All the best guys. Do well.

Siva, Date: 20.8.2021, Board:, Smita Nagarajan, Optional: Geography, Hobby: Gardening,

Work: Content Developer

- 1. Why communal violence and castism are prevalent in Tamilnadu?
- 2. Apart from vote bank politics what are the reason for casteism?
- 3. Even with better education level why casteism is prevalent in Tamilnadu?
- 4. What the solution to reduce its impact on society?
- 5. What is the nature of your company? (Edutech)
- 6. Can online teaching can replace traditional schools and colleges?
- 7. Does online teaching materials makes our teachers less responsible towards students?
- 8. Why an athelete auctioned Olympic silver medal recently?
- 9. Can CBI be made a statutory body as said by Madras High Court?
- 10. How Statutory provisions will increase autonomy of CBI?
- 11. Other measures to improve the independence of CBI?

- 12. What led to rapid growth of Edutech companies?
- 13. Where do they get funds to run expensive marketing and advertising?
- 14. Which branch of engineering is popular among students?
- 15. Why there is a boom and recession cycle in Indian IT Sector?
- 16. How COVID 19 impacted Indian IT sector?
- 17. How Geography affects History and Society?
- 18. What is the impact of geography on geo strategy?
- 19. How Himalayas impacted Indian History?
- 20. What are efforts India taken to reduce emissions by 33-34%?
- 21. Do you Government has taken enough measures to roll out EV?
- 22. What is the type of gardening you do? (Hobby)
- 23. What is Natural farming which PM mentioned in last Independence day speech?
- 24. What is the difference between organic farming and natural farming?

Time: 25-30 mins

First to go in the Morning Batch

Choubey sir,20th august ,Public admin,Industrial engineer ,Hobby - watching movies based on real life stories

Chairman

- 1) education and work experience
- 2) learning experience in vaccination drive
- 3) who are non state actors
- 4) terrorism and non state actors

Member 1

- 1) illegal mining in India causes and soln
- 2) what tech can we use
- 3) how can we make the local participate
- 4) why USA left suddenly from Afghanistan, they were thinking from so long
- 5) don't you think staying in Afghanistan would be better to control China

Member 2

- Q) which leader inspires you?
- 2) why?
- 3) how have you implemented in real life?
- 4) manufacturing sector—issues and soln
- 5) startup
- 6) problem identification main issu—don't you think?

Member 3

- 1) Atmanirbhar Abhiyan and issues
- I don't remember rest here

Member 4

- 1) what is paramilitary
- 2) name them and their roles
- 3) disaster mgmt structure etc
- 4) if you are given a chance of rebirth- which country would you like?
- 5) if reborn which state would you like?
- 6) according to you which country is the most ideal country?

Chairman

Any questions that you would like to ask

Swapnil, Board - TCA Anant, Sociology, Mechanical Engineering, Hobbies - Meditation, movies

Time - 20-25 mins, last one to go

Chairman

- 1. What are you doing since 2018?
- 2. So you have no social interaction?
- 3. Tell me something about Hingoli.
- 4. What does the LIGO observatory measure?
- 5. If I came to Hingoli, where would you take me?
- 6. Tell me something about Nanded.

M1

- 1. What are the govt projects for water infrastructure in Marathwada and in Hingoli?
- 2. What would you do as a DM to change the water situation?
- 3. What did Anna Hazare did differently in Rale Gan Siddhi?
- 4. Sociological analysis of Bhima Koregaon?
- 5. How Taliban 2.0 is different from Taliban 1.0?
- 6. Tell me about Doha peace talks.

M2

- 1. Vipassana how is it different from Meditation practice in which we focus on our forehead?
- 2. Are all these meditative practices different?
- 3. India has low insurance penetration who's to blame companies or people?
- 4. Maharashtra Karnataka Border dispute.

M3 (Lady)

- 1. Sati, Dowry and Child Marriage are those social issues or economical?
- 2. But in child marriages Boys also are married how is this entirely patriarchal?
- 3. What's the difference between social reformers and social activists?
- 4. Tell me names of few social reformers.
- 5. Tell me older ones.
- 6. Contribution of Raja Rammohan Roy?

M4

- 1. Have you done any courses on Meditation?
- 2. Can Meditation be learned without doing any courses?
- 3. Tell me exact economic data
- a. India's total Forex reserves?
- b. Current Inflation rate?
- c. Current Senses?

M4 was a good listener but Chairman interrupted and asked him to wrap up.

Anantkaal

RN Chaubey Board

4th to go..

Chair: we are good people, want to just have a chat...we want to make you happy...to which I said I'm happy sir..and they all smiled...then he said you can ask us repeat and also say no to anything you don't know...

Chair Ques:

- 1. Introduce yourselve from education and professional perspective.
- 2. What is your role?
- 3. What does your company do?
- 4. Why are you providing consulting services to telecom company?
- 5. What you do intenally?
- 6. Do they have services in India? It not then where?

M1.

- 1. How is AI used in telecom?
- 2. What is Network slicing?
- 3. Why is it done?
- 4. If you are DM and 2 politicians want to manipulate you what will you do?
- 5. What are BOTS?

M2

- 1. What are problems in India and how will you use technology to resolve it?
- 2. What is data science.
- 3. How will you resolve the problem of non-accessibility of policies?

M3:

- 1. How as finance secy will you use tech to boost exports?what diff will you do?
- 2. Govt improved quality of exports producst, how will that help?
- 3. What are oil bonds why issued and why in news now?

M4:

- 1. Diff between values and ethics?
- 2. In corporate profit is motive that may be against your values, what will you do?
- 3. If as DM you see people following certain false beliefs and say doing it will stop all malaise, what will you do?

Chair again: anything that you think we did not ask and would like to tell?

Thank you

Anonymous ,20 August - Afternoon session,DAF tags - UP, Sociology, Cricket, documentaries, reading books,Last one to go,Board- Sathyavati mam,Duration :20-25 minutes

chairman

- Introduce yourself
- -You're a teamman (captain of college cricket team)- what do you understand about spirit of the game
- -Does commercialisation affect spirit of the game?
- -What is losing in a good way? do you believe in that?
- -Should we legalise gambling?
- -Reasons for lack of clarity and progress towards legalisation of gambling?

M1-

- You come from UP- vast economic potential what steps will you take to utilise that ?
- -What will be role of govt for pvt sector? (follow up in recommendation related to tourism sector)
- -But what about Law and order? why we miss that when talking about ease of doing business? can you explain (follow up)

M2-

- -Maternity benefit act 2017 amendmt- you support such changes?
- -GST Issues in regime, Centre state tussle, how to resolve?

She wanted to ask more but Chairman stopped her from asking further.

M3-

- -Why China doesn't want India to play anymore role in Tibet?
- -Isn't China intimidated from India?
- -Role of WHO? Your opinion about it's recent performance?

M4-

- -How Sociology would help you in administration?
- -Would you be autocratic leader or Democratic?
- -But democratic decisions take time, Isn't it?
- -Do you believe in individual decision making or group one?

Chairman

- Is there any area you want us to ask from?

(Watching Documentaries, my hobby)

- -What type of documentaries do you watch?
- -Where do you watch these documentaries (platform)?
- -Have you heard about Vimeo?
- -Any special phase of filmmaking in Indian history which you'd recommend? Any specific -Documentary makers or theme?
- -Film division of India collaboration with which countries for film-making?
- <Interview over>,Cordial board, gentle atmosphere. Good experience.

MM

R.n.choubey sir board

Physics graduate

Geography optional

Chairman

Tried to comfort

Tell me about yur qualification and work experience?

- 1. Demographic dividend
- 2. Which countries enjoy this and who don't

Member 1.

Farmers and land quality

How to keep soil fertile

Superconductivity

Maglev technology

Member 2

Stem vs liberal arts

How to increase interest

Favourite quality in myself which I adore

Member 3

Vehicle scraping policy

Lockdown and economic recovery

Member 4

Stem cell technology

Political ideology vs growth

Notion of bullet train

Though Korea got independence at same time like us it as differential growth do india"s path applaudable?

North Korea vs south korea

Which paralel seperates both?

Chairman..

Share something about yu which yu like to share to board?

Note \$ ask women candidate to wear any plastic studs or earrings..metals earring, chain and bangles are prohibited even it is gold they asked to remove \$

AS

Background - Btech(ICT), City/State - Ahmedabad/Gujarat, Hobbies: Reading urdu shayari, Garba, Optional: PSIR, Sujata Mehta Board, Date: 17th August

Chairwoman:

- 1. Please introduce yourself to the board, especially the educational and employment status
- 2. What do you understand by data localisation. Is it good or bad?
- 3. Who should be the real owner of the data?
- 4. Shouldn't the companies have any share in it?

M1:

- 1. So to be clear, you mean the subject matter should be the owner? elaborated a little more.
- 2. You have studied in Gandhinagar, do you know about Gift city?
- 3. How is it regulation different from other financial areas?
- 4. Who is its regulator?
- 5. Can you name one big regulator? I said SEBI
- 6. Said though your answer is right, I want to understand your thinking process why did you say SEBI and not RBI, don't you consider it a regulator?

M2:

- 1. You live in Ahmedabad, have you heard of the famous textile museum?
- 2. How has riverfront changed the skyline of Ahmedabad? Any other benefits?
- *She asked few more, unable to recall*

M3:

He asked me a long question on maritime security. Didnot quite understand his question. He kept on adding to the question.

Talked of Indo Pacific and Quad for a bit.

If you are a diplomat working with Quad, what one suggestion you would give to the group to fulfill its destiny.

M4: I felt he was quite stern.

- 1. Which political party is ruling currently?
- 2. Is it a coalition government?
- 3. Some parties have taken away their support from the party. Name them.
- *Board members looking at him at this moment, maybe because he went political*
- 4. Okay, what are the negatives of Online education?
- 5. Benefits of physical education
- *few more questions I am missing.

Chairwoman:

- 1. Do you read Urdu shayari in Urdu script?
- 2. Anything more you want to say? I said I have prepared some shayari for you if you would allow.

M3 got very excited and said maza aayega sunao. But Chairwoman said they were out of time.

3. Anything more? I said ma'am, something on Garba. Some discussion went on that.

Nice. Your interview is done.

Overall I felt they were quite casual, could not gauge how well or bad it went.

Abhijeeth,Tca Anant board ,Optional medical science,Board was very friendly at the very outset,Initially read out Daf

Chairman

Why civil service from medical profession?

Isn't it a loss to the health sector?

Member 1

What are the reasons Kerala has high amount of Gulf returnees?

As a senior member of administration of Kerala, What new steps would you do for them

What is the contribution of expatriates to Kerala?

What are the concerns of data of anemia in India?

Why high anemia in Ladakh

Member 2

Why High radicalisation in the state?

What to do about ISIS brides in Afghanistan? Is following the UK policy the best for India

What should the State government do about increasing radicalisation?

Is there any groups in Kerala behind the radicalisation

Member 3

She asked very difficult questions many of which I could not answer

- 1. She asked about 2 unheard Kerala High Court cases and their impact
- 2. Kerala and joint marriages
- 3. Reasons for high quality of Malayalam films
- 4. How to emulate Kerala model in other states

Member 4

- 1. How to estimate anemia?
- 2. Specialties of Kani tribals
- 3. Sources of protein
- 4. As a DM what steps to tackle malnutrition
- 5. Why nuns of Kerala in the remotest parts of India?
- 6. Difference of Corbevax from Covaxin
- 7. How to tackle frivolous PILs

Board: Smita Nagraj madam

12th Aug, 4th to go

Background: chemical engg,IIT

Optional: Anthropology

Home state: Punjab

Chairperson:

Compare Punjab of 2010 and 2021.

Tell about negatives also, What are the issues in Punjab?

Why Punjabis in other states are in into business, have entrepreneur spirit rather the Punjabis in punjab state are not so?

What is ailing them,? Is it the government or themselves? one or two more questions, do not remember

M1

Isnt Monoculture a problem?

Is paddy good for Punjab?

Should we give double MSP for wheat?

Is Udta Punjab right?

Why drug problem?

Compare Ujjawala 1.0 with Ujjawala 2.0.

OBC mendment bill

How Does SC ST castes / tribes decided?

M2

Who is father of chemistry in India?

Why dont we utilise agri waste? Context of chem engg

Stubble burning

Does GDP show th real growth?

What should be done then?

There is inequality, on one side rich and other poor., what can be done to this situation?

More questions on same topic of inequality.

M3

Biomass not successful in Punjab, why?

import of APIs from China, why?

E ballot system, challenges

Excnomic offenders like Vijay Malaya, what are the signs before they escape from country?

What should be done?

Bank hair cut?

Technical term, dont remeber that.

Manufacturing increase in India, 3 steps

M4

Balance of forest and development?

Fiscal transfers.

Many more questions on sustainable development and how to achieve it.

Air Marshal Bhosale Sir Board

Anuja M

Interview date : 20/08/2021

Computer science, PSIR backgrounds

DAF included Smart India hackathon, Publishing a research paper, etc.

Chairperson

Why was Smart India hackathon about

How is it organised?

Which ministry gave you the problem statement

What was it

How did you win the price in the innovation category

M1

What if you are the head of an organisation and there are allegations of corruptions from your staff members how will you act in the situation?

Organisations that can be approached to tackle corruption in bureaucracy

How do you look at yourself as a leader

What would you like to inculcate in your team(qualities)

Name any scheme that gas greatly affected the rural population in India(i talked about Swach Bharat Mission)

M3

What was the research paper about?

Was your AI Machine intelligent

How did you construct the algorithm

What is nano technology

Unit of nanotechnology

What are basic parts of a computer

Compare the basic parts of the computer to human body

Basic difference between human body's working and working of a computer

How do neurons work

How does current flow in a computer

M4

What is blockchain

Most important feature of blockchain

Is blockchain used in govt right now

You talked about Swach Bharat Mission, what to do if no one is using the infrastructure

M5

Do you know any refugees from the North east

What is India's law with respect to refugees

Do you know about Chakma Refugees

Any idea how India is tackling Incoming afghans in India , are everyone getting preferred or only certain religions

What is man in the middle attack

Crypto firm that was recently hacked

Chairperson

Suppose you are India's representative to kabul, what would be your topmost priority there

Will you return to India like the way current diplomats are returning

Suppose you are leading a team of 4 members who are on a mission to evacuate Individuals from kabul, who will be those 4 members and how will you carry out the mission

20/08/2021

Smita Nagaraj ,Political Science ,Gardening

Cm

How are you feeling today?

What makes you a suitable candidate for the services?

What is going on in Afghanistan?

Tell me about the leadership of Afghanistan?

What is the relationship between northern alliances and the Taliban?

M1

Why government is not accommodating the opposition?

Why Indian space missions are failing?

Don't you think we are failing in our foreign policy?

Talk about yourself for 5 minutes.

M2

Why government is hiding numbers and manipulating the stats?

Why we don't settle our disputes with Pakistan with war?

What is the future of pok after recent changes?

M3

What makes a person dishonest?

What do you mean by honesty?

Why people don't accept reality?

How will you deal with dishonest people?

M4

What is the GDP of India in the first quarter of this financial year?

Why do we have different estimates for GDP growth?

Which vaccine will you advise your friends to take if you are the sp?

Why not phizer?

What is the difference between all major vaccines?

What would have been your course of action if you were in the place health secretory?

Cm

Don't you think that the government is anti-farmer?

What do farmers think about the government?

Why china is a threat to Indian agriculture?

You may leave now.

Date: 18/08/2021

Morning Session, Board: TC Anant Sir, Optional: Geography, Background: Civil Engineering, State: Bihar, Work: L&T and Deputy Collector (UT), Time: approx 35 mints

Chairman Sir:

(Remove your face shield and be relaxed)

- 1. So you have been to Bihar, Telangana and Delhi, any other place you have visited (I told about my current training which is undergoing in Maharajganj)
- 2. Two unique positives and negatives of Maharajganj.
- 3. How will you turn the negatives into positives?
- 4. Challenges you faced during your current tenure of training. How did you overcome?

M1:

- 1. Government denied to disclose certain information demanded by SC to be disclosed, your take on that.
- 2. Threat of Pegasus vis-a-vis national security.
- 3. Do you know about Saharsa district? What problems will you take at first if you are made DM of Saharsa? (I answered Education and health)
- 4. What about flood? How flood impacts education?
- 5. You are a Civil Engineer what solutions will you suggest (I gave structural and non structural solutions, stressed more on watershed management approach)

M2:

- 1. You are a Civil Engineer and is talking about watershed management, you engineers only built dams like Tehri, how will you justify?
- 2. How Nepal can be convinced to solve the problem of flood in Bihar (I mentioned in one of the solution the problem also lies in the upper riparian region like Nepal)

- 3. How is the economic trade between Bihar and Nepal, current status.
- 4. What is the unique name given to Bihar Nepal relationship (Roti Beti)
- 5. Explain this unique relationship.
- 6. Current status of Indo Nepal relationship, who is the culprit?
- 7. How will you explain the attitude of SC during Covid 2nd Wave (Judicial restraint / judicial activism)

M3 (Mam):

- 1. Justify your stance with an example, how was it judicial restraint?
- 2. What is PNJ? Mention two major derivatives of PNJ.
- 3. Justice Hurried is.....fill & Justice Delayed isfill; now explain these two principles with examples from india.
- 4. You mentioned about undertrials, who are responsible and what is the current percentage of undertrials.
- 5. You mentioned about legal aids, so how as an SDM, you will ensure legal aids to those vulnerables and poor.
- 6. Has Judiciary and bureaucrats failed in providing free legal aids.
- 7. Why civil suites are delayed? (Mentioned of legal ethics for advocates and transfer of judges), what is the average disposal time of civil suites in India?
- M4: (You can remove mask too)
- 1. Is virtual court meaningful, how to make is more accessible to poor.
- 2. What is eCourt system?
- 3. What is safety factor?
- 4. Safety factor in Tehri Dam vs Bhakra Nangal Dam.
- 5. Being selected in IFoS and For UP SDM, would you like to join DANIPS? (I opted for that too)
- 6. You talked about smaller dams earlier what is the criteria in MW to decide a smaller or larger dam?
- 7. I'm still not convinced that even after being a Civil Engineer, you are opposing larger dams. (I answered that Sir recently I have studied more Geography and I'm convinced by the arguments of geography over Civil Engineering Every one laughed)
- 8. Ok one last question... Any example of large projects which are showing unsustainability. (Answered about Three Gorges dam and slowing down of Earth's rotational speed and Koyana dam RIS)

Chairman Sir:

Ok, your interview is over.

Pranjal:

Pranjal Prateek

Relevant Profile: Optional – PSIR; B.Tech (Avionics, IIST), MBA (IIM Bangalore), Management Consulting, Currently in a Startup, Ranchi (Jharkhand); ISRO project on Power Distribution Systems, University Cricket teams, National Model United Nations, Playing Tabla, Reading novels about Intelligence Agencies.

Board – Air Marshal Bhonsle Sir; 18th August; 5.05-5.35 pm (5th to go)

Chairperson:

- 1. You have a beautiful name, what does it mean? Who kept it? Do you think name is important? Does it reflect upon the person?
- 2. Is that so, if it's not important, and only deeds and achievements are important, then would you like if parents would have named you Shakal, Mogambo or Shaitan Singh? Agreed that he is a war hero, but Shaitan Singh from name seems like a 'Parakrami' person, what about you?
- 3. Your grades were high in IIST, were you a topper there? I have visited that institute; it is a unique one. Tell me, how it has shaped you? What changes did you experience in yourself, studying there?
- 4. What position did you play in the cricket team of IIMB and IIST?
- 5. Give me a brief description of Tabla as an instrument? Have you learnt it professionally? Tell me about the origin of Tabla?

M1 (lady member):

- 1. Our PM talks about aspirations of Youth and achieving them in the next 25 years till our centenary celebrations of independence. Taking your own example, what are the aspirations of the youth of our country?
- 2. How will you create an ecosystem of entrepreneurship and innovation in our country?
- 3. What are the reasons for drug issue in the youth? What should we do as a society, as a family to tackle it? What is the government doing with its laws and agencies?

M2:

- 1. Since your optional is PSIR, tell me, can a state government amend laws made by center on issues in the concurrent list?
- 2. Recently our PM chaired a meet in UNSC, what was it about? How many pillars given by him? Broad contours of the pillars?
- 3. What is the difference between Asia-Pacific and Indo-Pacific concepts?
- 4. Why do you only read novels about intelligence agencies, why not actual books written by former operatives? If you have read real books too, written by operatives, tell me their names and authors?

- 5. What is counter-intelligence? Which are the foreign intelligence agencies which have significant presence in our country? You have read their books, tell me at least a few from them? Ok, what is the full form of ISI? Why is it called Inter-Services Intelligence?
- 6. Haven't you read books by foreign intelligence agency operatives? Ok, so tell me two famous operations of Mossad?
- 7. As an MBA and a consultant, tell me, how should I decide which hybrid annuity product should I invest in from a range of products?

M3 (lady member):

- 1. Since you are from Ranchi, tell me why the great PSUs of Ranchi are in a state of decline?
- 2. Has Jharkhand benefitted from its separation from Bihar? Tell me from economic, cultural, political, LWE perspective?
- 3. What do you think about Vodafone Idea going under and Telecom market becoming a duopoly? What are its advantages and disadvantages? What will be its implications?
- 4. What was this National Model United Nations? Which country did you represent and what was the theme?

M4:

- 1. I see that your grades were high in IIST, were you a topper there? (Exactly the same question as Chairperson Sir)
- 2. Why did Chandrayaan 2 lander fail to do a soft landing? But the flight was automated, why did we need constant monitoring of Altimeter data?
- 3. Tell me about your project in ISRO?
- 4. Tell me the difference between a Missile and a cannon? What about tracking in a missile? What about control and guidance systems in missile?
- 5. What taals did you learn in Tabla? Why only comfortable in Teen Taal and Kaharwa Taal? Why not Dadra, Jhaptaal and Ek taal? But you have learnt it professionally, so you should be comfortable in all of them? (Full on grilling for 2 minutes).
- 6. Ok Gentleman, in the first question asked by Lady Member 1, you said that we are best in Automation. Was it my mistake that

I hear you wrong, or do you actually think so? (I said that if you would have heard it, then its definitely my mistake. I wanted to convey that we are aspiring to be the best. He then told, okay that's what you meant and passed on to chairperson).

Chairperson:

- 1. Pranjal, do you know about IQ, EQ and SQ?
- 2. Ok, explain to me what this quote means to you "A person of low IQ but high EQ and SQ will always lead over those with high IQ." Do you agree or not?

- 3. But what about SQ of Steve Jobs? (Since I used Jobs and Wozniack's example in the previous question).
- 4. What will you do after this? What will you order? (I said I am not sure). Now I am very curious, you have to tell me what will you order? (I said something healthy, maybe from Subway). "Achha, Subway healthy hota hai?" (Sir joked and everyone laughed). Where are you staying in Delhi? Thank you, you can go now.

Overall, it was an amazing experience seeing the aura of the members and setup of the room. The board was cordial, patient, and perceptive. I didn't know a few answers and could have done better in a few. All the best to everyone waiting for their PT, hope you rock it.

Pratik Dhumal

Date - 20 Aug 2021,Board - Air Marshal Bhonsle Sir,Time - Afternoon session. Last to go. Approx 30+ min,Home state- Maharashtra, Pune.

Btech Computer Engi -2018, Nirma University Ahmedabad, Optional- Anthropology

Work ex - Oracle - GIFT city Gandhinagar, Areas of interest- Game dev, teaching

Chairman-

So you graduated from Nirma. Tell me 5 qualities of Karsanbhai Patel?

Do they teach students these things?

Which is your one lifelong learning from your GIFT city's work experience?

Member1-

1. You did computers right. Tell me what is cryptography?

Then he talked 2 min about keys in cryptography etc and said leave it.

2. What will be the impact of quantum computing on cryptography?

I told about cryptography breaking and superposition

- 3. What is superposition?
- 4. Suppose you have 8 bits in quantum so how much possible 1/0 combination can be possible?

I again said about superposition and said I don't know the exact no because it will be too much higher than 2 to power 8

Not satisfied.

- 5. What is Ct scan? Full form
- 6. Which rays are used in it?
- 7.Tell me 3 uses of nuclear energy?

Member2 -Lady

- 1. What is big data?
- 2. Suppose as a DM you have to manage migrants labours data how will you form an accurate database?

In one of the point I talked about feedback and missing links

- 3. How will you take feedbacks?
- 4. Now let's move on over data.

Women work force participation ratio in India is very low. Tell me laws for increasing that?

- 5. What is gift city?
- 6. What is so special about it?

Member3

- 1. Where do we find naga tribe?
- 2.Do they found outside India also?
- 3. Recent constitutional amendment related to them
- 4.PM on this independence day said about collective power of small and marginal farmers what does he talking about exactly?
- 5. You mentioned nuclear isotopes for cancer earlier tell me law via which any hospital or clinic can use them?
- 6. What is the tech behind MRI?
- 7. One very special thing about Gift city? I mentioned one and he said no.He was expecting about some special solid waste management there.

Member4-Lady

- 1. What have you done about game development?
- 2. Why we need ease of doing business index?
- 3.So as you mentioned about 10 parameters let's talk about registration of property.
- 4. Why it is needed and it's importance?
- 5. Tell me 5 major problem India is facing?
- 6. Why cooperative movement was successful in areas like milk but not in land?

Chairman sir-

1. What will you do now?

I said that I will go and celebrate my friend's bday

- 2. Where?
- 3. Convey wishes from my side also.

Your interview is over.Best of luck.

Shubh

Keywords from DAF: BTech Computer Science, IRAS, PSIR, Chess

Bhonsle sir board

CM:

What is anti chess?

What do you think is easier, chess or anti-chess?

M1 (ma'am):

tell 3 significant international events that happened in August

tell 3 significant domestic events that happened in August

what accounting reforms railways is doing to improve public service delivery

what problems do MSMEs face in India?

M2 (sir):

how is Internet governed?

what is DNS?

how many routes are there in DNS (don't remember this question exactly or what he wanted to ask, I said idk)

does India has cyber security policy?

what is critical information infrastructure? who decides what would be included in that list?

M3 (ma'am):

recently PM announced 75 new Vande Bharat trains. Does it require new tracks or can it run on old ones?

is railways budget deficit or surplus?

you are already in the services. Do you think civil services require reforms?

M4 (sir):

it is said that white has an advantage in chess because of first move? Why is that?

what is Big Bang, black hole? how can we say that universe is expanding?

you studied CS. Should I ask you about database management?

CM:

What are your plans for today?

Thank you. Your interview is over.

Date - 18th August 2021- Forenoon session- Last to go (1.05 pm)

- Board- Dr TCA Anant sir, Background B Tech (Mechanical Engineering), Optional- PSIR
- Home State- Maharashtra, Time- 25-30 mins
- DAF tags- Quizzing, Bharat Scouts and Guides, Head of an event, Calligraphy, Fighter jets

Chairman:

Read out only educational qualification from DAF.

- What have you been doing since graduation (2018)?
- Other than preparation? What else?
- Any community participation?
- What did u do in Covid related works?
- Why did u choose PSIR?

(M4 interrupted. Chairman asked me to answer him)

• Follow up questions on this

M 1

- What is 'The Argumentative Indian' concept? Who gave this concept?
- Is it good to be argumentative?
- Should civil servant be argumentative?
- Does it mean obstructionist?
- Do u support bifurcation of Maharashtra? Asked me to justify my stand?
- Why Pune and Mumbai have higher covid cases?

M 2

- Long questions on Sugarcane, Sugar industry and diversion of water resources.
- Current stats on farmers' suicide.
- Suppose you are an officer in charge, how will you oppose strong sugar lobby, liquor barons? Any steps taken on this?

- What can be done in Marathwada?
- Question on resource transfer.

M 3 - lady member - very soft spoken, unable to hear her question.

Asked her politely to repeat the question. She removed her mask and asked me to remove my mask.

- Afghan issue Impact on India's international standing, Impact on Pakistan's standing.
- Sudden withdrawal of USA from Afganisthan? Why so much hurry? Is it fair to leave all armed vehicles, infrastructure?
- Do you think Biden is a weak president?
- On one hand many states are bringing population control policies/bills and on other hand we are allowing Refugees. What is the way forward?

M 4

- Asked about my interest in fighter jets
- Why India could not develop commercial aircrafts' engine as many countries have done that eg Brazil- Embraer ?
- What Boeing is doing in India? Which parts of aircrafts are we producing right now?
- Your first preference is IAS. Suppose you are SDM of your district for 6 months, what are your short term priorities ?
- Quickly tell any 5 major much needed power sector reforms?

Chairman-

Your Interview is over. You may leave now.

Falcon

Board-Sujata Mehta madam, 20/08/21, Morning session-2nd to go

Graduation-Electrical and Electronics Engineering, Bangalore, Optional-Kannada literature

Work experience-ex Indian Navy officer

Hobbies-Practicing Hatha yoga, Calisthenics, watching Kannada dramas

Other DAF tags-Boat pulling competition gold medal in Navy, placement coordinator in College,Best outgoing student,Home state-Karnataka,Duration-30-35 min

Chairperson-(5-6 min)

- 1. Introduce yourself highlighting education qualification and work experience
- 2. Why do u think govt is hell bent on not giving compensation to cadets injured in armed forces?(from DAF) and some follow up questions..

- 3. Bangalore being a global city still suffers from traffic problem..why?(from DAF)
- 4. Bangalore is known for IT but social entrepreneurship is also on the rise.. what's ur take on that?

M1 (around 10 min)

- 1. Tell me the famous food item from Davanagere and Belgaum(from DAF)
- 2. If u want to bring Benne dosa under GI tag. Who has to apply for that??(from DAf)
- 3. Where do u watch drama in Bangalore?(from DAF)
- 4. Founder of Ranga Shankara auditorium?
- 5. What is the recent play that u have watched?(from DAF)
- 6. Which group performed Nagamandala drama? What is the essence of that drama?
- 7. Which is the other drama u have watched?
- 8. Which group performed Tughlaq drama? who performed the role of Aziz? What is the importance of that drama? (from DAF)

Appreciated well said for answers..

M2 (7-8 min)

- 1. How do you use electrical engineering knowledge in administration (tell specific example)
- 2. Tell me about the need for New Education Policy...
- 3.If you are a Education secretary..tell me how do u implement the philosophy of NEP?
- 4. Which is the highest ranked IIT?
- 5 Which is the highest ranked NIT?
- 6.Most populated state? what is the population of that state?
- 7. What is your opinion about privatisation of PSU's?
- 8. What is strategic sector?
- 9. If there is influx of migrants in your district, as a DM how do u manage it? some follow up questions..

M3 (6-7 min)

- 1.So u were a naval officer..tell me what did u learn from Navy?
- 2.Tell me 5-6 officer like qualities which are indispensable
- 3. What is the issue behind Hongkong protest? what is ur opinion about China's role in that?
- 4. Why do you think Russia is against other countries access to Arctic ocean?

- 5. Some long question about Antarctic Treaty..
- 6. Do you know which Union Territories have administrators and which have Lt governors?

M4-Lady (around 5 min)

- 1. Davanagere was famous for Cotton Textiles...why is it declining now?
- 2.If you are a DM..what measures will you take to revive Cotton industry?

Chairperson (around 2 min)

Do you feel we have left any more questions to be asked?

I said, Madam I feel the respected board would have assessed my personality by now,but if you insist I see the board has not asked about my other hobbies..

Chairperson said it's ok, other member has probed you on one hobby, we are fine...

Your interview is over and you can leave..

Thanked them and wished good day to all and left

Board was very cordial..I felt interview went on the lines of my DAF and some factual questions here and there...

Date - 18th August 2021- Forenoon session- Last to go (1.05 pm)

- Board- Dr TCA Anant sir
- Background B Tech (Mechanical Engineering)
- Optional- PSIR
- Home State- Maharashtra
- Time- 25-30 mins
- DAF tags- Quizzing, Bharat Scouts and Guides, Head of an event, Calligraphy, Fighter jets

Chairman:

Read out only educational qualification from DAF.

- What have you been doing since graduation (2018)?
- Other than preparation? What else?
- Any community participation ?
- What did u do in Covid related works?
- Why did u choose PSIR?

(M 4 interrupted. Chairman asked me to answer him)

• Follow up questions on this

M 1

- What is 'The Argumentative Indian' concept? Who gave this concept?
- Is it good to be argumentative?
- Should civil servant be argumentative?
- Does it mean obstructionist?
- Do u support bifurcation of Maharashtra? Asked me to justify my stand?
- Why Pune and Mumbai have higher covid cases?

M 2

- Long questions on Sugarcane, Sugar industry and diversion of water resources.
- Current stats on farmers' suicide.
- Suppose you are an officer in charge, how will you oppose strong sugar lobby, liquor barons? Any steps taken on this?
- What can be done in Marathwada?
- Question on resource transfer.

M 3 - lady member - very soft spoken, unable to hear her question.

Asked her politely to repeat the question. She removed her mask and asked me to remove my mask.

- Afghan issue Impact on India's international standing, Impact on Pakistan's standing.
- Sudden withdrawal of USA from Afganisthan? Why so much hurry? Is it fair to leave all armed vehicles, infrastructure?
- Do you think Biden is a weak president?
- On one hand many states are bringing population control policies/bills and on other hand we are allowing Refugees. What is the way forward?

M 4

- Asked about my interest in fighter jets
- Why India could not develop commercial aircrafts' engine as many countries have done that eg Brazil- Embraer?
- What Boeing is doing in India? Which parts of aircrafts are we producing right now?
- Your first preference is IAS. Suppose you are SDM of your district for 6 months, what are your short term priorities ?

• Quickly tell any 5 major much needed power sector reforms?

Chairman-

Your Interview is over. You may leave now.

17.08.2021

Sujata Mehta ma'am ,Optional: zoology

Maharshtra, 4.00 PM to 4.30 PM

Chair:

Ask to introduce myself, my education and work

What is your covid experience? And discussion..

Why zoonotic diseases are important nowadays?

Question on grivance redressal..types of grievance and women related issues in your district..

(Not remembering few questions)

M1:

Are you aware about muncipal council of your area..?

What are the functions of urban local bodies?

What is the basic difference between state government and urban local bodies? And its governance.. problems..source of revenues.?

M2 (lady):

Are you aware about Angamwadi workers..?

What kind of work they do..?

During covid?

Poshan Abhiyan? (New additional features)

Some schemes(health) related to women and children.

(Not remembering few questions)

M3:

As an SP you are appointed just month before..and you have to became a role model..every thing in your district should be perfect..how will you do this?

To make swatch bharat Abhiyan successful in every corner of your district as a DM .tell me some 5-6 very important and innovative initiatives you will take..?

M4:

Therse is some news about separation of maharashtra..what is that..?

What is your view..?

Why coperative societies once was flourished in maharashtra now in declining trend..?

Amravati is femous for what..?

Chair:

Do you aware about RTI?

Have you file any RTI or anybody you know they file??

Some questions related to science (may be about some project. Which I was not aware)

Do you want us to ask question on any topic.or want to say something??

Your interview is over..

Thank you

Date: 16-8-21 (AN)

Ch: Sujata Mehta Ma'am

IPS, Gujarat

Ch:

Introduce yourself

Work organization at Samsung that you would like to implement in govt

You mentioned data driven, can you think of any govt data whose credibility has been questioned (I replied COVID deaths)

How was it redressed

You spoke of Covid deaths, do you know about hunger deaths? How are they measured?

M1:

Methods for calculating unemployment

Why was unemployment data being contested

Again asked about specific controversy w.r.t. PLFS unemployment data

Which method would you pick if you were to design

M2:

You are from Gujarat, tell about cooperative movement in Gujarat

Any other state which is famous for cooperatives

Recently Ministry of Co-operation was launched, its pros and cons

Constitutional validity of the move

M3:

Indo-Pacific, Quad, expansionist China, Indo-US collaboration (asked many sub-questions together)

Gave out a statement from Shinzo Abe and asked me to elaborate: "The Pacific and the Indian Oceans are now bringing about a dynamic coupling as seas of freedom and of prosperity"

What are SLOC's and how to secure them

M4:

Causes of Drop out

NEP's specific details on dropout

What will you do to redress it

What motivates you to switch to IAS - tell 3 priorities for you and link them with solving dropouts

Ch:

Would you like us to ask on any other topic? (I replied Policing)

If you were an independent investigator in the Hyderabad encounter case than what would be your course of action

As a senior police officer what steps will you take in such a case

Board Manoj soni sir

Fourth and last one to go before lunch break.

Chairman:

What is the meaning of your name

Then something about the aarambh programme at kevadia

Women empowerment programmes in India for past five years

Is reservation needed for women in armed forces

Member 1: with the kind of respect that people have towards women in India is it ok to have women in combat role(he was hinting at the issue of outraging modesty of women in case they become pow)

Karmayogi mission do u know about it.

What's difference between institute academy and college.

Something about 1971 war.

What is super power

Is there a difference between super power and world power

Who is the super power now.

Member 2: Taliban rise to power and rights of women in Afghanistan and also what effects it will have on minorities and it's implications on India.

Do u know about a famous place in puducherry. (Aurbindo ashram)

Member 3: v and k shaped recovery in economy

What will you do if your district is more caste based and caste association have huge influence on working of the district.

Member 4: what do you think of the farmers law.

What's the issue

What's difference between multilateral and world Bank

What do you think of world bank's working

Give me a brief description of the history of development of tamilnadu on lines of human development index, education and industrial development s and job opportunities.

The board was cordial to me . But questions seemed very random. Jumping from one topic to another. And they cut me short after stating two or three points.

Date: 16.8.21, AN

Ch:Mr.Airmarshal Ajit S Bhonsle

What do you like in your IPS training?

What difference you find between IRS training and IPS training?

What's Inverted duty structure?(related to IRS)

What's the difference between central service and all india service?

Why specialist doctor to IAS?

Is it good specialist doing generalist job?

What's delta variant? which vaccine is effective against it?

What deters public to go to police station?

How can police reform by themselves?(from within)

How can China be tackled in long term?

Manoj Soni sir board.

PSIR optional

IPS

Went in, chairman sir seemed irritated for some reason or they have planned a Stress Interview beforehand...(he had come 1.5 hours late)

As soon as I sat and opened the buttons of my blazer, he said sarcastically: hope now you're finally comfortable

- Q. Meaning of your name
- Q. Cow protection
- Q. Cattle population in India

(Couldn't answer)

Q. Contribution of animal husbandry in India's gdp

(Couldn't answer)

Chairman remarked these are basics connected to your name you must know

Q. Same irritated look Now I'll ask you why IPS to IAS and you'll say diversity, challenges etc etc all usual stuff...you can't be having any different reason do you?

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- Q. Literacy rates in Rajasthan, in India.
- Q. How is literacy measured?

Members:

Basic Daf related ques on IR: Iran-USA, Pakistan, west Asia, ISA etc

Policing reforms...some questions on hobby...difference between motivation and inspiration...mostly discussion on IR

Chairman again:

- Q. Who won the war of Mahabharata?
- Q. Was it an ethical win? Was it okay to cheat Drona and Deceive Karna etc etc
- Q. So only ends matter to you not means!
- Q. Why don't you accept the Pandavas we're unethical

Your interview is over.

Board TCA Anant

Police questions:

- *Why people don't come to police station?
- *Reforms if given charge of ps.
- *Policing issues in Kerala.
- *Whether visited ps during election attachment
- *Why radicalization in Kerala?
- *On CJI comment of Human rights violation at PS? How to address the issue?
- *Comparison of policing issues in the places I had worked.
- *On india as 10trillion economy. How.
- *One policy to counter China.

BB Vyas board.

My interview was 80% about Kerala and police related. Rest some questions probably from articles in today's newspaper.

What 3 changes did IPS training brought in you.?

Why NPA named after Sardar Patel?

Have you read Prakash Singh report or heard of it?

Condition in prison? Why phones are being recovered from inmates?

Why IAS now instead of IPS?

When you enter the academy you see some beautiful quote. What is it?

What change did you bring in this attempt compared to previous attempt?

Is phone tapping legal? What do you consider while tapping phones? And cross questions

Cellular jail and name famous persons whose were prisoners there..

Hypothetical situation that instead of IPS you were in the IPS of British times how would you "deal" with the prisoners in cellular jail with order from the higher authority? If you don't follow order you will be in trouble.

Anurag Singh

Sociology optional, ,ECE graduation, MNNIT Ald, State - Uttar Pradesh

Hobby- life Hacks, mediation, pranayama, Interview date - 20 Aug 2021, Afternoon

Sujatha Mehta ma'am (3 male members & 2 lady members)

Chair

- 1. Give a brief intro including your education & employment background. Emphasised on asking "any" type of employment.
- 2. What kept you motivated for this exam?
- 3. Question on hobby what is innovative life hacks? Any examples?
- 4. Asked opinion on a case study related to hobby.
- 5. Types of hacking & whether hacking by nerds good? Even for good intentions?
- 6. What should government do?
- 7. Follow up Questions on Hackathon event by government? Their Significance? Role of government vs big private companies?

Lady member 2

- 1. About problem of malnutrition in UP? Give figures.
- 2. What has government done?
- 3. Details about Poshan Abhiyan? Changes in Poshan 2.0
- 4. Role of Aanganwadi, Asha etc.
- 5. What else government can do?
- 6. Follow up question on e Rupi?

Member 3

1. Do you know about insurance? (Random question & follow up questions)

- 2. What are the different types of insurance?
- 3. Who regulate it?
- 4. Why do we need regulation of this sector?
- 5. What is the purpose of life insurance?
- 6. Gave a complicated long case study on life insurance- whether it is ethical or not to transfer a life insurance by a critically ill single person to someone else for money? Or can be auction it?

Member 4.

1. What is cyber security framework in India?

Elaborate across different sectors - financial, defence, governance, etc. (Very long question & some follow ups)

- 2. Manifestation of Sagarmala Project.
- 3. About Blue Economy. What are the areas etc

Member 5. (Mostly sociology)

- 1. Tell me about Weber.
- 2. About his Bureaucracy. Why are the problems in it?
- 3. Contribution of Elton Mayo?
- 4. Difference between Weber's model & Elton Mayo's. Which one do you prefer?
- 5. Difference between group & team?
- 6. What is the "one" reason for school dropouts. How Nep will help in solving this issue.
- 7. How will sociology & engineering knowledge help you in civil services?

Chair

Thankyou Anurag your Interview is over. Do you want us to ask anything else that you have prepared or interested. I took a pause & said thank you ma'am it was a great experience & I'm satisfied.

Total around 35-40 minutes. Very cordial & engaging members. Much better experience than mock interviews.

All the very best to everyone.

Shri TCA Anant sir board

20-aug, Afternoon session, Psir, Btech in IT

What your company do

What was your role

What u have been doing after college

What u did for social service after college.

Cloud computing

Big data

Block chain explain

How will you prevent data on cloud from hacking

International agreement for cyber security

What is Arab Spring

What about Egypt

What is happening in Syria

Why USA is after Syria..

What is situation with China.. What is your assessment.

Why parliament debates are deteriorating

What is role of anti detection in it

Do you think members feel free to speak due to party discipline

Why HC has given violence problem to CBI despite competent state Police

CBI is caged parrot.. What do have to say now.

What are positive and negative of PPP

Why we charge extra amount to foreigners in Tajmahal

Do you support public defamation of sexual harrasers..

Boys will boys.. What do u think

What is legal provision to prove Patrineliality

Apart from political, what is important in IR

If CPEC is complete, how will it affect India Pak trade relationship

Compare dams in cpec with bakra capacity

How cpec will impact manufacturing capacity of Pakistan

Why Yamuna is dry in Agra

What will you do to revive it

Kept counter questions on same..

Date: 16.08.2021 (A/N)

Duration: 30 minutes ,Name: Jitender Meena,Chairperson: Smita Nagaraj ,Optional: Sociology

Hobbies: Jogging, Photography, Frisbee ,Work exp: SBI(3.5yrs), Delhi Govt. (Food Dept), currently working since 2019.

Chairperson:

- Why SBI to Delhi govt.?
- Why UT's are formed?
- Why Chandigarh is a UT?
- Hindi speaking people are increasing, reason in South India? Give in point 1, 2, 3!

M1:

- Suppose you are DC, priorities these, Education, Revenue, Health, law & order.
- Justify your preference.
- Why govt.'s are not following this preference?
- TFR reduced from 5.7 to 2.1? Reason being?

M2:

- You were sports councilor in IIT Bombay, what exactly was your work?
- Can we appoint such post at school level?
- How to increase participation in Sports?
- Give two names of famous photographers?
- Any Indian photographer?
- What type of photography they do?

M3:

- Food subsidies from in kind to in cash needed?
- Recently PM announced something relevant to this? (It was eRUPI)
- So, can we go for this? how beneficial it can be in Food department?
- Political parties at University level is good?
- Can we introduce it at college level?

M4:

- After merger of SBI with Associate banks, NPA in SBI increased. Why NPA is too high?
- Suggest solution for NPA in our banking sector?
- Tell two things which you liked most about St. Stephen's college?

Good Luck!

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- Chairperson Smita Nagaraj Ma'am
- 20 August Afternoon session
- Chairperson
 - 1. Why do you read Calvin & Hobbes comics specifically
- 2. Comedy in India Are Indians too thin skinned as we easily take offence?
- 3. Who is your favourite comedian? Why?
- 4. Which page of the newspaper do you read first? Any good editorial that you read recently?
- 5. Where did you travel to recently? What did you do in Dubai? Where in India? Which states have you been to?
 - 6. How North-West Indian and South Indian states are different? Give one parameter
- M1
- 1. You mentioned that you read IR page, why Afg important for us? Looking at India's engagement, I don't think we feel Afg is strategically important for us Your views?
- 2. Some more questions on Afghanistan
- M2 (Lady)
 - 1. Why Geography
- 2. Graduated in 2020 during lockdown what did you miss? Or did you find it beneficial for UPSC prep?
- 3. IIT Delhi best memory of Rendezvous (College fest)? One learning from your experience of organising the event?
 - 4. If not Civil Services, what is your plan B?
 - 5. Why geography optional?
- 6. There's a new new field integrating the study of integrating the study of Civil Engg & Robotics Do you know what it is?

• M3

- 1. Recent parliament session was a washout. Still why all MPs supported the Constitutional Amendment bill?
- 2. OTT rise seen in Lockdown How will it change nature of entertainment industry in the long term?
- 3. Few more questions, can't recall
- M4
- 1. Abraham Accords? Is it helpful for India? Have we taken any steps to benefit from Abraham Accords? Any relevance for the situation in Afghanistan?
 - 2. During 2nd wave, Goa saw many deaths due to oxygen shortage. Why?
 - 3. Recent Defence Minister speech Is employment generation an objective of Defence?
- 4. S-400 deal is it justified for India to ask for waiver from US? What would happen if US denied CAATSA waiver?
- Chairperson
 - 1. Why Qatar imp in Afghanistan situation? Why Taliban HQ in Qatar, and not any other country?
- 2. Rank the following parameters in descending order of priority, wrt their influence on shaping our foreign policy Morals and Principles, Convenience, Domestic public discourse
- 3. Give one example in recent foreign policy steps that prioritized Morals and principles

Rajeev Nayan Choubey sir's board

4th one to go, Background: B.T - M.T. dual degree Aerospace engineering IIT Kanpur

Optional: Hindi literature, Hobbies: meditation and writing poems

Work ex: 11 months in a startup., Chairman sir:

Introduce yourself highliting educational and professional experience.

What was your role in your company?

Have you heard about circular economy? What is it?

What is white revolution and blue revolution?

We have parliament form of government in our country. Why do we have it? Don't you feel we can do much better with presidential form of govt.?

Member 1 : why civil services after doing btech and mtech ? (Narrated a incident about social impact civil servant can have)

Why not become educator then they also have social impact? (Told about Career advancement opportunities)

Why not private sector which have better potential for career growth?

What is blue navy?

Difference between Recent INS Vikrant and older one?

What is tratak meditation?

What are the benefits of it?

But these are your personal experience can you tell about something which we can measured?

Member 2: Space race between USSR and US?

Who was kalpana chawla?

Reason of their shuttle failure?

Reason of black hawk failure? (Used by US during operation against Osama bin Laden)

Why Aerospace engineers join NASA and not work in india?

Member 3:

SWOT analysis of civil services ?

What are the threat to civil services?

How do you fit in this framework of civil services?

What kind of civil services do USA have?

Member 4:

So many people of Rajasthan came for interview, have you met one?

When did wright brothers's first flight took place?

Tell 2 reason for and against hiring IIT, IIM AIIMS graduates in civil services ?

(Follow up)Are you saying arts graduate are inferior to engineers?

Why hindi literature after engineering?

Use "na rahega baans na bajegi baansuri" in current Indian political dispensation

Date: 16/8/2021

Session: Afternoon, Graduation: BE (Mechanical), Optional: Literature of Kannada

Interests: theatre workshops/educator on YouTube/reading novels, Board: Bhonsle sir.

Chairperson:

(Asked me to remove the shield.

Briefly gave an idea about the process, not a Q-A but a conversation to see the suitability. Made sure I was calm and settled properly before starting)

Read out some parts from the DAF.

- 1. On Mission Karmayogi-Let's not get into the details. Just tell one feature which caught ur attention (said- rule based to role based)
- 2. Is rule based bad?
- 3. What's the need of role based now? (Said changing times wrt technology, capacity etc)

Member 1:

- 1. U said tech change. One such is 5G. Tell me about it.
- 2. how do you decrease latency
- 3. How are these waves affecting us?
- 4. Don't you think we need to stop these harmful radiation?
- 5. How are length and mass measured?
- 6. If you are using tools in shop floor how would you say the instruments are accurate?
- 7. Who sets standards of these tools at national level?
- 8. At intl level?

Member 2:

1. (From DAF -Was opposition party leader in school)

Tell me the role of opposition Party and the tools available in constitution for opposition

- 2. Why do we need standing committees?
- 3. If you are the DM of a dist and there is a sudden influx of migrants what will you do to assist them

Member 3:

- 1. Continuing with the migrants- on July 29 or so SC came up with a verdict. Any idea? (couldn't recall exactly, said it could be about migrant data)
- 2. Yes. Data was part of it. Why data on migrants are important now? Any progress in this regard?
- 3. Are you a body builder or do some physical workout?(nope) ok i thought you were and prepared some questions on it. U said no. I have to skip them.
- 4. Anyway what do u do for brain work?(mentioned the same in DAF, member asked any other. Said Sudoku and read non fiction etc)
- 5. Minimum no. of logical moves required to solve a sudoku.

- 6. U said role based- rule based etc why not reason based? (said that's foundation quality in both and therefore not explicitly talked about)
- 7. But reasons can be good or bad. How will a role based person choose better reason. (Said ethical, logical, legal dimension must be considered)
- 8. How ll you choose ethical point here? (Said utilitarian, rights approach etc)

Ok but these are hypothetical and outdated ethical views isn't it. Anyway let's not get into philosophy.

Member 4:

- 1. U are into theatre who is your favourite? (I Asked if i have to name a playwright or actor) member said Both.
- 2. Why Karnad
- 3. Your fav play of Karnad?
- 4. What's so good about tughlaq?
- 5. You are from Bengaluru there are too many complaints on lake water and its deterioration. Why lakes are facing these and how to deal?

Chair- what plans now? You must be hungry. Ur huge body needs good food. Go eat nicely.

Looking fwd to see u in the service soon. ATB. U may leave.

Thanked everyone. Came out.

(Asked an attendant sitting outside how long did it go. He said more than half an hour)

20th Aug, Afternoon session, Aswathy Jiji, TCA Anant Sir Board, 4th to go

Btech. ECE; Infosys work exp. Listening to audiobooks as hobby.

Chairman:

What is the meaning of your name?

Why did you quit your job? What have you been doing since then?

What are the audiobooks you listened to? Why not reading?

Which is better?

Is there any vaccine passport for India?

Member 1

Why Kerala is not producing good athletes now like P. T Usha?

Members of the women's relay team from Kerala?

Can we name wine produced in Nashik as Champagne?

Which authority gives geographical indication tag?

Why did you shift schools?

Why police service as your first choice?

M2:

Will Kerala's affidavit against dowry work? Give me your genuine thoughts.

How will you control crimes in Kerala?

What will be the impact of lesser remittance inflow into Kerala due to covid repatriation?

Will mobile towers disappear in the future?

M3:

Are women safer in UP or Kerala?

Do you think reservation is needed for women in politics?

Why political parties don't field women candidates?

Measures you will take to control flooding in your district?

M4:

What plans for your upcoming birthday?

How will you protect under trials?

The questions were entirely based on my DAF. Board was cordial too. A few questions which I couldn't answer, members asked me to go back and think over.

Name -Amit Kumar ,Board : Sathiyavathi ma'am,Session : Afternoon ,Graduation : Mechanical

Engineering ,IIT Bombay ,Optional : Mathematics ,Hobby : Playing chess and cricket ,Hometown : Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh

Chairman -

- 1- which prize is given for people working in maths below a certain age? Do you know who got it recently?
- 2- Why so many IITians coming to CSE

Wastage of resources in technical students in IIT, when they to do generalist work, that can be done by anyone?

3- Should students from IIT/AIIMS/IIMs be banned from CSE?

M1-

1. What is the role of UN in the current day international politics?

- 2. What is our neighbourhood policy? Why SAARC could not become successful? What will be its impact if taliban comes to power?
- 3. Taliban rise to power and rights of women in Afghanistan and also what effects it will have on minorities and it's implication on India.
- 4.Inflation is actually good for the economy. Why do you say that inflation is bad for the economy?
- 5.If you have to make one amendment in the constitution, what will be it?

M2-

- 1. tell us some terms used in chess.
- 2. Why Russians dominate in chess?
- 3. what is bioinformatics? What problems India is facing in bioinformatics?
- 4. what are the particular problems related to diseases in eastern UP and how to solve the problem. Why Up is backward?

M3-

- 1. why women's cricket is not popular in India?
- 2. we have performed very poor in Olympics, why is so? What can be done to improve?
- 3. So you have done B.tech from IIT. Tell me some history of IIT Bombay?
- 4. South Korea doesn't have IITs, still good in technology? Why so?

M4-

- 1. Why do we need different engines?
- 2. Why there is no internal combustion engines in aircraft?
- 3. What happens when we fill petrol in diesel engines and vice versa?
- 4. what do you mean by public service? Aren't all citizens serving the country in one form or the other?
- 5. How women reservation will help in women empowerment? Why reservation is not seemed to end? Why it is still going on and on? Should reservation be there in armed forces?

Name – Anubha Tripathi ,Place – Lucknow, UP ,Date – 23/08/2021

Hobby – Journaling, Listening to Rock Music ,BA (Hons) Econ – Ramjas, MA(Econ) – Delhi School of Economics ,Work Ex – Consultant, EY LLP (Data Analytics) 2015-17 ,Attempt – 3rd; Interview – 1st ,Board – BB Vyas Sir; 4th to go. (12:00 PM) Time – 40 minutes

Chairman –

• Hello Anubha, please come in. You can move your mask to the chin so that it is easier to speak and keep wearing your face-shield. (That's how the interview was taken)

- So what does Anubha Mean? (I said it means Ambitious)
- Are you Ambitious?
- Is ambition a good thing or a bad thing?
- What is the difference b/w Ambition and Aspiration?
- What is this Aspirational District Programme?
- Who's programme is it? (I took a pause to recollect Niti Aayog but then he moved to another question, without me being able to answer; Tip don't take too long to answer)
- You know Anubha, when we were preparing for UPSC, we used to hear about cooperation and collaboration. Now people are talking about Competition? Why do you need it? Is it a good thing?
- What is credit to GDP ratio? What is the value in India and how does it compare globally? Why is credit important?
- Why are banks being merged? What is the main objective behind it? (Chairman and M2 started chatting in the middle Mera to Canara mein account hai, vo bhi merge ho raha hai; Mera to Punjab & Sindh Bank mein hai I was smiling, then once they were done, I answered)
- Is there any Indian bank in Top 100? What about Chinese banks? How are they doing?
- Have you read the Economic Survey this year? Every year we have some area of focus of ES. What was this year's focus? (I said 2 points)
- ES also talked about Adam Smith? What was it? (I said I am unable to recall, sir)
- It is very interesting. Go and read it.

M1 (Max time taken – did not go very well)

- What is parliament financing? (Sorry sir, I am not sure of this term)
- How is budget passed? What is the value of this year's budget?
- What type of cuts can parliament make in budget? (I remembered only Token cut motion, but he himself mentioned that. I said sorry sir, I am unable to recollect the names of the motions.)
- Then he asked what does Cut Motion Signify?
- What are the major sources of revenue? Then he himself said that we have direct and indirect taxes, what else? (He wanted to go towards disinvestment, but I hovered around here and there)
- They say the government is selling 'family gold?' (That's how I understood that he wanted to ask about disinvestment, but the damage was already done!)
- Do you think we are in Debt Trap? How much is our Fiscal Deficit? (I told the FD, but tried a lot to defend that we are not in a debt trap. Some grilling was there! I feel I could have answered it way better. I got a little nervous and then mind stopped for few seconds.)

M2

- You have qualified NET (Economics) also. You don't want to go to academics/teaching?
- Why do we need budget?
- What is parallel economy? Why it exists? What can be done?
- Then he pointed to the water bottle kept infront of me and asked that what is the Permissible TDS? (Sorry Sir, Don't know)

M3 (Lady Member)

- She said, I am not going to ask you economics.
- India in its 75th year needs social revolution. Elaborate. (I did. Talked about health, education, women etc.)
- Then she said, how can we achieve it? (This answer became unstructured and I got super nervous. Tip don't mention too many angles or when they talk about solution, pick 2-3 areas and elaborate)
- What is the role of Panchayats in this?
- What is stopping us?
- Does caste have any role to play in this?

She said Thank You. Didn't look impressed. Made sense, because my answers were pretty unstructured

M4 (Last)

- Is price rise a problem?
- What can be done?
- What is the difference between cess & surcharge?

Then chairman said, Thank You. Your interview is over. Have a nice day.

No question from Hobby, Home State, Work Experience.

Sujata Mehta Mam Board: 03/08/2021 morning

Anil M,B.Tech Mech, MA Political science ,Indian forest service.presented paper on china

Cha.

- 1. Tell us something about your edu and work experience.
- 2. What you think on Mumbai coastal road and area colony project.
- 3. Apart from decision what is your opinion
- 4. What is your stand on Moefcc, going about more development and permissions
- 5. How one should decide to Divert areas of forest.

6. Do you think protected area are reducing for development.?

M1

- 1. What you think on having metro for india kind of urbanization.
- 2. What Is BRT and why not able to manage it in india in a better way
- 3. Which system is better.
- 4. Do we need mixed model?
- 5. Does compensation of forest divergent is sufficient?
- 6. How to go for balanced approach
- 7. Whag is value for diverting for forest? Is it kanchan chandra committe value is up to date?
- 8. What we needed move the vehicle or something else?

M2.

- 1. Why not fellowship as you are JRF
- 2. What is backyard diplomacy?
- 3. What is the status of our foreign policy? Is it good, bad or very bad?
- 4. Why forest service to Civil...it seems personal decision..
- 5. What is incubation cell
- 6. Difference between innovation and incubation
- 7. What is federalism? What kind of issues facing? How to go for balancing federalism?

M3

- 1. Tell us something about rise of china
- 2. What unique things about China?
- 3. How this OTT changing cinema
- 4. Whag about art cinema.. is it going good in india.
- 5. Do you know recent guidelines for OTT
- 6. How it will impact film maker.
- 7. What about money menace in cities, can it be declared vermin?
- 8. What is legal mechanism
- 9. Somwthing about cinematographer act?

M4

- 1. What you think about having three capital for maharshtra, which places you will choose?
- 2. What uniquness of magarpatta city? Is there any place where it tried
- 3. Why it succeeded in pune and not other places
- 4. What are the issue of road safety
- 5. Somwthing about motor vehicle act
- 6. What about juggad and standard innovation
- 7. Elite people want standardization, what you think

Cha.

- 1. Academicians debating that excess death is there ,whatever reported is less? What you think?
- 2. Do you feel, any area left where we can ask

Cath

Air Marshal bhonsle sir board

23.8.2021, Afternoon (3rd to go), State Tamil Nadu, MSc mathematics, Sociology optional

Budget travelling, journaling, 36 min

CHAIRMAN

made me comfortable.can wipe your face with tissue

Read my daf. Achievements

- 1. What was your contribution as the president of students union (daf) long answer. Sir interrupted to clarify but he was listening keenly overall
- 2. Told a buddha quote asked to interpret

M1

- 1. Where do you see yourself in 5 years
- 2. Why budget travelling(daf)

M3

- 1. Choose between the two college (my ug and pg college)
- 2. Has corona proved malthusian theory wrong
- 3. What saree are you wearing
- 4. Tell 5 places you will take me in Tn and the cost (daf)

5. It is said Chennai is a word Madras is an emotion.why

M3

- 1. Tell me how can we use mathematical modelling for climate change
- 2. Two follow up questions (chairman said you can use the pen and paper which was kept in front)
- 3. What if zero did not exist
- 4. What is the meaning of your name.
- 5. Covid changed the world order, should it continue
- 6. Meaning of your name

M4

- 1. Why naxalism is still present
- 2. What will you do as a DM
- 3. What is quad
- 4. Is it anti china alliance
- 5. Space tourism
- 6. What could we have done in handling covid better

Chairman- I like tn for sapad (food)

Your interview is over

Board was very cordial. Mostly daf based

- Board=> Bhonsle Sir
 - Duration => 30-35 minutes
 - Chairperson
 - Who is your best friend from college?
 - What good things he will tell about you?
 - What bad things he would tell you?
 - What one negative thing you would say about your friend?
- o Recently Hon'ble PM said that mother tongue education as prescribed in NEP would help in improving Strength (Shakti), Justice (Nyay) and Pratistha (Honour)? What is your viewpoint?
 - M1
 - How is mother tongue education helpful?



- Why did you pursue manufacturing engineering when you wanted to be in civil services?
- How would Tennis help you in administration?
- o Some more questions, not able to recall?

• M2

- You have studied anthropology. How do you define tribe?
- How many tribal people are there in Rajasthan?
- Is World War 3 inevitable?
- What is smart jewelry?
- Is it possible to remain Non aligned in present world?
- What is the scenario of online gaming (Hobby)

• M3

- You talked about tribals? Should we adopt the tribal way of life?
- What are the negative things among tribals? (Follow up)
- o Talk me through the BITS Pilani about culture, education and institutional things?
- o Tell me about the evolution of manufacturing in India from medieval times to present?
- Name some people from Bhakti movement and their message to humanity as whole?

• M4

- You play tennis. Who are some new tennis players that will replace present era of Djokovic, Federer and Nadal is ending?
 - o Why we are not performing that good even after having such good players in past
 - What is the issue regarding Pegasus?
 - Why is there so much uproar in the nation regarding it?
 - Chairperson
 - What are your plans after the interview?

Overall majorly questions were around DAF and optional

Batman, Afternoon session, 23/08/21, B.B Vyas Sir, Optional: Economics, 4th to go,

Ch: Liquor ban in Bihar

India China issue

5G technology

Climate change, carbon trading, COP 21

Types of taxes, amount of taxes

M1: carbon credits, carbon trading,

Global warming potential

Role model

M2: extra judicial killing

Tax exemption for women

Women issues

M3: Olympics and table tennis

India Afghanistan issue

More questions on international relations

M4: GST issue

Compensation issue

Opinion about extending compensation to states

Some other questions which I don't remember now.

Ch: no questions, your interview is over.thank you

Date - 20 August, forenoon, Chairperson - TCA anant sir, first to go., Duration - 30 min approx

Qualifications - computer engg, work- ex at adobe, Hobby - sci fi movies, coding, Optional - maths

Board was overall cordial

Chairperson:

- 1. Is noit and dce same?
- 2. You have worked in adobe, interned in Samsung what was your work there.
- 3. What did you do during last 5 years, other than preparation?
- 4. If you are made tourism secretary bihar, what challenges will you identify and how will you improve them?
- 5. Why big pvt chains not venturing in bihar?

Member 1:

- 1. How will you use technology to improve tourism
- 2. 1-2 questions on sci fi (favorite movie, what's it's application today)
- 3. 3-4 small Question relating to kigali amendment
- 4. Question on Delhi's waste management model

Member 2:

- 1. Where were you born? How many times do you visit bihar?
- 2. Importance of gaya
- 3. What is your service preference.
- 4. Question on Afghanistan issue
- 5. Ques on recent amendment to ips, removing disability quota
- 6. Question on deposit insurance in banks

Member 3:

- 1. What kind of tourist come maximum to India? Bag packers, middle class or elite?
- 2. What problems do elite tourist face and why?
- 3. Contribution of indian mathematician to maths
- 4. Relationship between maths, astrology and astronomy.
- 5. Why students fear maths?

Member 4:

- 1. What is better for local economy ,homestays or 5 star hotels?
- 2. Veiw on crypto currency
- 3. Why did you choose maths optional?
- 4. Why were you named "my name"?

Name – Anonymous, Graduation - Engineering - CS&E, Chairperson - Smita Nagraj Ma'am

Date - 12/08/2021, Optional – PSIR, Duration - 35 minutes, Afternoon session, 5th one to go.

Chairperson

- Q. You are from Udaipur? What are you doing there?
- Q. Okay. Talking about tourism, we see that tourism in Rajasthan is generally limited to forts, palaces, natural beauty etc, But what else would you recommend new in tourism?
- Q. But are tourists really interested in Health and Education?
- Q. Age based marriage is always in news (something like this she said and something else). There has been debates on increasing the marriage age of girls, do you support it?
- Q. So tell me why would you support it and secondly what resistance will be faced by the society?

M1

- Q. Difference bw the Indira Gandhi Canal and Indira Gandhi feeder canal?
- Q. Okay could you please tell me what is cryptocurrency?
- Q. what is e RUPI and how is it different from cryptocurrency?
- Q. You have mentioned your hobby as swimming. Tell me why we are not able to win medals in swimming?
- Q. But it is said that genetic reasons are also there.

M2

- Q. So could you tell me which is the largest company in Rajasthan?
- Q. Do you think areas near Udaipur have good connectivity?
- Q. Okay but in which areas you are talking about improving connectivity?
- Q. Has division of Mewar led to better outcomes?
- Q. What has govt done to promote investments in startups?

M3

- Q. Having talked about Indira Gandhi Canal. Why sometimes the water is not allowed to flow?
- Q. Okay, lets talk about the Retrospective Taxation? Could you please tell me what is it?
- Q. Okay, but do the sovereign not have any power to tax?
- Q. Lets talk about startups, could you please tell me what is startup India scheme?
- Q. Okay, but now you are pursuing civil services, so what makes you chose this over startups?

M4

- Q. Why cement industries gets greater competition while in marble the avenues are always green?
- Q. Okay but don't you think that reasons like Power availability, dry port facilities, (and some others which I don't recall) etc are the main reasons?
- Q. In areas near Marwar and other cities the Pardah system of accounting is prominent, do you know what it is?
- Q. Are leaders born?
- Q. Let set aside whether leaders are born or not. Tell me 5 qualities of a good manager?

Chairperson

- Q. By what you have answered in startup question it seems like you are easily convinced by your father?
- Q. You were mentioning about startup. If given the opportunity, in which field you would like to work?
- Q. Okay and do you have any idea for this?
- Q. Okay, what specifically you will be doing?
- Q. Okay, tell me, among all which is the biggest reason for you to choose civil services?

Thank you. You may go now.

P

Profile: Tamil Nadu/CSE/Work Experience in IT sector/Sociology, Hobbies: Yoga, Travelling, Millet Cooking, Board: Air Marshal Mr. Bhonsle

As soon as I entered, Sir made me comfortable by briefing me about the process, appreciating my academic achievements, and told me to feel comfortable. He then read out my DAF out loud.

Chairperson:

- 1) Meaning of your name
- 2) Quote about travel and asked my interpretation about it.
 - a. 2 more situational question from my interpretation

Member 1:

- 1) What is Super Brain Yoga?
- 2) What is artificial intelligence? Why is it called artificial, and can Intelligence really be artificial?
- 3) What is special with India?

- 4) What aspects of India would you chose to represent Brand India (I was focusing on cultural aspects while metaphysical aspects like Vasudaiva Kutumbakham was expected. Took a while for me to figure out)
 - 5) M.N.Srinivas vs S.C.Dube comparison

Member 2:

1) 5 places you would like to visit (Asked Current affairs from the places I said. For Eg: For "north east India", he asked about the recent border conflict, for Auroras, he asked about the phenomenon, etc). This took quite a while with some follow up questions, then he passed the baton to the next member.

Member 3 (Lady):

- 1) Why do you want to move from private to public sector?
- 2) Advantages and disadvantages of private sector
- 3) Do you think private sector is not serving the nation?
- 4) Why are millets not popular?

I felt she was focussed on cornering me for leaving private sector

Member 4 (Lady also)

- 1) How will you popularise millets?
- a. When I gave a general answer, asked as an "administrator"
- b. What places in India would you recommend to tourists from Japan?

Overall: Cordial board, however I felt there were too many questions from the same topic. No questions on Paralympics (that started today), Women empowerment, many important current affairs. They give ample time to answer. Interview must have gone on for around 30 minutes. Could not gauge if they were satisfied or not.

Pickle

Sathiyavathy Ma'am Board, afternoon 5th to go

IRS (IT), Mech engg IITD, Optional - Mech engg, work ex - axis bank, HS- Jharkhand

Chairperson-read my daf aloud

Which irs batch. Currently in service or eol

What do yo do in video/image editing (DAF)

What was the recent issue in Axis Bank? Ma'am confused it with yes bank issue

Okay was there any issue in axis bank too

Why you left axis bank

What about salary cut

M1

Appreciated for picking mechanical engineering as optional and then asked why chose mechanical engineering

How will you use mechanical engineering in administration

What are the new research areas in mechanical engineering

What was your role in hostel working committee (DAF)

Have you studied material science in college

In recent parliament tell about new legislations which were passed

M2

What is Inspire Scholarship (DAF)

Tell about the legislation which brought indirect transfer of assets . Retrospective amendment and changes brought in and reasons

What will be your priority when you become CM

Have you watched Nayak movie? What will you do if you are made CM of Jharkhand for one day

M3

How will you use nano technology in stealth technology

Recently Uttarakhand cm resigned. What was the reason

Jharkhand and Bihar separated which state is loser in this

But one state has mineral resources one has not then what

M4

What is FATF

Did you work regarding to that in your job

What does business intelligence unit do (work experience)

What is 3d printing

Chairperson - thank you you can leave

Wishing all the best to candidates appearing in interview this year \Box

Aruneesh

Board: Manoj Soni Sir, Forenoon, first to go., 24.08.2021

PSIR, BIT MESRA, TISS HRM, Football, Weight Training, HS- Jharkhand (Currently in WB)

Chairman: So young man, how is life? How is the weather in Kolkata?

A lot has been going around in the realm of football, can you elaborate on few recent instances.

How many aspirational districts are there in WB? How many in JH? Can you name few?

What initiatives will you take in these aspirational districts?

Tell me what is the exact criteria for the selection of aspirational districts?

M1 : You are the DM of a water scarce district, what measures will you take to ensure that that the issue of scarcity is resolved in your district?

What is Jal Shakti Abhiyan?

What are the current developments in it?

M2: Is Privacy a right? Is it a fundamental right? Was it always a fundamental right?

When can an Individual's privacy be transgressed?

Why is facial recognition considered breach of privacy?

Have you heard about the DNA technology Bill? Is it violating any privacy norms?

An instance where public health related necessity became a threat to individual privacy?

Is International Relations your forte? If you were India's ambassador to Afghanistan what would have been your approach if you were to give your inputs for recognition of Taliban to the Government? 3 points from the perspective of India's own interest and 3 from geostrategic perspective?

M3: Carrying forward the privacy conversation, let us say you and I are friends and you post my picture on social media without consent, what legal action can I take in that case since my privacy is breached.

How many districts are Still naxal affected? Why do you think the issue of naxalism still persists? Do you have any solution for that? Do you think Naxals of Jharkhand and Naxals from Chattisgarh have common concerns and grievances? What will be your policy to deal with the Naxals in your district? Is there a grievance redressal mechanism for Naxals?

Do you think China is a bigger threat than terrorism?

M4: Differentiate between TISS and BIT in terms of – academic curriculum, professors, values they added in your life, type of friendship you formed, professors, areas of improvement needed, what you learnt from both these institutes which will help you in administration and the reason you chose these two institutes for higher education? (DAF based, all this was one long question! Had to differentiate on these stated parameters, was trying really hard to ensure that I don't miss out on any)

What are the issues plaguing our higher education institutions?

If I ask your closest friends to tell 3 good qualities and 3 bad qualities about you, what would they say?

Who do you idealize and why?

DrShubhamIRTS

23rd August 2021

Bhosle sir's Board

Forenoon session

1st candidate to go

Duration: 25-30 min.

(No questions from Railways and lots of questions from my medical background and covid management)

Background: U.P. State, IRTS probationer at present, 6 months service as medical officer in U.P., MBBS KGMU, Badminton, Sketching etc

Chairman:

Made me comfortable by explaining everything calmly, faceshield removed but mask was on face...

1. What are you doing at present?

- 2. Can you name any Dr. who as an administrator has done exceptionally well in COVID management?
- 3. Mumbai city COVID management strategy?
- 4. As an adminitrator what will be your strategy in case of a 3rd wave of COVID?

1st Lady Member:

- 1. Difference b/w drawing and sketching?
- 2. What type of sketching you do?
- 3. Since when you are sketching and what is the motivation behind it?
- 4. As an administrator how you can use your sketching skills to improve administration?

Member 2:

- 1. People are talking about curative aspect of covid management, can you tell me about some preventive management strategy to tackle covid?
- 2. Ayurvedic preparation for covid?
- 3. Strategy of GoI to manage COVID?

Member 3:

- 1. Why agitation happened in case of Citizenship Amendment Bill?
- 2. Provisions of CAA?
- 3. How is it related to Assam?
- 4. Your opinion on CAA?
- 5. Do you know about Insolvency and Bankruptcy code?
- 6. How it is beneficial for banks and companies?

2nd Lady member:

- 1. What made you decide for civil services preparation despite being a doctor?
- 2. What type of work you did as medical officer during covid times?
- 3. What else could have been done at that time to manage covid better?
- 4. You come from a family of govt. Employees, tell me what is more important for a govt. Servant-Honesty or Efficiency!!

Chairman again:

1. There is a narrative that US has given Afghan control to Taliban with an idea that Pakistan will take over Afghanistan by controlling Taliban. What is your opinion?

Thank you. Your interview is over.

Bonus question by chairman:

what is your plan for today after this interview?

Anonymous

Board- Air Marshall Bhonsle Sir. ,Date-25/8/2021, forenoon session, 2nd to go. ,Daf keywords-Delhi, sociology, civil engineering, Mess Coordinator, Vit vellore.

Chairman

- 1. Tell me other synonyms of Sun?
- 2. Can you tell me all 12, you have already mentioned 8 names?
- 3. Why sun is called Aditya?
- 4. Who is the father of Sun?
- 5. Recent judgement on creamy layer, why not only economic criteria, what other criterias are there?

Member -1

- 1. So much praise about Delhi Education Model, has anything really changed?
- 2. Why Delhi is not state?
- 3. What is the difference between Delhi and other states?
- 4. Why law and order is not under state government?
- 5. Delhi's environmental pollution, nothing has really changed, apart from big big promises, why it is so?
- 6. Who is responsible for Delhi's Air pollution?

Member -2

- 1. Dm of district of kashmir, suggest me innovative measures for building in Kashmir?
- 2. How will you integrate cultural needs of people?
- 3. How will you take care of soil in kashmir?
- 4. What codal provisions you will utilise while constructing a building in kashmir?
- 5. What height of building you will suggest?
- 6. Why there is so much hue and cry about dams, specially in Uttrakhand?
- 7. How will you measure social distance? Can you tell me details of the same?

Member-3

- 1. Tell me about Vit in detail?
- 2. What is so special about Golden Temple?
- 3. What problems you faced as a mess coordinator?
- 4. From which state Maximum number of people studied in VIT?
- 5. How you accomodated needs of people from North East India?

Member -4

1. In urban areas there is no segregation, why then social criteria?

Counter question on this.

- 2. What you as a citizen has done for Air pollution in Delhi?
- 3. Who is most vulnerable from Air pollution?
- 4. Why there is apathy in general masses about pollution?
- 5. Which legislation was passed in Delhi because of pressure from public?

Chairman.

- 1. Tell me what is salami slicing policy of china?
- 2. What is cabbage policy of China? I am not expecting from you to know this, but just think about the vegetable and come up with something, I want you to think.
- 3. What is your plan after the interview?

Ok your interview is over, you may leave now.

25/08/21

5th to go, Air Marshall bhonsle sir, DAF areas covered: ECE (IIT BHU), Work ex at Goldman Sachs, Volleyball, Ecofriendly minimalistic lifestyle, PSIR ,30 mins

2 lady members

C: explained process, read DAF aloud, told to lift shield

- Q. do you know JK Rowling, told a quote -"Working hard is important. But there is something that matters even more: believing in yourself", asked my take on it
- Q. question about team work and collaboration- how now we are moving more towards collaboration, what do i think of it?

M1

- Q. explain volley game to a layman person
- Q. Asked about my lifestyle

Q. take on oil palm project, discussion on it

M2

- Q. when india liberated bangladesh, why dint we annex it?
- Q. issue of contention between Bangladesh and india, whos right acording to u?
- Q. why we cant turn fan on with remote like ac,tv ... can it be done?

M3

- Q. why left job?
- Q. how will use knowledge in administration?
- Q. asked why jk Rowling novels were rejected at first? (she told me: patriarchy was reason thats why she chose the name JK then with her mother's middle name)
- Q. Diff between electronics, ECE and electrical & electronics

M4(was not satisfied)

- Q. what challenges does taliban face now?
- Q. history of goldman(i mentioned 2008-09 crisis)
- Q. why goldman made profit while others vanished? (dint know)
- Q. Goldman founders nationality?(dint know) -he said so u dont know about ur company

Interview over

N

Board: R.N choubey sir, Hobby: jogging, Optional: pub ad, Btech (mechanical), State: delhi

Work ex: content developer in a coaching institute

Chairman: this is not a police cross examination, we would like to have a friendly chat with you.

Tell me about your work?, what you do in that.?

Are you happy with it?

Do you think in your case point that formal education is not necessary when it comes gaining education?

Member 1: our neighbor is building a port in south, how it concerns india.? What is name of port?

Do you think india has failed to keep it neighbors in good terms vis a vis china?

What changes would you like to suggest if you are in chair to set india's foreign policy?

Air india privatisation! Is it good?

Member 2 : why women status is better in northeast compared to north india?

What is role of alumni in guiding students?

Tell me 3 essential qualities of a leader?

Member 3: what do u know about oil bonds?

Cryptocurrency?

Tell me 3 things of indian administration you are proud of and 3 thing you want to fix immediately!

What do u understand by karmyogi?

What is in kautilya arthashashtra which is there in indian administration?

Member 4: there is viewpoint of raising age of retirement of govt employees, present argument in favor and against!

(long debate on this)

How to fix corruption in administration

Use of ict in governance

Chairman: so my friend we have asked things from our side, now do you want us to ask anything which we have missed?

Thank you, you can go now.

Vivek

Chairperson - chaubey sir

Background- UP(MH), Btech electronics, Maths optional, Hobby-reading, chess, meditation

Date - 25-80-2021 afternoon, first to go

CP -

Told me to relax.

Briefly introduce about ur education and job

What work did u do?

Issues in power sector - cross questions

Should india engage with Taliban?

Tell me ur 2 weaknesses

M1-

-Why did u leave ur job? -(not satisfied with an) cross questions

- what is vedic maths? Where it can be used? Would you want ur children to learn them? Isn't it against normal maths?
- on afgan issue, why date of 31aug?
- -(he hinted about peace deal) terms of peace deal

M2-

Why place of birth and address different?

- which neighborhood country has good relations with india? (Told Bhutan) why?
- Yuval Noah harari? Why he is so famous?
- 1 quest on Asset monetization pipeline- can't recall- based on centre-state role

M3-

- where did covid come from?
- why so much interest in conspiracy?
- what's ur view?
- what r zoonotic diseases?name few.
- global happiness index? Parameters?
- is it good or bad?

M4-

Took thread from weaknesses told earlier.

How are u improving on them?

Tell me more areas where u r weak.

Tell me more.

(Discussion went to team player and team leader)

Are u good team player? (Yes)but we need leaders. Are u one? -yes-yes. To both

CP sir- would you like us to ask any topic or are u comfortable?

Thank you sir.

Okk,ur interview is over. It was nice talking to u.all the best for Life.

Thank you sir., Overall experience-, questions were not exactly like these. I paraphrased them. no questions from State, graduation, district, optional.

I couldn't answer satisfactorily to M4, so he was little disappointed.couldn't notice other members reaction.

Finally,

They are such nice people to talk to. They respect u as much as we respect them. It was good and learning experience. Ty. all the best to all.

Manoj Soni Board

What did you do after graduation?

Why IAS after IPS?

Any Startup Idea that you can think of. How will you seek funding?

Need to reduce carbon emissions.

Effects of global warming.

Why reforms required in police.

2 most important reforms in police.

Defence developments in Space.

Why walking is preferred over running?

Significance of Tibet.

Anti drone technology.

Refugees and afghan Refugee crisis.

What can we learn about Bhutans vaccination drive ?

Implications of Afghan crisis on Saarc?

BB Vyas sir's board

No questions on Policing

India's role in middle East

Should India support Israel in issue with Palestine

How can we rationalise subsidies

Explain provisions of Fugitive Economic Offender act

Explain process of Extradition

Asked questions on CAG, PAC and roles of other economic committees (static)

Some more static polity questions, can't remember..

Explain challenges with GST Network

Why telecom sector ailing. Can we shift from mobile to entirely satellite based communication.

Explain challenges of various banking frauds, how to address..

What would be the difference in your approach as a DM if given charge of an urban area vs rural area...

Use of drones in police and civil administration .. how will you use, pros and cons

What is your biggest ambition of life ..

Money vs power what will you choose

D,Board - RN choubey sir,Afternoon 24 August.

CS Engg,State- Uttarakhand,Hobby- played football at decent level, beatbox music and sketching manga art.,Optional sociology

Chairman

- I entered with good morning to all. CM said good afternoon. Tried to comfort me 1st, told me to remove my mask.
- introduce yourself wrt educational and work experience.
- if you have to choose between one mahatma Gandhi and bhagat Singh, who it would be? said Gandhi. (was not expecting this question right after he comforted me). He counter questioned 2-3 times then.
- -then what's wrong in bhagat Singh's approach. (To my reply)
- -why masses are needed to be included in a movement, why violence against British was not right?
- -then why is bhagat Singh is still an icon among us? (To my reply)

M1 (perpetually dissatisfied)

- democratic decentralisation is a success or failure in india?
- what's the problem in centre directly giving funds to the PRI?
- why state government resist this direct funding?

What's the difference between centre directly funding or routing it via states?

(Between this conversation, chairman sir 1st stood up, went behind his chair and started stretching. When the conversation ended with M1, I noticed that chairman sir was near the window directly behind his chair. He was looking outside. Like watching the greenery and cloud stuff).

M2 (poker faced throughout)

- Despite being from Army school throughout your life, You did your 12th as private candidate. I don't understand why?

- you're from army background? (I said yes)
- you never appeared for any army recruitment -NDA or CDS? (Said no sir).
- so you were not impressed by your father at home and his work and laughed. (A little bit uncomfortable here. justified it).
- -so you're interested in IR. Why India needs Afghanistan?
- what do you mean by the war not going any side? (Elaborated that USA was locked in Afghanistan).
- -but I don't think domestic pressure to withdraw was there? (He asked this with highly dissatisfied face in response to my earlier statement)?
- why USA has pulled out. Tell me a strategic reason?
- why Russia is so keen this time to engage w Taliban?

M3 (very low voice)

- -Generations to come will scarce believe that such a one as this ever in flesh and blood walked upon this earth. who said this? Ttold him politely, to repeat the quote. He repeated.
- India has projects in all 34 provinces, still evacuated all. Isn't this a completely irresponsible approach by India?
- but Taliban said you can continue all projects, we will not harm. (Replied it's a fundamentalist force, whose statements cannot be taken on face value). M3 looks at the face of chairman (who is still standing near window) and M2, puzzled, like I have said sun rises from the west. Felt nervous. Elaborated my statement. Still poker face.
- you're from Uttarakhand, can Uttarakhand ever replace j&k?

chairman sir asked to elaborate- M3 said in context of tourism.

- what steps you'll take to make sure it replaces j&k?

During this conversation, M2 stood up & left the room. Came back when M3 ended. Chairman sir still at window, very calmly looking the greenery outside.

M4 (lady, smiling)

- recently Gujrat HC did something that is unparalleled in this history. What was that? (Just when I was about to say about anti conversion law, told me it's Covid related. Thought for 5 sec and told her mam, I don't know).
- she said it was live streaming of proceedings about Covid. Do you support it, the live streaming?
- -Is there anything legal/constitutional provision that stops courts from live streaming?
- but don't you think live streaming in some cases can be beneficial?
- chairman interrupted and asked me do you know difference between livestream and open courts?

- (again chairman), then social pressure would be there in both? Why not livestream.

M4 again-

- -do you know about cop26?
- -what is the crux of recent IPCC report?
- what is cop full form?
- who is the present president of cop? Hint- It's an Indian origin person.
- tell me one moment in you're life where you felt very proud of yourself.

To my reply, Chairman sir asked to repeat one word that I said. After this, he said excellent and we complement you for that.

- Chairman sir- now tell me a sad moment, where you're not happy with what you did.

Okay you're interview is over. Best of luck for the plans. felt that interview went too short, only for 10-15. But it was around 30 mins or something.

AJ

Board vyas sir,26 aug 2021 forenoon 2nd to go, Around 25 mins, No questions from daf hobbies

Mechanical engg. UP,optional Mechanical engg

Questions-

1. what are u doing since graduation? only preparation? (sir selected in engineering services . oh good)

what are the wars we fought and what we learn from them?

- 2. schemes of goi in agriculture in recent times.
- 3. fame scheme and difference between fame 1 and fame 2.
- 4. challenges with electric vehicles.
- 5. what do u mean by green and efficient mobility.
- 6. why greenhouse gases is called greenhouse gases.
- 7. if no ghg gases then what will temperature of earth.
- 8.how ghg traps heat.
- 9. wavelength range of sunlight.
- 10. Chemical weapon convention
- 11. Opew and function

- 12. why India presence is required in Africa
- 13. what basic things a human being needs for his survival.
- 14. how jal jeevan mission different from previous ones?
- 15. challenges in its implementation.
- 16. waste to energy plants? how funds will arranged? govt. incentives?
- 17. carbon credits and trading?
- 18. power purchasing agreements.
- 19. why bank nationalisation is required? what are those neglected sectors?

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R

Smita Nagaraj madam

- 1. you are already in service is it transferable or post only in commissioner office?(asst dir fcsca)
- 2.tell us about startup(comp sci engg staying Bangalore), why not more startups in manufacturing sector? Are you interested in startup? What qualities are needed for it.
- 3. what you want to achieve in 30-35 years down the line in service?
- 4 .which is the most innovative initiative according to you in administration in recent past.

M1

- 1. how startups are different from big companies.
- 2. what are the challenges faced by them, challenges faced by women startup.
- 3. you owned a cricket team in a cricket league, tell us about it what was the process?

M2

- 1. why IPL more famous in india? Is it a business or csr?how much they invest ,what is their share in it.
- 2. IT and film industry doing well with less government intervention, why government intervention is more in market and other fields? Why regulation is needed?

M3

- 1.name a famous cottage industry in Belgam.(sir thought I studied in Belgam but madam explained him that her college is affiliated to university in Belgam)
- 2. news related to women empowerment in yesterday's newspaper.
- 3. Challenges faced by women in army.

M4

1. listening to bhajans is ur hobby, why people are ethically and morally charged in temples and tend to

forget those values as soon as they step out?

2. tell 2 values which help in balancing ups and downs in life.

3. there is more political intervention in administration, what will you do if minister disagree with you?

Chairperson

You told about price regulation, what is your opinion on government which is planning to regulate idli

price?

Can these food canteens be restricted only to bpl people rather than keeping it open ended?

She gave smile and showed my passport sized photo and asked is this you? Then I asked madam's permission to remove mask and showed my face, said thank you and left the room.

M

Board: R.N Choubey

Date:23rd August, AN

Optional: Geography

Graduation:BTech Electronics and Communication.

State: Kerala

Chairman:

Asked to remove my mask and to place it on the table. Didn't wear faceshield either.

Chairman made me comfortable at first

1. Tell us about your education and job background?

2. You might have heard about ongoing crisis in Afghan. Similar events are happening in many parts

of the world. Don't you think UN failed to meet its charter? What are the reforms needed?

M1:

1.What is Society 5.0?

2. What is Technology 5.0?

3. How will Technology 5.0 affect human?

4.E-mobility target set by India?where do we stand now?

5.Percentage of ethanol in blended petrol?

6. Why did you choose geography as your optional?

M2:

- 1. Last year Air India decided to cut short Delhi to San Francisco flight by 2 hours. How is that possible?
- 2. What is International date line? where is it located exactly?
- 3.Problems in j&k?
- 4. Why militancy is prevalent in J&K?
- 5. How is underdevelopment related to militancy?
- 6. Reasons for Chinese aggression on India's border? Why Ladakh in particular?

M3:

- 1. Can you justify God's on Country tag of kerala with respect to geography of it?
- 2 Some people including a former US president believe global warming is a myth. Is it a myth?

Why not?

- 3.If it is real, how do you convince those who doesn't believe in global warming?
- 4. How does global warming affect Kerala?
- 5..How cyclones and global warming are related?

M4:

1.PM has been advocating for One nation, one election. Do you think it is a good idea?

(When I began, he told to me to take a stand) Do you agree or disagree? Why?

(It was like a debate session. When I said an argument, he countered it with another. It went on for a while)

- 2. Why did the govt form a new ministry of cooperation?
- 3. But it is in the state list. Don't you think it is a problem?
- 4. Centre could have directed states without forming a ministry. Are states not capable of handling cooperatives well?
- 5. Problems of cooperatives in India?

Chairman:

We asked what we want to ask. Do you have anything else to tell us about you.

I told about my hobby(i.e, reading autobiographies and memoirs) and how it shaped my thinking?

Don't you think autobiographies are not fully truthful?

Name- Drunken Master

Date-24/08/21,BB Vyas sir board,E&Tc engg, PSIR,Lucknow(Birthplace), Uttarakhand(Home state)

CM-asked to keep mask down & faceshield on

- -convince me as your friend to visit Lucknow: started formally but sir insisted to convince as a friend
- -new emigration bill(had no idea about it:he said no issues we'll take something else)
- -INS vikrant & how do you see it: tried to nudge towards maritime security, UN, China but they did not take the bait(showing who's the boss!)
- -diff types of inflation, d.a. uses which one, why cpi & not wpi in d.a.
- -trajectory of inflation & growth vs inflation debate
- -gavi
- -ppp model
- -apec
- -juvenile justice meaning

M1(Lady member with a very pleasing personality)

- -issues in prisons
- -what do you expect from civil services
- -generalist vs specialist? Whom do you support? Why?

(Did not ask many ques but showed quite an interest in answers which is really a morale booster)

M2(even Lady Gaga would be intrigued by sir's poker face)

- -whom to approach if there is complaint against any hospital?
- -again on grievance redressal from hospitals
- -Biosafety level 4
- M3- components of GST, compensation cess, what is the issue, how to bridge shortfall
- -public accounts committee

- -named 2 technical terms related to audit & asked to differentiate b/w the two(said don't know faster than the speed of light)
- -what did govt do for migrant labourers during covid
- -issues in transportation for labourers
- -schemes to provide them jobs in their home state if any

M4- as an administrator what did you learn from covid

- what healthcare issues covid highlighted
- how many goals did messi score(daf)
- -why messi left barca
- if you are DC of border district in UK with nepal, how would you control migration

Not much cross questioning, gave good amount of time to answer

*only 2 ques from daf, rest all random

RBS,Board - RN Chaubey Sir ,Optional - PSIR ,Graduation - BTECH -CS ,Work exp - 1 yr as dev,State -Punjab,5th to go

Chairman:

Explained the process . Asked to remove the mask and feel comfortable.

- 1.) Asked my nicknames and what shall they call me
- 2.) Tell us about edu and job background
- 3.) Contribution of K.P.S Gill in eliminating militancy (didn't rem his contri, sir explained and asked was his approach justified at that time)

M2:

- 1.) why wearing color blue?
- 2.) Is reducing MSP the way to diversify the crops as rice and sugarcane are depleting the water resources
- 3.) Asked about some short form related to Olympics (didn't know)
- 4.) Quoted a Mark Twain quote and asked whom did he address it to (didn't know)
- 5.) why UK has population similar to UP but GDP that of Karnataka (talked about manufacturing , industrialisation and colonies)
- 6.) Contri of agri in UK GDP (didn't know, sir said <1%.)
- 7.) If you are give full authority what 3 steps would you take as an administrator to solve the Farmer protest (I ans on lines of deliberation and dialogue)

M2: lady

- 1.) why so much highlight to first women CJI (I talked about women are equally capable, so it should be seen normal it is just a matter of seniority)
- 2.) then why so much highlight, we already had women PM, FM (stated the less rep of women in higher govt bodies and the society feels proud that women are being empowered + the excitement of 'first' always remains in every field.
- 3.) Media trials does govt have any power to stop them (said the govt can but didn't rem any legislation + talked about the
- 4.) why not use a restrictive approach, or will you also state the articles or FoSE etc.
- (appears she wanted me to agree that media should be curtailed but i talked about persuasive app and code of ethics)
- 5.) Again asked then how will you stop it?
- 6.) what is Patiala (home town) famous for ? (mentioned patiala peg as a point)
- 7.)do you know why it was in news recently (didn't remember) wanted to tell but chairman sir passed over to next

M3:

- 1.) Turning point in punjab History 1947 partition- agree ? (I agreed but stated bifurcation and GRev as other sig. as well)
- 2.) Asked a question about Jinnah's health and gave me hints to help me guess but was not able to
- 3.) do you think religion also played a role in bifurcation of Punjab?
- 4.) Has religion led to militancy in punjab?

wanted to ask more - chairman sir shifted to other

M4:

- 1.) Do you think Kartarpur corridor a good decision (I gave 2 +ve, 2 -ve)
- 2.) If you as an administrator is given power will you allow it or not (I said i will allow with proper security measures keeping in mind sikh sentiments)
- 3.) why youth of punjab going to Canada, Australia?

Chairman:

- -It was really good interaction , we are done . If you have something to share you can tell us .(I mentioned my exp as mentor in college)
- Sir appreciated and said the interview is over , you may leave .

Exp - overall a very cordial board , were smiling throughout , were not in grilling mood . Gave time to think .

-no ques on work, edu, PSIR, hobbies Didn't feel I was being judged. good luck 🛭

G

Board: B B Vyas sir, Optional: Commerce and Accountancy, Graduation: BBA, State: Karnataka

Time: 25-27 minutes, No questions were asked on work ex or hobbies.

Ch:

Gave a brief intro about my grad and work ex

- 1) Do you know about realty, real estate sector?
- 2) Status of real estate sector in India, Bangalore.
- 3) RERA.
- 4) Model Tenancy Act.
- 5) Name any builder of Affordable Housing.
- 6) What's E-commerce.
- 7) Qn on E-commerce regulations.
- 8) What's UNCTAD?
- 9) Why do we need UNCTAD when there is a rise in FTAs and other multilateral agreements?
- 10) Have you read the Investment Report of UNCTAD? It's very interesting. You should read it if you've not read it. If you've read it, I'll ask you some questions on it.
- 11) MFN meaning.
- 12) MFN status between India and Pakistan.
- 13) Why "MFN", when it just indicates that the country is treating everyone equally?
- 14) What was Karnataka's tableau during this year's Republic Day?
- 15) Why was it chosen? The significance of the theme.

M1:

- 1) Question on Waste Management Sector. What can be done to improve it?
- 2) Difference between GDP and GNP.
- 3) Why is India's GNP lower than its GDP?

- 4) India's GDP.
- 5) Question on how we can increase our GDP. (Linked with components of GDP)
- 6) Sector/s doing well under Make in India. (Mentioned Pharma as one of them)
- 7) Discussion on API dependence on China. How can we say it's a strong performing sector when we're highly dependent on China?
- 8) What's India doing about it?
- 9) Can we increase our domestic production? Present status of it.
- 10) What's (no clue) reaction? (some chemical reaction related to APIs and Pharma I presume, did not understand these words)

M2:

- 1) NBFCs. Need and issues.
- 2) Caste based census. Meaning, advantages and disadvantages.
- 3) In which context did PM Modi in a recent speech, speak about circular economy?
- 4) Will CAA apply to Afghan Sikhs and Hindus coming to India?

M3:

- 1) Do you know of a recent case where a former minister was discharged from a sexual harassment case?
- 2) Difference between "to be discharged" and "to be acquitted".
- 3) CVC Issues.
- 4) Cannot recall

M4:

- 1) Differences between bacteria and virus.
- 2) Urban to rural migration: Causes and what can be done about it.

Ch:

- 1) Why is tax to GDP Ratio important?
- 2) Should we then increase direct taxes?
- 3) How can we improve our tax to GDP Ratio?
- 4) There is distress amongst farmers, (names some issues) and you propose to tax agriculture?
- 5) Requested the chair if I could share points on how agriculture could be taxed. He permitted and I shared my points.

6) Thank you.

Board: Sathiyavathi Ma'am

Chair:

- 1. Why not IFS?
- 2. Very few people from your state wish to join civil services. Why you want to join?
- 3. Why police reforms are required?
- 4. Suggest some important police reforms.
- 5. You police people always blame everything wrong that is happening in police on politicians. Is it right to entirely blame them?

M1:

- 1. Many encounters happening in Assam and UP after new governments were elected in both states. Your take on encounters.
- 2. There's a view that Prakash Singh guidelines create external accountability mechanism onto the police department, which should not be there as is the case with administration side. What's your take on this view.
- 3. What are the existing accountability mechanisms available within the police department?

M2:

- 1. Should there be NIA like National level body for cybercrime investigation? And if yes, would states allow such a body to come up?
- 2. Suppose you are made the Director of IIT Bombay, what changes would you like to bring?
- 3. Wouldn't you focus on Startup promotion as Director, IITB?

M3:

- 1. First you did Mechanical engineering, then IPS and now you want to go for IAS. How do you describe your journey and don't you think you're jumping to entirely different territories each time?
- 2. CCI recently imposed fine on one of the companies. Do you know its name?
- 3. What do you understand by 'unfair business practices'?
- 4. Have you gone through recent Code (gave some long name which I didn't know) released by ILO?

M4:

1. What steps will you take as a Municipal Commissioner of a city to handle floods?

- 2. During your tenure, suppose flood occurred due to encroachment and obstruction to water flow. You come to know that nexus of government officials with builders before your tenure was the reason for encroachment. Will you take responsibility or shift blame to previous Municipal commissioner?
- 3. Trial court convicts a person. High court later acquits him, but till that time person languishes in jail for 10-15 years. Who should be held accountable in such cases?

Anonymous

Key information of candidate- Chhattisgarh, Geography Optional, Mechanical Engineering.

Board- Sujata Mehta Madam

Chairperson

- 1. Showed my photograph and verified it.
- 2. Tell us about yourself including your education and work experience, if any.
- 3. Which year did you graduate?
- 4. Did your college offer campus placement?
- 5. Which company offered you placement?
- 6. Government is promoting entrepreneurship. Don't you think they serve the society? Why only civil services?
- 7. If government hired civil servants for just 4-5 years, would that still appeal you? Would you still pursue it?
- 8. Did you get vaccinated? Your parents?
- 9. How was it done? Online registration through COWIN app or walk-in?
- 10. Are you satisfied with the design of platform? What changes would you recommend?
- 11. Elderly population especially are not well versed with digital technology. How can we make vaccines available to them?
- 12. Digital accessibility is a concern. If you were to design a program for vaccination from the start, would you stick with online platform only?

Member 1

- 1. In the Indian context, tell me what is hard power, soft power and smart power?
- 2. Naxal issue in Chhattisgarh. Identify the reasons for its persistence in the region.
- 3. How to deal with it?

(Forgetting some questions here)

Member 2 (Madam)

- 1. Powerlifting (achievement). How powerlifters prepare themselves before a competition?
- 2. Can you name some famous powerlifters?
- 3. You did graduation from NIT Durgapur. It is part of a coal belt. What are the problems of such a region?
- 4. What has government done to address these?
- 5. What would you suggest to end the pilferage of coal?

(Forgetting some questions here)

Member 3

- 1. First the states were organised under State Reorganisation Act. Later on, development became the agenda. Do you think it is the right criteria for creating smaller states?
- 2. C.G is a mineral-dependent state. But major share of revenues go to Central Government. Don't you think it is unfair to State governments?
- 3. Should we amend the major and minor mineral list?
- 4. What steps government has taken to address problems in mining sector?
- 5. Follow up question on mining sector.
- 6. COWIN app. Can you edit your name in the app?

Member 4

- 1. Chhattisgarh-Odisha Mahanadi dispute. What is it about?
- 2. If you are made the Commissioner, how will you resolve it?
- 3. Importance of Mahanadi river for CG?
- 4. How many dams on Mahanadi river?
- 5. You were talking about Naxals. If you are made CM how would you eliminate it?
- 6. Skill development initiatives of Chhattisgarh government? (I mistakenly heard it as "steel development" and started answering before the other member corrected me)
- 7. Do you know about Lok Sabha list which talks about dealing with LWE?
- 8. Has any state successfully managed to eliminate Naxalism?
- 9. Can you really eliminate Naxalism? Eliminating and minimising are different. What would be your approach to deal with it in say, 5 years?
- 10. You were talking about minerals. How has CG government done so far in this sector
- 11. A question on earlier question- Smart Power of India.

Chairperson

- 1. What is freewriting (hobby)?
- 2. So is it similar to diary writing?
- 3. You do it for yourself?
- 4. Is there anything that we missed and you want to discuss?

Thank you.

{P.S- Questions here are mostly paraphrased. Answers mostly depend upon the tone of the interviewer, as it helps in gauging the demand of the question. Often you will have to modify your prepared answers because of the actual scenario that I'm talking about.}

SS

Board - Sujata Mehta Madam,26 August, Afternoon session - 4th to go

Education - B.Tech Mechanical Engineering, MBA, Optional - Punjabi Literature

Hobby - Reading Punjabi novels, Work Experience - PSU 5 years

Interview duration - 25-30 minutes

Chairman - Read the DAF aloud. Last portion of DAF she read was about my work experience

Explain your role in the organisation?

Give examples of new initiatives you took?

What cost reduction did that initiative result in?

Suppose you want to design a scheme, how would you ensure that it reaches its intended beneficiaries?

M1 - You have graduation in Mechanical engineering, but still chose Punjabi literature, reason behind that?

Is punjabi literature more scoring?

Name two male and two female poets of Punjabi?

Among these whose name would you suggest me to read and why?

As fiction what do you see 30 years ahead? (My answer here included Industry 4.0)

M2- Who coined the term Industry 4.0?

When was it coined?

What effect does Taliban's rise have on Punjab?

Who are factors that led to drop in militancy in Punjab?

PM's speech about Hydrogen based fuels on 15 th August. Is making hydrogen cheap?

What technology do we have today? Is it viable?

M3 - What is the Political situation in Punjab nowadays?

Which party do you see winning in next elections?

What are the three farm laws?

Why prominently farmers from Punjab are protesting?

Recently a Sahitya Akademy winner from Punjab returned his prize in protest against the farm laws. Who was it?

M4 - Punjab was doing extremely well 20 years before, but not now. What can be the reason behind that?

Issues being faced by youth of Punjab?

The resolution for these issues?

Suppose you are made (some post related to agriculture), how would you ensure welfare of farmers?

Post 370, would the situation be normalised in Kashmir?

What steps can be taken toward greater integration?

Any skill you acquired recently?

Chairman - Thanks. You may leave now.

Abhishek Vashishtha

Date of interview-18/08/2021, Forenoon session, 1st to go, Smita Nagraj madam's board

Approximately half an hour.,Background-,B.Tech. ECE,M.A. Political Science,Optional- PSIR,NET-JRF qualified,Delhi,Hobby- cricket, watching web series.,NCC ,NSS

Entered into the room and wished good morning to everyone.

Mam asked me to sit down.

Ch-

- 1) what are you doing now a days?
- 2) long statement- crux of the statement- compare the time of your parents with the present time.
- 3) If socity has become more liberal then why we are witnessing crimes such as mob lynching.
- 4) what would you do if someone sends you the hate/ fake messages.
- 5) with how many people you have done that?

6) have they stooped sending those messages to you.

M1 (in grilling mode)

- 1) Why M.A. after B.Tech.
- 2) you have done M.A. so that it can help you in your optional?
- 3) Tell me your experience in NCC.

Its up's and down's.

4) long statement--crux

DMRC has decided to pass a metro line from ridge area and asked my views on it.

5) can we trust DMRC.

(As i had mentioned that as per DMRC this is an only viable route)

6) He himself said i am not getting the rational behind this route and then he again asked me do you support it?

M2

1) Tell three industrial towns if one go from Delhi to Meerut.

(My M.A. is from Meerut)

- 2) Tell three towns between Delhi and Meerut.
- 3) Why Ghaziabad is famous?
- 4) Gave me two terms related to PSIR that i have hearded for the 1st time and asked me to explain them.
- 5) Options available for retail investors for investment.
- 6) Types of mutual funds.
- 7) if you have to invest your money where will you invest- equity, bonds or hybrid.
- 8) why stock market is booming when economy is not performing well.

M3 (lady member)

- 1) You have JRF or NET-JRF.
- 2) Why you are not going for research.
- 3) How will you do it next year if you get selected this year.
- 4) Tell me two current political scientist from india.
- 5) She herself gave me one name that i was hearing for the first time and asked me about him.

- 6) where you can see the impacts of globalisation.
- 7) Is globalisation is westernisation?
- 8) why globalisation is known as double edged sword?
- 9) Tell few more negatives of globalisation.

M4

- 1) What you feel for a person you love?
- 2) love is related to heart or mind?
- 3) It is said that love is blind. What are your views?
- 4) 2 years ago surrogacy bill was passed. Tell the impacts of the bill on women.
- 5) Tell few negative impacts.
- 6) Tell the two negatives of surrogacy before this bill.

Ch- your interview is over. You may leave.

I again wished everyone before leaving.

Overall observation-

Board was supportive and cordial.

V

Transcript 2020, Manoj Soni Sir board, 27/08/2021, B. Tech IT , Sociology optional, , writing slice of life blogs

Chairman:

- 1. Why civil services after IT(long question short)
- 2. What made you to chose sociology optional?
- 3. What is your view on culture?
- 4. Can state interfere in cultural aspects?(follow up questions and went on like discussion)

M1(lady member)

- 1. Afghanistan is called graveyard of empires, who where the erstwhile players apart from recent players?
- 2. Among different types of vaccines which is very effective?
- 3. What is the difference between these and traditional vaccine?
- 4. What advantages does it have?
- 5. Do they have any negatives?
- 6. If you're DM of a district, how will you approach vaccine hesitancy?
- 7. Will you penalise people for not getting vaccinated?
- 8. Do you support incentives for vaccine?
- 9. What kind of incentives? Name few

M2

- 1. Technology and AI, how can it transform examination and recruitment pattern?
- 2. How will AI change the long term process of examination?
- 3. What is principle of subsidiarity?
- 4. Polluter pay principle?

M3

- 1. What blogs have you written?
- 2. What is quantum computing?
- 3. Will there be a need to update cybersecurity protocols and encryption techniques in quantum computing?
- 4. Caste violence and untouchability are still existing, has Prevention of attrocities act failed to handle these issues?
- 5. What about misuse of PoA, Act?
- 6. What is digital detox?

M4 - did not ask any questions

Chairman:

Thank you. Your interview is over and please stay safe.

It was a good experience and went 20 to 25 min (appx)

Lawrence

Air marshal bhonsle Sir's board,27.08.2021, afternoon, 3rd candidate,State – kerala,Optional - malayalam literature,Job experience - auditor

Chairman asked me to remove the face shield. Then asked me to relax for a minute and remove mask for verification.

Chairman

You have studied your graduation as a private candidate and reached here thrice. That's very good and we find your perseverance, determination ,etc. We appreciate that.

- 1. What did you lose by opting private study for graduation
- 2. Work from home and online education. Do we lose quality family time
- 3. Can we use digital education as the sole element of education

Member 1 (lady member)

- 1. The tradition that a tribe gives offering to the royal family during onam. Elaborate
- 2. Which literature is your favourite malayalam or english
- 3. Trio of malayalam literature
- 4. Contribution of vallathol narayana menon
- 5. If you are posted as the district collector of ernakulam, what will you do to address covid

6. Dissenting verdict by a judge in the sabarimala verdict. Who gave that verdict and what was the reason for that. Has it become more acceptable part of the verdict

Member 2

- 1. Why do we need transaction audit
- 2. why so many nurses from kerala
- 3. Kerala state has beverage shops. Can liquor sale be given to private entities
- 4. Is it ethical for govt to earn from the sale of liquor

Member 3

- 1. kerala is not producing good athletes like P T Usha now
- 2. Can we use the treasure in temples for the welfare of people. Can we make law for that
- 3. Constitutional provision regarding management of religious affairs

Member 4 (lady member)

- 1. Are you the internal auditor to kerala govt
- 2. Technical terms related to transaction audit
- 3. Why keralites are not working in kerala and go to abroad

Chairman

You might have come with expected questions and prepared on some areas. Tell me such areas and I will ask from that.

Replied that I came with an open mind, not expecting questions from any specific area and considering this as a chance to interact with some of the great minds of india who have far greater knowledge than me. So you can ask from anywhere sir.

Your interview is over. Thank you

Chairman was very cordial. Others were also very encouraging (except the 4th member). Overall good experience.

Floki

Sathiyavathi ma'am board, Worked in minority welfare dept, BTech mechanical, Geography optional

Uttarakhand

C-

Minorities in India

Types and where they are defined?

Linguistic and religious criteria?

CAA and controversy?

Assam accord in conflict with CAA and how to resolve this?

M

Separation of uttarakhand from UP. Success or failure? How do you see it?

Strength of your state?

As a DM how would you convince villagers for thermal power project?

Tweets by ias officers and politicians.

Controversy regarding the same in Madhya pradesh?

About Gst future?

Electric vehicles policy? Hurdles?

Delhi electric vehicles status?

Chinese app ban. Right or wrong?

Why we are not banning google?

Data privacy law? Current status

Brexit? Benefits for India and employment opportunities?

NJAC controversy and way forward?

Forms of democracy?

Positives and negatives of both?

Should India switch to presidential form?

Anonymous

Interview date: 27-08-2021 Afternoon 5th person to go, Mechanical Engineering, Work: TCS

Optional: Geography, State: Andhra Pradesh

Board :BharathBhushanVyas

Chairman

- 1. Long waiting time, are you comfortable? Shall we start..pull down your mask, keep the face shield
- 2. Read my DAF briefly
- 3. What are the problems India is facing now?
- 4. How to solve them?

- 5. About Brahmos missile.
- 6. How maritime boundaries are demarcated? Based on what criteria countries claim their rights.

(said about UNCLOS)

- 7. Discussion on UNCLOS
 - 8. Draught in Rayalseema, if you are made DM how will you address.
 - 9. Different forms of Renewable Energy .. Discussion
 - 10. Gave a line and asked to tell my opinion:
 - "Rule based to Role based is the new norm in Bureaucracy"

Member 1 (Technical)

- 1. What is Energy
- 2. Different forms of energy
- 3. How to convert one form of energy to another form
- 4. What are heat exchangers, tell some examples
- 5. How to improve efficiency in solar energy
- 6. Green Hydrogen? How to extract it
- 7. India's energy Target ? (said 2022, 2030. he said 2047)
- 8. Draft Electricity Bill

Member 2

- 1. Nuclear capability
- 2. Nuclear Doctrine
- 3. Uses of nuclear energy other than Energy and Defence.

Member 3

- 1. Continuation on Mission Karmayogi ?if role is important then why rule, if rules are violated then there will be no rule of law ? (discussion)
- 2. Why TCS has such a good reputation?
- 3. AP bifurcation (series of questions related to Andhra Pradesh)

Member 4

- 1. What is PM scholarship, what is the criteria for it? (DAF)
- 2. INDC targets
- 3. Solar energy requires lot of land and the efficiency is less, should we still go ahead with solar energy
- 4. How is Indian economy performing since 2018
- 5. What is current value of India economy
- 6. Is it possible to achieve 5 trillion dollar economy by 2024-25

Chairman

OK, your interview is over .. All the besttake care.

Some questions I don't remember.

BB Vyas Sir board

Background- Mech Engg,, Optional Anthropology , Current job - ASO, Ministry of Defence

State-Rajasthan

CP-

- 1. Aaiye aaiye----- ji
- 2. Lets start from Anthropology, what is relevance of cultural materialism and cultural relativism in todays time?
- 3. Tell me latest defence products of OFB
- 4. Latest imported defence items?
- 5.schemes for Divyangs? What more to be done?
- 6. What is intelligence?
- 7. What are intelligence agencies in India?
- 8. Dont intelligence agencies in india any oversight mechanism?

M1.

- 1. What is spice bomb (from previous answer)?
- 2. What is address of UPSC?
- 3. Who was Shahjahan (from UPSC address answer?
- 4. What was his contributions?
- 5. Why is Tajmahal famous?
- 6. Worlds seven Wonders?

M2 (lady)

- 1. Isnt CCTV camera installation in Delhi a waste of money?
- 2. What is analytical learning in NEP 2020?
- 3. Who is Medha Patkar? Her contributions?

Cant recall few questions from her

M3

- 1. Difference between motor and generator?
- 2. How motor generate torque?

- 3. How stators in motor get current?
- 4. South China sea- which countries are affected by china's aggressions?
- 5. How to resolve this issue?

M4

- 1. What is GOCO model?
- 2. As storing of hydrogen is a challenge, how to ensure supply of hydrogen to all users?
- 3. What is a smart soldier?
- 4. What is a soldier system?
- 5. What is LPG? Gas in LPG for leakage detection?

CP

- 1. What is CNG?
- 2. Is it same as Natural Gas?

Thank You, your interview is over ------ Ji

All the best

Lots of "I dont know" from my side. Lots of requests from my side to repeat the questions. Very cordial board

Interview Date: 26.08.2021 [AfterNoon, 3rd member to GO], Graduation: Computer science & engineering, SASTRA University, Home district, East champaran (Bihar) college: Than javur, Previous work ex: RINL, ONGC, Current: IRS (IT) 2020 (EOL), chairman: Air Marshal A. S. Bhonsle, Interview duration: 35-40 minutes

Chairman

Asked me to remove the face-mask & face shield for photo verification . Said that we want to take 1 minute break and within that 1 minute you can use face wipe to clean your face and spectacles and also may drink water if you want. I did all and settle myself down.

After that, he explained the process about interview and also said that I may use Hindi or english both if i want. he also mentioned the one thing they want is that .. listen and understand the question very carefully and then respond after thinking.

He started reading information from my DAF like 10th school , 12th school , college , job , places i lived , my hobbies , achievement and leadership section information.

Asked about my college name and also my CGPA (is it a misprint)

He said lets start our formal interview Now

- 1.Tell me unique thing about Bridheshwar temple
- 2. What is unique about its nandi bull
- 3. what is unique about its Gopuram
- 4. Thanjavur sambhar is also very famous & what is the reason ? [did not know] => later he said you are not expected to know this ..
- 5. National education policy has 3C: critical thinking, creativity and collaboration What is collaboration in context of NEP? [talked about collaboration between Higher institutes of India with International institutes]
- 6. Can you think about other type of collaboration which is possible [Talked about interdisciplinary collaboration among different branches and streams , also about collaboration institute of national importance with private institutes etc
- 7. NEP is focusing on teaching the trainers: What are the steps taken by GOI to train the teachers?
- 8. Follow up 1-2 question on that

MEMEBR 1 [LADY member]

- 9. Lets come back to thanjavur again .. why it is famous [talked about rice bowl of TN , Thanjavur painting , Saint Thagyaraja & Grand anicut Dam]
- 10. Why than javur painting is famous?
- 11. why is there less startup in IIT?
- 12. 1/2 follow up question on IIT?
- 13. What engineers are coming to administrative job? is it right?
- 14. What are the issues with ONGC?
- 15. How Information technology can help in improving ONGC performance?
- 16. You were earning good in ONGC .. then why civil services?

Member 2

- 17. What is unique about EAST champaran?
- 18. Can you tell me why Champaran satyagraha movement?
- 19. why the steel prices were going up in pandemic?
- 20. 1/2 follow up question on that steel pricing and china supply chain disruption?
- 21. You are from PSIR .. why there is visible shift from India -russia Bohemia to India usa relation even we consider usa is not trusted partner?

- 22. follow up question on that
- 23. You are in IRS .. Can you tell what one thing we can do to improve the tax collection?
- 24. Any one thing which can improve the tax collection immediately?
- 25. Should agriculture be taxed?

Member 3

- 26. what are the recent development in the field of computer science?
- 27 is technology is good?
- 28. how can be we ensure that it remains good?
- 29. what is the story behind name motihari? [gave 2 stories]
- 30. which do you believe?
- 31. What is the NIRF rank and Times rank of IIT D? [sir i don't know... oh you don't know this about your alma matter .. he thought i am from IITD .. clarified that I am from SASTRA university]
- 32. Discussion back from IITD to ONGC .. what is production capacity of Bombay high and how much we able to recover ?
- 33. Recent incident about ONGC in Arabian sea
- 34. What went wrong there?
- 35. Suppose you are made of incharge of such situation? How will you ensure such incident did not happen?
- 36. 1 follow up question on that and tell me 2 projects which you worked in ongc

Member 4 [Lady member .. not very much convinced]

- 37. 1 question on Tamilnadu [not able to recall]
- 38. You went from Bihar to TN for your graduation .. How did you manage your food .. [every body laughed in that answer when i mention biryani being the true friend]
- 39. why idli is nutritious?
- 40. Blue revolution and its significance
- 41. You are from PSIR .. Can you tell how does the political map of india is chaining since last 10 years ? [Misunderstood this questions .. first talked about India map issues on external front on Nepal , PAK and china ==> she said no no I am asking with respect to Centre state : I talked about federals issues] ==> she was expecting me to talk changes with respect to damn diu , UT of Jammu and ladakh etc //

chairman

42. what will you do after going from here?

[Interview ends ... could not answer last 2 question on expected line]

SK

BB vyas board, Time: 30 minutes, Optional: chemistry, Dept: Aerospace

25th August, first one to go, afternoon slot, Very calming ambience in the room

Chairman

Interesting department!! (Aerospace)

Doesn't india need aerospace engineer?

Tell me difference between supersonic and hypersonic?

What is open skies treaty?

Drones, new age warfare?

In which region, did drones play crucial role?(Armenia VS Azerbaijan)

What should india do to improve drone sector?

What are the various regulators in civil aviation sector?

Any idea on recent Aircraft amendment Act?

What is your opinion on increasing exports and decreasing imports?

Have you heard Toykathon?

Seems you are against import substitution? (Yup), why?

What are India's top five imports?

What is liquidity trap?

Member 1

Why carbon has lot of compounds unlike silicon?(catenation)

Why Aluminium is extremely combustible?

Any idea on 2-DG by DRDO?

What is scram jet and ramjet?

What are the fuels used in this engine?

Which part of chemistry are you interested in?(genetics)?

What is the use of genome sequencing?(in reference to corona virus)?

Member 2

What do you know about gas turbine, steam turbine engine? (Not much sir)

Then what are the engine you use in jet aircrafts?

Elaborate on recent changes to FCRA?

Caste census, should government go ahead?

What is the reason for increasing amount of floods?

Member 3

What is inclusive government/governance?

As a administrator how would you bring about it?

Small is beautiful book have you read it?

Any relavance of this topic in governance?

Tokyo Olympics in this crisis, waste of money and indifferent to people suffering isn't it?

Member 4

Soft power with reference to india

Role of DGCA?

Power is driver of industry? What does it mean? Explain it with real life?

Date of Interview: 23/08/2021, AN, 4th to go ,Board: Manoj Soni Sir

Background: B Tech Chemical Engg IIT B,Optional: Mathematics,Home City/State: Lucknow/UP

Hobbies: Reading non-fiction books esp. on international relations

[2 members on either side were seated quite close to the candidate; arrangement made it difficult to maintain eye-contact with all of them]

Chairman

- 1. You're from the City of Nawabs, do you also carry the attitude of Nawabs?
- 2. You studied from ICSE school. How do you think it is different from CBSE or state board, from the experience of your friends?
- 3. You also lived in Mumbai. Any life lesson you learnt in Mumbai?

- 4. Did you learn Marathi? Did you try Marathi food? A short conversation on Parsi food from my answer
- 5. Did you enjoy the city of Mumbai?
- 6. What is the role of the youth, and not the govt, in making India a Vishwa Guru by 2047? [The Chairman here tried to unsettle me a bit]

M1

- 1. Why the shift from Chemical Engg to civil services?
- 2. What will be the impact of disruptive technologies?
- 3. Impact of technology on bureaucracy in the next 15 yrs?
- 4. What changes can we make to bureaucracy to better adapt?
- 5. Which IR book you read recently. Tell me about it.
- 6. Do you think decision of President Biden to withdraw from America is wrong or do they have something else in mind?
- 7. How will the importance of West Asia change in the future?

M2

- 1. Did you sit for campus placements?
- 2. What is doctrine of lapse? How was it applied in case of Awadh?
- 3. Impact of technology like digitisation on a poor country like India. List negative social and economic impacts.
- 4. How is tech useful in the long term? How does tech lead to creation of new jobs? Would not driverless cars lead to joblessness?
- 5. What are bad banks? Are we not rewarding inefficiency of banking system through them?
- 6. Why was AMUL model of cooperatives not replicated in sectors other than dairy? Was it because in Amul govt had provided initial support?
- 7. Have you heard of "bleed India by a thousand cuts"? What is it and why?

M3

- 1. What are pharmaceutical and non-pharmaceutical interventions?
- 2. What is the use of referring Bills to Parliamentary Committees? Do they also fix accountability on the govt?
- 3. Coming to Afghanistan, tell me short term impacts of takeover by Taliban on India.

- 4. Now, tell me long term impacts.
- 5. You mentioned China. Why is China involved in Afghanistan? What will they gain from a friendly Taliban?
- 6. What should be India's immediate priority in Afghanistan?
- 7. Does the international community have a role in Afghanistan or are they helpless?
- 8. But do you think sanctions are effective?
- 9. If you are Perm Rep of India to UN, and UN is discussing whether to give humanitarian aid to Afg or impose sanctions on it, how will you address this issue?

M4

- 1. Tell me the most important landmark of Lucknow. What is its speciality? Anything you remember about its roof?
- 2. I think Residency is more famous. Your view? Which will be more famous internationally?
- 3. PM mentioned energy independence for India by 2047. What does he mean?
- 4. Based on the data you quoted, do you think we can even achieve independence?
- 5. Since you mentioned tidal, let's talk about oceans. How does climate change lead to acidification?

[I could barely hear the last word, politely asked the member to repeat]

- 6. What will be the impact of acidification?
- 7. Our islands depend on sea water for drinking water. How will they be impacted from acidification?

Chairman

Thank you. Your interview is over. Stay safe and have a pleasant evening!

Overall, the board was very cordial and polite. They were eager to have a conversation and not a cross-examination (just as mentioned in PT syllabus). Even though the board's interviews that day were delayed, they did not rush and gave adequate time to answer. The questions were asked mostly from DAF

P.S. Snacks were available generously! :P

P.P.S. Stay calm and give your best!

BB Vyas sir

Optional geography

Bihar, worked in IMD,

Presently IPS trainee

Questions..

- 1..difference between paramilitary and CAPF
- 2.. Are theatre commands necessary for India
- 3..should there be civilian control over police and forces
- 4..how to encourage parents for allowing students to make sports as career
- 5..govt efforts on evehicles
- 6..vehicle scrapping policy
- 7...what is govt doing for green economy
- 8..women contribution in green economy
- 9..why does monsoon occur
- 10..how to reduce corruption in police
- 11..difference in structure of diamond and graphite

Shruti, Vyas Sir board, 26th August, Afternoon 1st to go

Chairman:

- 1. You are the 1st one to come. How do you feel?
- 2. Given a chance, which slot would you choose?
- 3. India Japan relationship
- 4. What is missing middle?
- 5. What is cultural relativism? It's relevance today?
- 6. What is pesa act?

M1:

- 1. What is UIDAI?
- 2. Need for aadhar?
- 3. Difference between aadhar and voter id?
- 4. Who can get voter id?

M2:

- 1. How are banks doing in india?
- 2. Issues in banking?
- 3. How to reduce crimes against elderly?

4. Which is important primary education or higher education?

M3

- 1. What is leath machine?
- 2. What is FCRA? Need?
- 3. What MHA is doing to enforce FCRA?
- 4. How does UPS work?

M4:

- 1. What is ecofriendly behaviour?
- 2. Why are elements arranged so in periodic table?
- 3. Why prism is used?

Chairman:

All the best. You may leave now.

Jack, 11th August, Smita maharaj Mam board, Btech mechanical engineering,

Work experience - Automobile industry, coaching industry, PSIR Optional

Watching football - hobby

Chairman - Role of coaching in competitive exams?

Difference between JEE and UPSC CSE exam process?

How to make the examination process better?

M1 - what you learnt in your past jobs that you can apply as a civil servant?

Why chose PSIR and not Mechanical Engineering?

Learning from Football that you can apply as a civil servant?

M2 - Should Delhi be given full statehood?

Issues of pollution in Delhi? How to tackle it?

IPCC Latest reports, Paris Agreement?

Refrigerants used in AC, it's impact on climate?

LPG vs PNG?

M3 - Solid waste management in Delhi?

Waste to energy plants in Delhi?

BS VI Emission standards - pros and cons

M4 - why automobile industry so successful in Chennai?

Impact of high customs duty on automobile sector

A K, Date: 25.08.2021 , Board: Sathyavathi. , 4th to Go, Forenoon.

Background: Chemical Engineering at NIT Tiruchirappalli, Group B employee at ICMR, Editor of College Magazine

Hobbies: Reading Science Fiction, Writing and Listening to Podcasts.

75% of the personality test was DAF based, some current affairs topics also included.

Room was brightly lit, members sit spaced out, observing from each direction facing you.

Chairperson reads out entire DAF with key points.

What is your role at your current office?

Why working there after studying at a good college like NIT?

What is ICMR doing currently? What role your institute playing in it?

(Made a small technical error with a word here, ma'am asked about it. Apologized and clarified the term. Seemed satisfied)

What does the result of the serosurvey indicate? Is it being doing nationally or just locally?

So, what must be done now?

Are you playing a role in genome sequencing?

Member 1:

Tell about your final year project. Asked me to clarify certain aspects.

So, what is the impact of SO2 emissions generally?

Can you tell me about Doha agreement between USA and Taliban?

Are the Taliban following the terms agreed upon?

Member 2:

So you like Science Fiction Writing? Do you write other kinds of fiction too?

Do you like watching Science Fiction Movies as well?

Who is your favourite author?

What do you like about his stories? (I had mentioned Asimov) Any key concepts you liked?

Will humanity be able to reach the level of Science Fiction?

Tell me 2 moves of China in Indian Ocean Region and 2 Counter efforts by India.

One more question that I cannot recall.

Member 3: (Seemed unimpressed by any answer I gave)

Do you believe India is a blessing for the world? (This is from economic survey, but I talked about culture and history - the answer was the India is the pharmacy of the world)

Asked about Medical Technologies - I started to answer about medical tourism, but he interrupted and said to talk about medical technologies. I apologized and he accepted.

He mentioned that pharma industries are polluting. What can be done about them. Short discussion where I mentioned some points. He said 'we are already doing those things'. I said politely that more can be done sir.

Then he said that in ITIs, there are few courses on chemical industry. What can be done about it.

Member 4:

As a neutral observer, how would you say India has handled the COVID pandemic?

Do you know about OFB, what can you tell me about it.

Is it a good move by government to corporatize them?

Tell me about demographic dividend and demographic disaster.

Where is India at present?

So, why is there unemployment in India?

I felt it was a good experience. One member was constantly making notes while others were observing keenly. One member was not impressed despite all I mentioned. Chairperson was very cordial. Good luck, everyone else. Do not fear. Fear is the mindkiller.

M

Manoj soni sir board,26 August,Name: Meera,Daf details: state- kerala, sociology optional, btech in mechanical engineering

Chairman:

Why were you named meera? Is it connected to mirabai?

Who was mirabai?

Why sociology? Have you tried internalising the discipline?

Sociologically analyse the relevance of mirabai

Why was her reformative approach in caste and gender not sustained in the future?

M1

Why corona is spreading so much in kerala- give 2 main reasons.

What is happiness index?

Is spirituality an important aspect of happiness? If so, how?

Given a choice, between a totalitarian government with a very high economic development and democracy which one would you pick?

It is said that a poor man can do any crime. What's the point of democracy if people are not safe from crimes?

Do you think china will have a revolution in the next 10-20 years?

Has there been any pro democratic movements in china?

M2

Why did you choose mechanical engineering?how was your experience?

What are brownfield projects?

What is the government trying to do in the monetisation plan?

What do you mean by vision?

How do you define yourselves with your strengths?

What are your weaknesses?

M3

How would you use your mechanical engineering knowledge to bring about mechanisation of agriculture in your district?

Where will you source the money from?

What is the recent ipcc report about? What is the rate of warming?

How will it impact kerala?

M4

Opinion on girls in NDA

Sexual violence against prisoners of war

Is newspaper a social media?

Give 3 reasons to regulate social media and 3 reasons not to

Do you think social media can really be controlled? If so, how?\

Chairman

If given a chance would you change your name- pick a name from the 3 Yashoda, Rukmini and Radha.

PS

Date 24 Aug 2021

R.N.Choubey Sir

Morning 3rd to go

Background-Production

Sandwich

Engineering,

PSIR, Mentoring, Auditor, Maharashtra.

Chairperson

Welcomed me. Asked to remove face mask if have RTPCR negative.

We are good people. This is not police interrogation keep smiling just like you are now. If you dont get voice ask to repeat. If you dont know say dont know .we know that everything cant be remembered. If you are not clear say im not clear. Where are you staying? Have you done breakfast. Shall I arrange some snacks for you? Etc. (made me comfort).

- 1. Tell me your academic and work experience.
- 2. I will give a statement and tell me your opinion
- -GST is compromise on fiscal fedaralism.
- 3. What if MH govts right to decide taxing is depend on Bihar Govt? Is it against your right to vote?
- 4. Should we Recognise Taliban ?If not then how will

India convey its interest?

M1(Not ready to convince easily)

- 1. What is Production sandwich Engineering?
- 2.I think Engineers should not be allowed in civil services. They are needed more in industries and other economic activity at present.
- 3. Do you think its wastage of Governments Money?

Partially if not completely.

4. I will give proposal tell me your opinion.

I think youth should not be given SDM and DM post. They do not have experience and some are arrogant. I feel that rather a person with age 50 should be given that post and continue that person till his/her wish to serve. Your views on my proposal.

M2

- 1. Why china came in Ladakh? why chinas agression?
- 2.In which country judges dont get retired?
- 3.In india today there is news that Tamilnadu CM is no 1.What he has done there?

M3

- 1. Why MH is no 1 In GDP despite states like Gujarat and Karnataka is also trying hard to get it?
- 2. What about Ambanis and Tatas role?
- 3. Which form of corruption is worst? Legislative, Judiciary or Executives?
- 4. In Pandemic many schools are off. Children are out of school. Tell me 3 ways to revive it.

M4

- 1. Indias constitution is longest. Right?
- 2. Tell me 2 things we borrowed from USSR.
- 3. How many fundamental duties in Indian constitution?
- 4. Are fundamental duties enforceable? Shall we make it punitive?
- 5. How to promote fundamental duty?
- 6.If you are DM then how will you ensure citizens participation?
- 7.Do you think Gramsabha is failure?
- 8. Your views on naming of cities, roads, rewriting history etc. What should we do?
- (In between one member said Shakespeares dialogue and everyone started laughing)

Chairperson

We have asked what we have to.Do you want to say something.

(I answered regarding Engineering, industry and governance)

Chaiperson-We appreciate you for this. We are happy to intetact with you. All the best. Your Interview is over. Thank You.

Name: GYCR

Board: Air Marshal Bhonsle Sir

Date of interview: 25th August

Forenoon, Last to go

Background: Computer engineering, NIT SURAT

Optional: Anthropology

Home state: Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh

Hobbies: Long Distance Running, Travelling.

Chairperson:

1. As you studied in Gujarat, recently PM Modi addressed IAS probationers from Kevadia and he talked about inefficiency in administration and about how administrative should be minimum so that governance can be maximum. So, tell me what do you interpret about this? (Conversation on this on 5-10 mins)

Member 1

- 1. What are problems in administration according to you? (Conversation on this)
- 2. What is Surat Famous For?
- 3. So, Why Surat is famous for Diamond?
- 4. What is being done to diamonds in Surat? What about exports?
- 5. What are the characteristics you have to be a civil servant?
- 6. What is Judicial Activism?
- 7. Do you think is it right for judiciary to do this? (cross questions on this)

Member 2

- 1. Where are diamonds found in India?
- 2. Do you know Kurnool have diamond mines?
- 3. What are the socio-economic impacts of AP bifurcation?
- 4. As you said Literacy is not so good in AP, what are the reasons for this?
- 5. But Hyderabad is an education Hub why still AP is lagging in Education?

Member 3 (Lady member)

1. So, Surat is called textile City, Tell me something about Zari Work?

- 2. Do you anything about Zari Work?
- 3. Name some technologies that you think can revolutionize the world.
- 4. As your hobby is long distance running, you might have known about smart watch. What is it?
- 5. What is smart Jewellery?

Member 4(Lady Member)

- 1. As you said there are problems in administration, how can you use technology in administration?
- 2. What are the sectors that technology can be used to make people's life easier?
- 3. What are innovative measures you can bring in administration using technology?

Thank you, Your Interview is Over.

GT

Board - RN chaubey sir

Optional commerce and accountancy

State MP

Chairman- very cordial told me that this is not a police Interrogation be comfortable if u dnt know anything u can say u dnt know and if u could not hear anything ask us to repeat.

(No question from district state hobby or other activities)

Chairman- 1.

- 1. Asked me to introduce myself with education n work experience.
- 2. Also asked wat was i m doing since 2018.
- 3. So many experts say msp distort price so do u agree? why msp?
- 4. Then why subsidies if they distort price?
- 5. What can done to improve them.
- M1- 1. CSR why corporates need to pay for it as they already pay taxes n etc etc.
- 2. Why chief min relief fund not a part of csr n prime mins fund is? Have u read the mca circular abt it.
- 3. What is the impact of csr in the present context any change?
- M2-1. U are saying something on msp why farmers are demanding msp if so many problems.
- 2. How we can provide farmers better price if not msp?

- 3. What are the crops we are importing and is govt providing msp for them?(i said oil seed n pulses we r importing n there is msp bt no procurement by govt)? So he asked how we can reduce their import?
- M3-1. India africa relationship how big is africa when compared to india?
- 2. Importance of Africa for india (i said fuel n mineral) n are we really importing the minerals?
- 3. India srilanka relationship n their current status?
- 4.Difference between liberal n illiberal democracy n discussion on it went on like m4 asked role of judiciary n media n liberal democracy.
- 5. what if they are independent bt govt is authoritarian etc?

M4-(lady very cordial smiling)

- 1. Started with post covid pandemic discussion like why developing countries legging behind in economic growth n developed ones are doing good.
- 2. Position of india here what are the indicators showing signs of recovery etc?
- 3. Electoral bond should be ban them what are alternatives etc
- 4. Highest point in your life here after my answer everyone laughed so sigh of relief?

Chariman again u are talking black money coming into electoral bond is tat your stand?

Now tats it from our side you want something to tell?

I told them about my hobby thinking that they might ask something bt nothing asked so tats it interview over.

Few question i am unable to recall.

AJ

State: Kerala

Date: Aug 26

Board: RN Choubey

Optional: PSIR

Grad: Economics, History

Hobbies: Map reading, Thriller

movies, Quizzing

CHAIRMAN:

You can remove mask and speak freely.

This is not a police verification. We would like to have a good conversation.

- 1. Tell me about your educational and work experience
- 2. What types of leadership do you know? Which one do you prefer?

OTHER MALE MEMBERS:

- 1. Do you know about JCPOA?
- 2. What should be done to salvage JCPOA as Iran now has a hard-line president?
- 3. Do you know Qasseim Solaimani?
- 4. Was killing him wise on USA's part?
- 5. Is India tilting towards USA?
- 6. Is NAM relevant?
- 7. How to save cities in Kerala from climate change devastation? (Citing IPCC report)
- 8.what is Kerala's GDP?
- 9. How far has Ranjit Singh advanced into Afghan territory?
- 10. WHAT made Ranjit Singh great? TELL me 3 reasons?
- 11. Do you support subsidies?
- 12. How to avoid wastage of subsidies (which are spent on alcohol by beneficiaries)?
- 13. Why was India's GDP doing bad even before pandemic?

Lone Lady member:

- 1. Have u heard of Ransomware?
- 2. Cite any recent ransomware attack?
- 3. How to save young generation from overuse of digital gadgets?
- 4. Is Cyber attacks sponsored by states?
- 5. Does that amount to war?
- 6. How can we prevent them?

Chairman:.

We have asked u many qs. Do you have something to tell us..?

I spoke on how India can improve it's performance in Olympics

Chairman: you can leave now..

U

Chairperson: Smita Nagaraj ma'm

4th to go

Background -> BE computer science + MBA

Chairperson

- 1. You have just worked for 5 weeks in kuwait. Why only this much?
- -> clarified her on it being an internship for MBA program. And also that it was for 2 months.
- 2. Did you get a PPO? What have you been doing since then?
- 3. What would have been your role in case you have joined it?
- 4. Why do you want to join Civil services then? Your job was quite good in terms of pay and work profile.
- 5. How do you think is India managed? (was not quite clear about was this question mean) -> then I replied mam there are areas India is doing good and there are areas we need to do good.
- 6. 2 areas where we are doing good and 2 where we need to improve.
- 7. Question on functioning of panchayti raj in the village?
- 8. Who needs to make sure infrastructure of panchayat bhawan is of good quality?

MEMBER 1

1. So many changes in direct taxes like faceless assessment but IRS (IT) are no happy? Reasons.

Followed by 4-5 question

Can't remember a few after that *

MEMBER 2

- 1. TELL US about VIHAAN (FMS social service cell)
- 2. About mentorship program
- 3. Funding mechanism?
- 4. 300 volunteers were providing information on covid via a website but they plan to not go further? Heard about it?
- 5. Who can take up this after this?
- 6. Barring IITs and PAYTM who can do this?

MEMBER 3.

- 1. When did you make your driving license?
- 2. Tell me the process you went with?
- 3. No corruption? Strange isn't it?
- 4. Did you go for driving school?
- 5. Why people face corruption there?
- 6. What innovative can you do for corruption free driving license system as an IAS?

MEMBER 4.

- 1. You have lived ion 6-7 cities. Tell us about your learnings.
- 2. How can these learning help during your time as a civil servant?
- 3. You didn't choose computer science and MBA and despite having no background in PSIR. why did you choose that?
- 4. DELHI UNIVERSITY has seen cut off in excess of 98% for graduation in pol science? Reasons?
- 5. Why people are attracted towards PSIR?
- 6. What is the career option available to them?

Thank you Akash.

You can leave. Have a nice day.

33 minutes in total

Akram khan

Alwar, Rajasthan

MBBS, M.S.

Hobby- coin collection

Board-Bharata Bhushan Vyas sir

Afternoon session

Last to go

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Chairman

- 1. Dr.Akram the relation between India and Saudi Arabia is changing, can u plz tell us something about India-Saudi Arabia relationship.
- 2. Can u plz tell us about IMR of India

- 3. Ok...plz tell us main causes of IMR
- 4. What are the steps we can take to control IMR?
- 5. There is growing prevalence of anaemia, what are the steps we can take to control rising pandemic of anaemia?
- 6. Can u tell us about disease surveillance and disease screening.
- 7. We will give u three terms, kindly explain about them...gender equality, general neutrality and gender sensitivity.
- 8. have u heard about National Recruitment agency.
- 9. Tell us something abt it..what are its functions and necessity.
- 10. Have u heard about Human genome project.
- 11. Tell us what it is.
- 12. Is there any use of gene sequencing in it.
- 13. What are use of human genome project.

Some more questions which i am not able yo recall

Member 1

- 1. Tell me about renewaiand non renewable energy.
- 2. Why there is regualion of power sector.
- 3. What is tariff?
- 4. What is necessity of tariff?
- 5. What is RPO?

Member 2 (lady member)

- Ok Dr. Akram i will ask u 4 questions and i want there interesting answers
- 1. Chairman sir ask u about gender sensitivity, tell me how in administration gender sensitivity can be beneficial.
- 2. There is constant debate on generalist versus specialist, u being an specialist working in a medical college, why u want to be a generalist now?
- 3. Have u Heard about amartya sen, the nobel laureate..he talk on different matters of economy.

Can u tell me abt the word "argumentative indians".

4.

Fourth Question i ddnt remember

Member 3

- 1. There is controversy regarding posting AYUSH doctors in ICU during covid, why such controversy and what are your views on it?
- 2. What are your views on AYUSH doctor being allowed to do surgery?
- 3. We hardly heard about mucormycosis, but suddenly there is rise of cases in 2nd covid wave.

Is it a new disease or something else?

- 4. What are the condition leading to such rise of mucormycosis?
- 2-3 more questions which i am not able to recall

Member. 4

- 1. Ur working in health set up...what difficulties did u find among patient while working as a doctor?
- 2. U talked about cataract, what are the different techniques to operate for cataract.
- 3. What is the difference between all these techniques and which is better?
- 4. How as a doctor u can u can adopt eco friendly lifestyle.
- 5. What is stem cell therapy and what are its use.
- 6. At what stages are these developments?
- 7. How CRISPR Cas9 works?
- 8. Is whole organ can be developed using stem cell therapy?
- 1-2 more questions which i am not able to recall

Chairman sir.

Thanks doctor its nice talking to u i wish u all the best for ur future.

You may go now

Name: D S

Edu Background: B.Tech-Petroleum Engineering

Institute: Anna University

Optional: Psychology

Home State: Tamil Nadu

Hobbies: Reading Self Help Books, Jogging

Board: Anant Sir

Duration: 25 min (approx.)

Chairman: (Very Cordial)

Dinesh, so you are from Chennai and you did your graduation from Anna University, What is this ACT Campus in Anna University, where is it located?

What is different between the 3 campuses in Anna University (CEG, ACT, SAP)?

So your hobby is reading Self-Help books. What kind of books do you read?

Why Existential books? What are the last 2 books you read?

Tell me about Man's Search for Meaning.

Member 1: (Very Receptive)

You were part of NSS in your college? What exactly did you do there?

Do you feel that having a program where students are asked to participate in social and community works a year after college is good? What is your opinion?

Can we have such programs on all Saturdays in college, where students can participate in community works?

Government for the last 7-8 years has struggled to give a fillip to Biofuels. What do you think is the reason?

How are we progressing in the Biofuel and Alternative fuel front?

Member 2: (Cordial and Smiling)

One of your hobbies is jogging. Have you ever participated in any marathons?

Last few years, the frequency of floods in Chennai has increased. What do you think is the reason behind this?

Is the Government of Tamil Nadu doing something to combat this problem?

Chairman:

Recently there was an announcement by the Prime Minister on Independence day to increase the production of Hydrogen based fuels. Why do you think he made that a priority to make that announcement?

What are Grey, Blue and Green Hydrogen?

Member 3: (Stoic and Reactionless)

Do you think Good Governance is enough for the ruling parties to do well in subsequent elections?

What is your opinion on the freebies given by the government, especially in Tamil Nadu?

Do you think that voting behaviour has changed in Tamil Nadu?

Chairman:

What is the difference between Freebies and Welfare Schemes?

Member 4: (Cordial and Receptive)

Your Edu Background is intriguing me, let me ask you questions on Petroleum Engineering.

What do you feel is lacking in the Indian Petroleum/ Crude oil sector that the capacity of it is hardly meeting 15 percent of domestic requirement?

What measures do you suggest to improve the Safety of workers in refineries?

How do you handle the problems of wastages from oil refineries?

What 2 core skills do you think are needed for the ground level workers in the refineries?

Chairman: Thanks Dinesh. Your interview is over. Have a Good Day.

Board Smita nagarajan

Lokesh Abhir

31Aug afternoon 5th to go.

Working in Income Tax, Intellectual property Research, Anthropology, Haryana, NIT KKR ECE background

Chairperson

- 1. Looking at my daf and asked you are working in Income Tax?
- 2. What is the most painful memory regarding working in Income Tax?
- 3. How did you handle it?
- 4. Did you use your muscle power or your haryanvi was enough?
- 5. You worked in mango IP, what was the nature of work, why it got closed?
- 6. Have you worked for any big company?
- 7. What is the director of that closed company doing now?
- 8. Discussion on Afgan Pak axis, pak must be happy as it's stature has increased among world power on issue of Afghanistan. A long discussion over this.

M1

- 1. % of Tax paying people is very low. What to do to increase that?
- 2. What is our per capita Income?. Don't you think when our PCI is low and Tax slabs are very high it would take many years to bring people in Tax net.

Long discussion on that.

3. Harappan sites in haryana and what new has been discovered about rakhigarhi?

M2

- 1. What is the benefit of PAN and Aadhar link?
- 2. India's investment in Afghanistan, projects and what to do now?
- 3. M2 continued discussion of M1 related to Tax. And long discussion thereon.
- 4. Do income tax have settlement commission.
- 5. Question on DTC

M3

- 1. Who were armchair anthropologists?
- 2. What is ethnocentricism and cultural relativism?
- 3. Can you link ethenocentrisim and patriarchy in India?
- 4. Who challenged the notion of ethnocentricism and cultural evolutionist?
- 5. Where did Malinwski work?
- 6. Why he chose trobriand and not Britain?

Few more ques on anthro which I can't remember

M4

1. HUF and hindu joint family related discussion on Tax

Some more ques on Tax

Difference between mediation and arbitration

2. What is one nation, one card and associated problems? Was the migration during covid a reverse migration?how do you see it?

Chairperson

Asked members whether they have any other ques Then said your interview is over you may leave.

Then she stopped me and said I want to ask one ques. She wanted to cross check about some questions. I clarified and then she said you can go.

Prashant

Civil Engineering + Msc. Economics

Flipkart

Satyavathi Madam Board

25th Aug, last to go AN

Chairperson

- 1. Since you play badminton, tell me why did PV Sindhu lose in semifinal
- 2. Asked about the draft eCommerce consumer protection regulations and a few follow up questions mostly opinion based

M2:

- 1. How did Amrulla Saleh become President if Afghanistan and a few follow up questions
- 2. Asked about stealth
- 3. A few other questions I am unable to recall

M3:

- 1. Asked about iPAC(daf since sher my name with Prashant Kishore)
- 2. Fake news and how to control it
- 3. Covid death undercount

And a few follow up questions unable to recall

M4:

- 1. Deep fake
- 2. Global commons
- 3. Follow up on global common I.e outer space
- 4. My project mentioned in DAF

A few other questions

M5:

A very random set of questions

- 1. CPEC and India's issue with it
- 2. Pay gap in public and private sector. Why joining despite it?
- 3. Love jihad and opinion on laws
- 4. A few other questions like Robotic Object processing etc which I did not answer

Later the chairman wished me luck and said interview over.

Fairly short interview with a overall cordial board. Could not gauge how it went considering everyone was masked.

All the best and hope this helps relieve you of your anxiety. Believe me it's easier done than read.

A_S

Interview Date :- 25th August

Board :- Manoj Soni

Home state : Bihar

Optional :- Geography

Work ex:- Oracle and currently in Indian Information Service

- 1) 30 sec .. Introduce urself with your unique traits
- 2) Mumbai encounter(26/11) you are a cop and kasab is firing in front of you ...what will you do
- 3) What is infodemics
- 4) Laws for infodemics

M1

- 1) Why Geography?
- 2) Why monsoon prediction is challenging and how can we improve the monsoon modelling
- 3) Impact of climate change on agriculture

M2

- 1) Suggest ways to revive the economy of Bihar
- 2) Tell one most important govt scheme in Bihar
- 3) If you have to devise a subsidy scheme ..how will you do it
- 4) what is difference between efficiency and effectiveness?

M3

- 1) Live streaming during 26/11. Do we need to restrict media? How will you do it
- 2) Is there the need of coaching institutes?
- 3) What is corruption?
- 4) What is the procedure to arrest a cabinet minister

M4

- 1) Where do you want to see you after 10 yrs
- 2) What is role of IT in govt ..tell me 3 imp fields

Which one will you choose?

- 3) As a software engineer what do you think about the e-filing portal glitches
- 4) You said you stay calm in tough situation ..tell me an incident from your life

Wolf (SY)

Sujata Mehta ma'am

5th to Go

Chairman:

- 1.tell me your academic and professional experience
- 2. Why did you leave epfo
- 3. What are gig workers
- 4. Are they superior than other informal workers

M1.

Tell me geography of Brahmaputra and yamuna

- 2. Epfo settles claim very late ,is it true ??
- 3. What was charter of accounts officer ??
- 4. Should India be done away with Indus water treaty??

M2:

Tell me about the project which you did with ENACTUS

2. We're you being trained in Law in ICLS ??

FEW MORE questions

[8/31, 6:25 PM] Sachin Yadav: M3

South Western Command

- 2. Why kabaddi is not part of Olympics ??
- 3. What India should do to improve the tally in Olympics ??
- 4. Is kabaddi part of ASEAN

games ??

M4 .

Why Ganga still unclean ??

2. Should we follow Us model of economics or Japanese model of economics ??

Chairman:

Do you want us to ask sth??

Said no

Ok I will ask then

Should India criticise the few billionaires growth or support it or be neutral??

- 2. What came to your mind after Karnak incident ??
- 3. Should we excuse the person on the basis that he was just appointed ??

NC

31/08/21

Afternoon, second one to go

Board Smita Nagraj Mam

IIT-B, Optional Mechanical, Writing Hindi poems, Forest conservation, POR in college, Theatre, NSS

Alwar, Rajasthan

CM

- 1. You have a good loud voice. How you have used it in life?
- 2. You specifically mentioned about leadership. What kind of role you had?
- 3. Given current socio-political scenario. What kind of leadership would you prefer?
- 4. What are the limits to "accommodation of different ideas"
- 5. What is judicial activism
- 6. Give examples
- 7. Recent examples
- 8. Few more questions

M1

- 1. Blockchain technology and its uses
- 2. Herd immunity. When india will reach there
- 3. Should schools be opened? Aren't we risking their life?
- 4. Cheetah from South Africa. Why shifting habitat? Would it be counter productive?
- 5. What is net neutrality?

6. Few more ...

M2

- 1. Motto of NSS
- 2. Who is "you" is this? (Motto was "Not me but you ")
- 3. What is UCC? What is your take?
- 4. 75 years passed, it's a DPSP but not implemented? What are the hurdles? Can it be implemented?
- 5. Weaponisation of RTE act.. your views
- 6. Is FDI threat to federal structure?

M3

- 1. So many seeds sown but tree cover not increasing?
- 2. What is conversion rate of seeds into trees?
- 3. How can theatre be used in society?
- 4. Can india achieve 33% forest cover target?
- 5. What is current data?
- 6. What can be done to increase forest cover?

M4

- 1. Armenia Azerbaijan war. What do you know about it?
- 2. Which country played the significant role?
- 3. Why Pakistan is in grey list?
- 4. What steps they have taken?
- 5. Powers of NDMA

Chairman again

- 1. Was there any instance when your leadership was challenged?
- 2. Few counter questions on this

Thankyou your interview is over

Very cordial board. No cornering

ABS

Board: Satyavathy Mam

Afternoon session; last to go

Key words from DAF: IRTS, Literature optional, interested in dance, writing stories, home state: Kerala

Chairperson, started by asking how my name is to be pronounced. I said S(h)ilpa. Then she asked y name is written as Silpa in DAF?

So your parents skipped an 'H', and still decided to call you S'h'ilpa.

So you are in IRTS, but IRTS is generally a service which women do not opt. And women choose IRAS or IRPS instead. So was that a choice or you got allocated to that.

So why IRTS?

Why then other women do consider it as a difficult service.

But all central services are 24*7 and demanding.

So, you want to run away from IRTS because you consider both IAS and IPS to be simpler than IRTS?

(Here, I had to tell that it is not about leaving IRTS.I am indeed happy and satisfied in IRTS.But IAs and IPS were my first choices and I want to get in to my preferred service since I have the chance to do it.And I do not consider IRTS to be a difficult service for women but what I said was a general perception candidates used to have regarding IRTS)

So how many women in your batch?

So 14 is a big number. Better than IAS and IPS, then why it is said that women do not join IRTS?

So what is the reason behind this change in perception?

You took literature as optional, why?

M1: Traffic is an issue in railways, how to solve it. (I did not understand initially and asked for clarification). Then he clarified that he meant punctuality issues and congestion.

So, what needs to be done?

What is your opinion about green energy?

Do you think Malayalam originated from Sanskrit?

Why you say that? Give citations??

M2: You write short stories? In which language?

Give us synopsis of a story you have written recently.

You were best camper at Deepika Children's league? What was this about? What all did you do?

And you dance as well. Which dance, Kathakali or something like that? So, you are more in to aerobics like dance?

M3: Tell us where the construction of bullet train stands right now.

So have they done feasibility study and survey of land?

What is your opinion on monetisation of railway assets.

Why private players not interested? Is it the project cost?

So how to solve this issue?

So, you are part of an exciting service.IRTS is generally considered the best of all railway services, so how does IRTS officers view upon the amalgamation of services?Don't you think it is detrimental to IRTS?

Elephants die on track in Kerala. What can be done to stop this?

This bee project you are talking about, did that fail?

M4: I want to start from the elephant issue. Can't railways make sure that elephant corridors are avoided while laying tracks?

If there is a situation where it is a single line and goods train and passenger trains are approaching from either directions, as an AOM to which train will you accord priority?

You write stories and you were part of departmental magazine. What did you do in that?

You have this love for literature, so do you know KR Meera?

Is she really famous in Kerala?

Railways is using automated system instead of earlier token system now. Don't you think that has lead to increase in accidents?

Chairman. Your interview is over, good luck.

CS

Satyavarthy ma'am

She read my DAF

kutch

Gujarat

Bdo then iis as i clarified

Mechanical engineering

Playing kabbadi

Chair

Q.Lot of friction between india n pak on kutch border

A. Sir creek n fisherman

Also in south Fisherman problem

India sl

Kutch tourism potential

Dhordo rannotsav

Religious tourism aashapura narayan sarovar anjar

Historical aina prag mahel

Mandvi watersport

M2

India bhutan

Does relationship is favours more to india than bhutan

Ans

No.

Mutual benefits trade China security hydrological n energy cooperation

Tug war on that issue

Q Bureaucracy red tapism n perception of arrogance

A yes its there at some extent

Solution by ethical training

Technology

Cm dashboard

Grievance redressal

JAM and faceless assesment

Officer has to go between People like village dev plan

Q u mentioned only playing kabbadi why not other achivement

A. In counter que i will be caught so why i should speak lie

Q. Why u want to became civil servant not businessmen as many gujju do.

M3 lady

What is the role of IIS officer

Which dept PIB BROADCATING film division film certification Ok Who regulates ott? Recent 3 tier structure Self platform Body of platfom Govt What do you think abt govt interference I said it is required bz Child women art 19 whole.... Then she caught that faceless assement What is it? How? In deep i don't know maam How u used your knowledge of mechanical engineering Analysis and decentralise maths She said earlier u said administration required more human touch. So its not contradictory I said combination of both for effective admi. What is csc? Ppp model worker village level computer entrepreneur for delivering govt schemes So, there is physical contact and chance of corruption, how solution Ma'am they just do entry at decentalise level Layered verification by TEHSILDAR and BDO M4

Wind solar geothermal tide wave

Tell me different form of renewable energy form

Accha Mechnical

Why fluctuations?

Night weather

Solution?

Batteries and grid connection

New Dev in batteries?

Liion but don't know in detail

Is there grid connection at pan india?

Sir i don't knw abt national grid but adani sends power 2 haryana

At&c loss?

What percent at vs c?

Gujarat irrigation ratio

I don't knw

Indian irrigation ration

Around 46 he said 48

I said thanks sir

Irrigation capacity utilization?

I don't knw sir

M5

Climate migration?

Capetown, maldives, Bangladesh, india

Solution

Adaption and mitigation

Redd+

Carbon capture and utilization

Why

Forest fires

Recent cyclones in india

Taute n yash

Why?

Difference between cyclone and hurricane

I said no such difference only names

He said

There is

I clarified, r u taking abt tornedo or typhoon

He said i m talking abt typhoon only

So i said sir i don't know

chairman, Mr. Chandresh ur interview is over

Samiksha jain

sathyavathy mam board, afternoon - 1st to go,

ca, bcom, commerce & accountancy optional

hobbies - flute, vipassana meditation, mentoring

authored a book on innovative ways to master service tax, member of women empowerment committee of ICAI

chairperson

read my daf word by word

- 1. why did you quit your job and what have you been doing since then?
- 2. what is the speciality of the book you authored
- 3. did you publish it commercially?
- 4. how many people have read your book?
- 5. tell me any two tax reforms in direct tax to increase collections
- 6. you view on taxing agriculture

M1

- 1. you practice vipassana. how is it different from other forms of meditation
- 2. have you attended that course? 7 days or 10 days of cutting off how many days is it?
- 3. if you are a dm and there are people in the district hungry and poor, will you still ask them to do vipassana?
- 4. your views on the gst reform? has it been successful

- 5. what was your role as member of woman empowerment committee? what suggestions did you give?
- 6. should women enjoy political representation?

M2

- 1. so you play the flute. how well do you play it?
- 2. have you ever performed in public?
- 3. hari prasad Chaurasia ji comes from which gharana
- 4. what do you know about ma annapurna devi (hari prasad chaurasia jis teacher)? which instrument does she play? why is she particularly famous?
- 5. what is the difference between flute and guitar or keyboard?
- 6. what is meend? (a flute technique) can we do it in keyboard or guitar? (tried to lead me to the answer he wanted to hear)
- 5. you do mentoring? whom do you mentor?

M3

- 1. it portal has been facing glitches. what are the issues?
- 2. was it right to hold up infosys?
- 3. does general category have reservation? so st obc etc have reservations so in a way can we say that general category candidates have a reservation too?

M4

- 1. you have secured a rank in ca. why not continue?
- 2. are you aware about the challenges a civil servant faces?
- 3. You have studied from distance learning. what are New education policy provisions regarding distance learning?
- 4. have you heard of swayam or moocs?
- 5. what is blended learning?

overall - 25 mins

no questions on location. no current affairs. all questions largely around DAF. very cordial board. patiently heard out all answers which were quite long.

advice - smile:) theyre cordial and patient listeners

Choubey sir board

From Charkhi Dadri-Haryana, chemistry (hons) DU graduate, anthropology optional, SDM probationer in UP

Chairman sir-

What u eat in breakfast?

Where r u staying?

Any issues u faced in travelling and coming due to covid?

Tell me very brief about your educational background and work experience?

Charkhi dadri was become famous for some reason, can u recall?

Your views on nrc and caa, why this controversy?

How this information flow can be full filled?

M1-

Do u believe COVID is biowarfare?

Is there any possibility of chemical warfare?

Which one biological or chemical will be more dangerous?

Why mentoring for civil services?

How u look our performance in sports, and why Haryana is doing well?

M2-

3 Environmental issues in villages?

How are they solved?

Also views on farm bills

Corruption decreased / increased, your view?

But consumism is increasing, your view?

How u will solve corruption issue?

M3-

Compare haryana vs up women status?

Compare world vs Indian women?

How female foeticide issue can be solved?

Myanmar status now, India's stand?

M4-

Agin covid is conspiracy or natural outcome?

Delhi vs Uttar Pradesh covid model?

Anthropology use in administration?

How you are using this in field?

Chairman sir

- anything u want to say or ask?

HG

27. 08. 2021

Uttarakhand, UP

IRTS 2018, IPS 2019

Hobbies: Butterfly watching, Quora Writing, Motivational speaking.

Board: Sathiyavathy Mam

Afternoon session, 2nd to go

Around 30 minutes

Chairman:

How manu services have you filled?

Will you be able to complete your training now?

What was your research about?

Where did you publish your papers? Both the papers in Delhi?

Why are butterflies important?

Are there Butterfly parks in India? Which is the largest park?

What do you write on Quora about?

How often do you write on Quora?

Member 1:

What do you know about Rafale deal? Was it the right thing to do?

Keep SC judgement aside, is it good for national security?

If you are the PM, would you have done it?

Member 2

There are reports of bad impact of radiation on birds and butterflies, what are those impacts?

Is it a sciencific theory now or just a hypothesis? Do we have scientific proof in favour of radiation impacting birds and insects?

What do you think, do you think they are harmed negatively?

Tell me about IPKF, in which all countries they are currently, what what is their mandate?

Indian IPKF in Sri Lanka? Was it the right thing to do?

Why was there a conflict? Why were they against Indian presence there?

As Indian PM, would you have sent IPKF to Sri Lanka?

Member 3:

Why lot of pendency in investigation at the level of police?

What will you do to improve it?

Plastic pollution, how bad it is? As environment secretary, steps you'll take to improve it?

What are the problems of SAARC?

Imagine you are the Indian PM, What would you like to change in SAARC?

Which one is more important, civil police or armed police? What is the police ratio in India?

Member 4:

Tell me about CCTNS? Benefits of CCTNS?

Tell me about Micro irrigation and vertical farming?

What is kyoto treaty?

First research, then IRTS, then IPS, what are you after? What is your purpose in life?

Chairman again:

If you become IAS this time, where do you think you'll reach by the time you retire?

Mrituniay Prasad Board - Sathyavaty Mam, 24th August, Forenoon, 4th to go

Details:B.Tech, M.Tech - Aerospace engineering, IIT Bombay, PSIR, M.Tech project: Elephant herd optimisation

Internships: CMU, USA - Robotics (autonomous navigation of MAVs); DRDO - Camera calibration, Appreciation letter for publishing research paper; ISRO - In orbit rendezvous of satellites

Hobbies: Following indigenous defence project development, surfing defence forums online

Sathyavaty Mam: Read my daf entirely

- Q1. So you did M Tech too? (Told it was Dual degree)
- Q2. Tell me difference between Geo stationary and geo synchronous orbits
- Q3. What is LEO, polar orbit?
- Q4. Have you followed the problems regarding new Max aircrafts of Boeing?
- Q5. Is the aircraft grounded right now? What are the specific issues?

M1:

- Q1. What was your project in college?
- Q2. How can you use Elephant herd optimisation in aerospace?
- Q3. It's not very related to core aerospace, whose idea was it?

Forgetting a couple of other questions

M2:

- Q1. So you follow indigenous defence projects, tell me 2 good and 2 bad projects
- Q2. Tell me where DRDO is good at and where it is bad, mention products if possible
- Q3. So government wants to bring privatisation and reduce HAL, what are your views?
- Q4. What reforms do you propose in HAL?
- Q5. Private industry or HAL, what will you choose?

M3:

- Q1. Don't you think coaching institutes reduce critical thinking ability of students?
- Q2. Tell me such institutes in Delhi? Who has largest capital?
- Q3. You took coaching for your interview? Which ones?
- Q4. With Taliban coming to power in Afghanistan, do you think India has lost its assets in Afghanistan?
- Q5. Do you think privatisation of space is good?
- Q6. Can there be cooperation between Indian and US companies?
- Q7. What are security concerns regarding private companies developing such critical technology?
- Q8. What are security issues regarding AI in defence?

M4:

- Q1. Tell me difference between LWE, terrorism, militancy and insurgency
- Q2. What will be your approach to deal with these?

- Q3. What are sleeper cells?
- Q4. Is it hard to catch such cells? Do they know their ultimate boss?
- Q5. What are the motivations for such sleeper cells?
- Q6. Do you think India can achieve \$5 trillion goal given it is currently \$2.8 trillion?
- Q7. Can schemes like Aatmanirbhar Bharat really help achieve such target?

Sathyavaty Mam: Thank you

Me: ??

Mam: Your interview is over. (Smiling) Thank you.

Around 35 minutes

Shakti, Board: Sujatha Mehta ma'am, Experience: IRS(IT) training

Hobbies: Cooking ,State: Tamil Nadu

Chairperson:

- 1. what is citizen centric administration
- 2. Rate IT dept out of 10 (I said 10)
- 3. What abt faceless then.. people are facing issues
- 4. Asked some forms related to IT which i dont knw

Member 2:

- 1. Tiruppur issues during covid
- 2. Names of schemes related to skilling

Member 3:

- 1. Why ias (i said I opted IPS)
- 2. Reasons
- 3. Disaster Management... my participation

Member 4:

- 1. Why grandmasters in India is low?
- 2. Chess can be learned or talent?
- 3. Road and environmental clearances in Himachal Pradesh

last Member:

- 1. you want to work in tn right? yes
- 2. Will you go to Nagaland?
- 3. Problems in Nagaland? i said ans related to administration..
- 4. tell from police perspective.
- 5. How apprenticeship program can be done

Chairperson:

1. Would you like to ask anything .. i said no.. ok u can leave

Again member 1:

tell something abt cooking ... what do you cook

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Interview date: 24th of August

Forenoon session; 1st to go

Board: Sathiyavathy Madam

Btech - IIT Delhi

Textile Technology

Optional : Chemistry

Hobby: Movies; Memoirs

Chairman

- 1. What is this name? Single name or double name?
- 2. How many memoirs did you read?
- 3. Tell me the name of the authors?
- 4. What kind of authors they are? No big leaders?
- 5. Why Bangladesh is doing better than India in textile export?
- 6. Suggest two measures to improve textile export?
- 7. She gave background of silk industry. Asked its properties?
- 8. Types of silk?
- 9. Largest production of silk?
- 10. Regions of India where silk is grown?

- 11. What can be done to improve its production?
- 12. Asked about experience in textile industry and pollution?

- 1. Picked from textile pollution. Asked me about pollutants released in environment.
- 2. Suggest measures to reduce textile pollution.
- 3. How will you control textile pollution as in charge of textile?
- 4. How will you control textile pollution as in charge of cpcb?
- 5. (lots of background) How will you control textile pollution as in charge of textile and cpcb both?

Member2

- 1. Asked about my school (HAL)?
- 2. Tell me about recent news of HAL?
- 3. Gujarat anti conversion issue? Asked me about onus of proof?
- 4. Tell me your opinion about anti conversion law?
- 5. What is glycemic index ? (chemistry question :-I)
- 6. What is its role?
- 7. How do you suggest food for healthy lifestyle? (not able to recall exact question)
- 8. What kind of movies do you watch?
- 9. Benefits of watching science fiction movies.

Member3

- 1. What are doing since your graduation?
- 2. Tell me about your interest? (told what was written in daf)
- 3. Tell me about other interests.
- 4. No tell me about topics.
- 5. Now he explained that he want ask to from current affairs.
- 6. Why the center of geopolitics is shifting from atlantic to asia?
- 7. Is china ready to take role of global leader?
- 8. What is a classical movie?
- 9. Have you watched any hollywood classical movie?

- 1. What is Kanpur famous for? (written in DAF)
- 2. What are other things it is famous for?
- 3. Asked about arms related industry of Kanpur?
- 4. What was Kanpur famous for during British times?
- 5. Tell me about textile testing?
- 6. Tell me the exact number of textile testing?
- 7. Problems of silk industry?

Interview Transcript ,Date - 31/08/2021, Afternoon Session,Board - Smitha Nagraj. CHAIRPERSON -

- Q. What is your current assignment in your department (Department of Post)?
- Q. What is your opinion on Infosys being blamed for faults in the IT return filing website?
- Q. Do you think they will be able to meet the timeline to fix the issue?
- Q. You are praising Infosys, have you not faced any problem with them?
- Q. What is the relevance of your department in current times? should we not do away with it or corporatize the department?
- Q. How do you see the future of the department in the next 10-15 years?

Member 1

- Q. Have you heard of reverse parenting? what is your opinion on this?
- Q. Do you think Common Civil Code should be brought before UCC?
- Q. What is your opinion on PPP
- Q. Don't you think it is a wastage of public money?

Member 2

- Q. Suppose you are a collector of a district in Rajasthan and you receive a complaint of illegal mining. What will be your action?
- Q. What if someone calls you and pressurize to not to take any action
- Q. How do you see the threat of ISIS for Afghanistan?
- Q. Current situation in Nepal, is it comfortable?
- Q. Why there is anti-India Sentiment in Nepal?

- Q. What are the risks of climate change in Rajasthan?
- Q. How can we minimize the impact?
- Q. Urban planning What are the issues in urban planning?
- Q. Why we are not able to fix them?
- Q. How to stop the uncontrolled growth in the urban areas?
- Q. Has there been any successful model in urban planning?

Member 4

- Q. Why has India not signed the refugee convention?
- Q. Why we have not signed the NPT?

Few more questions not able to recall

Chairperson - what have you planned for your carrier in next 10-15 year. Where do you see yourself?

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Interview transcript 2020

Session: afternoon 01/09/21

Board: M. Sathyavathi mam

Mechanical engineering

No job ex

Geography optional

Hobbies: astronomy, meditation

Chair: What is Mr. Freshers title?

How do you practice your hobby?

Which food help in reducing anaemia?

M1: Wha is CDS? Do you think India needed one?

In which postions are women represented in Indian military?

What is your opinion on US naval ship coming in India's EEZ, are we correct in protesting it at international forum?

What is CPEC?

How is Taliban afganistan going to impact it?

What are China's concern in Afghanistan?

M2: Should geography be removed from syllabus as permanent subject?

Google has all knowledge, why study geography then?

What is human geography?

Suppose you're a DM of some district, influx of returning migrant workers has put pressure on your resources, how will you manage it? Does it cause clashes between existing labour and migrant labour?

M3:

What is event horizon? Why is it called event horizon?

What is schwarzchild radius?

How do scientist know that climate change has been occurring since industrial revolution? Give me specific answer.

M4: Who wrote Kosmos? (Alexander von Humboldt)

What was his contribution to geography?

What is territorial integrity?

What is radical geography?

Who was it's first proponent?

* Interview over*

I'll update as and when I remember more questions.

GG

Board: TCA Anant

Job: Railway probationer (Electrical Engineering)

Hobby: Playing hockey

Ch

What is the meaning of your name?

Where did you go for student exchange programme? (DAF related)

What is Avanti Fellows? (DAF related)

What is your current job?

M1

Should we increase passenger fares in railways?

What is multi modal transportation?

What is railways doing in this field?

What should be done?

Named a term I had never heard of

Which classes of the railways are remunerative?

What are some FinTechs in railways?

M2

Why did India do good in hockey this olympics?

What is the future of hockey in India?

Bullet train vs modernization of current assets? What should be our priority?

But which one should be our choice since capital is limited?

How to generate more revenue?

Your views on railways services merger?

M3

How should we modernise railway stations?

How to increase revenue in railways?

Points related to railways in NMP?

Is brining in private players right?

Compare with Airways and telecom sector

Shouldn't the government be more aggressive in privatisation?

Merits and demerits of social media

How to counter those demerits, what steps should we take?

Do you think the value of print media is declining?

M4

Tell me about your project in DAF related to blood pulse rate.

How will you use technology in medical field? (Telemedicine was one of my points)

What are some technological advancements in railways for safety?

Ch

Benefits and demerits of telemedicine?

Thank you

Dr TCA anant sir board

Date:- 1st September, BA(H) Political Science from Delhi University, Work ex:- few internships

4th to go, afternoon session, Duration: - 20-22 minutes, PSIR optional

Chairman:-

In lighter tone while reading DAF:- You are from original Pusa(Bihar), not duplicate pusa (of Delhi)..

You graduated in 2020..Good..

What is the significance of Pusa? Why is it famous?

Reading main points of DAF

You cleared NDA exam with AIR 242. Then why didn't you join? (Told him that I am color blind, so rejected in Medical)

So, you are interested in army? (Smiling)

Members talking among themselves:- Fir to IPS me b dikkat hogi due to color blindness.. however it is not our domain..

Member 1(lady) (All questions from DAF)

What were your observations in rural development internship and community service internship?

What are the main issues?

What suggestions would you give to the authorities?

Mem 2 (All questions from DAF)

Why bihar-jharkhand region is backward in terms of development?

What would be the future of Indian cinema?

What were your initiatives as Vice president of photography society of your college?

What leadership skills did you learn as part of VP of society which can be used in administration..Give examples..

Mem 3 (Meh faced always, no questions from DAF)

Our PM talks about local to global but why indian companies couldn't become global? give reasons..

Is this only government's fault?

Why our services export is booming but manufacturing sector lags behind.. we have many MNC is services sector but not in manufacturing.. why?

What can be the way forward ...What will you do if you become secretary?

Mem 4(lady member with a pleasant smile, All questions related to DAF)

What type of science fiction movies you watch?

Which movie you think can become reality in the near future?

Why india is not so much scientifically advanced in space research?

What more could be done?

One member said well done after my interview got over

Very cordial board

Lady member was keenly observing me throughout the interview

One member meh faced always

Anonymous

Date: 01.09.2021

Board: Sathyavathi.

5th to Go - Forenoon Session

MSc Physics with Astrophysics as special subject

Optional - Physics

Chairperson reads out entire DAF with key points.

What are you doing after 2017?

So you have done MSc in Astrophysics. (Said -Yes)

(Then they mixed it with S&T)

What is recent failure of ISRO?

What type of rockets ISRO is using?

How geostationary and geosynchronous satellite are different?

What is Polar Satellite?

Why it is called so?

Indian achievements in these satellites?

Member 1:

You can do much more in Astrophysics than here.

Difference between weather and weathering.

How weather plays role in satellite launches of ISRO?

Comment on the statement: Green revolution has given us lot of pain.

Member 2:

How has you used your knowledge of astrophysics till now.

How can help the children who are addicted to gaming with Astrophysics,, being a DM.

Member 3:

Astrophysics inventions are fuelled by imagination of sci fi stories.

Which sci fi writer gave concept of geostationary satellite?

Role of Einstein in Astrophysics?

How Einstein proposed gravity as in General Theory of Relativity.

There was another member and other few questions were asked. But most of them were on these same lines.

I feel that they are just asking these questions as a warm up round but then Chairman said Thankyou, your interview is over. It felt just like 10 minutes or so. It doesn't feel like an interview at all.

No questions were asked from hobby, current affairs etc. Overall board was cordial and nice

All the best \square

Interview

Background: B.E (ECE), State Tamilnadu, Optional geography.

Work experience: probationary Sub registrar

Chairman: choubey sir

- 1. Introduce yourself in educational and employment area.
- 2. Why you to join civil service.
- 3. Kongu region is asking for separate statehood from Tamilnadu. What can be the condition for bifurication and against bifurication
- 4. Doesn't political aspiration important for statehood?
- 5. Kashmir valley is asking for separation from India . Can we give that .

Member 1

- 1. why former us president trump want to buy Greenland.
- 2. Benefit of melting of ice in Arctic region. What are the countries which will benefit from this
- 3. Disadvantage of receding snowline for Siberia
- 4. Why US Target Iran nuclear program. Follow up question on that.

- 1. china current position on srilanka. How it affects India interest.
- 2. Need for 5g, infrastructural difference between 4 g and 5 g, can we not introduce 5g in some pockets

Member 3

- 1. What does Tibet mean in itbp
- 2. Geopolitical development of India in after independence in light of 75 the year of independence
- 3. Religious sect which developed in Tamilnadu and spread in all parts of India

Member 4

- 1. Tamilnadu former cheif minister miss Jayalalitha was very strong leader. Despite this patriarchy is still prevalent in Tamilnadu?
- 2. If there is again war between singalese and Tamil people in srilanka. Will India again support srilanka by military help and training.
- 3. Should India provide refugee assistance to srilanka Tamil in case of such war.
- 4. How would you use electronics in registration department to increase public service delivery

Chairman

Do you want to say something.

Me: no sir. Thank you

Chairman: your interview is over.

Upsc interview,2nd September,First one to go,RN Choubey sir board.

Welcomed by sir and ask for seat and ask to remove mask the for whole interview.

And sir explain the process.

Cp:1) Should we say Utsav rather than whole name?

- 2) Introduce yourself.
- 3)Ask about Hydrological cycle and why some are saying that water is reducing?And give example. And some counter questions. NE india vs gujarat, US canada amazon example.

Member 1 (very positive mindset person)

- 1) Why gujarat is lacking behind in social indicators and what government is doing .Gave long answer with some examples.
- 2) We can change friends but not neighbour. Explained with example china pakistan as neighbour while US(now) and USSR(1971) as friends.
- 3) Should government carry surgical strike in Pakistan (Rawalpindi) region .But why not .I said no sir .then he ask why we carried out then .i said it was POK as disputed territory.
- 4) Importance of india ocean for india. I quoted that india is a stationed ship in indian ocean. And some counter questions.

Member 2(speak slowly and not louder)

- 1) Your take on linguistic reorganization of nation. Gave example abt GJ as growth engine after separation from MH. Strengthen national unity.
- 2)Police reform. Which are need and here gave details answer with example 7 points as under prakash singh(didn't it).

And reservation of women like GJ for better policing plus community policing and many other.

- 3) Utility of Rajya sabha .Gave power ,control over executive, state representation and other too.Later asked that it is used as seat for retire political.But gave example of Sachin contribution in sport and judge better debate and discussion.
- 4) Why our union is stronger and how state has autonomy? Gave example how state can do their work taxation ,FC and concurrent list power. and union to protect terrortial integrity plus National security. To promote unity .

Member 3

- 1) What is this reflective writing.
- 2) Questions about tolerance ,violence and caste identity erosion. Gave example few. And counter questions too.
- 3) India nepal border issue .which place(kalapani, limpu pass) and how to solve .Why russia solve border issue with china and why not india solving. What is your take... And certain counter questions.

Member 4

- 1) Questions on ladakh and how civil engg used in building their. Gave short term and long term solution. Ladakh as land of pasess. Pre fabricated structure plus wooden structure to protect from extreme weather plus sloping roof.
- 2)other some small questions that i cannot remember now.

Chairman sir.

Thank you talking with you and your interview is over..35 min appro.

Very coordial board and smiling face.

Upsc CSE-2020

IPS

UP

Bhonsle Sir

Chairman sir:

- How can we harness the curious minds in our country, tell how NEP is ensuring that.
- Where innovation is happening in the world?

Member 1:

- agriculture not viable, out migration is happening, how will you change the scenario if made DM of a district.
- Now Govt is also focusing on increasing farmers income through other means?

Member 2:

- what are the maritime zones?
- Some new bill has come which is causing hullabaloo amongst the fishermen.
- Famous lady personality of Kanpur who was important in Indian National Army. Tell whatever you know about her
- Surveillance of UAV is increasing, how do we detect them?

Member 3:

- Amazon such good job, why left?
- Private sector doing good why joining public sector?
- What is the difference between working of public sector and private sector?
- How will you use technology in improving agriculture?
- Tell some other points (you are a technology man, I am sure you can think of some more technologies to be used)....

Member 4:

- Police is harbinger of social change. Explain
- What police could have done differently in Red Fort hoisting case. (Long discussion... what more.., what else, what you would have done differently)
- Why want to be IAS (long argument)

Chairman sir:

- 1. Explain the statement elaborately. "If we do not open to new ideas, we will only be recycling the history."
- 2. What will you do after going back.

Bb Vyas Sir, Ips, Mathura, UP, Computer Engineering.

Chairman:

- 1. Tell 5 things to improve tourism in Mathura.
- 2. what schemes can you access for all the steps you listed.
- 3. Dome defense technology.
- 4. Israel india cooperation.
- 5. What all areas Israel india are working together.
- 6. Some more on Israel.
- 7. Should we regulate social media.
- 8. Is it possible to regulate social media.

M1.

- 1. Training: weightage for indoor and outdoor.
- 2. Police reform for autonomy
- 3. Citizens grievance against police.
- 4. Have we lost on the demographic dividend.
- 5. How to get the skill development.
- 6. Is bureaucracy bane for democracy, which you are going to join. Think and answer.

M2.

- 1. Vehicle scrapping policy.
- 2. what is the parameter for giving a fitness certificate after 15/20 years time limit.
- 3. GST Compensation cess and issues related to it.
- 4. what can be done.
- 5. the issue related to the under-recovery of GST was there even before the pandemic.
- 6. Can the compensation be reduced midway.

M3.

- 1. You are going for night operation, what technologies you can use to hide your presence at night.
- 2. I said camouflaging our presence and taking cover etc, but he said can be easily detected by an IR camera.
- 3. something he explained about multispectral suits which can block IR. kept explaining the same technology for 2 minutes.
- 4. Administrator, Manager, Leader what do you consider yourself among these.
- 5. some discussion on this.

M4.

1.

2. AMRUT scheme.

3.

I was called suddenly and the person who came to call me asked me to run from the waiting hall to the interview hall, as the previous interview probably got over before time. So always be prepared to be called well before your slot.

it was for around 25-27 minutes.

Interview Transcript

Laxman Tiwari

IPS. PSIR

21/08/21

Smita Nagraj Ma'am Board, Forenoon- 3rd to go.

Chairperson

- -Your Cadre
- -Why so much violence in West Bengal(don't tell about political violence)?
- -Policing challenges in Bengal?
- -How policing is different in Bengal from Bihar?
- -How to deal with communal violence and Caste violence?
- Why no Peace committee in Caste based violence?
- -Will you take legal action in Communal violence cases?

- -SDM Lathicharge- GOOD OR BAD?
- -Do you think that our education system is based on giving degrees?
- -How to improve employability?

- -what is Nation State?
- -Appointment of SC judges, Models of appointment?
- -What kind of federalism in appointment of judges in India?
- -Is India a Federal state- Justify?
- -Is NEP just reiterating what already have been done?

Member-2

- -Why adult literacy needed?
- -Should we have a national plan for this?
- -Is it justified to educate adults under MNREGA?
- -Conviction rate is very low in India, what reforms needed in entire CJS?
- -Which vacancy should be filled first- IPS or Constables?

Member-3

- -Is it justified to keep a draconian law like Sedition in our democracy?
- -Why china being aggressive towards India?
- -Why Tawang is important for China?
- What should be our strategy to counter china?
- -Why china claims South China Sea?
- -Name of country has dispute in South China sea but not a member of UN.

Member-5

- -What is string of pearls?
- -What are we doing to counter it?
- Why south china sea is important for the world?
- -Why china did not accept World court's' judgement?
- Why china wants to alter world order?
- -How can developing nations plan an action to counter china?
- -What is happening in Afghanistan?
- -Has India lost strategic position in Afghanistan?
- -Why India did not recognise Taliban?
- -What security challenges India face from Afghanistan?
- -What can we do?

Chairperson

- -What is our current strategy in Afghanistan?
- -Should we talk to Taliban? (I said we should keep the option open given our traditional strategic sphere there. She asked to take a stand. I said Yes we can talk to them to protect our interests. I reiterated that there are multiple factions of Taliban who favour relationship with India, we can engage with them)

Thank You, Your Interview is over.

Electrical engineer, IPS probationer , hobby - jogging and defence, work experience- ntpc, railway, danics Board- TCA Anant sir

chairperson:

tell us about some indigenous defence technology we have developed?

member1:

why jogging?

do you participate in marathons?

what internal chemical changes occur in body during jogging

member2:

make in india

atmanirbhar bharat

defence and make in india

participation of private sector in defence

steps taken to boost indigenous defence manufacturing

member 3:

why is our criminal judicial system so inefficient?

what is icjs?

will doing everything online resolve pendency?

how many types of prisoners in prison?

difference in facilities given to under trial and convicts?

member 4:

give overview of NTPC

Three good things about NTPC

if ntpc is so good, why you left it?

what three things in your opinion ntpc should do

how will you improve safety in railways and ntpc?

what is quantum computing?

three uses of quantum computing in railway, police or defence?

chairman- didnt ask any further question

just said your interview is over.

thank you.

Sujata mehta board

Psir, software engineer, deputy collector with BDO charge, UP

Chairperson

Difference in Pvt sector/govt sector work culture

Is government right regarding contractual labour (paying low wages)

How is a day in your office?

If we remove job security from government offices will it still be interesting?

Rank prestige power Job security public service in order of preference?

Member 1

Why Afghanistan collapsed before taliban?

Why lawn tennis is not as successful as badminton in medal tally

Member 2

Privatisation disinvestment? Should we privatise?

What is the concept of EOD? Can it be used in government sector?

What is brownfield and Greenfield?

Monetization plan is brownfield/Greenfield?

Is it good for india?

Member 3

J&k Development officer through elections? Why isn't implementated in other states?

Nrega is a waste of resources! Discussion

Extra judicial killings in UP! What will you do as a DC to curb it?

Health sector condition very poor? Why doesn't block do anything do about it?

Member 4

Financial devolution, southern states are why complaining?

Recommendations of 15th FC?

Why so many engineers opting for civil services?

Kimy Jong, Chaubey sir, 2nd to go, IRPS'18

Chairman:

- Introduce yourself
- What is India's Forex reserve now?
- What are it's components?
- Who is the holder of that money?
- What is the RBI and government collaborative mechanism and what's it's function?

- Should executive and judiciary also collaborate on these lines? eg on PIL?

M1:

- Is Bullet train required? Why not invest in conventional areas?
- Can Railway be completely privatised?
- India Canada relations

M2:

- What can india do to improve its Soft power with East nations?
- There is view that through NEP 2020 education is being internationalised. What do you think?
- Is NAM buried?
- Did NAM do anything for covid?

M3:

- What role does Railway have in mobility (later he clarified with defence)
- What's your view on strikes by employees in public utilities essentials? Should it be allowed?
- Importance of Indian Ocean? What changes are coming?

M4:

- Who was the Sikh guru first martayered by Mughals? What was the reason?
- What is the significance of Diwali for Sikhs?
- What can be done for youth? Took it to drug abuse? How to handle it? Are government mechanisms any good in preventive aspect? Ar NCB's action helpful?
- Can we disagree with some of decisions of Mahatma Gandhi?
- Did he chose Nehru correctly for PM when there were other leaders like patel?

Chairman:

- Anything you would like to share with us?

Sanket

02/09/2021, Smita Nagraj Madam, Afternoon session, Third to go, Around 25 minutes

Relevant details from DAF:,Wardha/Nagpur/Maharashtra

M.Sc. Physics/ PSIR/ 2nd attempt, Wished all!

CM:

1. You are from Wardha.. Is Gandhi ji's lifestyle relevant today?

- 2. Do you find people following him now a days?
- 3. Which ideas' of Gandhiji have outlived its utility
- 4. You mentioned Mr. Prakash Amte... How he manages to live among tribals, especially Naxals.. Is there some understanding between them?

M1:

- 1. What are recent changes in Essential commodities act?
- 2. Which commodities were excluded?
- 3. New Edible oil policy
- 4. What was the toughest decision in your life?
- 5. Difference between organised crime and terrorism

M2:

- 1. What is Net Neutrality? Is it enforceable under IT Act, 2000?
- 2. Causes of unemployment? Present unemployment rate of India?
- 3. What government has done on employment front? What is the status of the policies you mentioned (Some follow up questions)

M3:

- 1. Difference between LWE and Northeastern insurgencies
- 2. Is there any external influence in north east? Cite examples
- 3. Your opinion on state funding of elections
- 4. What is status of electoral bonds? Why are they subject to criticism?
- 5. Issues of malnourishment in Maharashtra.. what it has to do with LWE? regions infamous for malnutrition

M4:

- 1. What is the name of International university in Wardha? What's motivation behind that?
- 2. IVF.. (a 3-4 minutes long question □).. who is resposible for the the undesirable consequences? Doctors- testing centres, customers or government?
- 3. What is Multidisciplinary, Intradisciplinary and Transdisciplinary in New Education Policy? Is it possible to avail to such education?
- 4. What is Credit Based Choice System? How its different from NEP?

- 5. What is Nagpur Orange? Does it have a GI tag? What is exact place around Nagpur where tese oranges are grown?
- 6. What is Judicial Accountability? How to ensure it?

Ch:

You said that while dealing with LWE we failed to accommodate them and we succeeded mostly in North Eastern region... why is this so? Elaborate the governments policy/doctrine to deal with LWE

Your interview is over!

(No exclusive question on hobby, graduation, optional.. mostly focussed on Maharashtra)

Cordial panel!

Best luck□

Nobody, RN Choubey Sir board, Optional-PSIR, Background-Btech CSE

Chairman Sir

1. Enquired when I arrived in delhi in my local language

Gave brief Introduction of interview process

- 2. Asked me to Introduce about myself highlighting graduation and work experience.
- 3. Types of leadership and what type of leader I'm?
- 4. Does democratic leadership apply in army?

M1 Sir

Asked about leadership style of Modi-interrupted by chairman sir

Leadership style of Indira Gandhi and conversation around it

Any situation of liberal leadership in army

M2 Sir

- 1.Kerala politics- why parties take turn in power
- 2.My state's new govt formation and schemes
- 3.Cash transfer good or bad
- 4. Biden policy towards India. Is it better than trumph.
- 5. Which president- Trump or Biden is better for american people and their country.

M3 Sir

1. Asked How my name is pronounced?

- 2.3 transformational leaders of Africa . He gave one example of Nelson mandela and asked me to say other two.
- 3. southern states pays so much tax and in return get meagre returns in comparison to hindi heartland. My opinion and solution
- 4. Nep challenges and drawbacks.

M4 lady member

- 1. Gave a Quote of Marx and asked me to identify and explain.
- 2. Counter perspective of the above quote by another scholar and asked me whether you agree.
- 3.Do we need to focus on rich or poor and what will I do if I'm incharge of finance and whom will I focus.
- 4.after being in service for 30 years, what would you call it as an success when you look back into your career.

Chairman Sir.

Do you want to ask us anything or share something?

Very cordial board and great experience.

Overall interview was 35 minutes

H M, Transcript:-31/08/21, Sujata Mehta Mam Board, Morning Session

Mechanical Engineering, Optional-Geology

Hobbies-Watching Movies, Reality TV Shows, Singing and Anchoring.

3rd To Go

Chairperson:-

- 1)Tell Introduction with your Education and Work Experience
- 2)You have been Preparing for 4 Years,

What kept you Motivated?

3) What is Sustainable Mining? Is it Possible? Stakeholders Involved?

Give any Example.

4) What are Reality TV Shows?

Do you think they are Real?

Did you learn anything from them?

Member-1:-

- 1) Do You Think Bundelkhand should be made a State?(DAF Related) 2) But is it Viable Economically? Member-2:-1)There is a perception that TV is an Idiot Box?Do you Agree? Do People Learn anything from them? 2) What is Financial Literacy? Should we invest in Mutual Funds, despite Risks? How do you think we should promote Financial Literacy? Should Schools be used to aware children about it? Member-3:-1)How will you use Mechanical Engineering Knowledge to solve Water Stress in Northeast District? 2)How will you use Mass Media in promoting any Development Work/Scheme? Member-4:-1) What is Sustainable Development? 2) What are SDGs? How many are there? 3)Take Any one SDG and tell how Mechanical Engineering Knowledge would help to pursue it? 4) What is I.R.4.0? 5)What is I.O.T.? Chairperson:-1) Want us to talk on anything else? (I told Movies) 2) What Movies You Watch?
- 3) There is a Perception that Movies Promote Violent Culture, What do you think?
- 4)Do Movies show Reality?
- 5)Do you support Censorship? And How much is it relevant?

NA,31/08,Background: B. Com(H), Yoga Hobby, Currently in IPS(2020 batch), M. Sathiyavathy board

Chair: What were you doing in between 2016-20?

- -Many Civil servants are using social media and gaining publicity. Even PM pointed this out during his recent discussion with IPS officers. What is your view on the same?
- -Should we allow use of personal account of officers to publicise official work?
- -Shouldn't we ban officeers from having a personal account by officers?
- -Do conduct rules allow you to write an opinion in favor of govt?
- -How to check misuse of personal accounts of social media by many civil servants spread across the country?

M1

- -You have mentioned Yoga as a hobby? Since when did you start practicing it?
- -Your view on its importance?
- -How did it help you?
- -What is the psychology behind social media?
- -Why do officers come on Social Media?
- -Have you seen the movie singham?

What is your opinion on reflection of police in that movie?

M2-

- -Why don't you continue in IPS?
- -Police reforms?
- -Follow up questions
- -What was your work as Treasurer of The Student's Union?
- -How impact you made?

M3

- -Why stock market rising despite poor economic performance?
- -Do you think Instant justice is good?

It has both public as well as political support. What is your opinion?

- How to improve the Criminal Justice system?

M4

- -Recent news of Militancy in North east? Are you aware?
- -Recent case of MH where a Union Minister was arrested. Is it right? What is your view?

- was it a civil proceedings or criminal. Or proceedings? -Is there anyone who is immune from. criminal proceedings? -2-3 more questions. KK Board: Smita Nagraj ma'am, Duration: 30 minutes, 1st to go after lunch. Chairperson 1. Started with a lighter question on my alternative email id that had "Shahrukh" in it. □ 2. Are you doing research to get a window for UPSC preperation. 3. Is it good to announce a directed foreign policy. (My research is on Look East and Act East) 4. Differences between JNU and University of Allahabad. 5. Should student politics in university campuses be continued? 6. Some schemes for BPL which you liked most. M1 1. Should UP be divided? 2. Explain the statement "Geography is History" (I started but he interrupted me and explained himself) □ 3. What is more important Geography or History for socioeconomic development of a country? 4. What are gig workers? Give some examples. 5. Are Zomato and Swiggy delivery partners gig workers? M21. How do you see Allahabad becoming Prayagraj? 2. Doesn't identity matter in such matters? (Counter question on previous answer) 3. How do you see future of Physical classes after this trend of online classes. Then a question on digital divide. 4. What's your research methodology in PhD? 4. What's the universe/scope of your study? 5. How did you conduct interviews for research? (Tried to grill me here) $\hfill\Box$ 6. How much is the plagiarism in your thesis and how much is permissible?

7. What's webliography?

M3.

- 1. How do you see National Monetization Policy?
- 2. Would it not affect the existing employees?
- 3. Biden said No more nation building now. What do you understand?
- 4. How would Taliban in power affects India?
- 5. 2 positive and 2 negative aspects of your personality.

M4.

- 1. Suggest 5 steps to become a 5 trillion economy.
- 2. Why India at bottom in happiness index?
- 3. Which countries are at top in happiness index?
- 4. What's your view on UP's population control policy?
- 5. Difference between Gatishakti and NIP.
- CP: Your interview is over Kapil. □
- V J,Date-31/08/2020,Board-TCA Anant sir.

Home state- Chhattisgarh, Optional- Commerce and Accountancy

Hobbies-Listening Ted Talks, Travelling to hill stations, playing and following cricket

Current Job- PMU under MoSJE

Morning session- 4th to go

Chairperson:

- 1. What are you doing after grad
- 2. What is this PMU unit
- 3. What impact can you create out of it
- 4. What are schemes of MoSJE

M 1

- 1. What is social audit
- 2. Whuch schemes provide for social audit
- 3. Status of social audit

- 4. How can social audit improve our work in PMU
- 5. What are issues in the hill stations and how it can be resolved

M2

- 1. Can india achieve 5 trillion target
- 2. What are issues in Indian economy.
- 3. What should be done to improve the economy
- 4. What has made Indian cricket team performing so well vis a vis 1990s time

M3

- 1. Do we need caste census
- 2. Can India ever be a casteless society

M4

- 1. Explain your startup idea
- 2. What is this Industrial Revolution 4.0
- 3. What is India's status in IR 4.0
- 4. Issues in our education system that affect our performance in IR 4.0
- 5. What can be done in education system for IR 4.0

Chairman- your interview is over.

Paresh Parimal, RN Choubey sir's board, all male members.

3rd September,IIT BHU,Btech cse, work ex- Samsung,PSIR

Bokaro, jharkhand, Morning session -2nd to go

Chairman- we are nice people, we will just have conversation so sit back relax and enjoy.

No questions from RNC sir, just listening to my answers with serious expression throughout.

M1

Is india doing the right thing by talking to taliban?

What do u think, Sovereignty more important or human rights?

Should terrorist be given human rights?

Some counter questions and discussions.

M2

Questions on 5g- should be developed pan india or partial.

How to develop other sports apart from cricket in india?

How to integrate tribals?

Jharkhand related questions- dams, water table, sportsperson represented in olympics?

M3

Should we accept chinese investments in india?some discussions.

About Ulfa, activities, aims?

Where is paresh baruah residing now?

Public accounts commitee- supplementary questions

M4

Did we do blunder by liberating bangaldesh, we could have blackmailed pakistan by creating disturbance there now?

Why research and development lagging in india?

Why no google, fb, amazon like indigineous companies in india?

How to create companies like them.

Chairman

It was nice talking to you.

All the best

I might have missed Some questions. Overall good experience, cordial board

J,-RN Choubey sir board,-2nd September,-Morning session : 4th to go,- B.Tech (Mechanical Engg.)

-English literature optional,-Questions have been paraphrased in some cases; unable to recall exact wording

Chairman questions:

- What are non-state actors?
- Are Naxals non-state actors?
- You mentioned corporations as non-state actors too. Could you explain?
- Your opinion on the trend of demolishing statues in the west on the basis of perceived past racism?

Member 1

- Should we make China our friend or foe?
- Whats should be the language policy for India?

Member 2 (English lit discussion)

Discussion on post-modernism, linkages with authority and order, and Sanskritization

Memeber 3

- Issues regarding border dispute with China
- Suggested measures for border resolution
- Alleviating technology gap in critical sectors

Memeber 4

- Nearest island to India?
- What do you know about Indonesia?
- Why our level of engagement with Indonesia is not higher, and suggest measures for better engagement
- Tribal groups of Afghanistan; dominant tribal group?
- What is their population?
- What is the specific religious ideology they follow? (Not something like Sunni islam, needed more specific)
- Given that Pakistan has more Pashtuns than Afghanistan, and given the dominance of Barlevi order there, won't it conflict with the Deobandi version in Afghanistan? (May have missed a few more keywords in this question)

Chairman:

- Do you want to tell us something?

Have missed some questions, will update if I recall.

Overall, very very cordial and supportive board

Rajhans Singh

Interview date: 03/09/2021, Sathiyavathy Mam Board, DAF Credentials: IRTS, Electrical Engineering, Badminton, PSIR, Nukkad Natak, Mam read the DAF

- 1) Where did you play badminton...Are u continuing?
- 2) Why PV Sindhu lost her match

- 3) About Tai Tzu Ying and her game
- 4) What's the role of height in badminton..Pro and Cons
- 5) What's ur height and how do you play

Member 1:

- 1) View on amalgamation of Railways services...2-3 cross questions
- 2) About the post of DRM. Why it is lucrative posting.
- 3) Which services has the most DRMs and why?
- 4) Difference between electrical and electronics
- 5) Range of frequency and voltage of both

Member 2

- 1) Meaning of my name ... justification
- 2) So you like acting...Why street play not theatre
- 3) What all play you have done..example
- 4) How street play could be used in energy conservation
- 5) How efficient is LED
- 6) How government is promoting it

Member 3

- 1) Difference between AC and DC transmission
- 2) Why HVDC transmission is preferred
- 3) Working of Solar grid...2-3 cross questions on parameters and instruments
- 4) New innovations in Solar cell...

Cross questions

Member 4

- 1) What do you understand by democratic values
- 2) Difference between nation and state..again a long discussion over it
- 3) What is cultural nationalism...Israel vs India debate
- 4) What UNSC could do vis a vis Taliban in Afghanistan

CSE Interview 2020

3rd September 2021 forenoon 6th to go,RN Choubey sir board.

Chirag Jain, IPS ,Optional : geography,From Bharatpur Rajasthan

Did Mechanical engineering, worked in tata motors Pune

Chairman:

- 1. Tell us about your academic background?
- 2. What are the benefits of promoting electric vehicle?
- 3. How it reduce air pollution when electricity is generated from coal based power plants?
- 4. Should we reduce import duties on electric vehicles to be zero?
- 5. How will it impact our local manufacturers?

Member1:

- 1. What should be the security architecture to deal with Taliban at world level?
- 2. Can India take a lead in this regard?
- 3. Should India deploy it's forces in Afghanistan? Pros and cons
- 4. What factors should be considered while designing vehicle for High altitude regions?

Member2:

- 1. Who are Meerabai's contemporary in Punjab and Assam?
- 2. What is the Appointment procedure of CBI director? Why not same procedure for NIA director?
- 3. should appointment of Election commissioner be made independent?

Member3:

- 1. Why India has not signed UN convention against torture?
- 2. How can we control torture in our police stations?
- 3. What would be your priorities as a SP among cybercrime, economic offences and security?
- 4. As a SP, How will you have control over SHO in your district?

Member4:

- 1. How do you justify reservation against right to equality in our constitution?
- 2. You are from rajasthan, them me about Rana kumbha's agriculture and trade policy?
- 3. should human rights of terrorist be protected? Then what about rights of society for security?

Chairman:

Do you want us to ask you anything that you have prepared and we have not asked?

I told them about my NPA Hyderabad training then sir asked me about it.

Thank you..your interview is over.

(Interview went for around 25 minutes.. Board was very cordial)

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RN Choubey Board (2nd September)

Chairperson:

- 1. Tell us about your education and work experience
- 2. Gave a situational question based on acbid for a project and 2-3 questions on that
- 3. Gave another situational question on a senior asking you to kill a dreaded criminal and couple of questions on that

Member 1:

- 1. West Bengal government's complaint regarding recommending of names by UPSC for DGP appointment
- 2. Problems of leather industries in Agra

Member 2:

- 1. Issue of women's safety and pollution in Delhi
- 2. Problems in judiciary
- 3. Non-alignment as an organisation is dead but remains alive as a spirit

Member 3:

- 1. Has media helped in democratisation
- 2. Question on drone policy. How will you implement in NCR?
- 3. Women in NDA? What should be the standard for women in combat?

Member 4:

- 1. Advantages of diversity of newly appointed judges
- 2. A question on Tolstoy (Hobby as reading books)
- 3. Question on river Yamuna

Chairperson:

Nice to talk to you. Take care of your health.

(Very cordial board)

Xyz

Bhonsle Sir Board

3rd Person to go.

In the morning shift.

Optional: Agriculture

Prize in skit and one act play

Hobbies: Hindi poetry and shayari

Chairman: Asked me to remove my face shield.

Made me comfortable by appreciating my extra curricular Activities and Academic marks

So we have a tall man in the room! What is your height?

Do you think being tall is good or bad? What are pros and cons of it?

What is your shoe size?

There are upto 70% off in your shoe size!? Have you purchased any shoe in near past?

How does Covid impacted plays and dramas?

Do virtual medium is as much effective?

Why you left you job as Assistant Technical Manager in just 1 month?

What is ATMA? What type of service do it provide?

What are extension services provided to the farmers in your area?

Member 1(male member)(most probably a Hindi literature professor):

Who are your favourite poets in hindi?

What is the starting line of Rashmirathi by Dinkar?

Tell me something special about Mahadevi Verma?

What is Chhayavaad?

He recited a shayri of Bashir Badra and asked me about that particular shayari?

Then he recited another shayari most probably of Rahat Indauri and asked me to interpret!

M2(male member): He was not very loud and was sitting very far. I asked several times to repeat the questions.

What is mortgage in real estates?

Other real estates term(I was not able to listen the terms, I asked him to repeat and again unable to listen what he was saying)

What are 3 farm laws? How will it affect the Indian agricultural scenario?

Why this was need?

What are the issues regarding MSP?

M3 (lady member):

Quoted a statement by UNICEF which was about whether school children allowed to go to school this time or not?

Why not virtual learning?

What are benefits of physical learning?

M4(lady member):

What are the concerns of farmers? What can be done on this issue?

What are the institutional changes required in agriculture this time?

In Covid Agriculture sector is the only silver lining which gave hope to GDP growth, why it is so?

Recent blockage of parliament and hindrance in proceedings? What do you think of that?

Chairperson:

When govt planned to double farmers income?

What is income of farmer in present? Do you have any estimate?

What is you plan after the interview?

Where do you reside in delhi?

Where is your native place?

Okay your interview is over. You can go now.

Please don't leave your face shield here. (As I forgot my face shield)

Duration: Approximately 35 minutes

Anonymous

Date 02.09.2021 (AN); 1st to go ,Board: Sujata Mehta maam

Edu: BSc honours and MSc in Botany; PhD (thesis submitted in August) from CSIR lab

Optional: Botany, Home state: West Bengal, 3rd attempt, 1st interview With mask on all the time. Not even asked to remove to verify it.

CP:

- 1. Introduce Yourself.
- 2. You are going to be a doctorate very soon. After working so long in super specialised field do you think you will like the work of very generalist IAS?
- 3. Do research scholars get the respect they deserve in society?
- 4. Young IAS or IpS officers get better respect or not? Have you ever interacted? (Mentioned bharat darshan trainee visits to our lab here)
- 5. How are they? Were they arrogant or willing to interact?
- 6. Should we continue research on gm crops?
- 7. Why we are not accepting it? Why USA accepted but UK dont?
- 8. Will there be any illl effect of gm?
- 9. As a botanist, will you be in favour of promoting gm crops?
- 10. What you do as popular science communicator? (Hobby)

Member 1

- 11. After Covid, do you think we need more trees for immunity boost or pure air? Are we doing enough?
- 12. What else can we do to increase tree cover in metro cities?
- 13. Long talk on iraq, syria,libia. They are building extremely good infrastructures eg. flyover even better than delhi. Despite having autocratic ruler. Why?
- 14. Don't you think law and order could be better maintained by autocratic govt?
- 15. How many districts are there in India?
- 16. As a DM of any of these districts after few years, what will you do to improve state of affairs?
- 17. What are SDGs?
- 18. Do you think India can achieve the SDG goals as promised?

- 19. Why the development of wb is kolkata centric? Why places like coachbehar and jalpaiguri are getting ignored?
- 20. It's not about infra only, do you have enough educational institutions there? (Mentioned 2 recently opened univ there)
- 21. Why WB don't want to share teesta water? Why is the river so important?
- 22. Do you think we took advantage in farakka treaty by not listening to Bangladesh demand?

- 23. Are there any flaws in these treaties?
- 24. Talk about some work permit and free movement between indo bangladesh. Do you think we can open border for local people in bengal?(said it will increase illegal migrant issue)
- 25. But won't people will be benefitted. They can go work in day and came back to india at evening. (Said we can do it in pilot basis, then open up if positive response and maintain proper transparency and safety measures)
- 26. You have studied in bengali medium. What you think about DU discrimination between cbsc and state boards. In 10+2 level, how can we bring down the disparity? (Talked about neet. But will be difficult in social sci. Still a common minimum syllabus may help)
- 27. You said same syllabus. But do you think you studied at presidency college say someone from munger will have the same capability as you have? (Said capability is individual but education environment will take more time to be same)

Member 3

- 28. What was your thesis topic?
- 29. Significance of it?
- 30. Most of the faculties in iit and other educational institutes are Bengali. Why bengalis prefer academic so much? (Mentioned less conducive env for business here)
- 31. Can't laxmi and saraswati go together?
- 32. You organised women entrepreneur conclave. How you see the idea of startup for research scholars?
- 33. Prosopis julifera. Invasive trees. How could you control? And 2 3 follow-up questions
- 34. You talked about NEET. Which state is constantly opossing neet?
- 35. What was their argument? (Gave wrong answer. Said language but he said rural people disadvantage. Accepted and said sorry)

- 36. Name 4 biodiversity hotspots of india
- 37. Have you ever been to assam/ arunachal/ Meghalaya?
- 38. Are north eastern states poor? (Said poor if we see infrastructure but rich in biodiversity and ethnic diversity)
- 39. As a botanist, how will you help extract ing benefits of north eastern biodiversity?
- 40. Name few famous plants there.
- 41. Gave 3 4. Asking for more (said cant recall at this moment)
- 42. Are you in favour of planting oil palm there?

- 43. Why not? It will help the livelihood of people there? 44. Ill effects of monoculture?
- 45. But how can we then reduce import burden?
- 46. What alternatives you suggest?

CP at last

Do you want us anything else to ask that we left? (Said no) Good. Your interview is over. You can leave now.

Very cordial board. Chairperson had to intervene for limiting the number of questions. No cross questions. Mostly background related questions. Felt like conversation rather than viva in true sense. Members seem very responsive.

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Chairman – BB Vyas, Date – 03/08 (Afternoon, 2nd to enter)

Qualification – B.Tech. (Electronics & Communication), No WorkEx

Optional - Sociology, Hobbies - Writing on Cinema, Football, Defence & Security News

CHAIRMAN

- 1) What have you been doing since graduation?
- 2) So, you did BTech in ECE. Has the government has prepared a new policy on Electronics? When and what was it?
- 3) PLI came later, what were the earlier initiatives under it? Broadly, what did they target?
- 4) Has the govt also taken any such steps to boost IoT adoption?
- 5) What are the salient features of 5G? From a technical point of view, that is. How is it different from the earlier generations?
- 6) Under what Article is the Finance Commission formed? Which is the one currently in news? And what are the suggestions?
- 7) Has any specific step been taken for horizontal distribution?

M1

- 1) You like writing on cinema, what do you write about? Have you gotten it published anywhere?
- 2) What was the last thing you wrote about? (Ans Antiheroes)
- 3) Where do you see these characters? Can you name some please?
- 4) Do you think other sports are suffering because of cricket?
- 5) About the Finance Commission again, there were arguments to enhance horizontal devolution to the hilly and underdeveloped states. Has something been done in this regard?

6) Some states submitted a representation over the population issue, are you aware of any such events?

M2

- 1) Why sociology when you have done BTech? Why not Electrical or Physics?
- 2) How will you use your technical education in your work as an IAS officer?
- 3) Now, the government is incentivising LEDs, why is it so?
- 4) What do you think must be done to improve our solar manufacturing process? (Very long question, cutting it short)
- 5) If you had to explain the photoelectric effect to a layman, how would you do it?

M3

- 1) Continuing from the electronics sector, why do you think we are lagging in electronics and chip manufacturing in India?
- 2) Now on Antiheroes, what are their characteristics?
- 3) What do you think a civil servant should be, a hero or an antihero?
- 4) But civil servants are often criticised for being aloof, even the PM said something about the image of officers recently. What do you think can be done to improve that?
- 5) Coming back to cinema, what do you know about impressionist cinema?
- 6) DO you know where cinema was first made?

M4

- 1) There are demands within UP for the bi/trifurcation of the state. Do you think it should be done?
- 2) Then why are such demands raised? In this case at least.
- 3) What is the process for splitting up or renaming of the states?
- 4) And what is the legal process for it?
- 5) What was the process followed in AP? You have lived there as per your DAF.
- 6) Now, what is the status of Article 370?
- 7) How was it done?
- 8) What articles were involved in the process?

Chairman (while leaving)

What is Natural Gas, CNG and LPG and what are their chemical composition?

Rajesh Kumar Mohan, Interview date: 2 september 2021, Board TCA Anant sir, Background: MBBS

CM: asked to take seat and read aload my daf.

- 1. For how long have you worked with Ordnance factories
- 2 Why did you leave that job

What are you doing now

- 3. What are your future plans
- 4. We need more Doctors or Civil servants
- 5. Tell me which CS with medical background worked nicely during 2nd wave

M1 female

- 1. You have stayed in chandigarh. Suppose you want to develop it as medical tourism hub. How will you do that.
- 2. What are 2 best and 2 bad things of TeleHealth
- 3. If you are posted at a distruct of NE India where infrastructure is not good. How will you ensure medicines reach there?
- 4. Name state govt using drone to delover medicines.

M2 male

- 1. Chandigarh is becoming a hub of drug abuse why?
- 2. Recent changes in NDPS act. Are they good?
- 3. What will you do resolve the drug problem?

M3 female

- 1. What are the common vector borne diseases in India
- 2. What can we learn from China
- 3. What should be done to tackle the problem of vector borne diseases in India
- 4. How will ragni help in solving attitudinal changes
- 5. How can ut be used in vector control.

M4

- 1. Lot of developmeng is happening around chandigarh like mohali and panchkula. Tell us about it
- 2. Comapre Haryana and Punjab in development

- 3. Why is Haryana doing good in sports.
- 4. But akhada culture is also resulting in criminal activities around ncr
- 5. What can be done to reduce the violence

Duration 26 minutes

K S

UG, PG - Commerce, IRTS,31st August '21,Smita Nagraj Ma'am's Board

Forenoon Session, 30-35 minutes, Good morning etc

Chairman:

Did you stay in your college hostel? How was the hostel experience?

Have you heard of Pinjra Tod?

Girls need to study, enjoy life. As warden what would you do to let them participate in college life.

Would you keep these rules equal for men and women?

What is one thing women face everywhere, now that you are out of institutions?

You know any cases of harassment?

Do people try and help? How do people help?

M1

Do you think this kind of harassment in metros comes under Vishakha Guidelines?

Have you heard of She-BOX? What's the progress?

Afghanistan issue. How did it go on for 20 years - tell from both US and Taliban side

Don't you think opium has to do something with this?

Covax and Vaccine Equity. What's the current status - and how is India contributing?

M2

AFG. Do you think USA was dithering on how to pull out?

Youtube. You would have access. Other kids don't have access. Creates inequity. What issues do you anticipate?

What is role of coachings in education? What's the thought process behind the Chinese ban on it?

How do you think coaching need can come down. How to solve this?

Your thoughts on bullet train?

M3

Is the digital divide due to COVID or infrastructure?

What's the policy on EOL - is it choice?

Difference between a Vacation service and non vacation service?

What do you prefer micro-management or macro-management? Why? What's your reasoning?

Do you know of NEP? What are your thoughts on the 2-3-4 year exit programs? Have you read any research over how this works? Is it proven?

What do you know of NKN? Have you heard of it?

Tell me about Live-in relationships - sociological, economic, legal perspective?

M4

Tell me of the importance of community radio

Why Kerala 20000+ cases of COVID a day?

What of Seroprevalence?

What is Seroprevalence?

Health and education systems' role?

Nirbhaya fund - what is it, status of implementation?

Chairwoman: Okay. You may leave now.

N,Board - Manoj Soni ,Date of interview - 27 August,Background - CA, Mcom

State – Gujarat, Optional – sociology, Hobbies - Trekking and Ecotourism

CM

About civil services decision nd all

5 places which are not tourist destination but have potential in Gujarat?

How will you promote tourism in such area??

M1

Criminalisation of politics - supreme court judgement and your opinion

Bhutan tourism (follow up from my previous answer)

M2

Gandhiji ideology about Governance?

About kutch region?

Caste census - positives & negatives

White desert - reason

M3

About somnath temple

Harami nala in kutch

Places you trek?

What all things you consider while preparing for trekking?

Next place you want to trek?

M4

Considering all your education background, you might be interested in share market??

Should pension and PF invest in share market?

Marriage as institutions changing - how, why and impact on society?

Should we tax agriculture income?? Who has authority??

A V,Date -2nd September,Morning session, 1st to go

Board- Smita Nagraj ma'am, BTech (ECE), Optional- Anthropology

Place- Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh

Chairperson:

- What are you doing these days?
- Did you notice any change in the ethos of your city after it's name was changed?
- Govt says that it makes decisions based on people's will , how does the govt get to know what people want?
- -Recently, T.N. govt made a decision to appoint female priests. What's your take on that?

Should the state intervene in religious matters? (2-3 minutes discussion)

You can answer in yes/no.

- Should the will of the majority override the will of minority?
- How will you decide whose voice is to be heard?

M1

- The literacy levels are low in india.

What can you do about adult literacy?

- Tell me about Nirbhaya scheme.

- What are the challenges with it's implementation.
- Online Gaming affects young children, in several ways. What can be done about it.

Should the state regulate it?

M2

- We see the situation in Afghanistan, the blasts at Kabul Airport, how do you see the future of Afghanistan?
- Should India recognise Taliban?
- Tell me about maritime security being talked about at UNSC?
- US transgressed India's maritime boundary. Was India's stand just?
- What does UNCLOS do?
- How can we control the pollution in Delhi?

M3

- You've studied Anthropology, it is often said that women anthropologists did not make enough efforts to study women centric issues.

Your take on that?

- Since you mentioned Ruth Benedict, do you recall her contribution and study about WWII
- What did the female Anthropologists study in India's context?

M4-

- Western scholars say that marriages in India are imposed.

Your take?

- Digital divide.
- Did covid pandemic create this divide, or it existed earlier?
- Take on live-in relationships.

Does it happen in rural settings too?

There's a possibility that it does, but we don't know about it?

Chairperson- Your interview is over.

No questions from hobbies and graduation subject.

Transcript, Anonymous, TCA ANANT BOARD

Management graduate, Afternoon - 4th to go, Hobby- newspaper reading, web series

Chairman-

- 1. What were you doing since graduation
- 2. Effect of amazon/flipkart on retail stores(follow up question)

M-

fundamental duties?

From where they are borrowed?

Which amendment?

Which article?

Do people follow FD?

Question on economic and cultural contribution of devi ahilya?

Teaching from college fest?

Top 3 moments from college life?

Top five potential micro-entrepreneurship opportunity in your city of residence?

Decline of newspaper (hobby related)?

Should should OTT be censored?

Question on Marxism... it's relevance

Kerala has 'god's own country' what does your state have(slogan)?

Some follow up question

How newspaper can be made profitable

Two female penalists were there

On couple of questions I could not answer quickly so they either gave hint or moved on

In between the interview when a panelist was asking some question, chairman asked what was name of your college fest(related to question)

UPSC STAFF WAS VERY CORDIAL AND SUPPORTIVE

T S,03-09-20, Forenoon Batch, 3rd to go,RN Chobey Sir Board,DAF: Kerala, Doctor

Optional : Malayalam Lit., Hobbies : Violin, Stand – up Comedy, Malayalam Novels, Indoor Gardening,

Time- 11 am, approx 30 mins

The panel members were not wearing masks. There was no lady member present.

Chairman: Kindly take off your mask and place it on the table in front of you.

We are here to have a conversation with you. This is not an interrogation. If there is any question that you do not understand, do not hesistate to ask again. If you do not know an answer, you are free to say I don't know. We do not expect you to know everything.

- 1. By what name would you prefer us calling you?
- 2. Please introduce yourself professionally.
- 3. What is your opinion on bringing doctors under the Consumer Protection Act?

Member 1

- 1. You have heard about the NEP 2020. Will it lead us closer to SDGs in 2030?
- 2. How will the adaptation of vernacular languages help?
- 3. Will the multiple- entry, multiple exit provision lead to more dropouts?
- 4. How will the new developments in Afghanistan affect the economy of Kerala?
- 5. Is Euthanesia currently permitted in India? What is your opinion regarding permitting Euthanasia?
- 6. Kerala has done very well in COVID management during the first wave. However, the cases are increasing now. Why?

Member 2

- 1. What is your opinion regarding granting combat roles to women in army? If you are on a medical board granting the same, will you set the same standards for men and women?
- 2. The government is giving more importance to traditional medicine systems now. Do you support equal importance for all the systems of medicine?
- 3. What is your take on granting Ayurveda doctors the right to perform surgery?
- 4. You have shown an interest in watching stand up comedy. Comedy is comedy. But there have been many issues now following many comedy acts. Where should we draw the line in performance of comedy?
- 5. At this point the Chairman interrupted and asked me in which language I watch stand- up comedy and asked me about Indian Stand –up comedians

- 1. Are mental health issues more prevalent among the women in Kerala? If so why?
- 2. Kerala was never really under any foreign rule. Is this statement true?
- 3. There is a place in Kerala called Sultan Battery. How did this place get its name?
- 4. You studied in Alappuzha. What are the issues affecting the place called Kuttanad?
- 5. What is the government doing to protect the farmers of Kuttanad?

6. Which is the major community in Alappuzha? What is the native language term for the community?

Member 4

- 1. I would like to ask one more question from Kerala. Why is there a huge problem of dowry in Kerala?
- 2. Suppose you are working in the Foreign affairs ministry during the time of previous minister Sushama Swaraj. Iran offers to give us oil at a very low price and the offer appears very attractive. But to get the deal, they ask that the minister go for the meeting wearing a Burkha. How would you advice the minister to proceed with the deal?
- 3. Would you apply the same standards while negotiating with Afghanistan regarding gender equality?
- 4. Is India taking the same stand about gender equality in the case of Saudi Arabia?

Chairman

We have asked you everything we need to ask. Is there something you would like us to talk about?

All the best. Your interview is over. You may leave.

Shri:

SD,B tech ece,Jharkhand,Sociology

Hobby - making decorative greeting cards, doodling, Date - 31 August

Chair

1st explained everything cordially.

1 agr. Don't you think govt shouldn't club non telecom revenue

2

M1

1 you from ece. Role of drone

2 is it threat or any positives also

3 social media how it helps in spreading disinformation.

M2

You sociology. Tell me reltuon between max weber and industrialisation.

2 what did he say about capitalism

M3

1 what is impact of taliban rule on women and children

- 2 why India worried
- 3 impact on Pakistan

M4

- 1. Do you think coz of ict, impact on sanskritization
- 2 impact of reservation policy on sanskritization
- 3 do you think sanskritization still happening if you see around

Chair

SC amended constitution. Do you think this is right

Anything you want to say to us. I said baiut my hobby.

He said ok say something about it.

Whats difference between doodling and sketching.

OK candidate. It was nice talking to you.

V_C

Profile ,Indian Trade Service,2nd Attempt,Civil engineering from NIT KKR Sociology Optional,Home state Madhya Pradesh,Hobbies Tennis, Volleyball,Trekking

TCA Anant

Chairman: Which all treks have you gone to?

Member 1: Switzerland and Himachal have similar potential but why Himachal lags behind Switzerland in tourism

- 2. If you are made tourism secretary what would you do?
- 3 What is carbon Neutral City (Related to Daf)

Member 2

- 1 .Lot of landslides in Hilly Regions, suggest some civil Engineering solutions.
- 2 During rains roads get weathered down, suggest solutions.
- 3 You have been in Bhilai, how to replicate such planning across India.
- 4. What is role of citizens in Smart City

- 1.Sand mafia issue in Mp..What is being done?
- 2. Alternatives to river sand?

- 3.Mp is home to such diverse population, how is it beneficial and problematic?
- 4. Which sector or factor exacerbate communalism?

Member 4

- 1. Split of MP and CG,20 years down the line, how do you see the benefits both states have reaped.
- 2 Latest Civil Engineering technology being used for construction

AC

03/09/21, Afternoon Batch, 3rd to go, Optional: Political Science and IR

DAF: Kerala, Btech EEE, currently working as State Coordinator for Tamil Nadu in Ministry of Social Justice

Projects: Electricity price prediction model at Adani, PwC Offshore Wind project, Urban planning evaluation of Panaji (Goa)

Time - 3pm, approximately 30 minutes

Smita Nagaraj Board

Face shield was not required, all members were wearing masks but they removed while speaking except the Chairperson.

Chairperson

- Please tell me what you are currently doing.
- Have you started monitoring projects? What are the states assigned to you?
- What was the process of selection for your job?
- Was the group discussion effectively conducted by the organisation?
- Do you think group discussions can be a reliable way to judge relative merit in UPSC?
- Do you think Adani Group is overstretching itself by expanding into multiple sectors?
- Do you think that government should have put restrictions on bidding for Adani as they have been given far too many airports for instance?
 - Why IFS as your first preference?
 - What are the regions from where maximum remittances are sent to India?

- Elaborate about benefits/demerits of legal aid and especially with respect to Kerala
- What are the issues on the ground in the implementation of Lok Adalats?

- If you were appointed to spread awareness about the rights given by the Consumer Protection Act, what are the steps you would take?
- Kindly elaborate about the issue of women empowerment in Kerala even though it is a highly literate state that had matriarchal communities
 - Do you think reservation for women is necessary in this regard
- You are using the term normative, do you mean Normative Theory by "x" author (don't remember)

Member 2

- What is the southernmost point of India?
- What is the strategic significance of Andaman and Nicobar Islands?
- What is meant by AFSPA and describe the special powers it grants?
- Do you think it should be applied continuously or intermittently to a region and give reasons for your stand
- Toddy is a big part of Kerala culture and is available freely, do you think it is a reason for alcoholism in Kerala
 - What are the reasons for alcoholism to prevail in Kerala society, especially among men?
- Does data support the statement that alcoholism is quite prevalent in Kerala

Member 3

- Why is the diaspora split among NRI, OCI and PCI? Give reasons for such a classification
- If you were the Ambassador to Doha, how would you safeguard India's interests while making contact with the Taliban?
 - How would we prevent alignment of Afghanistan with China and Pakistan?
 - Is vaccine diplomacy a way forward in Afghanistan?
 - What is your opinion about vaccine diplomacy of India?
 - Do you think it was the right step?
- What is the Alappuzha model that has won global acclaim?

- Tell me about issues with the SCA to SCSP scheme and Tribal sub plan
- You worked at PwC, tell me the differences in auditing in private and government firm
- (Chairperson interrupted and asked me what vertical I worked in)
- You have mentioned a project in electricity sector, tell me the future vision that you have in mind about the electricity sector

- With respect to DISCOMS, what is the way forward especially as UDAY scheme has not succeeded?
- You have done project on urban planning as well, what is your opinion about the issues with urban planning in India?

Chairperson

- Held up my photo and asked me to remove my mask
- Thank you, your interview is over

Just Chull, 1/09/2021, Board-TCA ANANT SIR

Forenoon session, PSIR

25 min.approx

Ch-long term implications of taliban takeover on Inida.

No border with India de facto still terror threat from there. Why?

What if inclusive govt is not there in Afg?

M1- how r our relations in neighbourhood?

Any improvement?

What changes from look east to act east?

Probelms with neighbours and possible solutions.

M2- what Haryana govt doing in sports?

Which other govts?

M3- what lessons can we learn from Afg forces' defeat by just 70k numbered taliban?(corruption, leadership.. he then added commitment to the nation, thanked him)

As DC what steps to reduce corruption among subordinates? (here Chairperson asked an example of tech being used for corruption problm, I mentioned PDS then he asked how it reduced corruption in PDS and after that he smiled)

M4- What e governance initiatives will u take as DC apart from existing ones(took from tech I mentioned in previous ans)

As DC what skill dev missions apart from existing ones for women in Haryana?

Chairperson - Thank you.

Overall very cordial board.

No counter questions, no grilling, listening very patiently even to a 3 minutes answer.

Don't be stressed with mock interviews' review, you'll face altogether diff environment and questions.

All you need to do is remain calm and confident.

Don't expect anything like they will comfort u or smile(neither happened in my case) but yes they will be very cordial for sure.

All the Best.

Transcrip

Anonymous,3 September

Afternoon, 5th to go,TCA Anant sir board, Graduation: Bachelor in Physiotherapy

State: Uttarakhand

DAF tags: Travelling, Cooking North Indian food, Surya namaskar, Volunteered a team to teach underprivileged children

Chairman sir: Why Civil services (generalist) after BPT (specialist)?

How will you use this subject in administration?

Why only North Indian cooking?

Member 1

Where do you travel? What steps should be taken to boost tourism in your state?

An example where a citizen does not recognize the rights of other citizen?

Follow up qs: About Swachh Bharat Mission, it's relevance, shortcomings and corrective measures.

Member 2(Lady)

Online Yoga classes: Pros and cons.

Technological advancements in Physiotherapy.

Member 3(Lady)

Me too movement: Why? How it affected women at large? Shortcomings?

Follow up qs on gender sensitization.

HC(Uttarakhand) granting legal entity status to Ganga. Why? It's implications.

Member 4

Bionic arm

Biopharma mission

Rishikesh (My hometown): Changes in past few years, what steps are being taken to correct these adverse changes?

Chairman: Your interview is over. Thank you.

Lasted around 20-25mins

The board was cordial and responsive:)

Board: Sujata Mehta; Candidate: Anonymous; Date: 03.09.2021—Afternoon—Last to go;

Background: NTPC, DANICS

Chairperson:

- 1. Introduce Yourself.
- 2. Shall we go for Leasing Model OR Outright sale model in National Monetization Plan;
- 3. Problems with Delhi MCDs;
- 4. My work Ex in DANICS & NTPC.

Member 1:

- 1. Shall we Merge all Accounts Services?
- 2. Shall we Sell Air India?

Member 2:

- 1. Problems in Thermal Power Sector.
- 2. Has India's Foreign Policy moved away from Idealism?

Member 3:

- 1. Why Cost & Time Overruns happens in Projects?
- 2. Shall we close down our Thermal Power plants as in UK?

Member 4:

- 1. How have we maintained Good relationship with Iran & Saudi Arabia, Despite their Mutual Conflicts;
- 2. Problems with Power sector PPAs

Chairperson:

- 1. What kind of Meditation you do (My Hobby);
- 2. Significance of Rakhigarhi;

Thank you.

Date: 18 august, Time 12.45 pm last candidate, Board: SUJATA MEHTA mam

Background: BTech mechanical engineering, Walchand college of engineering. Worked as associate engineer at Eaton India Innovation centre.

Hobbies: naam-smaran

I entered the room, greeted everyone and took my seat when told to.

Madam showed me my photograph and said something which was inaudible, i assumed she wanted to verify my photo so i removed the mask. She got a bit angry and said dont remove your mask, do you know COVID protocols? What are covid protocols.

I told about social distancing and masking, she asked then why did u remove your mask?

M3 chipped in and said mam unko laga hoga you want to verify his face.

I smiled and said yes mam.

She understood what had happened and said no no please dont remove your mask.

She then again showed me my photograph and asked with a louder voice is this the picture you have submitted. I replied yes mam, and interview started.

CM: tell us about yourself?

What was the kind of work you were doing?

What is innovation? How is it diff from jugaad?

Does inavailability of resource have anything to do with jugaad?

Can you use jugaad in management?

What solutions did u provide to social problems?

(I told about a level sensor on vehicles to detect potholes.)

Will this be made for all cars?

What were other problems you addressed

(Follow up questions)

M1: tell me in short about renewable resources.

What is your patent about, tell us very briefly?

What is china iran 25 years agreement signed in march this year?

M2: what is difference between innovation and immitation?

What are core competencies?

Can immitation be a core competency?

What is CPI?

Why is it used? What is business analyst? How do they forecast the demand? M3: so you did a diploma and then a three years degree? Did u get credits for that, a year off etc? What is national skill quality framework? What is national education quality framework? In polytechnic did u visit any workshop? What did u see there? Did u get any hands-on training? Did you do any workshop activity at all? Where was the workshop? What are your suggestions to improve the polytechnic course? Who is heading walchand now? M4: so u did transportation engineering? Ok automobile engineering? Yes tell me about e scooter and e vehicle that bajaj is launching. What are electric vehicles? What are the pros and cons? What is naam-smaran? (Chairman madam answered on my behalf saying it is similar to meditation) CM: is there anything that we have not asked? Ok let me ask you about floods in your home district Sangli. I corrected saying ratnagiri is my home district. She said oh ratnagiri had greater loss this year, what are your suggestions for flood management?

Thankyou your interview is over.

Exit time: 1.17 pm

All the best. Godspeed.

J

Board=> Bhonsle Sir

- Duration => 30-35 minutes
- Chairperson
- Who is your best friend from college?
- What good things he will tell about you?
- What bad things he would tell you?
- What one negative thing you would say about your friend?
- Recently Hon'ble PM said that mother tongue education as prescribed in NEP would help in improving Strength ,Justice and Honour? What is your viewpoint?

• M1

- How is mother tongue education helpful?
- Why did you pursue manufacturing engineering when you wanted to be in civil services?
- How would Tennis help you in administration?
- Some more questions, not able to recall?

• M2

- You have studied anthropology. How do you define tribe?
- How many tribal people are there in Rajasthan?
- Is World War 3 inevitable?
- What is smart jewelry?
- o Is it possible to remain Non aligned in present world?
- What is the issues of online gaming

• M3

- You talked about tribals? Should we adopt the tribal way of life?
- What are the negative things among tribals? (Follow up)
- o Talk me through the BITS Pilani about culture, education and institutional things?
- Tell me about the evolution of manufacturing in India from medieval times to present?
- Name some people from Bhakti movement and their message to humanity as whole?

• M4

• You play tennis. Who are some new tennis players that will replace present era of Djokovic, Federer and Nadal is ending?

- Why we are not performing that good even after having such good players in past
- What is the issue regarding Pegasus?
- Why is there so much uproar in the nation regarding it?
- Chairperson
- What are your plans after the interview?

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Interview transcript, R.n. chaubey sir board, Optional - psir

Homestate- haryana

Chairman- asked me to tell about my academic qualifications and work expereince

- 1. Have you heard about #metoo movement? Do you support that movemnt unconditionally or against that or support that with some conditions?
- 2. what is the difference between slowdown and recession?
- 3. Why farmers are protesting at delhi borders? What suggestions would you give to make farm laws more acceptable to the farmers.

M1- asked about non alignment movement. Did india do a right thing by staying non aligned as compared to the countries like s.korea amd japan who adopted western model of economy and saw such tremendous economic growth? What is your opinion about this?

- 2. Three steps you would take to promote sports culture in your area?
- 3. 2 major issues faced by people in your area.
- 4. Asked about PDS system, loopholes and steps taken by govt to address them.

M2

- 1. Asked about KUSUM scheme
- 2. What is Startup india mission
- 3. saarc and its future

M3

- 1. As a DM what steps would u take to improve income of people in your area.
- 2. How suitable is the concept of work from home, specially for the women.
- 3. How covid pandemic has affected the state of indian economy?
- 4. In which sector of economy govt should focus upon to attain a sustainable economic growth?

M4

1. Govt is considering to increase the retirement age of people working for govt. What are your opinions about it?

RIS

31 August, 2021 ,First to go (afternoon)

Home State: West Bengal, Academic background: B.Tech (Aerospace)

Chairman: Sujata Mam

Chairman:

- 1. Introduce with background and work experience
- 2. What were you doing for two years
- 3. Employment opportunities for Aerospace in India
- 4. Did you opted for campus placement? (said No)
- 5. How do see the recent decision of DGCA to allow Grounded Boeing 737 Max to operate.?
- 6. The rectification in the design flaw of Boeing 737 Max is claimed by the Company itself and not by any independent authority..? Do you think there is a need for independent verifying agencies where the life of lot of people are at stake.?

M1:

- 1. Have you participated in any tournament of TT.? (said No)
- 2. Have you done any internship or training during Btech? (Yes) What was that?
- 3. What you did in Flight testing (from DAF)
- 4. Where do you see yourself 5 years from now.?
- 5. What will be your priorities if you are made DM of a district?

M2:

- 1. How are you today..?
- 2. Why you choose anthropology as your optional.?
- 3. There are people in India in different parts of India say Bengal and Punjab, they have nothing in common and they are very different. How do you see this.?
- 4. Differentiate between patriotism and Nationalism
- 5. What would you choose between the two.?
- 6. How to improve relations between India and neighbouring countries like Nepal and Bangladesh

M3:

- 1. You are an aerospace engineer. Do you know about different types of drone technology? Regulation of drone in India?
- 2. We see a lot of similarities between the people of Kerala and West Bengal: they eat boiled rice, fish, love football, can be seen in campus all across India, Communism. Why so in your opinion..?
- 3. What does budget travelling means..? (Chairman stopped the member)

M4:

- 1. So you are from Kolkata. Have you ever been to Guwahati? (said No) Or any other place in North East? (said No)
- 2. Which states are called North Eastern states? (said 8 including Sikkim)
- 3. Why Sikkim is also included in North Eastern states despite west bengal in between.?
- 4. Why the human development index of North Eastern states is low as compared to other states say West Bengal.?
- 5. How can you improve the situation as an administrator?
- 6. How will you use your aerospace knowledge if you are made DM of a district in North East India?

[I am not able to recall few questions and also the questions may not be in order]

AJ

CSE Interview 2020

afternoon session last person to go, around 25 to 30 min.

Sujata mehta maam board, all others were male members.

Questions have been paraphrased in some cases.

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Optional: PSIR

From Madhya Pradesh

Electronics and communication Engineering,

Hobbies - Indoor (Kitchen) gardening, Watching Vlogs on Innovative Agriculture.

CP:

- Is this your photo
- Introduce yourself with academics and job experience if any.
- have you got placement after graduation {told yes}

- We are having such a large number of engineer in india but why we are unable to provide good jobs?
- What our colleges are lacking? Your personal opinion?
- -. We have AICTE, why still unable to provide skills and training.
- Do you think that only creation of HECI will solve the problem of jobs and skilling.
- Where are you living right now?
- Pre covid and post Covid challenges faced by your village
- Administration response, how much time they took, visits of higher authorities (discussion here).
- ASHA workers are getting very minuscule salary,
- Is there any ASHA worker in your village.?

M1: sir was trying to create traps□

- a long question on chinese model of foreign relation {BRI}, Largely accepted by other countries, why so? { discussion here}
- Indias interference in neighbours affairs, what should be the policy.
- name changing of places, is it good or bad, like Allahabad to prayagraj, your opinion.
- long question on encounters, is it a good policy considering time taken by judiciary to deliver judgements, your opinion.

M2: {unable to recall some questions here}

- should we follow the aggresive policy like china in maritime domain {told hambantota port is grabbed by china in earlier answer to M1}
- difference bt blogs and vlogs

M3: Asked on hobby indoor gardening

- what are you growing
- whether using fertilizers or organic
- benefits associated with growing your own fruits and vegetables.
- shortage of fruits and vegetables in urban areas, how Kitchen Gardening can be used as a model to tackle shortage.
- how it is different from conventional growing in farms.
- what can be done with day to day kitchen waste.

- question on act east and its impact on North East.

M4: Questions on hobby, watching Vlogs Innovative Agriculture

- what is precision agriculture
- use of your engineering {ECE} in precision agriculture
- how AI is used { discussion here}
- concept of farm to fork
- Around 40% food wastage, Why so and how it can be tackled?
- our share of global agri export is only 2% why so?
- what is average land holding in india?
- we have small and marginal farmers and innovative agriculture is costly, how we can promote innovation in agriculture for them?

Again maam, area in which you are comfortable and prepared {told PSIR \(\sigma\) expecting questions on hot topic Afghanistan}, maam told we already asked on PSIR,

Thank you, your interview is over, Best of luck.

One advice \square

Maam was strict about mask, future candidates should make sure that it is properly placed before entering the interview room, otherwise maam will interfare in between answers, it hampers concentration and flow of your answers. no face shield.

Best of Luck to all.

Board- Smita Nagraj Mam

Chairman-

- 1. You have participated in cwg, why was there anger of citizens for it. What were the issues?.
- 2. What would you suggest to reduce corruption(I mentioned in the previous answer) in govt dept?

Then interrupted in between saying what would you recommend if you were part of govt at that time.

3. Couldnt understand the question properly as it was too long and voice wasnt clear enough- crux

There are increasing demands of citizens from govt, there are criticisms of govt by certain groups, tell me in order of priority about these groups.

- 4. What would you suggest are the demands of women or what should we do?.
- 5. Asked me about what is the most imp thing according to you for women?

Follow up questions which I dont remember.

Member 1-1. What is unique about bharat scouts and guides that u mentioned?

- 2. Tell me about your learnings from Ramjas.
- 3. What is PSE(couldnt understand it properly) scheme in budget 2021.
- 4. What is employee stock offer plan?
- 5. What is the benefit of it except the low cost?
- 6. Any company which has opted for it recently.?
- 7. Yamuna satluj link canal

Member 2- 1. There was controversy about conducting commonwealth games in north east delhi? A minister lost its portfolio for this reason. Do you think its a sound strategy to conduct such events in less developed parts?

Follow up questions

- 2. Why only limited countries bid for olympics or CWG?
- 3. Do you think a poor country like India can host olympics?
- 4. Duty of son and daughter to take care of parents and who can better take care of them?.

Follow up questions asked

Member-3 -1. What is gratitude diary writing? How is it different from normal diary writing? What is unique about it?

- 2. How did you come across such form of diary writing?
- 3. How will your knowledge of b.com.hons help in administration?

Follow up questions related to this.

- 4. Dont you think we should identify talent at an early stage rather than recruiting them at graduation level in administration? Whats your take?
- 5. We have seen that professionals are managing electoral campaigns of political parties. Is it justified?

Member 4- 1. Do you watch tv news? How are channels like india today, ndtv different from cnn. ,bbc? Compare them.

2. Should India increase its trade with pakistan?.

I am able to recall only these questions as of now.

Thank you

Harvey Spectre

17th August, Forenoon, 5th to go, Board-TCA Anant Sir

Time-30mins

Background-

B.Tech. Electrical Engineering IITR

Optional- Electrical Engineering

2 Internships- 1 USA, 1 India

Relevant DAF area from which ques asked- Mentoring, IITR Motorsports, Research Paper Published

Chairman- (starts reading about my graduation and college)

- 1. What is this Viterbi India Program and what was your project there?
- 2. Why candidates like you are not going into research? (Told many in my branch did go)
- 3. Seems like good students at IIT are either going to USA or coming into CS and not contributing into research within India, What is the reason? (Little Discussion on this)

Member 1-

- 1. What will you do if there is change in frequency of grid?
- 2. Problems of integrating renewable energy into the grid?
- 3. Asked about a certain solar plant?- said I don't know about this
- 4. How to manage fluctuations in renewable power?
- 5. Which is the best method to store renewable power?
- 6. During National campaign to switch off electricity, how grid stability was maintained?

Member 2-

- 1. What is AI? What are the privacy issues with AI?
- 2. Indian society is closely knitted, do we even value privacy, do we need it?
- 3. Status of Electricity supply in UP?
- 4. Online education- effect of electricity and Internet penetration on learning outcomes?

Member 3-

- 1. Who is a mentor? What was your role?- tried to grill here a bit wrt my research focused resume during grad
- 2. What is moral policing? Difference between mentoring and moral policing? Little discussion here
- 3. Service preference? Why IFS low at 5th?
- 4. ISRO failure, No indigenous weapons- have we failed? Why are we not able to manufacture products at large scale? Reasons and solutions?

Member4-

- 1. How AI is going to change the nature of jobs?
- 2. How will you use Electrical Engineering in administration?
- 3. What is IITR motorsports, your role there?
- 4. Constraints with electric vehicles?
- 5. How will you develop charging infrastructure?

Chairman- Your interview is over!

UPSC PERSONALITY TEST

31 August, 2021, First to go (afternoon)

Home State: West Bengal, Academic background: B.Tech (Aerospace)

Chairman: Sujata Mam

Chairman:

- 1. Introduce with background and work experience
- 2. What were you doing for two years
- 3. Employment opportunities for Aerospace in India
- 4. Did you opted for campus placement? (said No)
- 5. How do see the recent decision of DGCA to allow Grounded Boeing 737 Max to operate.?
- 6. The rectification in the design flaw of Boeing 737 Max is claimed by the Company itself and not by any independent authority..? Do you think there is a need for independent verifying agencies where the life of lot of people are at stake.?

M1:

- 1. Have you participated in any tournament of TT.? (said No)
- 2. Have you done any internship or training during Btech? (Yes) What was that?
- 3. What you did in Flight testing (from DAF)
- 4. Where do you see yourself 5 years from now.?
- 5. What will be your priorities if you are made DM of a district?

M2:

- 1. How are you today..?
- 2. Why you choose anthropology as your optional.?

- 3. There are people in India in different parts of India say Bengal and Punjab, they have nothing in common and they are very different. How do you see this.?
- 4. Differentiate between patriotism and Nationalism
- 5. What would you choose between the two.?
- 6. How to improve relations between India and neighbouring countries like Nepal and Bangladesh

M3:

- 1. You are an aerospace engineer. Do you know about different types of drone technology? Regulation of drone in India?
- 2. We see a lot of similarities between the people of Kerala and West Bengal: they eat boiled rice, fish, love football, can be seen in campus all across India, Communism. Why so in your opinion..?
- 3. What does budget travelling means..? (Chairman stopped the member)

M4:

- 1. So you are from Kolkata. Have you ever been to Guwahati? (said No) Or any other place in North East? (said No)
- 2. Which states are called North Eastern states? (said 8 including Sikkim)
- 3. Why Sikkim is also included in North Eastern states despite west bengal in between.?
- 4. Why the human development index of North Eastern states is low as compared to other states say West Bengal.?
- 5. How can you improve the situation as an administrator?
- 6. How will you use your aerospace knowledge if you are made DM of a district in North East India?

[I am not able to recall few questions and also the questions may not be in order]

Α

Date of interview: 1st September,2021., Board: TCA Anant, background: IITD, IP

Chairperson:

Did you not sit for placement in 2018?

You have done production and industrial engineering. How would it will help you in civil services?

One counter

M1 long question on street plays use in adminstration.

You have been to Thailand. What are the protests going there and what can be done?

M2 : you have done NCC what qualities you were able to gain from that? Should it be made compulsory?

Questions related to automobile industry:

How automobile industry contributes to employment in India? What are the prospect, challenges?

M3: how can second wave of covid could have managed better?

In USA the candidate participating in election interact with public and do debates. Should this be implemented in India?

Could election rally in covid should have been avoided by EC?

M4: you have worked with Honda. What ground level problems related to work have you observed?

IIT spends so much on festivals like rendezvous. Why do you think they do that? Should we continue it?

How can we create ecosystem related to electric vehicles in certain districts or areas?

Chairman: thank you!

Your interview is over.

S_P

Board: Rajiv Nayan Choubey, Date: 25.08.2021, Afternoon Session

5th to go. ,4 male members and 1 lady in the panel

Qualification: Electrical Engineer, Software Engineer at Tech Mahindra

Hobbies: Football, Cricket, Singing and Teaching

Places I lived in: Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Kerala, Bangalore

Chairman: Asked me to sit. Confirmed whether I took an RT PCR test and was declared negative. When I answered in affirmative, asked me to take my mask off.

Explained the interview process in detail.

C: Tell us about your educational and professional qualifications.

Whether Army is required to tackle Internal Security issues.

What is AFSPA and whether its use is justified.

What happens to Fundamental Rights when AFSPA is declared in a place?

M1: Continued with AFSPA. What will my role as an army member be in areas under AFSPA. What measures will be taken to build confidence among the local communities in such areas.

Is there any visible change at ground levels with the successive UDF and LDF governments in Kerala.

Why is China and Russia interested in friendship with Taliban

Security implications for India if Taliban comes to power. What should India's approach towards Taliban be.

M2: What is outsourcing. Whether it is done in India? What are its advantages to Indian companies?

Correlation between Jackfruit, Kerala and Diabetes \square

Whether India stands a chance against China when it comes to Cyber warfare?

What should India do to improve its cyber capabilities

M3 (Lady member): What is special about the Andaman and Nicobar Command?

What is the need for a tri service command in Andaman?

What is the strategic significance of Andamans?

Whether it is legal to arrest a cabinet member (Narayan Rane arrest was in the news that morning).

M4 : Meaning of my name.

Why marks low in engineering after scoring well in school? □□□

What is right to privacy?

What is the SC verdict in the Puttaswamy judgement?

What is the Pegasus issue? What is the government's stand regarding the issue.

What is the economic implication of using such a surveillance tool?

Chairman then asked me whether I wanted to ask or say something to which I replied in the negative.

C: Your interview is over. Wish you all the best. You may leave now.

IJ

Qualification: MBBS, Work Experience: Medical Officer X 3 Years

State: Kerala, Hobbies: Public speaking, critical writing

Co curricular activity: Founding member, Health on wheels program amongst a host of others

Date of interview: 23rd August 2021, Chairman: Manoj Soni

3rd person to go.

Chair: Good afternoon. Lets start off. Before that, keeping a shield is optional, but wearing a mask is compulsory. Please remove your mask for a minute so that I can verify you with your photograph

Excellent. So lets start. You passed out in 2018?

Chair: What were you doing since then?

Chair: OK. So why did you jump from Medicine to Civil services?

Chair: So, if it is not a confidential issue, then can you please explain your experience?

Chair: Would you agree to me if I tell you that, despite 75 years of our independence, we have not been able to give everyone on the this country at least 1 glass of drinking water.

Chair: What are the probable reasons according to you?

Chair: Can you tell me some proactive steps the government is taking now?

Chair: Are you sure that Jal Jeevan is about tap water connection?

Chairman points to the next member.

M1: Taking that conversation forward, so, is right to drinking water clearly mentioned in the constitution.

M1: Which article?

M1: So, how do we mention it clearly? What is the procedure?

M1: Okay. So, imagine that you are walking through the street and you find a dehydrated dog locked inside a car. What would you do?

M1: Points to the next member.

M2: South Indians love professional courses. Can you tell me gthe characteristics of education sector in south India?

M2: Can you give me the situation of health care professionals in India?

M2: Are there divides?

M2: Do you agree that it is huge?

M2: Then what can we do about it?

M2: So, tell me about bridge course.

M2: And about paramedicals?

M2: Next member.

M3: So, based on health on wheels program, can we take urban doctors to rural area to solve the rural urban divide?

M3: What is the single most achievement of India?

M3: what are three positive contributions of colonial british rule?

M3: What do you understand between religious tolerance and acceptability?

M3: So, is using religious tolerance as a word, is there something wrong to it?

M3 pointed to the next member after thanking me.

M4: Good afternoon. Can you tell me three positive things about Gig economy?

M4: And, three negatives?

M4: Okay. What are some of the recebt measures taken by the government to stop mounting NPAs?

M4: One thing the government is doing is it is recapitalising the banks. What do you understand by it?

M4: And, is it good to pump public money into such banks?

M4: Last question. In a rigid bureacracy, there is no space for the answer, 'I dont know'. In such a case, what would you do?

M4: Good. Thankyou *Waves to the chairman*

Chair: All the best. Your interview is over.

Overall, board was cordial. I was doubtful in a lot of answers.

This is only a rough recall.

Harshit

01.09.2021 Forenoon, Smita Nagraj Maa'm , Background - B.com, C.A

Hobby-Pranayama, Others-Gold Medalist in CA, AIR Holder in C.A IPCC

Rajasthan

Chairman

- Why there is contrast between stock market and Indian economy?
- What are unicorns?
- Shall I invest in ipo's of unicorn?
- Why so many frauds are taking place in stock market?

Member 1

- What is Gem portal?
- Why govt is purchasing even after it is not cost effective?
- Don't you think that it amounts to wastage of taxpayer's money?
- Why CSR funding is not being made in education sector?
- What is economic justice?

Member 2

- You CA people help in tax evasion and that is why INDIA'S tax to gdp ratio is very low. Your views about it?

- Steps to increase tax to gdp ratio?
- Why govt is not giving reservation to women in parliament?
- Why they have agreed for the same in case of local governments?

Member 3

- Issues between EU and UK?
- Difference between law and order and internal security?
- Major areas of Atmanirbhar Bharat?
- How to increase India's trade volume?

Member 4

- What are the parameters for declaring drought?
- Why floods in Rajasthan in recent years?
- Suppose you are DM of a district where flood is about to come. What will be your strategy BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER FLOODS?

Chairman- Thank you, Duration - 30-32 Minutes

Sarfaraz ahmed

Gurgaon, Haryana ,Commerce and accountancy ,Bcom hons and mcom

Sujata mehta maams board ,Last to go ,Duration -35-40 minute

Chairman maam-

Introduce urself with ur academics

Whar are doing since 2019

Why civil service

Why billionaire increasing in india with poors are also increasing

Why stock market booming

What are unicorn

How startup helps

M1- what is reagon economics (didn't answered)

Why we win less model at Olympics

What need to done to win more Olympics

We have infrastructure already how to use it (counter)

M2-why Haryana winning more medal in wrestling

Can this culture can be imitated in other states (based on my reply)

What is IFRS

What is Ind AS

Tell me some IFRS

M3- what is international accounting standard board (didnt answered)

Should cricket included in Olympics and why it's difficult to include cricket in Olympics

Why we r not hosting Olympics

Why 2047 plan to host Olympics (it's too late)

Why SEZ failed in India

Why not build SEZ near ports

M4-(psychologist, as he saw my body language again and again and even looking at my shoes also)

Gurgaon is unplanned and how to plan outer Gurgaon

As a DC of border dist whats ur priority

Chairman maam- do u want that we ask qs from some specific are (I said maam no specifice area but If u want we can discuss more)

Share ur good experience with any govt dept

Share one bad experience also

Do u asked for any help from govt in lock down (I said no)

Ur interview is over

All members seemed satisfied and chair maam was happy

Note - chair was circular (those marriage waali) and two members were only at a distance of 1 metre. Table was like a meeting table

Satyasraya

Background: history hons. Du History optional

Board: Smita nagraj mam

Date: September 3

Chairperson

1. What are you doing since 2018. Why you did not go for postgraduation.

- 2. Why did you choose history?
- 3. If given the opportunity to make a time capsule what would you put in it?
- 4. What are your views on protest, explain with example?
- 5. Why farmers of particular states are at forefront of farmers protest?
- 6. How would you solve the farmer protest issue?

Member 1

- 1. What 3 steps would you take to improve situation of football in India?
- 2. What is government doing for same?
- 3. Should schools be reopened for all classes?
- 4. What is the government doing regarding opening of schools?
- 5. Fertiliser subsidy, advantages and disadvantages?

Member 2

- 1. Do you know of marriage law amendment bill of 2010?
- 2. Is history of any importance?
- 3. History is the unfolding of past, your view.
- 4. Has the shunting of children and adolescents in their home during corona had a negative impact over mental health?
- $5. \ \mathrm{CJI}$ has admitted a PIL based on letter of a $10 \ \mathrm{year}$ old boy regarding opening of schools . Don't you think it is problematic?
- 6.In which article of constitution is complete justice mentioned?

Member 3.

- 1. How online radicalisation is done?
- 2. What steps should be taken to better regulate online space?
- 3. Recently a maritime dispute was settled in Indian Ocean, do you know about it?
- 4. How is maritime boundary delineated?
- 5. Recently economic emergency was declared in a country, Which country and Why?
- 6. Similarities between history and anthropology?

Member 4

1. What are laws and mechanism for dealing with cybersecurity issue? Are their any lacunaes?

- 2. How did the Pegasus issue happen?
- 3. Why did the aghanistan war last so long? What should be Indias focus regarding Afghan issue?
- 4. Schemes of government of India for promoting village level entrepreneurship?
- 5. What are your views regarding national cyber crime reporting portal?

Chairperson

1. Investment portfolio of middle class is changing. Explain and what are it's implication for government?

Thank you your interview is over

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Transcript

BB VYAS sir board

Background: UP+ Mechanical engineering+ IPS+ involved in Designing of Race car+ Hobbies-cricket and Teacher

Chairman:

Asked me to sit down directly before even I could wish. But I wished all of them and then sat down. Chairman was pretty happy about it and said very good and then asked me to sit down again (Idk If he asked me to sit down before wishing intentionally or unintentionally)

So you are in IPS, did u join the academy? Why not?

So today (6th September) is teachers day? I politely said sir it was yesterday. Oh ok, said the CM and then asked - "COVID is the best teacher" My take on this. Asked me to talk in 5 concrete points

What is you opinion about instant justice by police? Does it happen? Should it happen?

What is National security? What are the threats to National security? (Talked about external+internal + modern threats like Cyber security aspects and climate change)

Counter question: Should we have a specialised force to deal with Cyber security challenge? What has india done?

Member 1:

So u have done car designing, he asked very long question. But the crux was that how the design of vehicles in mountainous terrain will be different from that of normal vehicles?

History of car racing in and current situation? Where it happens? Talked about Coimbatore and Buddha international Circuit. When did F1 happened for last time in India? What's the current status of Buddha circuit?

So you play basketball and cricket both. Again very long 3 questions in one. He clearly said I will ask 3 questions and u please answer them after I have asked. So I carefully listened.

So If you have to chose one out of basketball and cricket which one will you chose to play and which one u won't? How to improve the attraction of the other one in india? Third question, I forgot even there but thankfully even he forgot that. And while we were talking about second question he asked about NBA and what India can learn from America in terms of Basketball etc etc

Member 2

Tell me your 5 positive and 5 negative attributes (talked about giving lot of time to cricket and some time waste)

How will you manage your passion for cricket and your duty as DM?

How has the experience of cricket change with coming of highlights (not this exact question but somewhat like that)

What is Brexit? Tell two positive and two negative impacts of Brexit on India

Member 3:

What is Hexit? Related to Hungry- she only told me (thanked her)

New rules change in Drone rules? (Told 6-7 points

India is trying to become -----by 2030? (What is india trying to become under new drone policy. I didn't understand the question. It was fill in the blanks type) She told Global Drone hub \Box

What are three colours under rule? Meaning of each colour?

Member 4:

So u come from rural or urban background (said rural)

So what's your take on 'rapid urbanisation' (talked about smart cities with smart villages to ensure inclusive growth etc etc) how will you manage the both? Who will do CG or SG? Said along with these two we will need strong Local government to ensure sustainable development of both regions.

Status of Urbanisation in UP. (Smart cities first, new infra development etc etc)

Lot of MSMEs in UP are stressed. Is there a policy gap? Challenges?

Passed to CM

What is principle of natural justice?

Thank you. Your interview is over and All the best for your future

No question related to if I wanna share or ask anything

Overall: very cordial board. Sir was listening for whole time and nodding and smiling.

Mask: they asked me to take the mask down with shield on

I have forgotten few questions. Will add once I recall

Rahul Raghunath:

Name: Rahul, Date: 03-Sept-2021. Morning Session. 4th to go.

Board : Smitha Nagaraj Mam. ,Background : Kerala , BTECH CS , Hobby : Travel Photography , Listening to Carnatic & Tamil Music

Enters room.

Got surprised by the arrangement inside the room . (Be ready for Surprises).

In that surprise i made a delay in wishing them. But Successfully did.

Mam Said you can sit down if u r ready.

Forgot to unbutton the coat and sat there . \Box

(No comforting words / explanation of the process / asking to remove mask to see my ugly face happened .—->Straight to business. Seemed they were done for the day and want to finish it of quickly)

Smitha Mam:

- 1. Why Tamil Music?
- A: Mam .. its very romantic .
- 2. Romantic?
- A: Explained about Ilayaraja & AR Rahmans compositions.
- 3. Why Carnatic?
- A: 2018 upsc pre qn on Tyagaraja -lord krishna . Forced me to listen to Carnatic . Now i am an expert . Everyone laughed . \Box
- 3. 2018 passed out.. till now?
- A: 1 year in Blore & 2 year in Delhi for preparation. (i feel i should have mentioned that its my first attempt. If anyone of you are just bring it somewhere during conversation sometimes they dont care to read ur DAF properly.)
- 4. WHy industries in Kerala are poor? Tell me the most one Important Reason?
- A: Labour Union Culture
- 5. U think thats the most imp?
- A: There r other factors like less land availability, high labour wages.
- 6. Tell me how u will tackle it?
- A. Explained about UP Act for penalising damage to public Properties . Said i dont know what to be done with land. She gave me a disappointed look .
- 7. Dont u think each state has its own +ve & -ves. Kerala can focus on Service sector, isn't it? Tell me a foreign country model which could be applied to Kerala.

- A. Talked about Singapore & how we should focus on Ayurveda, Tourism in Kerala
- 7. Should State give patronage for Arts? Should Corporates also give?

A:Said yes, and can be also included in CSR. Gave an average answer.

M2.

1. Sea level rise in Kerala. What be done?

A: build magnets of employment in inner areas, train fisherman in coir, plantation, etc. Build Machan type houses as we see in vietnam & Cambodia.

Cant recollect further.

M3.

- 1. RTE? why additions in FDuties & DPSP?
- A: gave answer- average.
- 2.Definition of Child in various laws?
- A: Said its till 14 in RTE. explained how it is leading to Child labour coz 15-18 can work in non-hazardous industries.
- 3. So u think Child should be <18?
- A: Yes
- 4. Who is a Juvenile?
- A: JJ Act: JJBoard constituted & they determine. Average.
- 5. Laws for Women Safety in Workplace .?
- A: Explained about Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013.
- 6. Tell me about NGT?
- A. Said its a Statutory body to ensure Environmental Justice. I said it has judicial powers.
- 7. Judicial /Quasi?
- A; Sorry Sir, Quasi, thanks for correcting me.

M4: Grill Mode.

- 1. How to regulate Online Gaming in backdrop of Chinese move.?
- A: keeping times for apps, & more focus on creatig awareness to parents about detriments of games mental health iissues, addiction etc.
- 2. How to regulate online gambling?

A: Dont Know SIr.

Rest i cannot recollect.

M5: Gentleman.

1. Ban on Chinese Apps, impacts?

A: Firstly it was mostly Symbolic- after the Clashes @ galwan . Secondly - gave a push for domestic IT sector .

2. U think it helped Indian apps?

A: Yes.

3. whats the performance of Digita Inddia?

A: Said i am not satisfied. We have not achieved milestones. 30k panchayats in India doesnt have Mobile network. Talked about Odisha boy died after falling from cliff when he was searching for mobile network.

4. Tell me something about govt schemes in digital india like DigiLocker, Bharat Net, he mentioned few other schemes.?

A: Talked about them and also added National Strategy on Blockchain.

5. How to deal with Pakistan?

A: Gave an answer.

Smitha Mam Said u can go.

Overall it welt like a rapid round. Ended quickly.

Though was mentally prepared to behave as suggested by mocks, my natural instincts dominated. Hand movements was splendid. Head movements sufficient. It was raw.

No much questions on Kerala.

No questions on COVID , why want to join CSE , Other Hobby , IR , Remittances to kerala , Kerala Model , Parents , Quotes , College/School , fancy qns , Leadership/projects in college.

I entered within one minute after the previous candidate exited. Means they are in a hurry. I felt they didnot read DAF in detail, but asked few qn from whatever caught their attention from DAF.

Takeaways:

- 1. Be ready for surprises.
- 2. Go with Zero expectations. Make a mindset that they will ask zero questions from that u have prepared . It would help you make a good conversation .
- 3. Smile till you faint . Even smile after that too.
- 4. Say i dont know freely. i wish i had said that more.

5. Take it slow. Breathe, give answers after properly hearing qn. Reduce your speed - turn on Grandpa mode.

6.Dont fall for their expressions. They may give a disapointing face. Dont care. if u fall for it, it will ruin ur confidence & calm.

All the best Everyone . !!

Enjoy that 30 mins . !

R. IPS

Bhonsle sir Board,

CM

What is 2+2 dialogue?

If you are OSD to MEA what 5 advices you will furnish in a 1-1 meeting?

M1

Why India not a permanent member of UNSC?

The Current system of Judicial appointment?

Which 4 judges came out against SC in media?

Which 4 players have hit 6 sixes in an over?

Which minority judge was involved in Ayodhya verdict?

Which judge gave dissenting judgement in Sabrimala case?

Which player defeated Suhas LY?

M2

Why there are so many PPP projects these days?

Water pollution and soil pollution sources and remedies?

Some other questions which I m unable to recollect

M3

Is Birth rate control' essential for economic growth?

When it's needed?

Which states have higher TFR?

What lessons we can learn from China in context of the Birth control?

M4?

Police perception in public?

Is it justified?

What will you do to bring changes at grassroot level?

Shouldn't an IPS work as a constable and also as an SI to understand people better and improve perception?

You write poems, recite one?

CM?

Women have to prove and men are born?

Another quotation which I m unable to recall.

Board was cordial and interview Lasted nearly 40min.

Chandana

Bharat Bhushan Vyas Board, Profile- Chem Engg BIT Mesra+ MBA, IIM Indore+ Work Ex Deloitte

Hobbies- Carnatic Music + Readathon Challenges, State- Telangana

- Q1. You have two names-what do people address you as?
- Q. You are still working?
- Q. Why would you quit a high paying job and company known for good work culture (Deloitte)
- Q. When did this thought of appearing for UPSC Originate?
- Q. Why did you not write the exam after graduation?
- Q. Why not immediately after Post Graduation?
- Q. Coming to Management-Tell me what is Management, what is Administration and what is Governance (counter questions on Management)
- Q. What is Good Governance
- Q. Do you think our Foreign Policy has changed drastically in the last few years?
- Q. How do you understand by Poverty?
- Q. How do we measure poverty?
- Q. Contributions of Ahilya Bai Holkar?
- Q. Tell me her contributions sociologically
- Q. What are Tax Havens

- Q. Connect it to Global Minimum Tax Rate
- Q. Hobby of Readathon and Goodreads Website
- Q. What are current reading challenges you are taking part in
- Q. Why did you opt for Sociology
- Q. How will you use it in Administration
- Q. Define Socialization
- Q. Did marks feature in your decision of choosing sociology? It is consistently the most rewarding optional (Told him, I did not think of it that way after seeing optional marks but I did consider limited syllabus as Criteria)
- Q. What is most urbanized and least urbanized state in India
- Q. Explain Urbanization as a phenomenon and in future if it will be inclusive if inclusive will it be natural or state imposed
- Q. Carnatic Singers- tell me 4 current practicing singers
- Q. Why not mentioning Sudha Raghunathan
- Q. Tell me about a leading music director from South India and his current controversy (AR Rahman and some twitter trolling he explained incident while I gave the name), your opinion on it
- Q. NSS, NCC, Bharat Scouts and Guides- have these institutions served their purpose?
- Q. In recent context, what is the most important thing for Comprehensive Nation Power, will give you a hint that Bhutan launched something in late 2000...connect it (he was expecting Soft Power and importance of Qualitative Assessments like Global Happiness Index)
- Q. ASEAN and SAARC what is difference in their working
- Q. Differentiate Migration and Forced Migration
- Q. Since you mentioned BBIN- What are the countries
- Q. What is the other B and what are its problems for inclusion (I told Bhutan but there are environmental concerns)
- Q. NEP- should states have separate policies
- Q. Counter to you- shouldn't states want to protect their ethnicity and their history instead of uniformity of syllabus?

Thank you your interview is over

BJ

Background: From Andhra Pradesh, Civil engineering, Sociology optional

Afternoon, 5th to go., Chairman: TCA Anant

Discussed in detail about DAF

Asked about the region of Amaravati and Vijayawda and what is the situation now(3 capitals issue)

M1

Asked on hobby, which car would you suggest for city usage and why?

Tell me about the technical features of the car that you've suggested

Then about another hobby, which kind of and which language movies do u watch?

Tell me about the scene that moved u in 3 idiots movie

After I gave my answer, M4 added to it and everybody laughed

Having known the Afghanistan history and present issues, analyse the present issues sociologically?

M2

Asked about bullet trains

- A) which cities it is going to connect
- B) the total cost
- C) is it worth the money being put in given the traffic between the cities is not huge? (Replied the symbolic value is much higher than the economic value)
- D) How should we finance the project, collect charges later or use taxes collected? (Replied given the capital intensive nature and also to make it attractive for consumers to choose it over airways, a balance of both is necessary)

Given you are a civil engineer, other than normal infrastructure projects which sector do u consider important, by the time I replied he mentioned that he wants to know about housing

About housing for all

Criteria for beneficiaries selection

Asked to mention a few other flagship schemes of the government

Finally, why do u want to become a civil servant?

Smiled after answering and asked the next member to take over

M3(Sole lady member)

About a program(DAF) I was part of and my role in it?

Given the present circumstances, what are the two major issues that you think are very important for entire world to fight together? (Replied Climate change and then peace in Afghanistan, added reasons for the latter like terrorism and the large scale opium production)

Do you have any knowledge about accounting? (Replied No straight away)

Asked something about accounts (Replied, I don't know)

Asked about CAG and the role of office of CAG

Who maintains the expenditures and revenues of the government?

Finally, You may get into accounting service also, don't worry I'm sure you'll learn about it if you get into it.

M4

Reasons behind the aridity of native district?

Asked a few questions on civil engineering - Principle of surveying and principle of finite element and etc

Asked about kirchoff's law

Asked about my hobby

Chairman: Good, your interview is over.

Around 25-30 mins, Very pleasant experience and it was a cordial panel.

Mithun H N

Qualification: BE (EC), Optional: Sociology, Board: TCA Anant Sir

Date: 02nd September 2021 Afternoon

2nd Candidate to go.

Read out my details in the DAF

Chairman:

Are you in IPS training now? Which cadre are you allotted?

You've already got home cadre IPS, still why do you want to be an IAS, the only service option you have filled?

How does your Electronics and Communication Engineering knowledge help in the field of policing?

Member 1:

You mentioned proactive policing. What does it actually mean?

Can you give some instance where police forces failed to make use of it?

Are you aware of newly released Drone Rules? Mention some provisions of it.

How can drones be used in policing?

What are the concerns associated with drone usage by police?

So you're an engineering graduate. What project did you do in your final year? Explain

What is Agriculture 4.0?

Member 2 -

So you're from Chikkamagalur in Karnataka. Tell some interesting things about your district.

Who was Baba Budan? What is his major contribution?

What's your opinion on video recording the judicial proceedings and live telecasting them? What demerits do you see?

What do you think about the written advocacy? You feel it is advantageous?

Member -3

So your optional is Sociology. Who is your favourite Indian sociologist?

What concepts given by him appeal to you the most? Their relevance?

You must have heard about Mrs. Roopa Moudgil, an IPS officer from your state. What report did she give few years back which brought her to limelight?

Do you think it's right on the part of public servants to glorify oneself infront of media for their official work?

Bangalore traffic congestion is among the city's major problem. What has been done to address this? What more can be done?

Member 4 -

Spoke of farming techniques like organic, vertical farming etc.,

How we can ensure better market linkage of farm produce around the city with the markets in the city?

Karnataka is a forerunner in the IT sector on the country. Are you aware of the IT sector contribution to Karnataka's GSDP?

Also, in GST implementation and collection Karnataka is among the top states. You having worked in State Commercial Tax Department, from your experience, tell some initiatives and methods employed by the State?

Chairman: Thank you

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Board: Satyavati ma'am ,Optional: medical science

Chairperson:

Read out my DAF loud, asked me about photograph and education. What is Bastar phc model..? Why did you want to work in chhatisgarh..? What kind of improvement you've seen after the implementation of your model..? M1: Why we're using expensive remdisvir when cheaper alternatives like Ivermectin is available...? There's lot of vaccine hesitancy in tribal regions how you're going to overcome it... M2: What are the reasons for naxalism in Chhattisgarh..? Why not in North East India..? How can we overcome this problem..? After andhrapradesh division many mineral resources been gone to Telanga how andhra can overcome this shortfall..? M3: If we construct more roads and improving digital connectivity in LWE area that may help logistics for naxals... What's your view in this regard..? What is policy bazaar..? What was your work profile..? What if a person lie to on telephone..? Which model is beeter for insurance policy verification... Online or ofline..? What are the steps taken by the government to contain COVID19 pandemic..? Have you seen any significant improvement in this year's budget allocations towards health sector..? What is Arogya setu..? M4: What's your view on generic medicine..? What about the unholy nexus between doctors and pharmacy companies..? How can we check it ..? Why tribal people prefer quacks than modern medicine..? Is it because of lack of doctors..?

Do you think your selection into service will benefit the society?
But there's corruption how will you handle it?
Chairperson:
Asked me to go
Overall very cordial board
More of a conversation rather a Q&A session
All the very best □
N P
Board: Shri Monoj Soni Sir, Time: Around 30 min ,Date & Session: 7 September, Afternoon, 4th to go
DAF: PSIR, DANICS (P), Visited Lakshadweep Island recently, Work Experience in Real Estate for 2 Years
CH: (Asked me whether I'm comfortable with Face shield and permitted to keep it down, verified photo and confirmed whether he is pronouncing my name properly)
1. Are you already in service? Why didn't you mentioned in DAF? What's your experience in Lakshadweep? For how many days you were in Lakshadweep
2. One quote of President Roosevelt related to Youth (I have related this with Thought of Swami Vivekananda)

M1(LADY MEMBER)

done?

- 1. What you do in Microblogging? Since when you are doing? How many followers? Why?
- 2. Importance of Lakshdweep and Andman and Nicobar? Which Nations are trouble creating?

3. Are govt doing sufficient to build our youth? What one thing you would suggest that should be

M2(LADY MEMBER):

- 1. What's life cycle approach?
- 2. Which sector is working towards that? (Not able to answer and now I realised that it's about Automobile Sector)
- 3. Why so many problems in Real Estate sector in North India? To whom we should make accountable? How's Maharashtra RERA working?
- 4. Do you watch movie? Have you watched Aligarh Movie?

M3:

1. Why Aligarh is famous? What's common between Aligarh and BHU? Why Gandhiji asked students to not join them?

2. How Maldives is different than Lakshadweep? Can we have same model of development?

M4:

- 1. SAARC and BIMSTEC?
- 2. US approach and impact on allies? Aprt from Afghanistan which areas are having divergence?

25 aug

Rajasthan, 2019 graduate,, electrical engineer, Cricket, following IR, PSIR optional

Sathiyavathy mam

Chairpersons

- 1. What are you doing since 2019
- 2. Your contribution as hostel secretary, follow ups
- 3. Explain ... Law is an agent of social change but law is an utter

failure, further discussion on it

M1

- 1. Laplace transform
- 2. Some qn on electrical machine
- 3. Gorkhaland issue, what should be done
- 4. Atmnirbhar bhart, pillars, what govt is doing
- 5. Impact of technology on employment, economy and further qn on them

M2

- 1. Floating solar plant, its mechaniam
- 2. qn on other power plants
- 3. Govt control on media, godi media/designer media

M3

- 1. Your learning as house captin, traits you gain
- 2. Independent director
- 3. Climate change, impact on poles
- 4. Corona effect in electrical

M4

- 1. RCEP, should India have joined it, further discussion
- 2. Should right to health b e made FR,
- 3. Mukhyamantri Chiranjeevi yojna (state specific)
- 4. About kota (education city, impact of corona, student suicides etc)

Few qn cant remember

Anonymous ,03/09/21, Background - CA, BPCL,Board. - Choubey sir

Chairman asked about

1.ministry of cooperation

2.how it's diff from a company

3.need for it

M1 -

- 1. about cryptocurrency. Dangers etc
- 2. madurai handicrafts challenges and Way forward

M2

- 1.south China sea. Should India send its navy there
- 2.defence budget. Process ..
- 3. RBI autonomy
- 4.rbi dividend given, discussion on that

M3

- 1.about history. Dictators of Europe and Asia
- 2.about oil and whether the Middle East is changing

M4

- 1. Whether CA is an unethical profession
- 2.what's being done to make it ethical
- 3. in Malaysia the tamils are being treated unfairly, should India intervene

4. what about Indian intervention in SL, East pak

Then chairman asked if I wanted to talk about something . I told about tax to gdp ratio, few questions on that that's it.

Overall good experience. Keep cool and always expect the unexpected.

All the best everyone.

Board : Air Marshal Ajit S. Bhonsle Sir

Morning shift, 1st person to go, Background: Optional: Electrical Engineering

Work: IRSEE

Chairperson: Asked me to remove the faceshield, gave me some time to settle, briefed me about the protocol and procedure of the interview

Read out my DAF

Asked me about my job at IRSEE

What do you think will be the impact on J&K vis-a-vis Afghanistan situation

Tell me about 2 challenges you have faced in your life

What are the challenges faced while performing Manipuri dance as compared to other classical dances (done a certificate course in Manipuri dance)

Member 1

Asked me about a mathematics scholarship (I had mentioned in my DAF)

You are an engineer and IRSEE seems to be a perfect match for you, then why civil services?

Do you think civil services should be a permanent bureaucracy or should we make it transitional?

What reforms would you suggest in civil services?

What is Mission Karmayogi?

Member 2

Asked me about a medal in mathematics (DAF- mathematics scholarship)

Recent appointments made in SC, names of potential CJIs out of the 9 judges

Name 4 well known IPS officers

Compare Indian Air Force with Chinese Air power

Tell us about the internal security challenges India is facing

Member 3

Challenges wrt Renewable energy

Then a long discussion on renewable energy only

Situational question - What would you do if the new govt is bashing about the policies of previous govt (in reference to permanent vs transitional bureaucracy question)

What would your approach be in case of new govt demanding a policy overhaul

Member 4

How literacy rate contributes in economic development

But Saudi Arabian economy is doing much better without focusing on education

Kerala despite high literacy rates not performing economically

What does a Saudi Arabian woman having a good lavish lifestyle lack

Chairperson again

I will give you a headline of an article you tell me what could the contents be in that - "We don't love our daughters enough"

What are your plans for today?

Your interview in over, have a nice day

Overall the board was very cordial and nice. They didn't try to grill me or anything. It felt like they gave me an environment good enough to perform at my best, way too much better than any of the mock panels.

P

Smitha nagraj mam, 1st sep, forenoon, first to go, Telangana, MBBS

ANTHRO, travelling, pencil sketching

Ch:

Did u work

What kind of service in NGO

how did u chose that ngo, there are many

Andhra ts more foreign migration...why

Is it loss or gain

How to reduce

Why didn't u go abroad

M1

Ayushman bharat vs Obama care, is outlay enough

Issues in health sector

Ease of doing business..how to reduce time

What is genome India project?

M2

Why anthro

Anthropological basis for patriarchy

What are main revolutions u studied in anthropology

Which tribe not studied

How are they surviving

Which concept explains their relation with nature(he told that my answer is not correct)

Look east policy, is it old wine in new bottle

M3

U talked about quality of edu..what do u mean by quality

Based on one ngo report, isn't it right to judge

So NEP is already there to correct this, what problem are ailing our edu

Are u talking about primary secondary or edu as a whole

Do u have any statastic or data with u

So vocational edu

Is higher edu needed for everyone

If a girl after marriage wants to study is it possible, what if in laws doesn't allow

Tell me about golconda

M4

U said 2.5 of GDP, how can u readjust budget to do this,

Where do u want to rationalize subsidies

Nfhs already has a cap right, where else do u want to rationalise(didn't answer this)

Child marriages, how to tackle

Should we punish the parents

Ch: your interview is over

M

Chairman: Bhonsle sir (06/09/21):25-30 min, 2nd last to go.

B/g - mnnit allahabad -ece

Job at Qualcomm,

Optional: sociology

Other mentions: zumba, movies on social issues, kabaddi

From ghaziabad up

Ch: sir very nicely explained the whole process - no tricky questions. Just want to have a good conversation.ask me to make sure - speak after thinking properly.

Read out whole Daf.

Gave two three statements to explain: remember only one:

If you can't measure can't improve it

M1: IoT and robotics in nation development.

Not able to recall other ques

M2: even after nirbhaya incident and consequent laws, women are not safe. Why?

Padman: director, name person on whom it is based, what message does it give

Zumba - where founded, when

Crypto currency and blockchain explain

Name women judges currently joined the SC

Chairman tapped the pencil on table

M3 (lady): discussion on difference between vocational education and skill development.

Supw in CBSE school

Chairman tapped the pencil on table

M4: Name movies you have watched, why social issues, what significance these movies hold

Changing family system in India - good/bad

As ghaziabad sdm, what will be your priorities explain the issues and solutions also

Why ald to prayagraj, good policy? Tried to grill -

Chairman tapped the pencil on table.

Ch: Thankyou your interview is over. All the best.

Overall very cordial board. Mam seemed not to be satisfied. Mostly analytical questions.

Background:

ICAS, 2020 batch., Andhra Pradesh, Sociology.

No questions on other aspects of DAF

Date of interview: 07-09-2021.

Chairperson: Dr. Manoj Soni sir.

Chairperson:

Q. Have you ever been to Delhi earlier?

Q. What places did you visit?

Q. Select any one. I'll ask questions.

Q. What is the significance of India gate?

Q. Tell me some architectural aspects of India gate.

Member 1:

Q. Need for Central Vista project

Q. Courts permitted Central Vista project to go on. What is the one specific argument which won the case for govt?

Q. A special kind of marriage is practiced in AP and Telangana. What is it?

Q. Isn't it a violation of our laws?

Q. What are the reasons for decline in marriage system these days?

Q. A follow-up question

Q. Andhra Pradesh was formed as per linguistic reorganisation. Isn't the formation of Telangana a violation of this?

Q. Isn't the bifurcation of states violation of federalism?

Member 2: (Lady member)

Q. What will be the responsibilities after you join your first posting in the service?

Q. If you handling an office, what steps would you take to minimise costs?

Q. A technical word to describe what you mentioned?

- Q. Do you know Rajat Gupta?
- Q. What is insider trading?
- Q. Recently, one person was fined for insider trading in India. Do you know the name?

Member 3: (Lady member)

- Q. What is needed for India: large scale manufacturing or MSMEs?
- Q. Why do we need to move people out of agriculture?
- Q. Do you think our MSMEs can become competitive, vis-a-vis other countries like China?
- Q. Do you think MSMEs could address the problem of regional imbalance in the country?
- Q. Give me an example from you state in One district-one product scheme?

Member 4:

- Q. Inland waterways in Andhra Pradesh
- Q. Need for inland waterways
- Q. Impact of climate change on seas
- Q. Name some Islands which are affected.
- Q. What do you know about Diego Garcia?

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B. TECH. (Mech), M. A. (Socio), Not a single question from 3 hobbies that I wrote in daf.

R N Chaubey sir board

No face shield, also sir asked to remove the mask completely and keep it on the table.

Sir, as usual in cheerful mode, saying enjoy the process and keep smiling.

Chairman sir -

- 1. Introduce in a minute about academic background and work experience.
- 2. In part time work, how much do you earn?
- 3. How much is India's forex reserve?
- 4. Who owns India's forex reserve? Is it the RBI, central govt, people of India or any other??
- 5. Can I go to the RBI and ask them to give me my 100 dollars? (Counter question on my earlier answer)
- 6. Functions of RBI?

Member 1 -

(Order of questions may not be correct here in transcript)

- 1. What is the capital market?
- 2. What is insider trading?
- 3. What is the balance of payment?
- 4. What is India's saving rate?
- 5. What does India's savings constitute?
- 6. India's saving rate is high, which country has the lowest saving rate?
- 7. Which country has the highest debt in the world?
- 8. Why USA?

Member 2 -

- 1. Children in India face many problems. Which are these?
- 2. Solution?
- 3. Girl child special problems?
- 4. Solution?
- 5. How's India's performance compared to other asian countries?
- 6. What should be done within the family to solve these crises?

Member 3 - (Lady member)

- 1. What is a check dam? (Daf)
- 2. Benefits?
- 3. Models in Maharashtra?
- 4. In your region?
- 5. What is the national infrastructure pipeline launched 2 years ago? What are components?
- 6. J and k after removing 370?

Member 4 -

(Most questions related to mechanical engg which I passed out six years ago, couldn't even answer a single question)

- 1. Mam, talked about check dam. Tell me what are check bolts used in mechanical engg?
- 2. Something related to the engine? (Difficult question can't even remember what the question was)
- 3. You participated in swimming during college. Tell me what are the types of swimming?

- 4. Most decorated swimming Olympian?
- 5. How many total medals did Phelps win?
- 6. Do you know any other player? I said Cerrab Dressel (actual caeleb Dressel)
- 7. Have you heard of Mark spitz?
- 8. India's best swimming player?
- 9. Why is South Africa famous?
- 10. Do you know something about Swahili language spoken in large parts of Africa, whose script is in English?
- 11. What is the name of the machine used to check or test different types of brakes??
- 12. Earlier cars used to have corrosion or something like that but now it's not. What has changed?

(People may think I had some economics related in daf, but absolutely not. Nothing related to economy in daf)

08.09.2021

Manoj Soni Sir's Board, First to go; Afternoon Session

Asked to remove mask for verifying photo. Faceshield - optional.

CM: Commented on my active student life.

- 1. Carnatic Music Are you Kaansen or Tansen?
- 2. Differences between Carnatic & Hindustani forms.
- 3. Are there different forms of compositions in Carnatic as well like Hindustani has Khayal, Dhrupad, Thumri etc?
- 4. What was the MS thesis about?
- 5. Did you study everything in Biology degree says Biological Sciences?
- M1: 1. What do I blog about? Most recent blogposts.
- 2. From a biological perspective, what is the origin of COVID19? (Lab origin theory)
- 3. Will it continue to stay within the population without causing disease?
- 4. What do you know about defence? (Not much except from preparation perspective)

- 5. What is the latest according to you? (Theatre Command proposal; IAC-1)
- 6. Defence spending vs Social welfare spending what should we do?
- M2: 1. What is the YouTube Channel/Podcast stuff mentioned in DAF?
- 2. From IISER should education be publicly funded?
- 3. Why is India democratic when countries around it have had army dictatorships? (Possible high point)
- 4. Shouldn't credit go to the army as well?
- 5. Will Bangladesh also become democratic like India?
- M3: 1. What are the differences between Kolkata and Bengaluru?
- 2. Why is Bengaluru no longer a garden city? What measures are being taken to handle the situation?
- 3. Should students have strong political awareness and ideologies? (As long as they don't get violent, it is good to engage with ideas & ideologies)

One or two more questions.

- M4: 1. Why does Taliban not have even a single woman leader when Islamic countries like Bangladesh and Pakistan have them?
- 2. Why is there a tendency of authoritarianism in democracies? (Possible high point)

One or two more questions.

Over all, it was smooth and cordial - no cross-questioning or heavily probing questions

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08/09/21 - Afternoon, Board: TCA Anant sir, Grad: Mech Engg

Optional: PSIR Hobbies: Watching wildlife docus and reading Gandhi

Karnataka

Chair:

Asked me to remove face shield.

- What you've been doing since grad?
- Which books on Gandhi have you read?
- What ideas of Gandhi relevant today?
- Some are irrelevant also right?

M1 (lady): - What type of documentaries you watch? - What is tropic cascade? - Recited in sanskrit, Satyam bruyat, Priyam bruyat (I completed the next line \square - Na bruyat satyamapriyam) - You read Gandhi, so would you always abide by truth? - Then you'll lie to boss also? - Whatever boss says you'll agree to do? M2: - What is Bharatmala? What are targets? - Ok, what is Sagarmala? - This port led industrialization, don't you think it's useless because coal imports are banned and shifting them near ports from hinterlands to ports would be counterproductive? -2 stroke and 4 stroke, which is more efficient? - In percentage terms? - What are qualities of a leader? M3: - Why PSIR after Mech Engg? - Security implications of Taliban in Afg? - Taliban formed Govt. What is your assessment? - You mean to say Good Taliban underlined and Bad at helm? - Tell abt transition from NAM to QUAD - So you approve of QUAD? - What is TDI and CRDI? Why important?

M4:

- Apart from what you've mentioned, what are you passionate about?
- How is malnutrition measured?

- Difference between them?

Chair:

Thank you interview is over.

Date: 8 sep 2021

(4th go) ,Chairman:Rajiv Nayan Choubey

DAF: BE Mech, CSR, MNC, Maharashtra (asked to remove mask and faceshield)

Chairman:

what is AGR issue. Explain.

According to you Who is correct in AGR case, government or Telecom companies.

Target of Doubling farmers income in 5 years. Feasibility? What are challenges in doubling farmers income.

Member 1

- 1. Do you know SAFTA. Explain. Why it is not successful. How to make it successful.
- 2. RCEP. Why india opted out. Is it right decision?

Member 2

- 1. Is there any groping of Asian countries. (expecting ASEAN and SAARC)
- 2. what are 3 important institutions situated in Mumbai. (BSE, RBI, wastern naval command)
- 3.where matheran is located. What is other medium apart from road to travel from Mumbai to matheran.
- 4. What is the defence establishment in pune. (NDA)

Member 3

- 1. corporates already paying taxes, then what is need of CSR.
- 2. State reorganisation act. Criteria.
- 3. Some states india are bigger than many countries. Should we go for separation of some states and merging of small states.
- 4. How to measure speed of aeroplane.

Member 4

- 1. Infosys handling of income tax portal. Is it fault of quality control department of company.
- 1. Which state is called as 'God's own country'?
- 2. Which place is called as 'Scotland of East?

State: Telangana

Date: 8th September 2021, FN (1st to go), IPS, Sociology Optional

Hobbies/Interests - Playing Cricket Ethical Hacking, Board: TCA Anant Sir

Chairperson:

- 1. What is Ethical Hacking?
- 2. Did you have any exposure to Ethical Hacking
- a. at NPA?
- b. in College?
- 3. How does knowledge of Ethical Hacking help you in Policing?

M1

1. What are the Tax disputes in news?

(Cairns and Telecom AGR issue)

- 2. What are the initiatives taken by the Central Government to handle Migration issue during Covid?
- 3. What is One Nation, One Ration Card initiative?
- 4. How Data Analytics is being used in Policing?
- 5. What is Stubble burning? How can it be handled?
- 6. As an IAS what would be your developmental priorities in the district you are posted in?

M2

- 1. What was India's response to coup in Myanmar?
- 2. What is the AGR issue in Telecom sector?
- 3. How has the perception been in the recent times about crime in Mumbai?
- 4. Major crimes in Maharashtra?

M3

- 1. What is Reverse swing?
- 2. What was the conversation about reverse swing between Jasprit Bumrah and Virat Kohli in the recent test that India won?
- 3. What is CCTNS? Ground level challenges? How can it be improved?
- 4. If you were the Home Minister, what reforms would you bring in Policing?
- 5. Naxalism causes for its rise? How can it be handled?

M4

- 1. What is Hashing?
- 2. What is a Distributed ledger?
- 3. What is the European Data Protection Law called?
- 4. Why India doesn't have a Data Protection Law?
- 5. Difference between CPI and WPI?
- 6. Number of Aspirational Districts and the metrics used to measure their performance?
- 7. Why IAS after getting into IPS?

Chairperson:

1. How can Corruption in Policing be handled with use of Technology?

Thankyou, You're interview is over.

The board was very welcoming and cordial!

7/9/21

Bhonsle Sir, First to go; afternoon session

Chairman:

- -Delhi police commissioner appointment controversy
- -Prakash Singh guidelines implementation
- -India- Iran relations

Member1

- What is friendly policing
- How friendly policing will help in crime prevention
- Central agencies like CBI politicised? Your views
- How to improve negative perception of police

Member 2

- Banks merger pros and cons
- Banks as public service institutions
- West Bengal Chief Secretary issue. What would you have done? Which meeting would you have attended?

Member3

- Demographic dividend what and to what extent reaped in India

- HDI of India challenges
- If you are DM of your home District how will you improve HDI there?

Member5

- Name of Ashok Chakra awarded
- Name of IPS officers killed in 26/11
- Some questions on golf
- Question on tennis. You don't follow it?
- Vivekananda Sanskrit quote which upanishad
- Some more Sanskrit questions

Chairman

- Mission Karmayogi very long question
- What will you do now
- How many IPS probationers are giving interview this time? When do you have to report back at academy?

KK,

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Sir, as usual in cheerful mode, saying enjoy the process and keep smiling.

Chairman sir -

- 1. Introduce in a minute about academic background and work experience.
- 2. In part time work, how much do you earn?
- 3. How much is India's forex reserve?
- 4. Who owns India's forex reserve? Is it the RBI, central govt, people of India or any other??
- 5. Can I go to the RBI and ask them to give me my 100 dollars? (Counter question on my earlier answer)
- 6. Functions of RBI?

Member 1 -

(Order of questions may not be correct here in transcript)

- 1. What is the capital market?
- 2. What is insider trading?
- 3. What is the balance of payment?
- 4. What is India's saving rate?
- 5. What does India's savings constitute?
- 6. India's saving rate is high, which country has the lowest saving rate?
- 7. Which country has the highest debt in the world?
- 8. Why USA?

Member 2 -

- 1. Children in India face many problems. Which are these?
- 2. Solution?
- 3. Girl child special problems?
- 4. Solution?
- 5. How's India's performance compared to other asian countries?
- 6. What should be done within the family to solve these crises?

Member 3 - (Lady member)

- 1. What is a check dam? (Daf)
- 2. Benefits?
- 3. Models in Maharashtra?
- 4. In your region?
- 5. What is the national infrastructure pipeline launched 2 years ago? What are components?
- 6. J and k after removing 370?

Member 4 -

(Most questions related to mechanical engg which I passed out six years ago, couldn't even answer a single question)

- 1. Mam, talked about check dam. Tell me what are check bolts used in mechanical engg?
- 2. Something related to the engine? (Difficult question can't even remember what the question was)
- 3. You participated in swimming during college. Tell me what are the types of swimming?
- 4. Most decorated swimming Olympian?

- 5. How many total medals did Phelps win?
- 6. Do you know any other player? I said Cerrab Dressel (actual caeleb Dressel)
- 7. Have you heard of Mark spitz?
- 8. India's best swimming player?
- 9. Why is South Africa famous?
- 10. Do you know something about Swahili language spoken in large parts of Africa, whose script is in English?
- 11. What is the name of the machine used to check or test different types of brakes??
- 12. Earlier cars used to have corrosion or something like that but now it's not. What has changed?

(People may think I had some economics related in daf, but absolutely not. Nothing related to economy in daf)

U

B.tech in civil engg. Graduated in 2017. Geography optional. Hobbies - yoga, cooking journalling.

B.B Vyas board. 1st to go. Afternoon session. 7/9/21

chair man: you may pull down fhe mask. Had the face shield on. Be relaxed. chairman was cheerful.

- 1. what is biodiversity
- 2. why is it important
- 3. what threats
- 4. what are we doing then?
- 5. difference between highway, express way, state Highway and district roads
- 6. 3 bridge constructions that you like?

Member 1.

1. Tell me about Indian diaspora, figures, what they want from us

When I couldn't cite numbers he said it's okay and that he didn't expect me to remember numbers.

2. what do we want from them?

and some follow up question

Member 2.

1. Talked about how Telangana doesn't have a border and then asked a question on difference between western and eastern sea board. Then he said that it was too technical and he answered it himself.

- 2. Types of yoga
- 3. Dams in hilly areas what do you think?
- 4. Is there any threshold beyond which dams should be avoided in hilly areas?

Member 3.

- 1. Difference between Hyderabadi and Awadhi Biryani. Which is your fav
- 2. What about use of potatos and eggs in Biryani
- 3. MoEXA said post Galwan clash we entered a new age of I-C relations. Do you agree?
- 4. w.r.t China, Economic relationship vs border dispute How do we go about this?
- 5. Problems faced by border areas; what are we doing for that?
- 6. What do you know about article 371. Why do we have it?

Member 4(lady)

- 1. Why geo despite civil engg degree from an IIT
- 2. Elnino lanina diff, impact on India, and what did recent south Korean super computer say about it? Cordial board. Supportive through out.

A V

Interview Date: 6/9/21, Afternoon session, 3rd to go

State: Kerala, Optional: Geography, Language of interview: English

Hobbies: Football, Board: Bhosle sir's board

Chairman

What do you understand by this quote "sports will make you feel young even in an old body"

Apart from sports what are the other things that excites a person

What is the difference between vision and ambition

Lady member:

What do you understand by local level democratic institutions in India

What are the challenges faced by PRI

What are the challenges faced by ULBs

Third member: Do you think the population size of India is exceeding it's economic growth

With respect to Demographic dividend, where do we stand now

Suppose if you are made the DM, what all steps you take to address the issue of high drop out rate and improving the health sector

Member 4: (Rapid fire round)

Who is the founder of world wide web

Who is the founder of Wikipedia

Leonal Messi moved from which club to which club

Have you heard the song "allah ki bandhe"

What are the gallantry medals given during war time and peace time

"I have a dream " Who made this famous speech

Tell me about Gandhi's 7 sins

Member 4:

Why is covid cases rising in kerala

What is a permanent solution to this covid pandemic

Back to Chairman

Hand of God by Maradona- what's your personal take on it

Tell me a footballer whom you think is an ethical person.

Your interview is over . You can go now.

A G

Sathyvathi ma'am board, Graduation - Civil Engineering, Optional - History

PT date - 26th Aug, Last to go (around 4:30 pm), Duration - 23 to 25 minutes approx.

Home state -MP,

(I Was quite enthusiastic as well as nervous) Entered room-

Ma'am wished me Good Evening Mr A

I wished everyone individually

Asked me to sit down and to keep face-shield on lap and to remove mask temporarily for face verification.

Started reading out my DAF for few minutes.

1) What did you do after completing your graduation and after resigning from the job.

- 2) You have history optional so tell me which personality has influenced you from ancient Indian history
- 3) What did you inherit personally from him
- 4) You so far praised him but tell me what exactly you inculcated in yourself
- 5) Okay then tell me which recent historical personality influenced you.
- (I honestly said that whatever I read about 'em, I read that during preparation and nothing beyond that)

 She smiled and passed over to first member

Member 1

- 1) So tell me Mr A about Secularism
- 2) How did both types of secularism model evolve particularly emphasizing upon Indian model.
- 3) Don't you think political parties in India these days acting against secularism
- 4) Okay Tell me about the concept of Smart cities
- 5) How many cities under Smart city mission from your state
- 6) Why Indore has been the cleanest city in row?
- 7) Which state became the first state to implement NEP 2020.
- (I read this question in some transcript but as I was going to search the answer someone called me and I forgot to search so had to say Sorry)

Member 2

- 1) Tell me three civil engineering projects in India that you are proud of
- 2) Tell me three international civil engineering projects which left you awestruck
- 3) What is your opinion on privatization of Air India
- 4) Who will provide pro bono services (Vande bharat mission, airlifting of expatriates under distress) if you privatize these government players
- 5) Are you aware of GDPR?
- 6) What's the effect of GDPR on India
- 7) What are E commerce issues and can you justify the regulation on them by the state.

Member 3

- 1) What is Rafale issue?
- 2) Why Govt is not disclosing price and other details of the deal to public when we are a democracy
- 3) So if SC has given clean chit to the govt, will it absolve the govt from her responsibilities!!

- 4) Is SC 's judicial interpretation infallible?
- 5) You are made a DC, if selected! Then you will also conceal information from the public and if you are also given clean chit then administration will be at the labyrinth!!!
- 6) So National Security is over and above democratic principles and transparency??
- 7) Tell me something about Malabar Rebellion

(Actually I very well knew but got confused in between Battle of Colachal and Moppilah rebellion and I am gonna regret this throughout my life \Box)

I said sorry sir I am not able to recall but if you allow then I can tell you about Moppilah rebellion and then he murmured something that I could not understand due to low voice and his mask

(That day I really realised the stress you hold on Hot seat and Doppler's effect (1)

Member 4

- 1) What is the difference between Water Management and Water conservation
- 2) Tell me more about this (I delineated with real life example)
- 3) Which country is adopting best practices in water conservation and management

(Isreal I said)

- 4) What's India's rank in Water Quality Index
- 5) Tell me about Environment Impact Assessment
- 6) Tell me about Social Impact Assessment
- 7) Tell me about Contract Labour Laws reforms which were in news recently
- 8) Difference between demonetization and monetization of assets?
- 9) What are the positives of Demonetization
- 10) What's the new trend in the past 4-5 years in the distribution of Padme Sri Awards

(I thought they wanted to drag me into political debate & I said it's merit based, giving few examples but then Chairperson interrupted and said we are not interested in types and other awards tell us about the trendz in Padma sri, how people are getting them in last 4-5 years)

I said I don't have enough knowledge so I am not privy to comment sir.

May be few questions are left out that I am not able to recall.

Then ma'am asked first member whether he had asked questions!!

And then she concluded wishing me good luck.

Members were not cordial as such but yes accommodative!!

Except ma'am, Almost all had poker faces and meagre zeal to listen because they looked exhausted or perhaps pretending to be (no one can guess actually).

Chairperson was looking at her phone repeatedly, may be timer or something like that!

Barely any question from Hobby and Optional but mostly opinion based questions.

I was anxious when I came out thinking I did not get proper time but it's okay !!!

Overall it was a nice experience...

Guruji

Smita Nagaraj Ma'am board, Background: IRS-IT, coal India Limited., No other aspect of DAF touched.

Chairman:

Tell me in one sentence how this faceless scheme is.

What are the other areas open to corruption in the income tax department. What can be done?

Should agricultural income be taxed?

Which state in india do you think is best administered?

Why?

M1

There is compulsory military training for people in Israel...your take on this?

What is VsVs?(Income Tax)

How much successful it is?

What is the amount of tax collected under this scheme so far?

What is the exact relaxation to the Tax payer?

Is Brexit working for Britain?

M2

Why there is production shortfall of coal in the country?

What can be done?

What are the challenges to India's mining sector?

What have government done?

Do you think future of mining is bleak?

Why persecution rate is low in india?

How can AI be used to increase prosecution?

M3

Do you think our prosecutors are lacking in drafting and argument skill?

Do you think victims should have choice to hire their own prosecutor instead of relying on public prosecutor?

You told that agricultural income be taxed but farmers are doing hard work, why not we keep them exempted?

Is complete agricultural income exempted?

M4

You talked about Delhi being best administered...why is it so?

But we are seeing huge water clogging problems in Delhi..why?

What is its solution?

Your take on IRAN nuclear deal?

What are the Security challenge in India's land and water borders?

S

Board: Bharat Bhushan Vyas Sir, Date - 8th September

Order - last to go, Duration - 20-25 minutes, Background - law optional

State - MP

Chairman - Asked to remove the mask but keep the faceshield on

- 1. Tell me about Mandsaur.
- 2. What is social justice according to you?
- 3. Can you link Article 14 to the DPSPs?
- 4. Steps taken to double farmers' income
- 5. India's policy towards it's neighborhood in general

Member 2

- 1. Reforms needed in UN
- 2. Tell me about International Parliamentary Union

Member 3:

1. Difference between Ghazal and Nazm

- 2. Agriculture in your home district.
- 3. Are you aware about a recent externment order issued by Supreme Court?

Member 4:

- 1. What is India's policy on refugees
- 2. What is significant about wheat crop in MP?
- 3. Where is sharbati wheat grown in MP?
- 4. Difference between RTI and a Parliamentary question

Member 5:

- 1. Difference between International Humanitarian law(IHL) and human rights law.
- 2. Where would UDHR, refugee law IHL or human rights?
- 3. Why Japan is important for India 4 reasons
- 4. Tell me about jus soli, jus sanguinis, et al.

Thank you, your interview is over.

Overall very cordial board.

Sunshine, Board - RN Chaubey sir, Optional - Commerce and Accountancy

Date -9/9/2021

Sir said if ur RTPCR negative then u can remove mask and that it was not a police investigation So feel free to communicate...Also where questions are not clear you can ask again.. Meanwhile their snacks came and they were having same ..

Chairman

- 1. Introduce your academic background and work experience?
- 2. What police reforms has been taken and what more needs to be taken

M1.

- 1.Tell me about commercial laws of the country
- 2. Why Business men protested against GST laws?
- 3. Whats your opinion about GST
- 4. Which two states had boundry disputes recently

5. Lady Country heads that controlled Covid well.. Name them if not then the countries 6. What are the Scandinavian countries? 7. Which countries have high tax to GDP ratios. M2. 1.Tell me about what happens next when audit Paras are final? 2. What is Public Account Committee 3. What are the land locked countries and what disadvantage they have? 4. Why Sea mode of transportation done when is slower 5. What kind of items be import/export through aeroplane 6. Which country has longest coastline and what is India's rank in coastline M3 1. What is the use of Platinum? Where it is used? 2. Which states are having Inner Line Permit and which state is demanding. What is Inner line permit. 3. The evolving situation in Afghanistan 4. Whats need to be done for reducing tax collection expenditure.. M4 - Lady members 1. Whats the issue in recognising Taliban now 2. Why Exemptions were kept in GST one basic reason.(Discussion on same further) Chairman do you want to tell something else I told about the news read on V shape recovery of economy and further discussion on same. He further asked anything else you wanna tell. I told I started you tube channel in this lockdown and purpose of same. He said thanks it was nice hearing from you. Overall .. it was so smooth and nice .. Chaubey sir was so easy to talk with....one suggestion... Focus on your DAF majorly apart from current affairs. Also be confident and believe that you gonna rock... ⊕ □ ⊕ □ All the best to all.

Background- maths hons economics

Board R. N. choubey sir, Optional -PSIR, Afternoon session

Date of interview 9 sept 2 nd to go

Introduce yourself by highlighting your educational and academic background

Why do we need second house -

M1

You were part of nss what did you do in nss?

You won prize in rotary Club do you know what is it about

Why is coordinate geometry not used these days?

What is trigonometry?

Tell me 93*93 -7*7?

M2

Why do we need economics as a subject?

What is monetarist?

What percentage of GDP do we spend for development?

How is monetary policy taken into action?

What is crr and slr?

How do we determine monetary policy?

M3

Why are we concerned about taliban?

Why should we be concerned it is so much away from us?

Should we recognise taliban regime

M4

Do we need civil service reforms?

What is karmyogi scheme?

What else do we need

What is schenzen area

What is geneva convention

Which convention else do you know?

How money will come for national infrastructure pipeline?

Do you think private sector will invest in it?

What else we can do for making it success?

Do you know about single window for FDI?

M5

what is nuclear policy of India?

What mechanism do we have for implementing nuclear policy?

How do we measure speed of aeroplanes.

Which countries can gang up against nato?

How should we go in terms of current foreign policy with respect to today's scenario?

I blabbered about Chinese bullying

What is quad? What is indo Pacific?

Chairman

Do u want to tell us anything

I mentioned about village bhandara? Leadership thing I learned there he taunted about the food there

Bhonsle Sir Board

Forenoon,3rd in,Psir, Btech CSE, badminton, football, travelling, uttarakhand

Sir did the usual ritual of reading out daf, calming nerves etc.

- 1. Meaning of name
- 2. Origin story of name
- 3. Synonyms of name
- 4. Ind Afghan recent cia nsa talks
- 5. Pakistan is a winner?

Mem 1 (stern)

- 1. aspirational districts prog? What is it?
- 2. How many aspirational districts?
- 3. Messi went to which club?

- 4. Why not stay at barca?
- 5. Indian badminton better at Paralympics than Olympics. Why?
- 6. Name of dm who won medal?
- 7. Which state is he from?
- 8. Which district does he serve?

Mem 2 (receptive gentleman)

- 1. What is vpn?
- 2. Why in news?
- 3. Landslides in utk. You are the secretary suggest measures
- 4. Environment vs development how to handle
- 5. What would you do different in both covid waves?

Mem 3 (strict, pokerface lady, always seemed unhappy with answers)

- 1. Why unemployment in india?
- 2. Follow up on my answer that structural issue of weak mfg- gave long speech on our mfg being better than most in the world. Still why unemployment?
- 3. Skill development (that's what she wanted to hear) initiatives? Why govt obsessed with skilling?
- 4. Follow up on my answer where I mentioned technology- which type? I said 4th ir
- 5. Name some 4th ir tech
- 6. Won't it lead to job loss?

Mem 4 (100% sure he was the psychologist)

- 1. Picked up mams statement and gave long speech. Gist was why farmers not getting money?
- 2. Follow up on my food processing answer. Will it end all problems of farmers?
- 3. How to enhance marketing and demand?
- 4. Give policy outline as rural secretary to solve farmers problems.

Bhonsle sir

What are your special plans for today?

He said ok you can go. But I couldn't hear so I sat waiting. He repeated. Asked to take along water and shield. Mask was always on except during initial verification.

Forgot to check time. But must have been around 35 minutes.

Special note- unlike earlier when we had to get documents verified at one place and were taken to the waiting hall later, this time it was at one common hall only. There's ac and washroom and refreshments and newspapers so don't worry. Also you need not wear sheild or gloves while waiting. When your turn is up the peon will escort you to the room and make you sit outside for 5 10 minutes. Won't even know the boards name till you are called. Stay relaxed. ITS NOTHING LIKE THE MOCKS! You will enjoy the conversation it's very relaxed. No personal qs no counter questions no grilling. ATB

Board-Dr. Manoj Soni, Forenoon, 4th to go

Graduation-B Tech Agricultural Engineering, Optional- Anthropology, Daf- essay writing, studied a course in Hindi literature, Trivandrum, Kerala

Chairman

Directly started the process

- 1. Is your name a Malayalam word? What it means?
- 2. Topic of essay I wrote in arts festival (daf)
- 3. Introduce yourself in Hindi by focussing on your personality
- 4. Project your personality traits in English
- 5. Are you a good leader?

Member 1

- 1. Do you think agrarian crisis do exist in our country?
- 2. Contributions of my college to the agriculture in Kerala

Member 3

- 1. Tell me about the treasure at Padmanabhaswamy temple
- 2. Tell something about the emerging technologies
- 3. Status of agriculture in China right now

Member 4

- 1. Talked about palm oil scandal in Kerala
- 2. What is culture?
- 3. Constitutional provisions related to culture
- 4. Opinion on Sabarimala women entry

Member 4

1. Is it right to punish a person after decades under #metoo allegations

- 2. Is it really necessary for women to enter Sabarimala?
- 3. In your opinion where do we want to really give prime focus for women empowerment?
- 4. Do women empowerment negatively affect our social structure?
- 5. Difference between aadhar card and voter id
- 6. Do u feel any privacy issue if you are asked to link your aadhar and voter id?

Chairman

Your interview is over. Thank you

Board: Dr. MANOJ SONI ,Optional: sociology

Daf related questions on : cake baking, women empowerment cell. ,State: Tamil nadu

Cp: asked me to sit. Then verified my photo.

- 1. How is weather in chennai?
- 2. This is not usually rain season right. I mentioned about reverse monsoon in the later part of the year. He said climat change is very prevalent. I agreed with sir.
- 3. Read my daf. Verified pronouncuation of my name.
- 4. You bake cakes. What type of cakes you bake?
- 6. Do you bake christmas cake?
- 7. What about cup cake?
- 8. What do you think about indian society?
- 9. Can you elaborate on what you mean by transitional?
- 10. Cultural revuvalismand identity are getting strong now a days.

Member 1

- 1. Do you think women in army is a priority for women empowerment.
- 2. India as a welfare state. Your opinion is it good or bad? What is the impact on society?

Member 2

- 1. Diff between food act of your state and centre?
- 2. Why actors as politicians are worshipped in your state?

Member 3

- 1. Women in army. do you think society is ripe to accept it?
- 2. What are regional issues of tamil nadu and sri lanka. And how has it affected national scenario?

- 3. What is the fisherman issue of india nad sri lanka?
- 4. After the mumbai attack what are the coastal surve8lance measures taken?

Member 4

- 1. What is the status of ltte?
- 2. Is the sri lankan issue of tamils resolved?
- 3. Do you know about kurdish issue? What are your views?

(Follow up)

- 4. Greater nagaland. What do you know about it?
- 5. What are the name of insurgents in the latest assam peace agreement?
- 6. What do u think will be your way of empowering women? Making them understand about their capabilities or skilling or... (dont remember other options)
- 7. Any other priority in women empowerment?

Cp:

Have a safe stay. Your interview is over.

Female candidate

Chairman: BB Vyas sir (08/09/21): 30min, afternoon session 3rd to go., B/g - comp sci engineering

Optional: Anthropology, Other mentions: badminton, drawing, jogging, From: - UP

Ch: sir very nicely explained the whole process - Asked me not to be worried about anything.. Just want to have a good conversation.

Ch:-

- 1. Wat is sec 66A of IT act
- 2. 2. SC stand on it
- 3. Related to newspaper- india russia NSA meet
- 4. Threat to India due to devpt in afg
- 5. As a student of anthropology tell me:- Wat is modernisation;
- 6. Wat is tradition;
- 7. how backwardness and tradition are linked

M1:-

1. Wat is e- rupi

- 1. Wat are types of cryptocurrency
- 2. How are they regulated in India
- 3. Wat govt is doing for digital currency
- 4. How CBDC difft from other cryptocurrency
- 5. Wat is Jan dhan adhar mobile trinity
- 6. Wat is SC observation on freedom of expression

M2:-

- 1. RCEP full form
- 2. Members in it and give 3 economic reasons why India left RCEP
- 3. MSME sectors and what govt did for it (I mentioned few schemes den he asked me it's funding pattern)
- 4. Question on custom union n its example

Ch:-

- 1. diff between judicial activism and judicial outreach
- 2. Examples based on them
- 3. Wat is bilateralism
- 4. Diff between finance bill and appropriation bill

M3:-

- 1. question related to hobby- 2 female player who play doubles in badminton apart from PV Sindhu and Saina Nehwal
- 2. Ok.. then tell me 2 female retired players from badminton played doubles
- 3. Wat is data autonomy
- 4. Wat is pink economy

M4:-

- 1. what is statelessness
- 2. Explain in brief social, cultural, biological and political anthropology.

Chairman:- gave some insight on tradition and modernity and gave me 60 sec to speak on it..

Thank u; ur interview is over

The board was very welcoming and cordial; helped me in between wen I got stuck.. chairman Sir kept motivating me throughout..

Few more questions were asked Wich I am not able to recall..

Name: Abhishek

2nd Sept. forenoon; R. N. Choubey sir board – all male panel ,6th to go in; 30-35 minutes

M.Sc Mathematics from BITS pilani ,Hobbies – Running, cooking

Other keywords in DAF - NSS, Satara, Maharashtra

No questions on hobbies, NSS, alma-mater, home district

(A big air-conditioned room in new building. Long horse-shoe shaped table. Distance between me and the panel was substantial so I was asked to remove mask. Face-shied and gloves were supposed to be left outside. So gave the interview old style!)

Chairman: Extremely cordial. I haven't met a softer-spoken person!

Welcomed me. We are good people. This is not police interrogation. If you don't hear our voice, ask to repeat. If you don't know, say that. We know that everything can't be remembered. If you are not clear say I'm not clear.

- 1. Tell me your academic and work experience in 1 minute. (Didn't need that long! LOL)
- 2. How did you get interested in Mathematics when most students are so afraid of it?
- 3. Do you know something about Vedic maths? Do you use it?
- 4. How is it different from General Mathematics?

Electoral bonds – long discussion on it

- 5. Do you know about the financial instrument designed to fund elections?
- 6. There's some controversy about it. Are you aware?
- 7. Now, tell me should details of such funding declared publicly, from perspective of an industrialist and from perspective of public?
- 8. So, tell me why should people know about details of such funding? So, tomorrow they may want to know my IT returns or something private?
- 9. Out of the 60000cr money spent in 2019 elections, what do you think was more, white money or the cash based black money? Nobody knows exactly, but what do you sense?
- 10. So, if you declare such funds publicly, as an industrialist, I would just go back to funding via cash? So, now tell me which is better, public declaration or no declaration?
- 11. What does involving EC do?

M1:

1. Mathematicians are respected everywhere—tell me why India and China produce such highly regarded mathematicians even today?

- 2. It is necessary for Mathematician to have a kind of divine intuition Ramanujan is the case in point?
- 3. Okay let us move to IR. Situation in Afghanistan is quite bad. How do you think, this situation will impact India-Pakistan relationship? More friendly or not?

Some more questions – not able to recall

M2:

- 1. I'll ask you a core Mathematics question A long winding and never-ending question AI, Machine learning, data, ... use of mathematics in it Logic in particular so tell me about how *** logic is used here? don't recall exactly and didn't know the answer
- 2. Another question on Mathematics and philosophical movement in the west how are they related and how it began current relevance of Mathematics in these philosophies?

Chairman sir asks him to move on

3. Okay, let's come to IR. Minorities in Afghanistan are fleeing the country. But it has been seen that, they don't want to come to India but rather go to US or Europe? Why do you thing that's happening despite the fact that, they'll be treated well here and get protection of laws like CAA?

M3:

- 1. So, you're a mathematician. What is the connection between Maths and Poetry?
- 2. Does poetry help you in Mathematics? Do you read poetry?
- 3. Do you know about any of Nehruji's contributions in Woman empowerment?
- 4. Did he face any difficulty in getting the Hindu code bill passed? Was it watered down to get it passed?
- 5. Who opposed it from his own party?
- 6. You come from Maharashtra. Tell me some reforms that have happened in cooperative movement in Maharashtra.
- 7. Are you aware about the new central ministry of cooperatives under a very strong minister? Do you thing it is a good step? What are its positives?
- 8. Have you ever met a Japanese person? they're very humble. But has it always been like that?
- 9. Japan has historically been a very aggressive country. But now they have changed drastically. How have they changed in terms of their military policy, nuclear policy?
- 10. Do they send any of their troops to fight outside?

M4:

1. DRDO has developed anti-missile interceptors. But it is only able to intercept missiles from Pakistan and not China. Now I can't understand why? For me, if it can do one it should do both. Can you mathematically analyse some of the possible reasons for this?

- 2. Government has banned civil servants from writing their memoires? What do you think about it?
- 3. Yes, government would have some reasons for banning it and some for allowing it earlier. But do complete analysis for me should civil servants write such books? What are the benefits? Should it be banned? Why or why not?

(Less number of questions but longer answers)

Chairman:

Okay Abhishek, we've asked you whatever we wanted to. Now, would you like to tell us about something?

Talked about my fitness journey with running hobby and diet. Told them that I lost 15 kg weight since last interview.

All were impressed and chairman sir said that we appreciate your discipline and resolve.

Interview transcript ,Manoj Soni sir Board,Last (6th) to go,Optional- Anthropology

Chairman-

- 1. Tell me about your Upsc journey (told about my attempts and preparation phase)
- 2. This seems a very simple journey, no struggle story? (Told him that journeys are not defined by the struggles you face but the lessons they teach)
- 3. Meaning of you name
- 4. Your name and your medical background- any story behind it?
- 5. Situational question about being SP
- 6. One question on Afghanistan

M1-

- 1. Can India ever coordinate with Russia and China over Afghanistan issue?
- 2. Coming from an Army background, you have seen the Defence closely. Tell me positive points and negative points

M2- very analytical questions

- 1. Relation between culture and religion
- 2. Society is moving from status to contract to status
- 3. Linguistic pluralism should lead to pluralistic laws. Do you agree?

M3-

- 1. Reforms needed in bureaucracy
- 2. Why Babu culture?

- 3. Why stagnation in bureaucracy?
- 4. We are already having community engagement, what more needs to be done to change public perception towards bureaucracy
- 5. Why doctors praised but bureaucrats criticised during Covid

M4-

- 1. Questions about right to protest
- 2. Questions about Odisha Government giving reservations in medical and engineering colleges
- 3. Questions on education sector in general

Chairman-

Questions on saree.

Asked to recite a poem

Thank you. All the best. Stay healthy and stay safe.

V Date: 9/9/21

RN chaubey board (nicest person ever)

Optional: psychology ,Background : psychology (BA and MA)

Chair

1. Choice between benevolent dictatorship and democracy?

(can't remember more)

M1

- 1. Functions of cag?
- 2. What should we to help youngsters combat mental health due to Covid?
- 3. Do we have mental health personnel?

M2

- 1. Exact definition of poverty?
- 2. How much poverty in India?
- 3. What is social security?
- 4. Why do we say that India has not provided social security even when we have many pension schemes?
- 5. What is climate change?

6. Why is growing trees not enough to combat climate change?

M3

- 1. What can we do to avoid hyper competition in youth?
- 2. Do you think competition erodes values?
- 3. What can civil society do to prevent this kind of competition?
- 4. Does family has a role?
- 5. Schemes to reduce poverty?

M4

- 1. Any state capital that does not have rail/road connectivity?
- 2. Why is platinum so expensive?
- 3. What are our core values?
- 4. Is there a written document for core values?
- 5. Should we have any?
- 6. What would be our core values according to you?

Chair

We have asked what we wanted. You tell us something.

Talked about a psych study about effect of lunch on giving parole; D

They all laughed and bid me goodbye

Ashish

Interview date: 06- sept -2021 Last to go . Timing 16:55 - 17:27

Background: Graduation: - NIT Nagpur, Optional: Sociology

Place: Buldhana, Work ex: Currently working in jPmorgan chase

Was waiting outside the cabin of tc anant till called from inside.

Went and sat on the chair forgot it was a moving chair and there i was sliding after sitting:

Chairman (T C Anant)

We are old people speak as loud as you could . YOu can remove your faceshield and put it on the table

- 1. You are from akola
- 2. Tell me something about buldhana?

- 3. Strengths and weakness of buldhana?
- 4. You are doing good in life. Here your salary will be less than half and then why you want to join?
- 5. What you do in JPMorgan?
- 6. What kind of flows are in it?
- 7. From where are you based out of?
- 8. So you are working from home?
- 1 st member
- 1 . Do you write algortihm?
- 2. So while working you stole some time from job is this so and prepared for civils?
- 3. You have been topper all through why didn't you think of doing mba?
- 4. What is the measure for you by that ou will say you brought change in lives of people?
- 5. How did you study for this interview. What was your approach?
- 6. What drives ashish? Is it money power fame?
- 2 nd member
- 1. Which newspaper you read?
- 2. tell me 3 news?
- 3. Did you read indian express or economic times? As 2 of 3 were financial news:)

misc: Did you read about gautam buddhnagar news? (This hint was not given: Some distrct name where mahapanchayat happened) Not able to recall.

- 4. You are to be advising PMO on Afghanistan what will you say?
- 5 .what is blockchain?
- 6. Few uses of blockchain?
- 7. What will be you reaction if tomorrow govt accepts bitcoin as legal tender?
- 8. What is the current price of 1 bitcoin?
- 3 rd member
- 1. What type of work you do under CSR?
- 2. How govt ensures 2 companies doesn't work for same ngo? (Not aware)
- 3 . Are you aware about national audit framework something (Indas)? (Vague idea but not sure)This was asked to everybody irrespective of their background?

- 4. Is climate change the truth?
- 5. There have been similar changes in the past?
- 6. Two govt initiatives which you think are step in write direction?
- 4 th member
- 1. Continuing on climate change more carbon more plants will consume why the hoax?
- 2 . Are we only serious about it ? USA doesn't seems to bother? (Some discussion and counter questions)
- 3. About csr activities should be centralised or local responsibility should be maintained?

Chairman: thank you much. ur interiew is over.

BS

Date: 8th September, 2021; Forenoon, Name: Balasubash B

 $Board: TCA\ Anant\ sir, Background: Automobile\ engineering\ ,\ Optional: Geography\ ,\ Work$

experience: 2 years in automotive sector

Chairperson

Read the DAF aloud

- 1. What was your role in the company? What type of testing
- 2. Why did u left the job and came for the preparation?
- 3. Follow up; How did u serve when u get other service (other than IAS) which will be monotonous in nature?

M1 (Lady member)

- 1. What is happening in Automobile sector?
- 2. Issue with biofuels
- 3. What is GDP and Current GDP
- 4. What is the issue with current GDP growth and the state of economy
- 5. What is GDI
- 6. Two successful PAN india schemes successful in your state
- 7. Problems in adopting Electric vehicles
- 8. One nation one ration card Why it is introduced

M2

- 1. Asked about Velankanni (DAF: Locality)
- 2. Recent movie about a Badminton player (Hobby : Badminton)
- 3. Problem with biofuel while used in flexible engine
- 4. Why government did not go for direct Electric vehicle transformation, instead why it opts for an alternate fuel in the meantime
- 5. What are waterfalls? How it is formed?
- 6. What is fold? Formation process; In which rocks folding occurs
- 7. What is the divergence between Bien administration and Trump administration

M3

1. What is this BS4 and BS6; Difference between them and explain it to me in layman terms

Follow up; Discussion on who bears more cost on this BS4 to BS6 transition

- 2. Suggest me a suitable City utility vehicle; A very light discussion on that and follow ups
- 3. What is the market share of Daimler? (Work experience) Discussion on this
- 4. What is unique about Daimler other than Tata and Ashok leyland

M4

- 1. What is Cadastral survey (never heard of it)
- 2. How will you use Geography to change the lives of common people
- 3. How will you solve ambiguities in land ownership; follow up questions
- 4. What is inflation and current inflation
- 5. Monetary policy committee and it's role in inflation targeting
- 6. High inflation is good for growth, do you agree
- 7. Interest rate and growth linkage
- 8. Parameters affecting inflation; Reason for the current inflation

The board was cordial, they let me remove my face shield but interview went ahead with mask.

All the best everyone!!!

Ajit bhonsle board

9/9/2021, Afternoon session, 3rd to go

Optional – geography, Graduation - mechanical engineering

Hobbies - swimming, watching space tech videos, following women's cricket, fitness enthusiast....

State - Tamilnadu

Chairman made me comfortable as he explained the process and read my daf aloud starting from school, college and all the hobbies....

- Q.1. He asked me to tell about any other hobby which I haven't mentioned in the daf.. I said I like riding bikes for longer distance....
- Q.2. What's the purpose of brakes?

We had long discussion...I said that the brakes is for safety and comfort and he gave his own perspective about brakes as he said that it's not about safety, brakes make you to ride faster and it's a marketing strategy...

member 1 (lady) (mostly factual questions from geography)

- Q.1. geopolitical importance of Indian Ocean
- Q.2. name some warm ocean currents
- Q.3. name some hot local winds
- Q.4. highest peak in Himalayan region, Indian region
- Q.5. reason behind the name of trade winds

Member 2

- Q.1. What is Chidambara ragasiyam?
- Q.2. Features of Brihadeeshwara temple.

Member 3 (mostly factual)

- Q.1. why do you follow women's cricket?
- Q.2. name the women cricketer who took 200+ odi wickets and her native state.
- Q.4. Captain of present Indian women's team
- Q.5. Asked about some places and their importance Ain Sefra, Petra
- Q.6. Name the External intelligence agencies of India, UK, USA
- Q.7. Name the Government of India ministers of Law, IT, Health
- Q.8. Which swimmer is the most successful Olympian and the number of medals won by him.

Member 4 (opinion based questions)

- Q.1. How IPL has changed the cricketing culture of India?
- Q.2. IPL impact on world cricket
- Q.3. Role of coaching centres in school education and what needs to be done in government schools

Q.4. Issues in higher education and remedies

Chairman - good, your interview is over....

T C A Anant sir board...

Karnataka, Reflective writing, cricket, Table tennis, Civil engg graduation, Psir optional..

Chairman..

- 1. What have you been doing since your gradutaion??
- 2. Not yet all working ??
- 3. Why civil services even though civil engg is a good field?
- 4. Tell any instance where you served society recently and what exactly what was your role
- 5. What is this Reflective writing?
- 6. Recent writing, summary of it and what have I learned from it.

Member 1

- 1. What is Mankading?
- 2. Name any 2 Indian tt players Olympics and paralympics included
- 3. Afghanistan issue and Indian role .. follow up question on that
- 4. Present status of doklam standoff
- 5. 4 Civil engg questions all I don't know

Member 2

- 1. Diff between fiscal deficit and revenue deficit
- 2. Primary deficit menaing (I asked if I could take a guess as I wasn't sure about the answer and mam obliged)
- 3. What do you mean by Economic reforms and tell any recent economic reforms
- 3. About reflective writing who inspired you, how does it help you, do you write it for self or others, do you follow anyone's writing, when did you start writing
- 4. Banglore metro issues when I said some issues, mam asked for one specific issue and I told I don't know

Member 3

- 1. Waht Is the fiscal deficit allowed in india? (picked from 2nd member)
- 2. Have we crossed it? And what is the present deficit?

- 3. About frbm act and how fiscal deficit should be reduced
- 4. My role as a cricketer and what is chinaman bowler?
- 5. Neighbourhod issues how to solve it
- 6. What is Stagflation and Present inflation rate..is it good for economy?

Member 4.

- 1. IR mechanisms through which infra projects carried out in neigbourhood? (picked from 3rd member)
- 2. Bimstec and its current status (picked from 3rd member)
- 3. Scheme under aatmanirbhar Bharat for manufacturing?
- 4. About pli scheme and asked to mention any one specific component (picked from previous question)
- 5. Why Women labour force participation rate less in india
- 6. How to generate jobs agri or services should be preferred?? When I told we need to go for manufacturing, asked me to specify certain areas.. when i told about engineering goods, chairman intervened and asked me if it was labour intensive..i replied its not but it can create forward and backward linkages and this could create employemnet
- 7. Views on caste census
- 8. Scheme for Muslims to avail educational loan in India

P.s: asked to remove face shield, m1 and m4 were sitting very close to me, asked Me to also pull my chair towards the table, asked me to correct my mask as it was coming down while answering, overall very cordial board, no grilling at all, 25 - 30 minutes.

Aw

Board: Choubey sir 3 rd one to go, Optional: psir

- -Introduce yourself with education qualification and job experience
- -ur in Indian forest service service why u want to join other services(ans : sir offers me diverse fields to work)?
- -Then Why IPS?
- -Why IFS 3 rd choice?
- -I think India should abolished IAS and should come up with specialised services what is ur opinion?

M1

- -what are laws related to pollution in India?
- -What we are doing to deal with marine pollution?
- -What changes Govt has brought regarding CRZ last year?
- -Do u think ministry of environment is taking liberal stand these days?
- -Do u think we should build large dam in Himalayan region ?(Ans : talk abt EIA and SIA)
- -we have mandatory public consultation then why it is not happening?

M2

- -I will give u two statements just give ur opinion
- -Statement 1 : diplomats are liars and they just use lies on global platforms what is ur opinion?
- -Statement 2 : diplomacy is about consuming alcohol in so called elite parties what is ur opinion
- -Why South Asia is important for world?
- -We talk abt nuclear free world but we keep nuclear weapons india is paradoxical in its policy what is ur opinion?
- -If nuclear weapons get into hand of terrorists what we are doing regarding this?
- -Reason for farmers suicide in vidharbha

M3

- -do u know abt article 35 a what is happening with respect to it?
- -In Kashmir there is procedural issue with article 367 and 370 what is it?
- -Is government right in this procedural aspect?
- Why government nominated former cji on Rajya sabha
- What are nomination criteria to nominate for Rajya sabha?
- -On what basis Sachin Tendulkar was nominated?

M4

- -Do u think quad is Asian NATO?
- -Reason behind creation of QuAd?
- -On which india should put its diplomatic weight central aisa or south east Asia?
- -There are lot of issue with land acquisition with respect to Forest conservation act, 1980 .. how to strike balance between developmental priorities and land acquisition?
- -U r into welfare of stray animal (mentioned in Daf) so many accidents happened because of stray dogs .. what should be our priority stray animals or humans?
- -How to solve problems of stray animals?

Chairperson

Do u want to say anything

Ur interview is over thank you

AHF

Board- Manoj Soni sir, Btech Mechanical

PSIR, Bihar, Achievements-published writer in a national daily

Hobbies- Quora, European Football

- Q1. You have a nice name. I have also heard about Satyam Shivam Sundaram. Do you know its essence?
- Q2. Why did you take psir as optional?
- Q3. Do you know about the constitution?

What are DPSPs?

- Q4. Can you name some?
- Q5. Are they justiciable?
- Q6. Give me some examples of DPSP that you would have justiciable in nature?

M1.

- Q1. What is post truth? Are we living in a post truth era?
- Q2. You write on Quora, but there's no authenticity of information on Quora. Your views?
- Q3. You are a published writer in a national daily. Do you write regularly?
- Q4. What was your last article about?

- Q5. What is the reason behind so many custodial deaths?
- Q6. You studied in DAV school. Tell me about its founder.
- Q7. Name some social reformers from 18th century.
- M2 (lady member)
- Q1. Picking up from what you mentioned- grievance redressal. Do you know about citizen charter?
- Q2. Is it statutory or voluntary?
- Q3. It's great that Bihar has brought RTPS Act. Tell me more?
- Q4. What goes in the back end while making something like citizen charter, RTPS as statutory?
- Q5. About custodial deaths, what do you think is the fountainhead of the problem why police has a negative image?
- Q6. Are you aware about some police reforms?
- M3 (lady member)
- Q1. Did you follow Paralympics? Tell me about it.
- Q2. Do you think our efforts are decent or there's scope for improvement?
- Q3. What has the government been doing for persons with disability?
- Q4. What more could be done?

M4

- Q1. You did NCC. You were in which wing?
- Q2. Tell me something about the Indian Army.
- Q3. What new has been done with respect to Indian army?
- Q4. Should we increase our military expenditure given we spend 62 billion dollars?
- Q5. Even with this much amount we are constantly facing border issues. Shouldn't we just accept LAC and LOC as international border and resolve the issue for the good?

S_D

08 September, 2021, Board-BB Vyas sir

Background

- IRS IT, Optional- Economics, hobbies- badminton, painting, swimming
- -Which batch? where are you posted?
- -Tell us purpose of Akhilesh Ranjan committee.

- -What major steps govt has taken to increase direct tax.
- -What are ways to increase tax net
- -Importance of manufacturing in inclusive growth. Steps taken by government
- -How is the government helping backward sectors in the economy?
- -New definition of MSME
- -Question on FATF. Name countries in Black and grey list.
- -CSR provisions, criteria
- -2 positive and 2 negative of having simultaneous election.
- -What are DTAAs? What change was made in Mauritius DTAA?
- -What is the process of collecting census data in India? What are its limitations?
- -Tell about 6th schedule of Constitution
- -Swimming- Who is Mihir Bose (Sen)
- -Badminton premier leagues- team names, which team won last edition, captain of that team?
- -Painting Bengal school of painting, discussion on other contemporary schools and how this one different?
- -Recent Assam agreement
- -Mahakali treaty? Names of disputed regions in Nepal?
- -What was the purpose of night curfew during covid? Issues with that approach.

Very cordial board, mostly DAF based questions, though very factual. Also felt quite short.

I hope you have a great experience, Goodluck:)

Anuradha

Board - BB Vyas Sir, Interview date - 9 Sept, Forenoon (2nd to go)

Background, Computer science engg, work ex - Samsung

Optional – PSIR, Hobbies - cooking, diary writing

Places mentioned in DAF - Bihar, Jharkhand, Dhanbad, Bokaro, BITS Pilani

Chairman

What is data protection.

Mechanism in India for data protection

What is cyber security

Laws in India for cyber security

GCC - members

Importance of middle east for India

What is your idea of aspirational India

Explain the statement - Respect diversity unity will follow

Member 1

Digital formats for expressing yourself (diary writing hobby)

What is cloud kitchen

What is India doing to promote kabaddi

Long statements about Aksai Chin. He mentioned about water scarcity and asked how can u relate water and computer science engg.

Member 2

Anti trust law

How to promote tourism in jharkhand

Name few potential places for tourism in Jharkhand?

Member 3

One state has passed a new law. Can u name the state and the law (She told about TN and right to sit)

Name the country which is banning apple and google payments.

Who is new Sherpa for G20

Role of Sherpa

Cooking at personal or commercial level

From where have u learnt cooking

Member 4

Give 2 more points on importance of GCC (himself gave hints on diaspora and remittance)

What are some unique features of mineral policy of Jharkhand

What new is Bokaro steel plant doing (he said about some new technology adoption)

How many tribes are there in Jharkhand (I said 32 then he said speak for at least 2 minutes)

Chairman: Thank you so much

Overall coordial board

Name-Anonymous, Optional-Commerce and Accountancy, Board-Bharat Bhushan Vyas Sir

Key words-Insurgency, Table tennis

Chairman started of by praising that I just passed out in 2020 and kept my graduation stream as my optional.

- 1. Do you know about world development report.
- 2. Role of data in todays economic scenario and its application. Difference in reliability and validity of data.
- 3. Have you heard about PLI, can you tell what is risk return for entrepreneurs in this scheme.
- 4.Difference in global warming and climate change.
- 5. Institutions at the global level working for climate change, What has been India's efforts.

Member 1(Poker face throughout)

- 1. You are from amritsar, significance of Wagah border.
- 2. What is right to be forgotten and India's judicial and legislative status at present.
- 3. Recently govt. allowed women to give NDA, do you support this?
- 4.Recently which state legislated a right to sit and which state has the same law for workers prior to this.

Member 2

- 1.Tell me something about Indo-Caribbean relationship.
- 2. What is NAFTA and impact of this on India.
- 3. What is the best method to study insurgency.

Member 3

- 1. What are the stages in the evolution of insurgency. Give me some good examples of insurgency/conflict resolution which were successful.
- 2. What has been done by govt. of India to prevent rush in spending by armed forces.(Basically wanted to know about Finance commission recommendation about non laps able fund)
- 3. Asked what about the recent controversy regarding Manika batra(A table tennis player).

Member 4

- 1. Tell me something about euthanasia is it attempt to suicide.
- 2. Rajya Sabha by elections are supposed to be held. How many constituencies is it for. Whats the tenure of Rajya Sabha member.

Chairman cheerfully said thank you very much and a big all the best for the result.

A

BB Vyas board, 10.09.2021, Forenoon last one to go

Aerospace, Anthropology, Painting (hobby), These parts of DAF are covered.

Chairman

- 1. Drone technology development activities?
- 2. In which region extensively used? (Armenia, Azerbaijan)? What is the exact issue?
- 3. Why is the drone seen as a future warfare? What are its effect in the hand of non state actors?
- 4. Why Drone rules liberalized in India if there is a potential security threat?
- 5. How can we address the threat of drones?DRDO efforts?
- 6. Can we get the technology from USA in future? What are other friendly nations that can provide us the technology?
- 7. Define tribe?
- 8. Safeguards for tribals constitutional, legal and institutional?
- 9. Different programs for tribal welfare? with examples and evaluate?

Member 1

- 1. Long question regarding a tribe in Gujarat which are African based tribe and has huge potential in running?
- 2. One more tribe in West Bengal at Siliguri corridor and potential threat around the same?
- 3. What is Anti satellite technology? Does India have the same? Explain the technology and threats? Is it due to threat from China?

Does China have the same?

- 4. What is far east economic forum? India's stake in region? China Russia axis?
- 5. ISRO vs PSU Efficiency?
- 6. Specialist vs generalist?

Member 2

1. Say something regarding van Gough?

- 2. Did he enjoy the amount of popularity when he was alive?
- 3. Can painting be a full time job(discussion around the same)
- 4. What is US " war on terror" (tomorrow is 20 yrs of 9/11 attack, expected question)
- 5. Questions around Taliban, Al Qaeda (Did US completely eliminate the terrorism)
- 6. Place of Saddam Hussein death (don't know sir), pushed a lot to answer (said some place and asked which country don't know)

Member 3

- 1. Are you aware of the recent airstrip? Location? Why near an airbase, a new airstrip? Why a lot of news surrounding the same?
- 2. Do you know regarding a new deal with TATA airbus c 239 aircraft? Why now? Why change? Which we are using now?
- 3. What is anthropocene?
- 4. Discuss around Chandrayan 2 success?
- 5. DRDO and covid?

Member 4

- 1. Why aerospace?
- 2. Future scope in sector?
- 3. Why civil service now? Why no job?
- 4. Is autonomy of ISRO the only reason for their success? Because they do have a lot of red tapism?
- 5. Peaceful use of outer space treaty? 5 guidelines and institutions for the same?
- 6. What is interferometery? (Project)

Thank you your interview is over.

Spartan

Board - Dr. Manoj Soni ,Date - 10/9/21,Education- BBA/MBA-HR/Pursuing PhD

Job experience- Executive HR + Teaching, Optional- Literature in English Language

Afternoon shift, 2nd to go

Chairman-

- 1-So you have studied at St Joseph. Who was St. Joseph?
- 2- What has literature in English taught you?

- 3- Which books do you feel have added such values to you?
- 4- Is Christ University a UGC recognised University (due to educational background)

Member 1-

- 1- As an HR what all technologies can you use to make work more efficient?
- 2- How will you manage conflict if your superior doesn't use data based analysis?
- 3- Who is Ann Rand?
- 4- Books authored by her?

Member 2-

- 1- How are Christian missionaries different from Other schools?
- 2- Do you feel they are indulged in Conversion?
- 3- Where all are Chirstian Missionaries more active geographically?
- 4- What is difference between Debate, Speech, Elocution?

Member 3-

- 1-You have done NCC, how many years did you do it?
- 2- What are drawbacks in NCC
- 3- How can India solve it's issues with its neighbours?
- 4-Do you think Indian writers in English language who are settled abroad get given prizes like Pulitzer because of the influence they can exert?

Member 4-

- 1- What is the Title of your Thesis?
- 2- CAG recently flagged that the Universities in Odisha aren't having good quality because low percentage of students clear civil services and other govt service exams, do you think that should be the only crieteria?
- 3- Why Indian students go abroad to study?
- 4- Do you think choice based systems also have a role to play?
- 5- How does Choice based system help in innovation?
- 6- Do you think Indian graduate have low employability?

Chairman-

Your interview is over

Have a great day

Board- Manoj Soni sir

Swapnil ,IPS (Earlier IPoS, CRPF AC) ,Philosophy

Asia Pacific, Robotics ,Jogging, Motorcycling

Chair:

#Read out DAF and asked how long did I work in the mentioned services.

#From Sardar Patel College of Engg to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy, how has been the journey so far?

#What is the biggest contribution of Sardar Patel to Indian Bureaucracy?

#Human shield incident of J&K, role of Major Gogoi and some follow up questions like what will you do in such situation? in what circumstances will you open fire?

M1

#Difference in approach of Tilak, Bose, Bhagatsingh towards Indian freedom struggle.

#More and more number of people becoming religious as many surveys say so. However, there's lack of spirituality in it. Why so? What's the difference in religiosity and spirituality? (Philosophy optional related)

#Arbitration is a process for biggies and they decide which law to apply, where to arbitrate and who shall be the arbitrator. However, there shall be a common law for a poor man and lack of access to justice. How do you look at this dichotomy? Do you think poor people don't have access to justice as much as the rich do? (Question linked from Major Gogoi to the namesake ex CJI Gogoi and the judiciary).

M2

#Extrajudicial killings- why police resort to it? Justified?

#Why poor perception of police image in public?

#Many constables etc are engineers. You're an engineer too. Will there be any apprehension in mind of constable of the kind that I'm equally educated and I shall not work under him.

#Should Deparent of Post be dismantled given the irrelevance of many services it provides like letters.

#Suggestions for improving revenues and services of India Post?

#Why India Post lags behind e-commerce giants in delivering parcels? What can be done?

M3

#Right to service acts have been enacted in some states. Despite the clear mandate to deliver services prior to the act, why was there a need of such act?

#Right to service act there in Haryana but only 7 complaints received so far by the commission in last few years. Why so?

#Issue of lack of awareness hampering performance of social sector schemes. Explain with one example.

M4

#Robotics, AI- where are we heading in terms of technological evolution? Boon or bane?

#Self learning and complete intelligence possible? Some followup questions on machine learning.

#QUAD- what is it? Why should we be concerned about China's aggression in South China Sea?

M1

#followup discussion on role of judiciary and encounter killings.

Singsing

Board - BB Vyas Sir

Date - 07/09/21

Education - Born and completed schooling in UAE, B.Tech EEE, NIT Tiruchirappalli

Hobby - Food photography, Weightlifting, Audiobooks

Football (DAF)

Optional - Sociology

IFS service preference

Morning session, last to go

I was quite unwell in the preceding days but two separate Covid tests turned negative. UPSC gave go ahead for attending.

Chairperson - asked me to remove the mask, but I insisted on wearing it and intimated him regarding my condition.

- You sure you want to give now, you can give interview later as well when you're better
- Why do we get cold?
- Tell me about our relations with UAE
- You are a sociology student, why do we mention 'children on the wrong side of the law'? Tell me about the Juvenile Justice Act
- Kerala is known as God's own country, tell me another tagline that can be catchy, you can tell later at the end of the interview as well

Lady Member -

- You sure you don't have fever? (looking concerned)

- Are you a citizen of UAE? (...)
- Okay so, your school is named Our Own English High school, is it your family's own or?
- You have mentioned food photography but that does not involve cooking. How do you choose the images to capture?
- Are you present on social media, do you have your own website?
- How do you popularize your product?
- Why sociology as optional? How has it changed you?

2nd Member -

- It is said that Kerala is undergoing 3rd wave. Why is it that Kerala is performing so poorly presently despite the high education and health infrastructure metrics?
- Is there GCC India trade agreement?
- Should India sign FTA with UAE?
- UAE's sovereign fund is being used pumping billions of dollars into an entity that only brings few hundred million or so in revenue and rarely turns profits, what is it? (Manchester City, ez)
- Mention UAE visa scheme criteria, why is it not available to Pakistan?

3rd Member (Kept interrupting in between)

- Tell me why UAE and Saudi are experiencing few tensions currently
- Name 2 exceptional players of Indian football team
- Who are the two well known Indian female weightlifers and which states are they from?
- Qatar, how is it playing such a prominent role in negotiations?
- Our Electricity grid faces security issues because we import so much from which country?

4th Member

- Tell me about 6th schedule
- Why is there so much concern about Taliban coming to power?
- Do you watch Mammootty movies? Mention 5 films done by Mammootty (xD)

Chairperson

Points toward the painting on the wall (kalaripayattu warriors)

- Do you know what this is, speak about it.(Originated from my district)
- What lessons have Kerala learnt for its tourism model since covid has occurred?

Your interview is over. Wish you a speedy recovery, get well soon!

Interview was weirdly factual at places, and one member in particular kept interrupting in between.

Overall experience was very cordial and accomodating. Best of luck to all!

A G

Chairman - Dr. Manoj Soni, Date of Interview- 10 September 2021

Afternoon slot, Doctor, Mbbs, Safdarjung Hospital

Hobbies - Bhangra, Badminton, State - Chandigarh, Punjab, Haryana

Chairman

- -Can you remove your facemask and shield to match your picture?
- -You can wear mask again. Can you tell what is the importance of masks even when there is social distancing?
- -So After doing internship in 2020, what all you did?
- -What was your experience in COVID duty and during 2nd covid wave?
- -We need funds for health, for education. Seeing limited resources what do u think is the least important ministry from which funds could be cut? (I said every ministry is important and we should cut on corruption, leakages and rationalise subsidies)
- -How will you prevent leakages? (i told DBT, digitisation)
- -How to prevent misuse of funds in DBT?(talked about E-RUPI voucher based system)

Member 1

- -Seeing such a shortage of doctors, didn't u rethink your decision to stay a doctor?
- -Regarding Pegasus, how can state do snooping on public?
- -Earlier it was paperwork but no issues like this, why?
- -How to balance Rt to privacy n Rt to public security?

Member 2

- -What is the need of UT? Shouldn't this idea be scrapped?
- What about Chandigarh? What has centre done in it?

- -What are the issues regarding Organ transplant and donation?
- -What is this Euthanasia, Active, Passive, what are the provisions in India?
- -Shouldn't Rt to die with dignity involve anyone whoever wants to die, why only vegetative state?
- -Who was really Safdarjung?

Member 3

- -If you are given power to allocate budget, u think that is sufficient?
- -What other things are required?
- -Have you heard about Ajmer?
- -It has always remained outside of federal powers. What is analogous nowadays? (Can't remember exact question)(Answered UT directly administered by Center, they wanted to hear this)
- -What are the recent Singapore developments?

Member 4

- -You have been a head girl of your school. What were your takeaways?
- -How you dealt with crisis with a positive attitude? example?
- -What are India's relations with pakistan
- -How to improve them?
- -Tell me anything about Indian ocean region
- -You also do Bhangra. Do women also perform it? Or is it a male dance?

Chairman

- -So how was your overall experience in UPSC bhavan?
- -Any suggestions as a doctor?
- -Your interview is over. Stay safe and healthy!

Cordial and comfortable board.

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Interview Transcript ,Board- TC Anant

Date- 09/09/2021, forenoon, B. Tech (Civil), IIT Bombay

IDAS, Table Tennis, Anthropology, Katihar (Bihar)

Chairperson

Read my DAF. Where are tou from in Katihar. Have your childhood spent in village, are you still staying in village?

- 1. Tell me about Katihar
- 2. As DM of Katihar, tell me what you will do for next 2 years

Member 1

- 1. Tell me height of TT net
- 2. Difficulty in construction activity in black soil
- 3. Why black soil swells? Is it due to any compound/chemical?
- 4. Asked me about some principle related to CE (haven't heard of)

Member 2 (lady member)

- 1. From where govt collects revenue- tell me the percentage wise bifurcation
- 2. Counter questions

Member 3

- 1. Tell me some govt schemes being implemented in your village and their success, failures
- 2. Purdue Univ vs IIT Bombay (Daf)
- 3. Do you play sports? TT- name some players and olympians.
- 4. In recent para olympics, a civil servant participated. Tell me the sport and name
- 5. OFB corporatisation
- 6. Afghan issue- what is happening there and India's interest

Member 4

- 1. DAP2020 vs DPP 2016 (daf)
- 2. earlier offset clause in defence procurement was an issue for MSME. Tell me the reasons
- 3. Why separate accounts department for defence?
- 4. Why Civil services after IIT

Kabirpanthi

Law Optional

Chairman

- 1. Professor Baxi after Kesvananda Bharti judgment said This is beginning of new Constitution. What does he mean by that?
- 2. What definition of Basic Structure you like the best?

Member 1

- 1. Problems with collegium system.
- 2. Are allegations of caste bias true in appointment of judges.
- 3. Which players won two medals for India in paralympics.
- 4. Where are next three Olympics scheduled?

Member 2

- 1. Should Mediation be promoted?
- 2. Why less mediation in India?

Member 3

- 1. What kind of rights should be given to women?
- 2. Is domestic work by woman included in GDP?
- 3. How to reduce judicial pendency?

Member 4

- 1. Has RTI brought transparency.
- 2. How should misuse of RTI prevented?
- 3. Has IBC been successful?
- 4. Problem with NEP for single discipline institutions.

Chairman

- 1. What is Parkinson's law of triviality?
- 2. Why should we have our own judges in international forum?
- 3. Why did Indian judge dissent at Tokyo trial?

A few more questions.

MJ

09.09.2021, Forenoon, 2nd to Go

Hobbies: Vipassana, Poetry Writing, Calligraphy, Optional: Anthropology

Background: Computer Science Engineer., Job Experience: 1 Year at TESCO

State: Karnataka, Board: TCA Ananth

ChairPerson(CP):

What was your role at TESCO.

Why did you leave your Job

You worked with NGO, what Projects? (I mentioned Bank account for women from Slum area)

Follow up Question: What is you assessment of Jan Dhan Yojana?

Have you helped anyone in creating account in Jan Dhan Yojana?

You are also pursuing Masters in anthropology? When did you start? when will it finish?

M1:

Asked 3 Questions.. Which I was not aware. I said I don't know.

You do vipassana? Where did you attend?

What do you do in Vipassana? Explain.

Why is there tussle between Executive and Juduciary.

What is your take on Recently formed Taliban Government.

You are Computer Science Engineer, Tell me what is AI and ML.

Tell me one Good thing and One bad thing about AI.

How far do you Agree with this statement -"Corona will make us zombies and AI will take over humans".

M2(Lady Member): You missed on main point regarding tussle between judiciary and Executive (I did not know what she was referring to I said, I ll read about it Mam)

Tell me What is Greenfield and Brownfield Project.

Disadvantages of Brownfield Project.

From where are you Pursuing Masters?

Looks like you are pursuing masters in Anthropology as that will help you in Civil Services.

Which other University Offers Masters in Anthropology?

You are Anthropology Student, Have you read Sapiens?

Tell me few Important Points from the Book.

Do you really agree with author's views.

Don't you think Sapiens will kill all the other animals like they killed other Homo. (I was saying, we are evolving as humans, We are signing Convention)

If you are saying so, Then why are many animals under threat and are endangered.

Tell me names of few endangered species.

M4:

So you had mentioned financial Inclusion in your answer, Explain this quote to me -"India will realise its Full potential only when we achieve Inclusive development"

What is Govt's Slogan Regarding this

What is Calligraphy?

What do People really achieve by beautifying the Letters?

Tell me Important Qualities of Leadres?

Are the Qualities of Civil Servant the Same or they are Different?

M5:

So you write Poetry, Can you please recite one for us. (I started reciting and after few lines , Lady member Started Clapping)

Was your Poem Viral?

Do you think Social Media has bridged gap between Govt and people?

What is your view on Civil servants being nameless and facecess or they should be viral? What did Sardar Patel say about Civil servants?

Tell me only one reason that drives you so much to this Service(I said sense of satisfaction)

What is the difference between Sense of Satisfaction and Power.

Note:

Largely Questions were from DAF.

Questions were built upon what I had mentioned in my answers.

Bb vyas sir board, 2nd to go, afternoon

Chairman

- 1. How to improve perception of police
- 2. Follow up question as to what else can be done

- 3. Gender budgeting, tools and schemes
- 4. Why ias after ips

Member 1

- 1. Enumerate police reforms
- 2. Nda women ruling of sc and challenges faced by women in forces
- 3. Why is timarpur and kingsway camp famous (my dad related)

Member 2.

- 1. If I enter into fight with dM (me an Sp) how would I resolve
- 2. Chicago study on delhi pollution and steps taken by govt in this regard

Member 4

- dumpukht a method of cooking
- indo Pacific region what does it mean for India, Japan, australia, USA
- some tribal terms

Member 5

- why study dentistry / why esic
- what is distributive / reformative / restorative justice
- what I can do for beggars in urban areas

Board: TCA Anant

- History of previous attempts
- Why IAS after IPS?
- Rationale behind selection of Optional subject (geography)? Was it a tactical or strategic decision? Difference between the two? Asked to explain a Quote on Pak and Taliban in context of the above.
- Cybercrime scenario in India and are we prepared? If not then how can we be prepared?
- jamtara what was it?
- cyber attacks are they so easy? How to secure systems from such attacks?
- 2 motivational quotes that you love (daf)
- Can you recall any Motivational theory?
- Role of corporate sector in helping India meet security challenges?
- drones come under which ministry (I mentioned drone rules in earlier answer)

- interface between moca and mha
- policies by govt for elderly persons
- Latest covid news

which covid variant is most evasive?

- Height of lawn tennis net (daf)
- 3 good things about Shariat law
- demonetisation 3 benefits and flaws

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TRANSCRIPT ,Date: 10/09/2021,Board: B B Vyas ,Forenoon session; First person to go ,Optional: PSIR ,Graduation: BA Economics ,State: Maharashtra ,Hobbies: Alt Rock music, Running, Karate, Reading, Debating

Chair

- 1. You've studied economics and pol sci. Tell me what are the internal tensions within China
- 2. What lessons can india learn from China's situation today?
- 3. Which newspapers do you read? Have you heard about VPN? Please explain
- 4. India has been promoting exports. Do you think it is going to do us any good?
- 5. What are the measures taken to promote exports?
- 6. Have you heard of the concept called helicopter money
- 7. What is the importance of Siachen glacier

Member 1

- 1. Why is China facing economic problems in recent years?
- 2. Why have Chinese wage rates gone up?
- 3. We have been talking about make in India so much. What has the govt done in that direction?
- 4. What is Alternative Rock Music? (hobby)
- 5. How is it different from Heavy metal?
- 6. Do you know about Sanjay Gandhi National Park? What is it famous for?
- 7. How are forest areas located within city limits protected

Member 2

1. Tell me names of some martial arts from India (based on hobby)

- 2. Have you heard about RDF? Mandi tax?
- 3. What is your opinion on the way the APMC system works
- 4. Is Pakistan a failed state?
- 5. What are the conflicts within Pakistan?

Member 3

- 1. What do you understand by Global political economic order?
- 2. Is the current order conducive for India's rise?
- 3. What are we doing about it?
- 4. What are institutions of global governance?
- 5. Give me names of some political scientists who advocated institutional approach
- 6. Which is India's National Waterway 1
- 7. What is the use of waterways?
- 8. 90% of our economy consists of unorganised workers. What has the govt done to provide social security to unorganised workers?

Member 4

- 1. Recently a cruise was inaugurated in our prime minister's constituency. Have you heard about it?
- 2. The govt has launched a portal for unorganised workers. Have you heard about it? What is it used for?
- 3. Which ministry does e-shram portal fall under?
- 4. What is the meaning of your name?

Member 1

1. Which service have you chosen?

Chair

- 1. Imagine that you have to give a speech to a group of young girls at a college/ university ceremony. Tell us 5 points that you'll mention in your speech
- 2. Name 2 female leaders whom you admire
- 3. Name 2 male leaders whom you admire

Thank you very much.

Himanshu Pradip Padmaja Tembhekar

Date - 10.09.21, Choube Sir, 1st to go in afternoon session

Hobbies - Bird Watching and wildlife photography, singing, Duration - 29 minutes

Chairman

Jocked about mustach- All laughed

Made me comfortable by telling that its not an interrogation and we are friendly kind of people so be relax and answer honestly.

1 Quality u learnt from

Start up and Profession al experience.

Gst is against fiscal federalism and what do u think?

Initially I defended with provisions but he emphasized on its futile lastly I agreed over loss of taxation right to state

2. Judges took conference was it right step? I said no till the end with some supporting arguments.

M1

Ground water scenario in India

What are the reasons

Should we tax farmers for it?

Why america lost in afg?

Why we have lines on road?

Why we launch costly mission as we have povery and other problems to focus?

Moto of tokyo Olympic?

M2

Difference between parliamentary and presidential government?

Why can't we have presidential system?

Waste management problem in cities ?

What will do as DM to tackle this problem?

What is uniform civil code?

What's your opinion on it 's

Harmonised system of nomenclature?

M3 -

Name 3 gharanas of classical music?

Do you know Bade gulam ali khan sahab?

Diff between America's federalism and Indias?

Legislative diff?

Para Olympic?

Para military?

North Korea and south Korea war?

M4

Types of industry?

Some question on anthropology?

How \$ 1 investment in health assures \$ 3 in return?

Your interview is over

Do you want to tell us something

I talked about man and animal conflict for next 1 minute

Jai hind!

K S Date - 08/09/2021., Academic- Masters Applied Geology, Work ex @ Coal India (resigned),

Home State & residence-MP, Jabalpur & Narsinghpur, Optional - Geology

Hobby - Wildlife observation, Teaching., BB VYAS Sir Board

Forenoon session - 2nd last (12:05pm). ,Wished everyone.,Chairman sir - Welcome.

Please take your seat.

Made me comfortable. Asked to remove mask and keep the shield on. Already had gone through DAF.

Let's get to Geology directly.

- 1. What are the challenges in mineral prospecting in India?
- 2. What are the challenges in Coal mining?
- 3. Let's discuss the ground water situation of our country. Also tell me about ground water contamination.
- 4. Recent changes in Mining laws.
- 5. National Coal index (I didn't know. Said sorry. He said need not to worry that's alright)

- 6. Which countries India must cooperate with wrt Geological resources? (I named three regions)
- 7. What about Africa? How can Africa be significant for India?

M1- (question answer mode)

First told me - you could have said two more points wrt Africa.let's discuss more on Geopolitics.

- 1. What can we do about Pakistan- tell me 5 points
- 2. A complex question about China and Pakistan which I couldn't understand.
- 3. How can we go China plus in terms of textiles?

Some questions on geopolitics.

M-2 (Sir Seemed to be from Armed Forces background) (Conversation mode)

- 1. Name One disaster that Army faces in high altitudes. Why increasing instances?
- 2. How can Army mitigate the same?
- 3. An institute has been established for this in Manali. Do you know? (I politely said sorry)- he told the name of the institute
- 3. Which energy source Army can utilise in Himalayas- related to geology?
- 4. A neighbouring country of Afghanistan where we were supposed to mine a strategic ore but it has been cancelled-

He told the answer as well when I couldn't tell the name of ore.

I told about Farzad - B gas field and whole cancellation issue.

Chairman sir said yes that's also a strategic one which is having issues.

5. China has established some thermal power plants under CPEC

in Pakistan. Do you know what special feed they use?

M3- asked what teaching do you do?

- 1. Tell me difference b/w teaching and mentoring.
- 2. Can an economist be a mentor to a geology student?
- 3. What is net neutrality?
- 4. What is 9th Schedule of the constitution?

M4 (Lady member)

Let's talk something on your comfort zone- Any movies you watched related to Coal mining?

I replied - Two movies I know of - Gangs of Wasseypur and Kalapathhar.

She said I will recommend you watch Kalapatthar.

Had a small discussion on Gangs of Wasseypur and Chasnala mine disaster.

- 1. Buxwaha forest diamond mining issue- gave context- what should we do?
- 2. Probing question on how to do that?
- 3. Should we go ahead with the project even if locals do not benefit at all?
- 4. Narsinghpur- 3 things that are special about it?

Discussion about Arhar dal.

5. Is anyone from your family involved in agriculture?

Chairman sir said - thank you . That is all from our side. I thanked everyone.

Overall - Cordial environment- Chairman sir always nodding smiling and encouraging. Gave hints when I got stuck. All members nodding and sometimes smiling.

Dr Manoj soni board, afternoon session, IPS

CM-

Take off your faceshield and let your mask be, is that okay? (posed as a question) importance of face shield

Why civil services after so long in medicine?

Have you read everybody loves a good draught) reading hobby) - said no

Elaborate on the title anyway

M1- book called deep estate (not read)

Relations between japan china koreas amongst each other

M2- opinions on medical services coming under consumer act, ayush being allowed for surgery, narcoanalysis

Kerala police allowed surveillance but left parties create hue n cry in parliament -is that a double standard?

M3- women in police acting more insensitive, why? How to rectify?

Further elaboration on what changes in training required

M4-framework to manage disaster in india

DM act provisions, role of district disaster management committee

Broken window theory, example in india.

Commissioner listening to every issue himself, will it not lead to centralisation? (related to answer to previous question)

CM best of luck in your career.

Kerala., Anthropology, Fertilizer sector experience, Smita Nagraj Board

Chairperson

- 1. Thing you enjoyed most in your job.
- 2. How do you deal with mistakes of your subordinates.
- 3. What is the current subsidy policy?
- 4. What changes will you suggest.

Member 1.

- 1. Advantages of moving into DBT to farmers.
- 2. Long term solution to reduce subsidy?
- 3. Why covid cases increasing in Kerala
- 4. What can be done.?

Member 2

- 1. What are biofertilizers
- 2. Why can't chemical fertilizers be replaced with bio fertilizer.
- 3. What is nipah? Why are ppl more afraid of it than covid?
- 4. Difference b/w appam n idiyappam

Member 3

- 1. When n why was kendriya vidyalaya established?
- 2. What is NEP? 2 Provisions I like most?
- 3. Any anthropologist I like and his concepts?
- (I said Boaz and Cultural Relativism)
- 4. He asked me about LP Vidyarti Sacred Complex.
- 5. Asked link between sacred complex and sanskritisation?

Member 4.

- 1. If you're JS fertilizer department will you abolish fertilizer department?
- 2. Will you privatise fertilizer PSUs

3. Will you stop fertilizer subsidy

Chairperson

Your interview is over.

AG

Board: BB vyas sir ,Mbbs, chandigarh, Haryana ,Chairman: cheerful, smiling, encouraging

- -What is medical ethics? Give 3 main characteristic ethics?
- -Difference In confidentiality and privacy
- -what is Haryana sex ratio at present?
- -What haryana did to improve it?
- -Latest Q1 economy analysis
- -what is v shaped and k shaped
- -reason for k shaped economy
- -Is world economy recovering? Do you have any data?
- -Laqshay program
- -Imr high in a district. As an officer What will do for hospital to prevent mortality
- M1: (meh faced but laughed in end)
- -so how is chandigarh?
- -Sukhna lake, there was shramdaan recently, why?
- -what is the reason of siltation in lake? (Gave one reason, he explained another one which he wanted to hear)
- -What is pre medical counseling (daf)
- -Will you continue after coming in C.S.
- M2: constantly smiling
- Meaning of name
- -Are you like this?
- -Why ias
- will you go for further studies and PG?
- -what you did after 2019
- -What we did in second wave

-What could have been better

M3: very soft voice. Many times said to repeat.

- -ever visited police station? Said No, it's okay would have heard about it
- -What can be done to improve police station? How to make it women friendly?
- -How will you inspire girls to take policing
- -Use of med sci knowledge in IPS?

M4:

- -what is special about jagadhri(said don't know)
- -Why haryana doing well in sports
- -Can other states do it
- -Why chd people are ruining Himalayas? Solutions?
- -What policy can be done by HP in tourism to avoid it
- -Can we limit No. Of tourist per day

Chairman: All the best for your future. Thank you.

Very cordial board. Mostly daf based.

Name: MMB

Background : BTech (ECE) -Nit Warangal- working in Micron - Anthropology-AP - travelling-Badminton,Board : Sujata Mehta Ma'am

Chairman

- 1. What can India do in short term(next 3 years) to become manufacturing hub in semi-conductors
- 2. What was your best travelling experience. (Told about a trek)
- 3. What is your least enjoyed traveling experience (told visiting temples)
- 4. Do you think trekking and other activities are confines to only rich, while piligrimage is a mass based tourism?

Member 1:

- 1. Tell me about different existing inter state border disputes . What can he done about it.
- 2. Tell me about reason why inter state water disputes are persisting.
- 3. Tell about recent Karnataka TamilNadu water dispute.

4. Tell me about Andhra Telangana water disputes.

Member 2:

- 1. Why did you take anthropology?
- 2. How anthropology can be used in administration.
- 3. What is your take on Socio economic caste census (chairman asked member to skip this question very firmly and go for next question)
- 4. What is sanskritisation.

Member 3

- 1. What is the role of USA in current Afghanistan crisis.
- 1. Do you think education system has failed as suicides are increasing in higher education institutions
- 2. What is smart city mission.
- 3. What are works taken up in Hyderabad under smart city mission.
- 4. Tell me about aspects of recent IPCC report related to India in 5-6 points.

Member 4

1. you know national health mission (and he explained that center shares money to states to improve health system)

Why people blame center for covid when health is clearly state subject.

- 2. Do you think center should interfere in state subject like health
- 3. If center manages covid by itself, why some states performed well and some couldn't do well.

Chairman

1. Do you want us to ask from anything, it's okay even if you say no

(I said badminton or Andhra Pradesh)

- 2. Do you think bifurcation was necessary or beneficial.
- 3. That demand existed from 30 years back. Center could have let the demand continue as it is. Why did it yield now.

Thank you, you may leave now

Board is very cordial.

They let me express my views and didn't interrupt unnecessarily.

All the best to all.

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Interview transcript, 13/9/2021 Afternoon, Sathyavathi Madam

Optional : medical science,(Currently IRPS Probationer)

Chairwoman:

Read daf aloud

- 1. why are you joining civil services
- 2. Aren't you wasting a medical seat as civil services is a generalist service and anyone can be trained unlike a doctor
- 3. how will you use medical knowledge in administration
- 4. you are posted as a IFS officer in USA how will you use your medical knowledge

(These discussion went for nearly 7-8 minutes)

M1:

- 1. What is rule of 9, rule of 10
- 2. Penetration of technology in health care and brief conversation about Telemedicine and its impact on rural poor (around 3-4 minutes)
- 3. Do you still visit orphanages?

M2:

- 1. Do you still hold your point that you haven't wasted a medical seat
- 2. Swach bharat mission and discussion about open defecation
- 3. what steps you will do to make India ODF nation
- 4. What are the prime challenges in achieving our ODF target
- 5. List Current Economic Challenges of India
- 6. Can we print currency and give it to people to stimulate demand?
- 7. Mohalla clinics

M3

- 1. What is the naval project that is happening in your native (Tirunelveli)
- 2. How submarines communicate with each other
- 3. Brief talk about Indo china relationship and Chinese foreign policy (Brief discussion for more than 5 minutes)

M4:

- 1. Why vaccinated people spreading covid more than non vaccinated
- 2. Do we need to focus on tertiary care or primary care
- 3. Issues in private medical colleges
- 4 . Application of nanomedicine.

Chairwoman:

Thank you, your interview is over.

Warrior, Date of Interview: 10/09/21, Board: RN Choubey Sir, DAF Terms relevant to interview:

Graduation: Material Science and Engineering, IIT Kanpur, Optional: Anthropology, Hobbies: To read about human behaviour.

Chairman:

- 1. Tell me about your education and work experience.
- 2. What is rule based order?
- 3. But China is saying they are following rule based order?
- 4. What are the bodies where such concerns can be resolved?
- 5. National security is something which protects our national interest? What are our national interest?
- 6. Have we documented them somewhere?

M1.

- 1. What is Material Science and Engineering?
- 2. Difference between MSE and mechanical?
- 3. What is MSE and Metallurgical engineering?
- 4. How are Scheduled Tribes defined.
- 5. Which is most primitive tribes.
- 6. Whey are tribes unhappy?
- 7. What will you do?

M2.

- 1. So you look like a sportsperson, What was the motto of Olympics?
- 2. What is Nipah virus?
- 3. How much population is below poverty line?

- 4. Child labour? Extent to which it is happening in India? What acts to prevent it? What can be done?
- 5. Can we not print money and give it to the people? What's the problem in that?

M3.

- 1. So you read about Human behaviour, How does value and culture affects polity and economy?
- 2. Agriculture is a state subject, What was the legality of farm laws by center? Some follow up questions?
- 3. What is your opinion?

M4.

- 1. Is ther any other bodies above Supreme Court?
- 2. Where is International Court of Justice headquarter.?
- 3. Why was priority not given to fast speed train at the time of independence?
- 4. What was other sector of priority during time of independence?

Chairman.: Do you want us to know anything? Okay your interview is over.

A_S

Board: Manoj Soni,13/9/21 Morning, Tamil Nadu

How are you feeling today?

Why are you feeling grateful?

Tell us about your college?

What is the nature of your work?

Tell us about Kisan Credit Card?

Beneficiaries?

Why did you choose this graduation?

In what way your parents helped you?

if there is something that you can give to your mother that can make her life easier what would it be?

NCC? Why you didn't join Army?

In what way you have contributed to your country today?

Rotaract club? Tell me something that you don't like about your rotaract club when you were President?

What do you know about disaster management?

Climate Change Risk Index?

What needs to be done and who are all the stakeholders?

What is something that you can contribute to your village?

Do you know about Umpty tag?

Chennai floods?

Solution to chennai floods?

Maldives is creating infrastructure in water? Do you think India should also do constructions in coastal zones?

Do you play cricket?

What is your opinion on cancelling the 5th test match?

They are being careless. don't we have to punish them?

Few questions I couldn't recall.

All the best Everyone.

G S

RN Choubey board, 8.09.2021

Chairman- told me to be comfortable and ask the question again if not understood and said if I am forgetting anything or dont know then say it clearly.

Asked if I had food and where and with whom I am staying in Delhi.

Q. Tell us about your academic and professional background.

Q. If I dig a tunnel across the earth and drop a stone into it would it pass to the other side, where will it lie?

M1 (lady)-what do you understand by the phrase one can not be the judge of its own case. (Said it is the fundamental principle of justice) what is the fundamental principle of justice?

What do you understand by judicial activism? What is PIL? Does it have a legal backing? In which judgement it was defined?

What do you understand by separation of powers?. So does judicial activism is allowed by the constitution?

What is you opinion on women participation in armed forces? Can they fight in a combat role? Do you know any country having women in combat role?

M-2 Can i become a rajyasabha member? (Said no) Can I file the nomination? How many members in RS? Are there any nominated member?

Does a Chief minister has the authority to remove HC judge? Then who does have?

Is there any set up in which states govt cooperate (said interstate council) who presides it?

Where is the high court of MP. Where is its session courts?

What is bhedhaghat famous for?

M-3- What are different types of coal?

Do we also import coal?

What is the height of atmosphere above earth surface. What does atmosphere consist of?

What do you understand by climate change? What is ozone layer? How it helps?

What pollutes the river? Doesnt it clean itself? Then when do we need to clean it?

M-4 (chairman ordered tea) Which is the highest tea producer country. Which state is highest producer in india?

What is organic farming? Should we transition agriculture in india into organic farming completely. Which state in india is organic state?

Chairman- your interview is over. Do you want to share anything or want us to ask anything from you.

Name: Vladmire Putine

Date: 13 September, Board: Sathiyavathy Mam, Optional: PSIR, Graduation-btech ECE

Interests: Quizzing, e sports, technology trends

Chairperson asked to remove face shield. Read the DAF.

- 1. What have you been doing since graduation 2017?
- 2. Reason for success of byjus (DAF)
- 3. Why ed tech after ECE?

M1.

- 1. What is electronics synchronisation?
- 2. Coming from ECE, why civil services?
- 3. Why did you play e sports?
- 4. Artificial intelligence- how will it be used in decision making?

M2

- 1. Tell us about your graduation project.
- 2. Why didn't you continue it?

- 3. You conducted quizzes or participated too?
- 4. Do you know about masterminds?
- 5. What are the hinderances with e learning?
- 6. Why do we need multilateral institutions? Do they solve any purpose?

M3

- 1. Digital divide bharatnet, tell us about it?
- 2. What is the potential of technology in rural areas?
- 3. During Paris climate India proposed something about polluters pay principle, what was it?
- 4. What is the objective of swachh bharat, is it just about making toilets and ODF?
- 5. How will you bring behavioural changes?
- 6. What is IOT? How does it work?
- 7. What are the applications of IOT?
- 8. Give me more examples for IOT.

M4

- 1. You have shifted recently to Gurugram, what striking changes did you see?
- 2. What about traffic?
- 3. How will you improve traffic as a DM? (chairperson Mam smiled at him)
- 4. What is happening in Afghanistan?
- 5. What should be India's approach?

Chairperson Mam - Thank you

R_B

Chair: Sathyavathy mam, 13Sep2021 forenoon, EEE MBA

Chair Q:

Fill me gaps on education and job date gap

Why have you chosen govt job from a high paying IT job to this

As Anthro student tell me significance of recent excavation in your state

M1: what is in arakonam why in news

How are roads in your state is it improved

M2:

You're EEE and yet your not working in your field why govt

Why production sector is not growing in india

M3:

What is upi, adv disadv

Security issues, what is phishing

1st state to make tagline for tourism, who did tagline for india

M4

What are land acquisition issues how to overcome more prodding on that to meet his expectations

Interview transcript

Board: Manoj Soni sir, Greeted everyone

Chairman: Welcomed me by name

Asked to sit and remove faceshield and mask

Then said faceshield is optional but mask compulsory

Then

Ch:

- 1. is it first time that you are coming to delhi
- 2. Why did you come to delhi so I early (I came 1 month ago)
- 3. What did you learn from mock interview

(My earlier answer was to attend offline mock)

4. What did these people told you about us

(I said that board people are very knowledgeable so don't try to bluff)

Everyone laughed

So which places you have been in delhi

Have you have street food

Did you visit chandni chowk and pratha vali gali

How was your stay at delhi

5.so you are from bharatpur.are you completely based out of bharatpur

- 6. Tell us about famous bird sanctuary
- 7. Have you visited it?
- 8. Your hobby conversation with strangers is very unique. Isn't it very rare
- 9.tell us any conversation where you learnt most
- 10. Some follow up questions
- 11. You also have hobby of ghoomar dance so what is the theme of it
- 12. Do you perform it
- 13. What is the taal associated with it
- 14. What are navarasa

M1

- 1. What is quality (categorically mentioned that you have studied from IIT Bombay so want professional answer)
- 2-3 follow up
- 2. Tell us about padmavat controversy

Follow up questions

- 3. How to manage violent protest
- 4. If you are dm and people are protesting, burning public property.then would you use force to curtail it

Some follow ups

M2

1.

So what is historical significance of bharatpur in indian history

Chairman interrupted and asked how Bharatpur rulers were able to defeat Mughals

- 2. Historical significance of deeg mahal
- 3. Mains crops in bharatpur
- 4. Is farming in bharatpur profitable
- 5. Why these actors actresses advertising product which they never use. Is it moral to do so
- 6. Any actress advertising a product and simultaneously using it
- (My answer was Kareena Kapoor using preganews)

Everyone laughed

M3:

- 1. who is bhramkumari (not knowing)
- 2. Tell us about Gargi
- 3. Gargi yajnavalika dialogue and follow up
- 4. Asked about controversy in kendriya vidyalaya about compulsory prayer

(I said not aware)

- 5. Why so many rape in india
- 6. How to ensure safety security of women
- 7. If you are dm of bharatpur then how would you make Bharatpur women safe

M4::

- 1. tell us everything which you know about marathon
- 2. How did it started
- 3. What did you learn from ncc
- 4. What did you learn from yoga
- 5. Some follow ups

Chairman:

We hope that you implemented your learning from mock very well here

We hope that your experience here is very good

Asked again that is your experience good

Then, suggested that conversation with strangers is very good but proper precautions should be there otherwise it becomes dangerous

Then, said stay safe healthy and enjoy in delhi

Your interview is over

Nothing from optional, engineering, no single current affairs, no general studies questions

Background: MBBS, Optional: Anthropology, Board: RN Choubey Sir

2nd to go in forenoon, Duration: 30 min

Chairman

Welcomed me and asked me to sit.

Since we are sitting at a safe distance, you can remove your mask.

We are good people. This isn't a police interrogation. If you are unable to hear us, you can ask to repeat. If you do not know any answer, you can say no.

- -> What did you have in breakfast?
- -> Introduce yourself with educational

background and work experience if any?

- -> Gave a background and asked should doctors be brought under Consumer protection act?
- 2-3 follow up question

Member 1

- -> Should we print money to finance public spending?
- 2 follow up questions
- -> What is Anthropology?
- -> Who are Aborigines? Do we use the term in Indian context also?
- -> Who are Schedule tribes? Why called "Scheduled"?
- -> Which authority can make changes in the list?
- -> Tell me a subject apart from Anthropology on which we can talk.
- -> Astrophysics (DAF): What is the Size of the observable universe?
- -> What is a Light year?

Member 2

- -> What is Northeast Region?
- -> What challenges we are facing in our Act East policy.
- -> What more we need to do.
- -> Opinion on women in combat roles

1 or 2 more questions, unable to recall

Member 3 (Lady)

- -> Are you practicing?
- -> What doctors as civil servants could do differently?
- 1-2 follow up questions
- -> Opinion on Police reforms

- -> What were those 7 directives in Prakash singh judgement?
- -> Tell us about two most important issues in our policing system?

Member 4

- -> Difference between DBT and ICMR?
- -> Some very basic questions on Covid vaccines.
- -> What types of Universities are there in India?
- -> Specific guidelines by Central govt to central universities.
- -> What is there in NEP about central universities?
- -> How my players on each side in volleyball? (DAF)
- -> What are the latest change in the rules of Volleyball.
- -> Which country won Gold in Olympics this year.

Chairman

-> We all have asked what we wanted. Do you want to tell us something

I spoke about my hometown.

Thank you, your interview is over. You may leave.

Extremely cordial board, was a very pleasant experience:)

1. Chemical egg iit bhu varanasi

- 2. Ex- IRAS posted in northeast
- 3. IFS mp cadre

Interview Date 10th Sept

- 1. If soffcer and chemical how will u check water is polluted or not
- 2. Schemes and acts for water pollution
- 3. Ganga cleaning
- 4. Ncgm vs namami gange
- 5. What u will do 5 steps
- 6. Digital governance your view
- 7. Cryogenics engines

- 1. Northeast tribes
- 2. Chin tribes issue nhi pta tha
- 3. Squash and cricket some player have sommon lifestyle disease name ...nhi pta tha
- 4. Jnk connectivity
- 1. Elephant corridor
- 2. Elephant and railway track issue
- 3. How to handle it
- 4. Elephant and human conflict management
- 5. Types of hydrogen blue grey green
- 6. Renewable and hydrogen linkage
- 7. Environmental audit
- 8. Railway audit safeguard
- 1. Shivpuri famous for
- 2. Madhav np wildlife
- 3. Northeast security accords
- 4. Niki accord ...nhi pta tha
- 5. How will u use chemical and anthro knowledge in admin
- 6. Pvtg in shivpuri
- 1. Petrochemial why import high
- 2. Why export also high
- 3. What we are doing to reduce import
- 4. Products
- 5. Social forestry and products
- 6. If elephant gine rouge who can order killing

S Nagraj Madam Board

Date: 14 Sept

Points: eco optional, eco honours, SRCC, Jaipur

Hobbies: ott tv shows, diary and journal writing

no introduction

Chair:

- 1. How to achieve 5 trillion dollar economy? Is the target a little bit ambitious?
- 2. What are 2nd generation reforms?
- 3. What are fiscal reforms?
- 4. Dont you think these reforms will have repercussions
- 5. How labor laws will improve manufacturing

(Almost all questions were follow up on previous answer)

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- 2. What is river basin? River basins in Rajasthan (gave very less satiafactory definition of river basin)
- 3. What is Watershed?
- 4. What specific things to improve conservation of water?

M2:

- 1. What are Accounting standards?
- 2. Which particular standard js helping the government very much? (Didn't know)
- 3. Medicinal plantation promoted in Rajasthan. (Could only say opium)

M3

- 1. Specific modus operandi of government for Air India disinvestment. (I fumbled as I said govt is looking for 100% disinvestment. Apologised and said I have to read more)
- 2. National asset monetisation
- 3. What is journal writing?
- 4. What will you do to improve agriculture at the micro level

M4

- 1. What is NCERT
- 2. Is performing poorly in exports due to govt high handedness?
- 3. What will you suggest govt to improve exports?

Chair:

Thank you

Felt that the panel was less engaging. No questions from ott tv shows or college or Jaipur or HR types. Overall very factual and less satisfied as geography has been my weak area.

Name: SP

Date: 14 September ,Board: Sujata Mehta Ma'am

Background: Defence kid, NIT Warangal, Work Ex - 6 months, Sociology Optional

Chairwoman

- 1. Introduce yourself with your education & your job experience
- 2. Do you think technology leads to job losses. What should be done.

M1

- 1. If you have to make a case for a matriarchal society, give some points in support of it. Do we have such a system existing anywhere in India.
- 2. You have an interesting hobby. Tell me something about it.
- 3. Role of social media in the times of pandemic.

M2.

1. Your opinion on women in army * probably the highlight of my interview, she spent good about 10 minutes talking about various aspects*

M3

1. How has National Health Mission brought about a difference in other health aspects.

M4

- 1. Tour opinion on India being a welfare State.
- 2. You did Btech, then took up a humanities subject as an optional. Why are humanities important.
- 3. So much stress on students these days, specially from good colleges like yours. Why is that & suggest some remedies.

Chairwoman:

Would you like us to ask something else. I said no. Greeted her & left the room

Key takeways:

1. Please stick to the question. My introduction went for a six because she asked me about my education & i started with the well rehersed introduction, she interrupted me twice, but I justified it saying that I've had multiple schools due to the nature of my father's profession (army)

- 2. Chairwoman asked me to adjust the mask. I was blinded & fogged by the end of it. So please don't let that discomfort show on your face.
- 3. Nothing factual was asked. All opinion based. The interview barely lasted for 20 minutes.

Last but not the least, it'll be unexpected. And that's the beauty of it! Just enjoy the process & yes, women candidates, please get your own gloves if you don't want to ruin your saree with the white powder from the gloves they provide. Keep yourself hydrated.

I benefitted from the transcripts immensely. Doing my bit. All the best.

(I wrote only those details about me on which the questions were asked.)

Optional: PSIR.Graduation: mechanical engineering.

Interests: teaching small children.++

Board: Bhonsle sir, last one to go in the afternoon.

Chairman:

Read DAF, asked how I'm feeling, told me to be comfortable.

- 1. What have you learnt from teaching children.
- 2. Challenges in teaching them, took few specific challenges such as low attention span and asked me solutions to them.
- 3. Few case studies about teaching, and problems in rural areas. (because I'm staying in village).

M1:

- 1. Discussed Afghan issue in detail from various angles.(Many cross questions).
- 2. How will you use your experiences such as mechanical engg,rural background, teaching,etc in administration.
- 3. What are your strengths,
- 4. Okay, tell me do you have any weaknesses

M2:

- 1. What's the importance of empathy for a civil servant. (Earlier I mentioned empathy while talking about my strengths)
- 2. Are you against the elite section? I feel you're more inclined towards poor, are you biased?
- (I used "sabka sath sabka vikas" in my answer, which was asked by chairman at the last)
- 3. Questions on role of caste in politics.

M3:

1. Questions on Kautilya, Machiavelli.

- 2. Success of UN as a multilateral body.
- 3. Present condition of automobile industry, and what is govt doing about it.
- 4. Pollution norms in india, vehicle scrappage policy

M4:

- 1. Bhoodan movement
- 2. State legislation vs central legislation from federalism perspective
- 3. Who is your favourite Indian philosopher .(I said Mahatma Gandhi)
- 4. Asked about Ideas of Mahatma Gandhi, picked few concepts from that and then asked are they feasible today.
- 5. Concept of Antyodaya

Chairman:

What do you understand by "Sabka sath, Sabka vikas, sabka vishwas, sabka prayas"?

What are your plans after the interview?

*There were more questions, which I'm not able to recall now.

*There were no questions on state, only few on current affairs. *Questions were mainly from my DAF, optional, and they picked many questions from my answers.

*Board was cordial, very good experience.

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14-09-2021

Forenoon, 2nd to go.

Hobby: chess, cricket

Graduation: textile technology

Optional: PSIR

Board: Sujata mehta ma'am

CW: introduce yourself.

Something about city.

How city connected with music.

Tell about textile sector.

Follow up questions based on answers.

Member 1:

Me too movement

Women empowerment

Population control.

Member 2:

Pakistan issue

Textile sector bangladesh

Member 3:

Women empowerment in bangladesh

Use of Chess in administration

Member 4:

Handloom sector in textile.

CW: anything more you would like us to cover.

Thank you.

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Date 14 Sept 2021, Time 12:55 to 1::20. Last to go

Board - Sujata Mehta Madam (2 female members including madam)

Optional – PSIR, Civil engg College in Pune Maharashtra

A medium sized room

Full circular table. Members not too far from me

Chair

- 1. Introduce urself with education and work ex
- 2. Did ur college give u placement
- 3. Did u complete any internship in college (I said yes)
- 4. Tell about the internship firm
- 5. Elaborate on what you did in internship
- 6. Floods in mh, what measures are required
- 7. Do you think retrofitting of structures is cost effective?

- 8. Tell about defence establishments in Pune
- 9. Why were they located in pune
- 10 Extreme weather events -- floods in Kolhapur. Civil engg measures that can be taken

M1

Why psir as ur optional

We have engg, who do jugaad and chuna lagaana. What's your take on these things

What is your perception of jugaad. Is it good or bad

Whatis difference in innovation and jugaad

M2 - lady

1 Urban planning .. long question Are our cities dying because of only few urban centres in all states

What are the measures that can be taken

- 2. What are the issues that indicate cities are under stress
- 3. What are your views on e commerce. Are they benefitting or causing loss to the retailers
- 4. Can we cover all the retailers
- 5. Repeated q4 again, can we connect the retail grocery shops

M3

- 1. What is diff in nation and state
- 2. What is quad
- 3. give arguments in favour of introduction of presidential system in india
- 4. Politicisation of governors. What measures can be taken
- 5. What was Tashkent agreement

M4

- 1. Do you know about whole to part and part to whole
- 2. SL food emergency
- 3. Do u know about issues due to organic farming that led to food crisis in SL
- 4. Green buildings are not beneficial due to increased use of glass, etc what are your views
- 5. If u are given choice for physical infrastructure and social infra, what will u choose
- 6. Ease of living index and its parameters

- 7. Pune rank in ease of living index
- 8. Is slum rehab an indicator in ease of living?

completely ignored hobbies and activities page

I might have forgotten few que

SS

Chairman (smita nagraj),Briefly talked about my service in railways.I told about my posting place as bathinda.Date 2nd sept Optional Geography

State - bihar

Q1 What is the highlight of your 6 month in bathinda?

Talked about 3 reforms I did there. Absenteeism in disaster management, coordination between yard and sickline, vaccinations of my employees at office premise.

Q2 she told vaccinations is your duty and it is not reform as such.

I told about empathy part

Q3 she asked whether I should be awarded for this or not?

I told no mam, and said as it is normal routine work

- Q4 Is less salary reason for inefficient in govt sector
- Q5 Reforms in railways are enough to improve it?
- Q6 What are the ground level reforms you suggest?

M1

- 1. Nuclear summit recently (No idea)
- 2. Preplanning required in railways disaster?
- 3 . Reason for corruption?
- 4 What is honesty
- 5 one quote on honesty (till power is not there everyone is honest,
- 6 difference between empathy and sympathy

M2

- 1 bullet train ,hyperloop
- 2. bullet train caters to rich only what about poor
- 3.if u r made commissioner of bihar sharif

- A) implement sbm, financial inclusion, health schemes, skill development, agriculture reforms
- 4 how will you confirm that toilet is constructed on ground and not only on paper
- 5 how do you see railways in 5 years

M3

- 1) bihar floods
- 2) govt efforts on bihar flood
- 3) pradhan mantri adarsh gram yojana ,prasar bharti (said sorry sir)
- 4) technology in policing

M4

- 1) how to increase enrolment in higher education
- 2) discusses on that
- 3) issues in policy or implementation
- 4)issues of human trafficking
- 5) Solutions for human trafficking
- 6) privatisation in railways
- 7) I talked about issues of increased tariff
- 8) How to balance tariff and and social

Talked of limited privatisation of higher end train like tejas, vande bharat

Thanks by chairman

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Transcript: Interview date: 07/09 BB Vyas sir

Details: IRAS(EOL), ex software engineer, IIT kanpur, hobbies: dancing and machine learning

Chairman:

Few clarifications about internship and iras eol.

Full form of irms and views on irms

Post covid global order broad points

How is globalisation related to less multilateralism

Functions of niti ayog

Niti ayog vs pc

How are federal disputes resolved

Can niti ayog help in that

Member 1

What is paralympics and when did it start

Difference between cricket and baseball (not related to daf) quickly three points

Indo pacific what is it? is it against china?

Member 2

Why psir over engineering?

A state that has declared food emergency? Couldnt answer

Unsc resolutions on taliban and their numbers

Member 3

India has how many ftas?

Challenges that we are not able to utilise ftas?

Is it right time to start negotiations on ftas?

Member 4

Ethical hacking? Steps taken?

Which institution in south asian region is dead? Why?

Is india stumbling block in most organisations?

Interview over.

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Sathiyavathy Mam Board, Date: 14th Sept Forenoon.

Profile: Manager in RBI, Optional: Anthropology

Graduation: Electrical Engineering, Hometown: Aurangabad, MH

Activities mentioned: Startups, Worked with NGO in tribal Health.

Chairperson asked me to remove the face shield and then read aloud my DAF.

Chairperson:

- 1. What have you been doing since graduation (2017)?
- 2. Why you choose Anthropology as your optional after graduating in Electrical?
- 3. Explain why you are so much interested in tribes?
- 4. What was your role in tribal health while working with NGO?
- 5. What are the major tribal health issues?

M1:

- 1. What is Start Up India initiative? What are the objectives?
- 2. Under which ministry is the Start Up India initiative?
- 3. Reforms in power sector ?

M2:

- 1. You come from Aurangabad and it has a very interesting history. It's famous for it's Ajantha and Ellora caves but I won't be asking you about it. Tell me about the Bibi ka Maqbara.
- 2. What is the climate of Marathwada region?
- 3. Topography of Marathwada?
- 4. You've been selected in RBI and there's a lot of debate about crypto currency. What is the status of crypto currency in India?
- 5. In which countries it is recognised as legal tender?

M3:

- 1. Major issues in Indian power sector?
- 2. How can we reduce the TnD losses?
- 3. Analyze the success of UDAY scheme?
- 4. You've worked with NGOs. How do NGOs fill in the gap left by the government in development?
- 5. What will be your role in RBI?
- 6. What can be done to improve the Financial Inclusion in the country and tackle the issue of dormant accounts?

M4:

- 1. Have we contacted all the tribes in India?
- 2. What is the strategic significance of Andaman and Nicobar islands?
- 3. Why AnN is not developed? What can be done for the development of AnN islands?
- 4. What is the government's approach for development of AnN?

Chairperson:

Your interview is over. You may leave.

Chairman RN Choubey

Date: 01/09/2021. FN. Graduation: BE ECE Optional: Tamil literature.

Work exp: SDM, Tamilnadu civil services.

- 1. Introduce yourself- your academic background and work experience.
- 2. Is your training over?
- 3. Do you like your job as RDO(Revenue Divisional Officer?
- 4. Subsidies distort prices in the market. Shall we do away with subsidies. Explain with example.

M1

- 1. Two important things you want to concentrate in your administration
- 2. Why population control? What impacted you?
- 3. Its impact on women?
- 4. Why people bear large number of children? Does education has any impact on this?
- 5. States with good population control receive less grants. Is that good?
- 6. States with high population have more representatives in the parliament. What is your opinion?
- 7. In your present district, which water bodies you want to rejuvenate? (Since I mentioned water bodies rejuvenation as the second thing)
- 8. How will you do this?
- 9. Are the schemes to rejuvenate water bodies are implemented?
- 10. what are the challenges municipal bodies are facing? Are there adequate human resources?

M2

- 1. Opinion on appointment of women as priest?
- 2. What is the state of caste violences in tamilnadu?
- 3. What is the state of corruption in tamilnadu? Can we minimize corruption?
- 4. What are india's soft powers?

M3

1. What is specific about the present delimitation process in J&K? What are the specific demands?

- 2. What do you know about the issue between Mizoram and Assam?
- 3. You are from salem district. Do you know the word salem occurs five times in Bible?

M4

- 1. What are the external threats coastal india is facing?
- 2. What steps have been taken to address fishermen issue? (Since I mentioned)
- 3. Other coastal security threats?
- 4. Disaster management you have planned? What Other departments are involved? (Since I mentioned disaster management)
- 5. Since you have studied ECE, what is the stage of IRNSS? Its limitations?

V J

S Nagraj Madam Board

Date: 14 Sept

Points: eco optional, eco honours, SRCC, Jaipur

Hobbies: ott tv shows, diary and journal writing no introduction

Chair:

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Anonymous

Haryana, BA, MA political science

Delhi University Daf tags - RIMC, cyber olympiad topper

PSIR Chairman(Mrs Sujata Mehta)

- Introduce yourself highlighting education background and work experience.
- Why did you leave RIMC?
- What is national security according to you?
- are students in universities protesting a national security issue?
- is the Uttrakhand deluge a national security issue?
- Corona virus a national security issue?
- Should dissent be allowed?

Members

- Haryana SDM case: what instructions would you give if you were in his place, was his action okay?

- What would you do if casualties arise during a lathicharge?
- forest right act impedes development, shouldn't it be amended to make it less strict?
- shouldn't development take priority over environment? What would states like UK earn if they care about environment?
- difference between Gandhi and karl Marx
- difference between china and indian growth story
- political executive more important or permanent executive?
- why legislative Council in West Bengal? 2 disadvantages of Leg council
- what did you learn at RIMC?
- what is trojan?
- why is cyber security important for india?
- what steps to improve cyber security?
- should we have a cyber offensive strategy?
- future possibility of space warfare
- aren't cyber attacks more dangerous than space warfare?
- strategic importance of Maldives for India?
- some achievement of ISRO

Contrary to what I was expecting after reading transcripts, the aura was very formal and members looked serious faced, at least under the masks. Interview started right away, no tempo building and no light moments during the interview.

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14/09/2021 afternoon session

IRAS. Haryana. BITS Pilani Goa Campus - Electrical and Electronics Engineering. Playing Football and Reading History and other Non - Fiction Books.

Sujata Mehta Ma'am board. Second to go.

Chairperson:

Introduce yourself with reference to your education and work experience.

What is the status of IRMS

What do you think about IRMS

Privatisation has been followed in other countries' railways systems with mixed results. Should India go for it?

What would be the benefits for consumers?

Is cost the sole concern of railway passengers or does quality of services matter? What approach should IR take?

M1

Why are the farmers protesting in Haryana? (No follow up)

What do you think about recent events in Afghanistan? (very broad question)

(a few more questions which i cant remember)

M2

Should India go for bullet train?

Why are we redeveloping railway stations to attract more traffic when traffic is already an issue?

<at this point the chairperson chided me for not knowing how to wear mask properly DESPITE being an ENGINEER!?!?!?!? This was the third time she had asked me to put on my mask properly which was sliding down my nose again and again>

I didnt lose my composure. Remained confident enough and apologised.

As an Electrical engineer, tell me if we should go for complete solarisation in electricity generation when we know that solar is cheaper than hydro.

Why does railway not follow commercial accounting?

Tell me about FIFA world cup 2018. (again a very broad question)

Tell me if you have ever attended the chaupal proceedings in Haryana.

What did you learn from chaupals?

M3

Private operators would take only the plum routes in railways. what is in it for railways to privatise?

(I said that we will get revenue sharing and haulage charges)

But you can get 100% revenue if you run. your own trains. why are you sharing?

Do you think that the private Operators will carry the social sector obligations which you mentioned earlier?

What did the railways do during COVID?

Anything related to farmers?

M4

Started with a long monologue on "Presumptive loss" and asked me if CAG should be going in this direction? //I said i had heard of the term but wasnt aware of the specifics.//

Asked me the same question again, and i said i didnt know.

Do you read newspaper?

So recently a judge from Allahabad HC said that cow is the only animal which both inhales and exhales Oxygen. Do you subscribe to this view?

But it is a judgement by the HC judge. How can we reject it? //I said we can file an appeal with the SC in case it is a judgement.//

So you feel that theres no option against the judiciary when they do wrong? Do you feel that there are different sets of rules for the executive and the judiciary?

How is Afghanistan's situation similar to that of Myanmar?

But everyone is talking only about Afghanistan and not Myanmar. Why is that the case?

Chairperson:

Would you like to be asked any questions from any other area?

//I said she could ask me about my hometown//

What is your hometown?

//Rohtak//

Does it fall in the Aravalli belt?

Ok then tell me something about Rohtak?

Why is there good infra in Rohtak?

Reflection:

Overall a great experience. Over half of the questions were from Railways.

Didnt know how to respond to one question. Some questions were impossibly broad to answer, one was somewhat unreasonable. Got chided by the chairperson who is very strict about masks. Felt lucky she didnt throw me out of the room, and went on to have a good interview in my estimation.

S.Nagaraj Ma'am board(3M +2F)

Sept 14, Forenoon, 2nd to go

Duration: 27 mins, DAF: Commerce and accountancy, Badminton, strength training, Delhi

Chairwoman: (no introduction, straight to business)

1. Why did you leave your job?(worked for very brief period so expected)

- 2. Tell me one very good thing and very bad thing in governance that the govt has done in the past 5-10 years?(couldn't come up with any bad thing so mentioned GST as work in progress and requiring serious improvements. Though was tempted to say demonetization but didn't have credible data to support my arguments. However, I somehow realised they wanted to hear demonetization)
- 3. Follow up questions on GST- did government implement without preparation or was it the right time since someone someday had to start?
- 4. What all items not covered under GST?
- 5. Why not covered?
- 6. Why there's so much noise and fuss when petrol price rise by even a rupee?

M1(male- was constantly looking down, very difficult to comprehend his accent, poor eye contact)

- 1. Demonetization- failure or success?
- 2. Asset monetization pipeline- what and why?
- 3. Principles of Sikhism?
- 4. Why Golden temple is called Harmandir sahib?

M2(M)

- 1. What are the precautions to take in strength training and what is the role of protein?
- 2. Vivaad se vishwas scheme- success or failure? (I said not aware about the data or what all the govt has achieved under it but it's a good concept towards bridging the trust deficit and increasing the tax compliance. However, sir kept on insisting to comment on success or failure and wasn't satisfied at the end)
- 3. Chartered Accountants, these days and in the past 2-3 years, have encourage their clients to manipulate their accounts and evade taxes. Is this correct? (I said yes but can't really comment for all. Also not aware of any surveys/reports conducted in this area. Talked about window dressing and other tax avoidance strategies they use but sir didn't look convince)

M3(M)

- 1. List 5 problems that Delhi faces today.
- 2. Problem of governance, Delhi Govt vs LG- Why arises and solutions.
- 3. Why pollution persisting for so long?
- 4. What will you do to deal with pollution?

M4(F)

- 1. Do you know that CBSE toppers are exempt from engineering examinations and get direct entry into colleges? (DAF related)
- 2. Does CBSE officially announce the toppers?

- 3. Role of auditing firms in recent scams and frauds?
- 4. Follow up questions on the conflict of interest auditors face and issues in their appointment.

Chair: Thank you

Overall experience: Cordial environment but felt that board members were disinterested and less engaging. Couldn't establish a connect and not even a single light moment was there, very formal and serious. Though they were wearing masks, all throughout the interview, they maintained this expression-less poker face which troubled me a bit. All in all a good learning experience. All the best everyone:)

Date: 15th September, Optional: Agriculture

Rajasthan ,Hobby: Traveling, teaching.,Board: Sujata Mehta

Chairwomen:

- 1. Briefly tell me about your education and work experience?
- 2. Why did you leave the job?
- 3. Are you a big gambler?
- 4. Have you experienced corruption in your interaction with govt departments?
- 5. How to reduce corruption in the system?
- 6. What good practices you can bring from your corporate job to govt job?

Member 1:

- 1. Why did you choose agriculture optional being a electrical engineer?
- 2. What are major crops grown in the Rajasthan?
- 3. What problem farmers are facing in rajasthan?
- 4. How Indira Gandhi canal has impacted agriculture in Rajasthan?
- 5. Why people bring soil from hanumangarh region to rest of Rajasthan?

Member 2:

- 1. Tell me about UNCBD?
- 2. What are the issues in Insolvency and Bankruptcy code?
- 3. How High oil prices affect consumers?

Member 3:

- 1. Should India allow its bases to be used by USA to do air strike on Afganistan?
- 2. Why commenwealth of nations is there? What is its importance?

Member 4:

- 1. How effective has been India strategy to counter terrorism?
- 2. If India allow USA to use its bases for strike on Afganistan, will not taliban create problems in Afganistan?

Chairwoman:

- 1. What are ethical issues with AI?
- 2. How to resolve them?
- 3. Best place you have visited? What were the facilities there?

07 September 2021

Kerala ,Chemical engineering background. Public administration optional Following cricket as hobby.

R N CHOUBEY sir board. 4th to go.Made me comfortable. Explained the process.

Where are you staying in Delhi? Did you get tested?

Tell me which is the highest post a civil servant can become?

Issues and changes needed in election process and solutions for the same.(Gave 3 points, further questions and discussion based on that.)

M1.

Started off by asking should women wear sarees like those in Kerala and north east do and celebrate festivals like Vishu and Bihu.

Cultural similarities between people of North East and Kerala and have you thought about reasons for the same.

What are UFO's? Where are they found?

What is Bermuda triangle?

Do you know about Rafale fighter, not the issue but the vehicle.

Difference between defence forces and paramilitary forces and give examples

Why Kerala is god's own country while north-east is

not?

M2

Since you studied in a KV, tell the differences and issues between private and public schools.

Based on the discussion asked me about the impact of covid and students migrating to public schools.

As the education secretary what are the measures that can be taken to improve quality in public schools.

Explain is what is meant by less government and more governance.

Tell me the difference between output and outcome based. (in the context of outcome budgeting of govt)

Why communism continue to thrive in Kerala even after setbacks in other parts of the country and the world?

M3

Difference between chemistry and chemical engineering.

Oldest chemical company in India?

What did they manufacture?

As the secretary to govt of India how will you address the issue of sewage treatment plants?

On cricket tell me about Gary Sobers and why the

present generation does not produce players of his stature?

Do you know about Jim laker? What record does he hold?

Is there anyone from India who has achieved the same?

M4

Questions based on MSMEs their contribution, issues and some specific solutions.

Importance of textile industry. And why Bangladesh has an advantage over India?

What measures can be taken to improve the sector.

Chairman

Is there anything that we've missed or you would like to tell us?

Board: M. Sathiyavathy Ma'am, Date: 13/09/2021, Afternoon, 1st one to go

Name: Deepak Gupta, from Agra(UP), Graduation: B. Tech(IT) from Assam University, Silchar

Optional: PSIR, Company: Huawei technology in Bangalore

Hobbies: Travelling to new place + Walking everyday

Ma'am asked me to remove the face shield & wear mask. Read the DAF

1. You are from Agra so why you went to Assam?

- 2. So after graduation, how you got selected in Huawei?
- 3. After resigning from Huawei, what are you doing now?
- 4. Asked about my previous year interview experience?
- 5. Tell me why lots of controversies going on against Huawei?
- 6. What govt of India is doing regarding it? Any recent guidelines issued by govt in this context?
- 7. Why Huawei is so famous? Whats its speciality?
- 8. Whats your opinion about Huawei's connection with Chinese govt?

Member-1

- 1. What is BRI? How its cause of concern for India?
- 2. What is debt trap diplomacy? Your opinion? Tell me few countries name as well?
- 3. What is OPEC? What it is doing? Is it cartel group?
- 4. Stone age ended after stone so what would be the future of world after end of oil? Your views
- 5. Whats challenges India is facing in solar energy?
- 6. Tell me technological implication if power is transferred from solar grid to national electric grid?

Member-2

- 1. Why you did NCC C certificates as its take lots of time & energy?
- 2. So why not thought to join the armed forces?
- 3. What is QUAD? What is it doing in various fields?
- 4. Tell me how IT can be used in village areas where internet presence is not much? & counter question

Member-3

- 1. When you shifted from hindi medium UP board to english medium?
- 2. What is the issue of Facebook with govt of India? Recent data privacy issues
- 3. Why regulation of these big tech companies is needed?
- 4. Are India lagging behind in the regulation of these companies?
- 5. These is so much issue of e-waste in IT sectors so is it having the potential to become disaster for India? Your opinion

Member-4

1. As you said, you are good in implementation so tell me why so many projects in india got delayed?

- 2. What steps you can suggest to streamline these projects completion?
- 3. Why recently Delhi airport was in bad news?
- 4. As DM of Agra, what steps you can take to improve tourism in Agra?
- 5. How multi-model transport connectivity require in Agra?
- 6. Whats are the place to visit in Agra, apart from Taj Mahal?

Ma'am: your interview is over. My best wishes to you.

Mostly questions are from DAF & current affairs. Overall good experience

Mukul Jain

8/9/2021; Bhonsle Sir Board, Background, Civil engineering, NIT hamirpur

Indian forest service (on extension), Past ex: Business analyst, Bangalore, E sports, Football, trekking

Chairman: "Mukul, relax for one min. The weather is not conducive so wipe your face there is some tissue besides you". I tried to wipe my face without taking off the mask then sir said "You have to take off the mask, Mukul. Ye drill hai and we want to see your face ".

Chairman:

Read my daf and then

- 1. What do you understand by 1+1 is greater than 2
- 2. In NEP there are three Cs critical thinking, _ , collaboration. What we are doing about collaboration. (I said about collaborating with foreign universities etc). Chairman said "no, no mukul, how we are inculcating collaboration?"

Member 1

1. Difference between nipah virus vs covid

Asked some more questions I can't remember. But during his questions chairman sir was not on his seat.

Member 2

- 1. Who won the last football world cup?
- 2. Which team did France defeat in final?
- 3. Where is the next world cup?
- 4. What is the contribution of bhaskaracharya, aryabhatt, brahmgupta in maths?
- 5. When was your college established?
- 5. How will you celebrate your college's 60 or 70 year anniversary?

- 6. What is golden Jubilee?
- 7. What is platinum jubilee?

Member 3:

- 1. Mathematics in civil administration?
- 2. What is the HDI of India?
- 3. How do thay calculate HDI?
- 4. What is Gender inequality index of india?
- 5. How do they calculate GII?
- 6. Tell me about paramilitary forces of India.
- 7. Army vs BSF in border protection?

Member 4 (lady member):

- 1. What were your doing after 2017?
- 2. What are your service preference now?
- 3. Tell me about MSP.
- 4. What is the effect of msp?
- 5. How msp has resulted in regional inequality?
- 6. Should we legalize msp as demanded by farmers?
- 7. How msp has led to less diversification of Crops?

(Cross questioning on every point of all these questions on msp)

Ch: your interview is over

Interview date 14-09-2021, Sathyavathy Mam Board, Daf - MA evs, IPS

Chairperson.

What is this gratitude journal

why did you join ips when unfit (clarified that it was a previous injury. all good now)

What reforms needed in police three short term and three long term

do we need sedition law?

member 1

u mentioned about FSLs. do need a centralised kind of authority

do we need a special research body for this

said EIA and smiled and asked- u know what it is ? then asked me authorities responsible (some sort of love for authorities \square)

asked me if neeri was one

You are ips haryana and u want to join IAS. tell me what different would you have done if you were an IAS.

member 3

cyber security what to do for ipr related crimes

why we are running after criminals in cyber security cases for so long and no results.

member 4

northeast and its development what's stopping us

follow up question- but why are we late.

why are crpf suffering causalities.

Follow up- he wanted to kNow whether its IPS at the top and they are responsible.

Member 5.

development and land acquisition.

rejected my answer and said-conspicuous consumption- now what to do.

Lastly, some of your batchmates told firing in air is nowhere prescribed in police manual. is it so ? (they've got good memories)

All good wishes

S

Date of interview: 10th September, 2021, Board: Bharat Bhushan Vyas sir

Background: B.E. in ECE, Optional Sociology

Chairperson:

- 1. What have you been doing after graduation?
- 2. About the BRICS summit (held on the previous day)
- 3. Counter terrorism strategy

- 4. Women led development. What do you mean by it?
- 5. What are the policies of the government for "Divyang"? What can be done? Any thing that you would suggest?

M2:

- 1. School of Kathak you have trained under? Some follow up questions on that. (DAF based)
- 2. 5 famous kathak dancers
- 3. What can be done to improve the reach of traditional art forms at international levels.
- 4. What approach is govt adopting to address women issues? What more can be done?
- 5. Any indigenous control system (couldn't understand the context).
- 6. What control system does ABC company (I had interned in that company) use?

M3

- 1. Difference between terrorism, insurgency and proxy war
- 2. Heritage vs development debate
- 3. Migrant crisis: sociological analysis

M4

- 1. Effect of Ford leaving India
- 2. Ping pong diplomacy
- 3. Social mindfulness index. Where does India stand. Which country has topped the index? Some follow up questions.
- 4. Teen Bhaga corridor in Bangladesh

M5

- 1. NE insurgency: govt policy and plan?
- 2. Karbi Aglong peace deal
- 3. How much package (asked the amount)
- 4. Portal launched for unorganised sector. Which ministry. What does it aim to achieve?
- 5. Drone policy

Chairperson: Thank you. Your interview is over.

(There were a few more questions. Unable to recall all. Overall, not many questions from the DAF. Questions were quite diverse)

K W

Smita nagraj mam (4th to go, 35 minutes approx)

Chair person

- 1. What r u doing these days?
- 2. Agriculture which crops do u grow and then many questions on impact of recent rainfall on crops , crop insurance scheme and its effectiveness ?
- 3. Bt cotton issues and bt brinjal was grown how come?
- 4. Regulation regarding genetic crops?

M-1

1. Situation based question -

DM of home town, which industry will u set up in (block of my home district), what will be its market and what will you use to market it?

- 2. SP of distt what will u do to prevent crimes ? (Gave long speech on crimes rates in my home town)
- 3. Why (block of my home town) has sent so many people in armed forces? Said that he wants answer in just 2 lines

M-2 (old, speaks very slow and took long pauses in between words, mam was tapping pencil again and again)

- 1. How to use mechanical engg knowledge in addressing the problem of mechanical equipment not working well in border areas of extreme Weather conditions like leh?
- 2. Use of geo in solving border issues between states?
- 3. Problem of labour in tea gardens of Assam, how to solve them .?

I am not able to recall 2 more questions asked by him

M-3 (lady member)

- 1. Tell the steps right from beginning required to set up an industry (I answered food processing industry in block of my home town)
- 2. Some clues she gave. Like do u know the technicalities of oil processing and machines required? Financing?

M-4 only one question

Discussion on Urban planning of Gurgaon...is it very bad or good or very good?

Mam - what will you do to stop the frauds being done in getting reservation benefits through fake income certificate? Business, farm incomes are not assessed well?

It was totally DAF based, mostly situation and opinion based questions. Notning from cureent issues.

Thank you by chairperson.

Name- MKD Date- 15 September, Board- BB Vyas Sir, Optional- Law

Chairman-

What are economic offences?

Tell me about Fugitive economic offenders?

Tell me about repeal of obsolete laws?

Tell some laws in last few years, which were transformative in your opinion?

Fiscal situation of India?

Member-1

Tel me about 2+2 dialogue between India and Australia?

What relevance india-Australia relationship has?

What problems are there between China and Australia?

Some say Indian democracy is a flawed democracy? What do you think?

Give some suggestions for improvement in democracy

Member-2

What is collegium?

What is moral policing?

What do you mean by technology is an enabler, cannot be the replacement of humans?

Member-3

Kannon andha hota h and kannon ke haath lambe hote h?- tell me meaning of these

Justice delayed is justice denied? Do you agree

Tell me about CAG? do you think CAG is functioning satisfactorily?

Member-4

What is National Judicial data grid?

What reform do you suggest in criminal justice system?

Thank you...you may leave now...All the best

Not able to recall all the questions. Will update if remember anything latter.

Thank you all those who shared and All the best to remaining candidates.

K

Board: Shri R N Chaubey ,Date: 09/09/2021

Background: B.E. IT, 2 years workex in IT, currently in state government job(<1 year)

Home state: Uttar Pradesh, Optional: Sociology

CHAIRMAN: begins with his usual pleasantries "We are friendly people. We are not here to interrogate you. At any point of time if you are unable to answer its perfectly fine. You can ask for clarification in case of any doubts or if we are not audible enough."

- 1. Where are you staying? How is the stay? Daily tariff? what did you have for breakfast? [trying to ease the nerves and make me comfortable before the upcoming randomness]
- 2. Tell us briefly about your academic and professional background.
- 3. GST: if I order a product from Amazon US website will I be paying GST?
- 4. How was the trading community's reaction to the introduction of GST in its original form? Specifically mentioned I am asking not about today's time but when it was launched.
- 5. Long question explaining the research of some think tank on taxation proposing banking transaction tax of 2% and removing all other taxes likes gst, IT etc. What's your view on this proposal? Will this work if implemented?
- 6. What is the purpose of taxation apart from raising revenue for govt?

M1 [mostly random factual questions]

- 1. Composition of LPG, PNG, CNG and specifically asked me not to guess. Asked to Just say NO if you don't have an exact idea.
- 2. Difference between Bankers cheque and DD.
- 3. What is Switzerland famous for? [Said don't give me the obvious mountain and tourism answer]
- 4. What is the number of elements used in manufacturing a mobile phone? asked me to make an estimated guess say <25, <50 etc. [daf related]
- 5. Which is the most widely used element in mobile manufacturing? Which is the costly element?
- 6. Why is Silicon Valley called so? Is it a valley in a geographical sense? Is silicon found there in abundance?

M2

- 1. tariff and non tariff barriers- what are they, which is more harmful for trade
- 2. cooperatives: define, importance, new ministry, difference b/w cooperative and company decision making, why a separate central ministry [discussion went on for 2-3 minutes]

M3

- 1. school dropouts- how to reduce it and ensure students go to school instead of roaming on streets
- 2. Geneva convention
- 3. FCRA
- 4. NGOs- why needed? Why not ban them and govt do all the task?

M4

- 1. School education impacted during pandemic- what can be done
- 2. reopening schools during covid- favor or against [counter to my previous answer]
- 3. Allahabad High court in news due to recent observation. What was it? And why controversy?

Chairman: We have asked what we wanted to ask. Now your interview is over. If you want to tell or say something you are free to do so. Else thank you and All the best!!!

No direct questions related to hobbies, home state, engineering background, optional, previous/current job. Overall a mixed experience.

Best of luck!!!

KRG,

Date: 13th September, 2021 (Afternoon Session), Time: 4:45-5:15 pm

Board: M. Sathiyavathy madam

DAF Keywords- (Electrical engineering, sociology optional , Maharashtra(Satara District), 'PAANI FOUNDATION's Programme participation, Kabaddi , Volleyball)

Chairmen: (Mam Read the DAF loudly.)

- 1) What are you doing since 2018? Did you participate in any fellowship or internship programme?
- 2) What is 'PAANI FOUNDATION'? How many days you contributed there?
- 3) What are the changes that you see after completion of these water conservation structures?

Member 1:

1) Why china always put it's claim over Arunachal Pradesh? What are the ground level issues related to that?

- 2) Do you know Aksai-chin region? When did china get it?
- 3) What are the changes in J&K after abrogation of Art-370?
- 4) Many youngsters from your district join Army, So why didn't you thought of joining it?

Member 2:

- 1) So you did Electrical Engineering, What is Bio-electricity, Green-electricity?
- 2) What is the name of kabaddi player from Haryana which has got highest bid in recent Pro-Kabaddi League?
- 3) What are the reasons behind Industrial Development around Pune region?
- 4) Which FPO in Maharashtra is famous for Grapes production and export?

Member 3:

- 1) As your District Satara comes under Sugercane Belt of Maharashtra, What is the Status of it's production now?
- 2) What are the reasons behind recent Flood and Landslide incidences in Satara?
- 3) What are the regional variations of rainfall in Satara?
- 4) What is impact of 'PMFBY-2.0'? Claims settled by Insurance Company in proper way or not?

Member 4:

- 1) What are the changes made by Co-operatives in your area?
- 2) If you are appointed as a head of Co-operatives, would you like to replicate this model all over India?
- 3) Are NGOs good in developmental works? What about financial irregularities found by Govt. in some NGOs?
- 4) Why so much Farmer Suicides in Maharashtra only? Tell me specific Economic reasons behind that.

Chairmen: Your interview is over. You can leave now.

SJ

Date: 15/9/2021 A.N.Board: Sujatha Mehta Maam

DAF: Puducherry, B.Tech ECE, Badminton Nationals, Dairy writing Optional: Geography

Asked to wear double Masks without face shield.

Chairperson:

Asked me to verify the passport size photo which I gave

- Q1. Tell me about educational & work experience, if any
- Q2. Is doping is good in sports. Why less in India than western countries.
- Q3. Is commercialization of cricket affecting the true spirit of the game
- Q4. Should SC intervene it

Member 1(M):

- Q1. Landslides in HP & Utk. Development vs Ecosystem
- Q2. Methods to control inflation
- Q3. Simultaneous Elections possible

Member 2(F):

- Q1. Geography behind Ram Setu bridge or a religious one
- Q2. Water wars regarding China. Can we solve with China

Member 3(M):

- Q1. Should political parties say the CM candidate before contesting.
- Q2. If so, then the political parties will oppose.
- Q3. Long question on One health. Is India doing any steps towards it
- Q4. Is there any policy with respect to it regarding start cattle

Member 4(M):

Q1. Impact on Climate change in PY

CP:

- Q1. What do you write in diary
- Q2. You want to say us anything

Thank you

All the best for everyone

NT

Sujata Mehta ma'am board

14/09/21

Last to go in the afternoon session

DAF- Pune, Civil Engineering, Learning Indian Language Scripts etc.

Almost nothing asked on the DAF

CP (Chairperson)

1. Tell us about yourself wrt education and employment, if any.

(Here I mentioned about an internship with a Member of Parliament I had done recently)

2. Was is from PRS?

(No. It was from a programme called Politics for Impact- PFI)

- 3. What is PFI?
- 4. What was your role?
- 5. What were the difficulties you faced during the internship?
- 6. What was the highlight moment for you during the internship?
- 7. You have done civil engineering, what is your opinion on interlinking of rivers?
- 8. What kind of environmental assessment?

M1 (lady)

1. What is your opinion on education criteria for Members of Parliament?

A very long discussion on it. Lastly i said I'll read more about it. Cannot remember what else she asked.

M2 (very serious expressions)

- 1. You talked about private members bill earlier. Why are they not highlighted by media so much?
- 2. Do you think private members bill serve any purpose?
- 3. Do you know about surrogacy bill?
- 4. How exploitation happens in commercial surrogacy?
- 5. What about organ transplant and exploitation?

M3

1. What is PMAY(U)?

2. Don't you think it has failed in slum rehabilitation?

Cannot remember his further questions

M4 (he looked more nervous than me)

- 1. What is PM KISAN?
- 2. Some broad question on judges impeachment process and issues?
- 3. What is collegium system? Is it good?
- 4. Tell me something about India-Bangladesh relations?
- 5. What should UN's role be in the present situation in Afghanistan?
- 6. That's it? Anything more? (Maybe he wanted to hint at UNPKF)

Chairperson

1. Anything else you want to talk about?

(As my DAF was completely untouched, I talked about my hobby of learning indian language scripts)

- 2. Okay tell us about this hobby.
- 3. Where do you learn them from? Is it majorly from the internet?

Thankyou. Your interview is over.

Overall a cordial experience. Chairperson was nodding affirmatively after some of my responses, which was quite encouraging.

Anonymous

Manoj Soni Sir, Tamil Nadu, NSS, coin collection, B.E. CSE, 2015 passed out. No work exp

Chairman:

Asked me to remove mask for verification. Then said Face shield is optional while mask is compulsory.

When did you reach Delhi? Via flight?

Why early? Are you coming to Delhi for first time? Did you visit any place in Delhi?

What places are you planning to visit

Status of Air India privatisation

Why it failed earlier

Is it okay for govt to completely exit from civil aviation

What other PSUs in india facing huge debt and govt planning to exit

Member 1:

What is interesting in coin collection

Did you buy and sell via online

Did you attend any Campus placement during your college days

Did you try any part time job like teaching

M2:

What is natural language processing

Applications of it. Other areas of usage

M3:

What are health related problems TN youth face

Why youth kill themselves for politicians and recent incidents of neet candidates

So TN people are emotional in nature?

What would you do in NSS to address youth health problems

M4:

What is the meaning of your name

Why govt release commemorative coins

What did you learn from this hobby

What are all the Impacts of COVID 2nd wave on community different from 1st wave

One problem in your village you would want to address

Does roads available

Which newspaper do you read

How logo of Hindu paper looks like

M1 interrupted and asked one quick question. Do you know what Hindu published in its front page on 31, Jan 1948 after death of Mahatma Gandhi. (He told the answer and then everyone was discussing about it) (my DOB is 31 Jan)

Chairman again:

" I will ask one very personal question, you may answer or skip it. Your wish"

How you were able to manage expenses for past 6 years

Exams are uncertain in nature. Do you have any second plan

If there is a proposal to provide monthly stipend for candidates who are preparing for govt exam to manage expenses would you support that?

Thank you. We wish you all the best.

Overall: Board was cordial. Members expecting specific answers. If I say don't know they moved on to next questions. Mostly based on DAF.

No questions from Optional or international relations

Time: 25 - 30 mins

K S

16/9/21, Morning (5th to go), Board: Sujata Mehta Ma'am, DAF: IPTAFS, PSIR

Chairperson:

- 1. Introduce yourself
- 2. Relevance of India post
- 3. Which all departments of GoI should never be privatised (I said defence operations and police)
- 4. But there are Pvt security guards
- 5. What if a company provides guard to secure India's high altitude areas, should we accept?

M1:

- 1. Recent changes in Telecom
- 2. Afghanistan and way forward for India

(Can't recall more)

M2:

- 1. Environment hazard of lithium ion battery.
- 2. How to improve solar energy scenario in India
- 3. Growth trajectory of Bangladesh and Sri Lanka
- 4. Emergency in Sri Lanka
- 5. Suicide in engineering colleges.

M3:

1. Democracy and its origin

- 2. What kind of government should be there in Afghanistan
- 3. Judicial overreach
- 4. Significance of PIL.

M4:

- 1. Hypothetical scenario of China as a global superpower
- 2. QUAD and follow ups.
- 3. How to counter chinA

Chairperson:

1. Health situation in Bihar, why bad, what can be done and why these steps have not been followed yet.

Good you can go now. M3 didn't go that well. Rest was good

VP

Board: Satyavathi ma'am. All others were male members 16/09/2021

Morning session, 3rd to go Background: Kerala, B.tech mechanical, project on 3D printing, worked in electronics industry(<1 year), football hobby

CW:

- 1. What are you expecting from today's interview?
- 2. What were you doing till date?
- 3. What were you doing in content development?
- 4. Socio economic impact of gulf returnees on Kerala?
- 5. Why people are going abroad despite kerala paying high salaries?
- 6. Why industries less in Kerala?
- 7. Is trade union still strong there?
- 8. What can be done for promoting industries?

M1:

- 1. Why tourism lagging in Kerala?
- 2. Some questions on 3D printing and project?
- 3. How can Mechanical engineering help Paralympic athletes?

4. Should we promote metal printing or stick with plastic printing?

M2:

Where is Major League Soccer? Name some teams playing there?

What is daylight saving? Why and where is it implemented?

Which sectors the young males in Kerala are now employing?

NRI entrepreneurs from kerala?

M3:

Kerala has Rubber, is india self sufficient?

Why india still importing?

Strength of 3d printed parts vs conventional ones?

How strength of materials is tested?

How metal printing is done?

Recently discovered ocean?

Historically Afghan was a security concern for india. Elaborated on that.

M4:

How a globe is projected on a map?

Which nation is close to Kerala?

Isn't it Maldives?

Is Maldives a security concern for india?

Muziris, its features?

Exclusively DAF based questions. Cordial board. No grilling. Very few counter questions.

Good luck everyone!

K

Date of personality test - 14.09.2021

Sujata Mehta Board

Background- Economics Honors, PGDM, work-ex in bank, IRS-IT, management optional.

Introduce yourself

- Icici bank scam - what was it about

- During 2008 financial sector crisis they said this sector adds least value, what do you think about it. What are the problems with financial sector (back & forth on this)
- What is the Importance of 2026 as a year for indian polity
- Management as a profession has undergone significant change in last 20 years financial management has become more important, marketing less important. What do you think.
- There are Various covid management models. Discuss any 2. (Mumbai versus bhilwara model)
- Ease of doing business why are we not doing well? Cross questions on it.
- China's presence in Afghanistan: is it normal, what are the issues there
- What are the possible positives you see from merger of banks
- Demonetisation- what good did it do
- E-filing 2.0 what was the need for it
- Long question on Lateral entry and do You support it
- how to use management education in civil services
- World bodies are giving aid to Afghanistan Taliban might misuse it why are we giving. Should we not give. A lot of cross questioning on this.
- appointments to judiciary are mostly from the bench but officials from judicial services are not appointed what needs to be done
- Aijs and its possible impact on cooperative federalism
- Health etc. Are on state list but centre also has schemes and ministry for it why
- Do Contempt of court provisions violate freedom of expression and should they be there
- IT department is the highest litigant, what is your view on it.

All the best to remaining candidates for Personality test and to everyone for results.

S

16.09.21, Smita Nagaraj Mam Board, Forenoon - 3rd to go, Around 30 minutes

Background - Computer Science, work experience in ECGC, Hobbies - Football, Places mentioned - Bihar, UP, Mizoram, Optional - PSIR

Chairman

- 1. Are you still working?
- 2. What do you feel Civil Services would offer which your earlier job didn't?

- 3. Issues in earlier job? (I probably criticized more than I should have)
- 4. Follow up to above then why others are continuing in this job?
- 5. Tell me one section of society which have benefited the most in Independent India.

And also tell one geographical region which has not benefitted. (Discussion on this and the parameters I tried to compare on)

M1:

- 1. Discussion about comparison between Bihar and UP and then individual cities there (Muzaffarpur vs Noida- why one became an industrial hub and other couldn't)
- 2. How will you improve sanitation in places like Muzaffarpur and other areas nearby if made the DM.
- 3. Tell about Vector borne diseases, issue in UP with recent outbreak. Why this keeps happening every other year?

Member 2:

- 1. Explain about Migration as if you have to write a short essay.
- 2. Who benefits from this migration? What are the benefits?
- 3. Why so much anti migrant feeling in Western countries?
- 4. If goods can have free movement, then why shouldn't we allow people to have free movement?

Member 3:

- 1. Again went back to my job experience. What main contribution were you able to make? Did you take any initiative?
- 2. NPA issue, why such a crisis.
- 3. Suppose you are Finance Secretary, tell any 3 concrete and binding steps you will take to address this issue, which have not been taken till now
- 4. Do you think we should impose strict penalties on those bankers who are delaying IBC processes?

Member 4:

- 1. What should India do to have a better economic relationship with China?
- 2. Pakistan is having some Indians in their prisons and custody. How can India apply political pressure to get such prisoners released.
- 3. Messi vs Ronaldo

Overall board was cordial and gave time to speak.

A

Board - Bharat Bhushan Vyas sir, Date - 07 September afternoon session.

Engineering, MBA, Work exp,Optional - PSIR,Hobby - Cricket

Chairperson:

So, you've studied energy. Then read economics. And now PSIR. So you've not left anything. Let's start with energy then.

- Q1. Tell us about the energy basket of india.
- Q2. So, how does the energy outlook look for India.

Mentioned something about NDCs.

- Q3. What is common but differentiated responsibility?
- Q4. We only talk about Paris COP and we don't talk about Madrid COP 26. What happened there??
- Q5. Upon mentioning some issues. Something good must have happened no. Tell us that.
- Q6. Suppose you're representing India globally, take a subject of your choosing (offered me 3 options). Why are 5 things you'd talk about?

Long answer. Cut in between.

- Q7. Some questions on taliban. Can't recall.
- Q8. Do you know about earth offshoot day?
- Q9. When do we celebrate earth offshoot day?
- Q10. What is the objective of earth overshoot day?

Passes to Person 2.

Q1. You talked bout Doha process (in previous questions on taliban). What are other parallel negotiations for Afghanistan solution??

Mentioned of Istanbul and Moscow formats.

Q2. Tell us about Moscow format. Why was it an issue with India?

My answer being not up to his expectations, explained the issue.

- Q4. Tell us about Teri. What is the controversy surrounding it?
- Q3. Let's move to cricket. You watched the last test match(4th England test). Who was man of the match?
- Q4. There was a controversy on the Man of the match for any other player. Who was the other player?
- Q5. Do you think shardul deserved Man of the match?

Q6. Okkay. Why is Ashwin not playing the tests?

Some questions on IR. Can't recall.

Passes on to P3.

- Q1. What is Quad?
- Q2. Upon mention of Malabar exercise, asked when did it start?
- Q3. Okkay. What service do you wish to join?
- Q4. Mention of IAS. Background in bihar. So, asks of 3 steps, as a DM, that you'd recommend to address the concern of annual floods.
- Q5. What is Mercosur?
- Q6. Do Mercosur countries have any FTAs amongst themselves?
- Q7. Talked of Venezuela being suspended from Quad. What's the capital of Venezuela?

Passes on to P4:

- Q1. Let's talk about international relations. What is the issue in Western Pacific ocean?
- Q2. How does the issue in western Pacific concern India?
- Q3. What is Doha Process?
- Q4. What is the number of the Unsc resolution on Afghanistan passed recently?
- Q5. Tell us 2 salient points of the resolution.

Can't remember any more questions.

Moves on to P5:

- Q1. You've work exp in Auto Industry. Whatare the concerns in the industry presently?
- Q2. Talked of semiconductor shortage in previous answer. Followed up with asking the reasons of the shortage?
- Q3. Let's say the semiconductor shortage issue is resolved. What other issues concern the auto industry?

The answer to this only he was expecting in the 1st question.

- Q4. You talked about Doha process. What other global issue is related to doha? Can you name the organisation? The negotiations have been a big failure.
- Q5. Why have doha negotiations failed?

Can only recall this much. 15-20% questions beyond recall.

Overall the chairperson was very cooperative with a constant smile and a nod. Absolutely DAF based interview. No meandering.

Η

16/09/2021 Afternoon (last one to go), Board: Dr. Manoj Soni sir, DAF: 2Y work exp, worked in technical and cultural fests in clg, Ethical hacking, reporter in NP, Thane, Maharashtra

Optional: Anthro (no Q asked)

Chairman

1. Tell us some good news. (Said 4 days back selected as RBI grade B officer)

Congratulated me.

- 2. Tell us more good news (Nothing came to mind so talked abt MH govt obc ordinance)
- 3. What was good, SC order or the ordinance?
- 4. U studied in U of Mumbai. When was it established?
- 5. We had universities from pre British times, then why we have IITs, IIMs? Why we need exclusive, separate institutes?
- 6. Aren't universities performing good?

Member 1 (male)

- 1. What was vjti previously called? Why?
- 2. Why didn't they name Victoria golden jubilee technical institute then?
- 3. What is pratibimb in DAF?
- 4 Why do we have technical festivals separately in clgs? Don't culture include technology?
- 5. Technical includes robots only?
- 6. You said festivals provide opportunity to demonstrate knowledge other than curriculum, so why don't we include these competitions in curriculum itself?
- 7. Isn't curriculum enough?
- 8. Why do you want competition where students from different clgs complete?

Member 2 (female)

- 1. Why is your hacking ethical? (Ethical hacking in daf)
- 2. Will you allow someone to hack your system for your own good without your notice?
- 3. How do you ensure privacy in hacking?
- 4. 5 ways you can fight drought in MH?

- 5. How can we ensure that farmers cultivate non water guzzling crops?
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Member 3 (Male)

- 1. You r an engineer, tell 1 technical and 1 procedural method to prevent floods in Mumbai as Mumbai handled covid well?
- 2. Dvpt projects causing or reducing floods?
- 3. Traffic congestion in Mumbai 2 decades of expansion from South Bombay to other parts reduced or increased traffic?
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- 5. Apart from pleasant climate?
- 6. You were working in premier org Wipro then why left it?
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Member 4 (female)

- 1. Related to floods in Mumbai, it is also booz of High tides. What can we do?
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- 9. What is Safal yojana?

Chairman

- 1. You talked abt yellow journalism. Why is it called yellow?
- 2. Any other colours of journalism?

It was nice talking to you. All the best for your future.

SS

Board: Shri R N Chaubey

Date: 08/09/2021 Morning session

Last to go

Background: B.Tech (ECE)

Home state: Telangana

Optional: Sociology

Only few questions from DAF and no questions on hobbies and home state etc..

Chairman:

explained about the interview process - " we are not here to interogate you and it's just a discussion. You can ask for clarification at point of time etc"

- 1.Introduce yourself with your educational background and work experience.
- 2. Have you heard of the names LAC, LoC and IB and explain them.
- 3. Some follow up questions on IB.
- 4. Situation: If you are PM and some foreign officials are coming to visit and they suggested a solution for the Kashmir issue that if you give Kashmir there will be peace in the entire region. What will you do?

He tried to convince that if we give Kashmir valley then there will be peace in our country as well as neighborhood. (Discussion on this for some time)

Member 1: Lady Member

1. Continuing with the discussion do you think we need to get pok and aksai chin? What to do?

Do we need to use the force and occupy them outrightly?

- 2. Have you heard about CPEC? What is it?
- 3. Recently Taliban have shown interest to be a part of CPEC? What will be the implications upon india?
- 4. What do you think about reservation of women in legislative assemblies?
- 5. What do we need to empower women? What is the one most important thing?

Member 2: (Load of factual questions)

- 1. Name two famous quiz masters? then follow-up question.
- 2. What Derek O'Brien is doing?

- 3. What do you know about MS Subbulakshmi and mentioned some other name which I'm not aware of.
- 4. What are the dance forms in india?
- 6. What is the difference between UK, Britain and England?
- 7. Name two countries whose currency is not euro in EU?
- 8. What is the currency of England? Pakistan?

Member 3:

- 1. You are a student of sociology and you must be aware of some statistics?
- 2. What are the methods to calculate average? (I said Mean)

He asked about other ways to calculate it (He was expecting median and mode)

- 3. If there is a sample and only Mean is given. Can you find out all the unknown values in that set?
- 4. Consider there is a swimming pool with the depth of 4ft and a girl of height 5.5 is walking in it? Can she drown in the water?

Member 4:

- 1. You have studied ECE? Tell me what is electromagnetic interference?
- 2. What is electromagnetic pulse?
- 3. President is the head of all the three armed forces? Then what is the role of defence minister?
- 4. Have you heard about smog tower?
- 5. How it functions?

Chairman said if you want to ask us anything or say anything?

I said I want to give answer to one of the questions, which one of the members asked before.

He allowed me to answer it.

Then chairman said your interview is over. All the very best \Box

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AMS

Background - Biotechnology, SS, CapfAC, poetry mimicry, Pune, JNV, Cricket U-19 state, MHA medal.

Board-BB Vyas(14/10)(27-32 minutes)

Chairman welcomes me.

'Good morning, you worked in secret services, so we won't ask you abou this. It will be unethical on our part.

Why your name has P instead of F?

- 1.where are u posted.
- 2. tell me something about Techint.
- 3. I want to know, between Humint and Techint, what will you prefer.

- 4.U aware that Saudi delegation is coming in near future.....why?
- 5. Why saudi is afraid of Taliban,? Imagine the map and tell about the local threats.

Member 1(lady)

- 1. there are training modules to officers.. have you undergone any training?
- 2. why do we need training
- 3. how it helps the employee
- 4. You do mimicry? (stage performer, so natural smile)
- 5. what type of mimicry? (Marlon brando, Nana Patekar, voice over to animal characters)
- 6. Home performer? (said, performed on stage, in friends' marriages)
- 7. You got any appreciation?

member 2.

- 1. you changed your 2 name. why didn't change middle name??
- 2. you aware of FATF?
- 3.WHAT is it? who created?
- 4.tell about lists
- 5. Pakistan? which list?
- 6. what should it do to get out of it?
- 7. Name of UN designated terrorists?
- 8.Heard of SCO?? what is it?
- 9.why called Shanghai when it is central asian?
- 10.which countries?(Named all except Uzbek)
- 11.Ehich one not joined(Turkmenistan)
- 12. Do you know why??
- 13 . will Russia come with India on afghan??

member 3(lady)

- 1. do u know Lavanya? (never heard of it)
- 2. Folk art of maharashtra (she wanred to Say Lavani and Tamasha, i had to correct her.
- 3. You know Vijay Tendulkar?

- 4. His contribution in marathi?
- 5. Any book??(Ghashiram Kotwal Play,)
- 6. what needs to be done to in improve labour force participation, especially unskilled?(Gender parity, skill upgradation and certification, preparing for upcoming supply chain shift)

member 4.

- 1. You played semi-finals at U-19 cricket?
- 2. why cricket is so famous, not other sports?
- 3.kabaddi khokho.... don't nred much investment, still backward?
- 4 . don't you think, we should support other games, athletes? (already SAI, MoSports working hard.... example of paralympics, role of PSU in nurturing talent)
- 5. why water stress in Maharashtra?
- 6.why sugarcane crop so famous in MH?
- 7.know about Water harvesting?
- 8. water conservation?
- 9. Tell me about LBW(cricket).
- 10. how it works?
- 11. where ball should hit?
- 12. criteria for LBW(told two, chairman hinted third, line impact)

chairman-

thank you

We wish you all the best.

Me- have a nice day to all...

17th September 2021

Background: Commerce graduate, Optional: Commerce and Accountancy BB Vyas Sir Board:

Chairman:

- 1) Tell me about your work experience. What did it involve?
- 2) You are a Commerce Student. Tell me why should we disincentivise cash transactions and promote digital transactions?
- 3) Tell me why do we need to regulate the digital payments and transactions system?

4) What is it that we can do to better the business climate in the country?

After I made certain points regarding taxation, land administration and bankruptcy code, he asked me for something different. I mentions to him about the need to promote apprenticeship

M1:

- 1) How has Vedam recitation helped you in life?
- 2) IPCC report: Is it a matter of concern for you? If so, at the personal level, what is it that you can do?
- 3) As you have done fellowship in education sector, tell me how was the experience? Do students still remember you?
- 4) Finally, define success to me.

M2:

- 1) Vedam is in Sanskrit. Tell me something about Sanskrit as a classical language?
- 2) Why is it that Sanskrit is not being popularly used?
- 3) Do you know any place where Sanskrit is the mother tongue or method of conversation on daily basis?
- 4) As you love traveling, tell me isn't tourism destroying the environment? What needs to be done?
- 5) Why are coral reefs called the rainforest of the ocean?
- 6) What is the color of coral reef?
- 7) Do you know the regions in India where we are planning to conserve corals?

M4:

1) There's a summit happening today? (SCO)

What is its relevance to India?

- 2) You spoke of Afghan peace. Isn't India completely isolated? And SCO being dominated by Russia and China who maintain good relations with Taliban, isn't other platforms like United Nations more effective?
- 3) Compared to China's BRI that dominates Central Asia, how do you think India's interests can be preserved and sustained?

Thank you. You may leave.

Observations:

- 1) Only 4 members in the board today. Quite surprising
- 2) More of a conversation, less of interrogation 3) Vyas Sir was very charming all throughout.

Date: 16.09.2021

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Chairperson

- 1. What's Sansad TV and why the need?
- 2. Apart from resources rationality, what else does this signify?
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- 4. Street Vendors schemes and related discussion
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- *Member 1*
- 1. Your state is organising Defence Expo why? What's the use?
- 2. EoDB related discussion
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- 1. PM Fasal Bima Yojana and related discussion
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- 7. My work profile and related discussion
- *Member 4*
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- 4. What is a good public policy?
- 5. Name three schemes which you feel are good public policy in your opinion
- 6. Difference between central/state/deemed to be universities
- 7. Why IITs created through different Act?
- *Back to Chairperson*
- 1. Different missile systems in India
- 2. Export of missiles to other countries and related discussion
- 3. Yudh Abhyas Exercise and related discussion
- 4. Amrut Kaal and its significance
- 5. Indian official calendar
- 6. Differences in Saka Era and Vikram Samwat

Thank you, your interview is over!,(around 35 mins)

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Thank you, your interview is over!

(around 35 mins)

Ap

Board- Air Marshal Bhonsle, DAF- Chandigarh, electrical engineering, oracle, basketball

Chairman briefed about the process, read out DAF aloud.

Chairman-

- 1. Now that inheritance rights are given to women, why dowry still continues and how can we address this problem
- 2. Gave a statement- 'women neither have autonomy nor agency......' What is the meaning of autonomy and agency here

M1-

- 1. Chandigarh has high literacy rate and high female literacy rate, still sex ratio is 880 which is worse than Haryana. Why
- 2. How will your training as engineer help in civil services
- 3. Should J&K be given statehood

M2-

1. Name 4 basketball players from India in NBA

- 2. Where are HQ of Oracle, Microsoft, Google
- 3. There was a trickery done in Mahabharata battlefield. What was it
- 4. What is common between Manushi Chillar and Rieta Faria

M3-

- 1 .How many colleges and universities are there in India
- 2. What is gross enrolment ratio in higher education
- 3. How can this be improved
- 4. Which all states have pin code starting with '1'. Name 2 states with pin code starting with '2'

F1-

- 1. What is legacy of Sardar Patel
- 2. What is Article 356. When is president's rule imposed. Where all was it imposed

Ηр

Date: 15 Sep 21, Afternoon 3rd Last to go, Board: Shri Manoj Soni

Background: Civil Engg, Work ex- Fintech,optional: Sociology

CM:

- Your designation was very interesting, can you explain it to us?
- Which are the genres you follow in documentaries?
- Name the last one you watched?
- If you want to start a company then what domain will you choose and why?

M1:

- Where have we been successful in watershed management?
- What is watershed management?
- Have you been to Kerala?
- What can we learn from Singapore in the areas like tourism?

M2:

- How to start a business in this country?
- If you want to involve the government in your startup, how will you do that?
- Tell me what are the 2 key things needed to start a business in 1 min. Just 2 things.

M3:

- You lived in Bangalore, tell me what you expected and what the reality was?
- How Bangalore tries to solve its problems? How this approach differs?
- Do you think that just good weather isn't enough, Bangalore will lose out to its competitors if it doesn't improve?

He shared his own experience about Bangalore

M4:

- What do you know about crows?
- What do you know about their social behaviour?
- What are the key problems in the industrial ecosystem?

CM: All the best for your future, thank you.

M

Manoj Soni Sir.,15/09/2021

Afternoon, 5th to go., BA Psychology, MA Political Science, MA Anthropology, LLB.

Bharatnatyam, Zumba., Reading Fiction and biographies., Optional: Anthropology

2 lady members.

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Chairman:

Your interview is over.

You may go.

S

Botany graduation, Geography optional

Sep 8th, Choubey sir board

Chairman: when you reached Delhi?

Member 1:

Is male involvement in women empowerment necessary? And cross questions.

Interlinking of rivers?

If u were in charge of the approval of the project will u?

Member 2: importance of Andaman n nicobr?

Lakshwadweep community in percentage?

Classical dance forms

Classical music forms

Famous textiles of Tamil Nadu

Member 3:

Forest cover importance

Wildlife importance

Percentage of forest cover

Y drought across the country?

Where does the water from rainfall goes? (Counter question from previous answer)

If u wr posted in any district what's ur priority area of focus

Member 4:

If one wants to do organic farming what are the things to taken into account? Positives of organic farming? Difficulties?

Plant tissue culture? Need of plant tissue culture? If virus infects and spreads what can be done?

Chairman: your interview is over.

MS,17/09/2021 Afternoon, Sujata Mehta, 4th to go, KL/PY, Physics/PSIR, Productivity (DAF)

Chair: Introduce yourself with education + work if any

Some DAF related Q

What is good governance?

What is citizen centric governance?

What is the interrelationship between them?

What is e governance?

Is COWIN e governance? Is applying for UPSC via Internet e governance?

Digitisation of land records means digitising decades old surveys. Is it e governance?

Some companies using cowin to see their employees are vaccinated. Is there a breach of privacy?

M1: What is global policeman? Global bully? How do you differentiate?

Should India adopt crypto currency as legal tender?

Should I as a senior citizen invest in bitcoin? What would you recommend?

M2: What are the impacts of climate change in Puducherry?

Can Kerala's model of people participating in governance replicated elsewhere?

What is the issue in Sri Lanka?

M3: What is the strategic significance of Maldives for India?

Repo Rate? Bank Rate?

Why is it said that you shouldn't sleep under trees at night?

M4(Lady): With the digital divide, how can we bring about digital literacy? Any specific programmes? In Kerala?

Gulf returnees - Any social tensions? What is the government doing?

Chair: Any topic you want us to ask about?

I said productivity

Chair: With automation, will productivity increase? With Additive Manufacturing? Shared working spaces?

Thank you

R K,17/9/21, forenoon session ,Last but one to go, around 30 min, SMITA NAGRAJ ma'am board

Guntur, Andhra Pradesh,IT engineering

Chairwoman:

- 1) Tell me only one particular thing that Andhra lost due to Bifurcation
- 2) Which one city in Andhra pradesh can be developed similar to hyd in all fronts?
- 3) whom all do you consult before forming a new capital city?
- 4) what will you do to address the current stalemate on capital issue?

Member 1:

- 1) what are the future industrial prospects of A.P?
- 2) what all issues should be considered while developing new port?
- 3) continental shelf of eastern and western coasts differences?

Member 2:

- 1) Why is India not performing well in 100 mts sprint when it can perform well in other athletics events like the recent javelin gold?
- 2) why are the negritos doing exceptionally good in 100mts?

Member 3:

- 1) can you name the space center in sriharikota?
- 2)India has linked up with one country recently to launch communication satellites, Which is that?

3) what rocket do we use to launch communication satellites?

4) Tobbaco board is in Guntur. On one hand govt. Supporting tobacco cultivation and on the other hand prohibiting tobacco consumption. How can this be justified?

Member 4: (Woman)

- 1) what is free trade agreement?
- 2) Is fta only linked with reduction in tariffs?
- 3) How many countries does India have fta with?
- 4) Guess how many countries
- 5) Does India USA have fta?
- 6) current status of India and US trade relations?

Chairwoman: Thank you

Cannot recall few qstns.

MONICA,16/09/2021

Manoj Soni Sir board, Afternoon 5th to go

15-20 mins, Agriculture / Tamilnadu / Bee keeping / Origami / NSS

Chairman

When did you come to Delhi? What places you have visited in Delhi? (Basic qs to ease the tensions)

Why did you choose agriculture?

origin of origami?

Chairman said he was also fond of origami and were discussing abt origami

What agricultural techniques can we adopt from other countries?

Mem 1:

Climate change and Agriculture

What would you do if you are Chennai corporation Commissioner in next 25 yrs?

(Since 2 lady mems and myself was in yellow saree...)

Asked why different countries interpret colors differently?

Mem 2:

Regenerative agriculture

(Gave a long answer himself)

Can we adopt the regenerative agriculture in pilot basis?

why Rice based food system has shifted in Tamilnadu to other foods?

Mem 3:

Problems of Coimbatore Solutions to the problems

Mem 4:

Advantages of beekeeping

what makes you angry?

Do you Raise voice when you are angry?

Chair

Wished me safe journey and good luck

OVERALL EXPERIENCE

Very cordial board

Chairman was very welcoming

No grilling no cross qs

Answered the questions which I am not aware of and also pointed out how to improve my answers further..

S

Date: 16.09.2021, Background, Home State: Uttar Pradesh

Education: BA Hons Sociology + MA Sociology, Optional: Sociology

Hobbies: Hindi Poetry, Street Theatre

Currently working in Parliament of India

Board: Bharat Bhushan Vyas Sir

I was 3rd to go in the forenoon session.

Chairperson

- 1. What's Sansad TV and why the need?
- 2. Apart from resources rationality, what else does this signify?
- 3. Explain in three points to a six year old what to watch on this channel.
- 4. Street Vendors schemes and related discussion
- 5. What's your work in Parliament, and related discussion

- 6. Instruments through which Parliament keeps a financial control on the Executive?
- 7. Parliamentary Committee System and related discussion
- *Member 1*
- 1. Your state is organising Defence Expo why? What's the use?
- 2. EoDB related discussion
- 3. How many licences to open a company?
- 4. How many days will it take to get all the licences?
- 5. India International Trade Fair
- 6. CVC and related discussion
- 7. RTI and related discussion
- *Member 2*
- 1. PM Fasal Bima Yojana and related discussion
- 2. Gender sensitization and related discussion
- 3. Geneva Convention and related discussion
- *Member 3*
- 1. Further discussion on the misuse of RTI.
- 2. Why govt officers fear RTI?
- 3. Procedures and grievance redressal mechanism of RTI
- 4. Why not pursuing street theatre?
- 5. Do you manage to take part in street theatre along with your job?
- 6. Covid impact on theatre and related discussion
- 7. My work profile and related discussion
- *Member 4*
- 1. What's Khari Boli?
- 2. Madhubani Paintings
- 3. Schemes for traditional arts and related discussion
- 4. What is a good public policy?
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Thank you, your interview is over!,(around 35 mins)

Urvashi Sengar

SMITA NAGRAJAN, 35 Mins, 1st to go morning session

Mp Gwalior, BSC Physics MA Geog, NCC 1. Would you like to introduce yourself (education/job)

- 2. Are you currently doing any of these?
- 3. Why civil services?
- 4. Why jump from science to arts?
- 5. Climate change- predict 3 things about India.
- 6. Climate proofing and how can be Climate proof our Agriculture?

M1 (lady)

- 1. Technologies which can be used for climate smart Agriculture.
- 2. We are a federal state...ques regarding financial health of state and what's wrong?
- 3. Does it have something to do with tax administration?
- 4. Free bees and subsidies by state..your take
- 5. How to balance public welfare and state revenue?

M2

- 1. Role of PM as a leader of house (DAF)
- 2. Agroforestry and benefits
- 3. New technologies create more jobs than they take away. Substantiate.

Skill India and related questions

4. Polar vortex

M3

- 1. You studied geography... make a urban plan for gwalior based geography of gwalior
- 2. Odisha govt Sponsoring national women hockey team...should not they focus on their own state team?
- 3. Food fortification

M4

- 1. US governance
- 2. Puducherry and Delhi both UTs but why so much tussle in Delhi between LG and CM
- 3. Isn't it unfair for elected govt?
- 4. Healthcare scenario in India and why so much focus on IMR MMR as parameters

Chairman

1. Do you want to talk about something else

I said NCC and gwalior

2. Should NCC/MILITARY TRAINING/any other mechanism be made compulsory?

V

Place: Chennai, Graduation subjects: Mining Machinery, Geology, Surface mining.

Chair: Sujatha Mehta

- 1. Introduce yourself
- 2. You are from very prestigious institution, can you tell about its history?
- 3. Do you know about automation. Tell me what automation could do to engineering, economy and society?
- 4. What kind of jobs that automation will create? Will it be labour intensive?
- 5. Less manual labour would Mean less labour intensive and hence lesser employment. So do you want to change your opinion that automation will create more employment in long run?
- 6. Don't a civil servant think ahead like 30 years or so?
- 7. Do you know that looking after old age people is taken over by automation. What is your opinion on that?
- 8. So human touch is needed?

M 1

- 1. Have you visited any mining towns?
- 2. Can you compare any of these towns with towns in tamil nadu?
- 3. Why chennai floods occur?

M2

- 1. What is smart fencing?
- 2. What is rat hole mining?
- 3. Despite the ban why is it still operating? What should be done to stop it?

Unable to recall other questions

M3

- 1. Where are India's strategic petroleum reserves
- 2. Are they underground or above ground?
- 3. How are they built?
- 4. Won't such construction affect Geological stability?
- 5. Has India's foreign policy failed?
- 6. What is the problem between India and Nepal

M4.

- 1. What are the pitfalls of generic medicines?
- 2. (Long question) China doesn't allow dissent inside its country. What is your opinion?
- 3. Have you heard of the bok argumentative indian
- 4. Is committed bureaucracy needed?
- 5. Shouldn't the bureaucrat be impartial? Won't committed bureaucracy create partiality among bureaucracy?

Unable to recall other questions, Time: 45 minutes

Manoj Soni Sir.

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Optional: Anthropology, 2 lady members., Face verification was done and the Chairman asked to put on the mask again.

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NG

Board- Sujata mehta mam ,Daf- robinhood army,punjab ,haryana,

Hobbies- weight training ,meditation,sprinting,Optional- medical science

Forenoon session, last to go., Date- 17 sept, 2021

Chairman

- 1- tell us something about your academic and work experience?
- 2- Do you think lack of security is the most important factor of increasing violence against doctor?
- 3- how will you promote communication skills in medical curriculum?
- 4- Do you think emotional component comes in between while treatment?
- 5- How do you see NMC?
- 6- why need of experts from other fields in NMC while we have bodies like bar council that is run only by lawyers ?
- 7- Do you think we need experts from other field for civil service boards too?

Member 1

- 1- what you mean by medical ethics? Do they hold significance for you?
- 2- what knowledge you have acquired from medical field that will help in civil services?
- 3- challenges of holding a post of mess secretary?(daf based)
- 4-what is liquidity? How will you increase liquidity in system?.

Member 2

- 1- should parameters for human rights change for democratic, communist and islamic countries?
- 2- WHO had failed as a body? What you feel?
- 3- international Bodies like who,Imf are gravitated more towards western nations? Do you also feel the same?

Member 3-

- 1- we have obesity in urban areas and on other hand we have infamous tag of largest population facing hunger? Explain.
- 2- Smiled and said i hope you have prepared for this answer. Why civil services after such a prestigious job?
- 3- why not NGOs or Post like CMS. They are also good way of delivering?

4-China is agressive at borders with india and even interferes in domestic issues .Why india is silent.Should india use tibet ,uighurs issue against china?

Member 4

1- do you agree redistribution work done by robinhood army can't be sustained too long?

2-challenges of IBC?

- 3- We want to develop ports but instead of that we are spending huge sums of money in facilitating olympic medal winners? How do you see it.
- 4- Should government servants who won olympic medals also be given same rewards?

Chairman

Do you want board members to discuss something?

F

Date - 17 September 2021 ,Afternoon, 2nd to go ,duration - 30 minutes ,Chairman - BB Vyas

Background -BA English Hons, Optional - Malayalam literature , State - Kerala

Chairman -

Welcome, please make yourself comfortable

You've graduated in English literature in 2019, were you preparing for the last 2 years? (said I'm also doing PG)

Is it in English literature itself.?

Then why have you chosen Malayalam literature as your optional?

It is said that 'A novel offers the reader a moral fable'. Do you agree?

Please elaborate.

Have you heard of the book A Passage to India? Who wrote it?

What does E M Forster say about the passage to India? How does he describe it?

What is the Colombo Security conclave?

Would you be comfortable to speak about India Maldives security cooperations? If not, we'll leave it.

let's move on to another field- economic development. In what way has NITI Ayog changed the economic development in India.

Do you think public administration is being static for all these years? How has it evolved

Is administration, management and governance the same? What difference can you see?

Passes on to M1 (female member)

What do you know about the North East

What were the anthropogenic factors responsible for the Kerala floods of 2018?

M2 (male member)

Tell me what are your favourite books.

(told 2)

Let's not get into the justification for it.

Kerala has a high literacy compared to the rest of India, how was it made possible? Or what factors aided to it?

But despite this high literacy, Kerala has a high number of youth getting radicalised. The people joining ISIS from India is highest from Kerala unfortunately. Why does this happen?

(said educated unemployment leading to desire for wealth and power as one factor among others)

But does wealth really matter? Because the people in Taliban and other extreme organisations are wealthy people..

(added other reasons here - how literacy is not equal to education, increased social media penetration etc)

But don't you think there's a contradiction here - increased literacy and use of social media rising hand in hand shows literacy is not limited to basic ability to Read and write...?

Now what actions are being taken by the state to control this, is this dealt with or addressed with importance?

Tell me what's the Kerala model of development, in health.

Why are the covid cases rising in Kerala despite this efficiency in management?

M3 (female member)

You've a very beautiful name, what does it mean?

What is the difference between budgetary deficit and fiscal deficit?

Tell me who's your favourite poet, and why?

Are you wearing a Khadi saree? (Said no, it's of Eri silk)

How is Eri silk special, explain it to us

Have you heard of an organisation called KVIC (Khadi and Village industries Commission)

What does it do to promote the sector of this silk?

M4 (male member)

What is Incredible India?

Where does Kerala fit into it?

Why are there so many nurses from Kerala

I can identify from your DAF that you are a debater. In debates you speak for and against. Now I'll give you a topic, speak against it - Press isn't free in India.

Chairman - your interview is over, we wish you good luck, you may leave now

Manoj Soni Sir Board, 16/9, Work Ex- Automobile, Electronics Engineer, Anthropology Optional

Chairman:

Why Civil Services?

Why Did you leave your Job?

Enumerate Major Terrorist attacks in last 10 yrs?

What was India's response to Pulwama attack?

Why Balakot was chosen?

Which technology was used to identify location of Balakot?

Did we flout any International convention by attacking Pakistan?

M1:

Why Anthropology as an optional?

How Human evolves?

Why is our brain size reducing?

What are socio cultural implications of Human Evolution?

Why crimes against women?

What is Patriarchy?

M2:

What was your Patent?

What are the different forms of patent?

What is the working principle of Electronic Voting Machine?

How to hack working machine?

What are the safeguards to Indian EVM?

M3:(Further asked on EVM)

Why Paper Ballot is considered Gold Standard for election? Then why are we using EVM?

What are the electric Vehicle projects that your organization is working on?Tell us interesting emerging technologies in the field of IC engines and Electric Vehicles?

M4:

How to use Robotics in cleaning Garbage?

Can we clean Space Debris using Robotics?

Which countries are working on it?

What are important stages of Disaster?

Which one is the most important step in Disaster Management, according to you?

How would you resolve the grievances of Citizens?

What is the Significance of Aga Khan Palace?

Chairman Sir:

It was nice interracting with you.

We wish you all the best.

Thank You to your entire Team

Sadaf Choudhary

Board: Manoj Soni Sir,14/09/2021, Afternoon, second last to go.

DAF tags: Uttar Pradesh, chemical engineering, college in Punjab, worked as a data analyst for a bank

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Hobbies: Reading Fiction and traveling

Optional: Political science and International relations

2 lady members.

Face verification was done and the Chairman asked to put back the mask on .

Chairman:

- 1. India is a diverse country in terms of culture, cuisine, dress, etc. Tell me something unique about Amroha's culture (my hometown)?
- 2. Do you know how to play Dholak? (Amroha is famous for its Dholak industry)
- 3. Do you know about Kamal Amrohi? Which all movies did he produce?
- 4. What was your work profile? What all did your organization do?

- 5. Why did you prefer data analytics over chemical engineering?
- 6. Tell me any two memorable events from your tenure as the head of literary society in the college? (I told him about the Model UN that we organised, and the monthly book club meets that we started)
- 8. Is UN still relevant? Would we ever be able to move towards a World government system?
- 9. Meaning of your name?

Member 1 (Lady):

1. (Taking the cue from book club)

Recently I went to a mall and found children's book being sold by kg. How did we reach such a low point in terms of reading?

- 2. Socio cultural similarities that you observed between UP and Punjab?
- 3. Differences, if any?
- 4. Celebrities endorsing products that they themselves don't use. Is it ethical on their part?
- 5. Have you ever heard of the term "Famous for being famous"? (I linked it to social media influencers, but she clarified that it meant someone being famous because they were linked to famous families/persons)
- 6. What is more important: intensity of punishment or certainty of punishment?

Member 2:

- 1. How is political science and international relations related?
- 2. With globalization on wane, do you think international relations as a discipline is still relevant?
- 3. In terms of Afghanistan crisis, what should both India and Afghanistan do to mutually allay each other's concerns?
- 4. Do you really think India has a leverage upon Afghanistan, or Taliban particularly?
- 5. SAARC has become defunct or is it just inactive as of now? Should India revive it?

Member 3(Lady):

- 1. Why do you like to travel?
- 2. Where all have you traveled?
- 3. Do you travel in group or solo?
- 4. Safety concerns for female travelers?
- 5. What can we do to improve in this domain?
- 6. How do you manage your food?

- 7. Have you ever faced difficulties in terms of infrastructure, especially the washrooms for female travelers?
- 8. If you've to encourage a batch of 6-8 standard students to take up chemical engineering, how would you do it? Tell me any specific experiment.

Member 4:

(Started by saying that he really liked my confidence, and how I've been speaking with my experiences)

- 1. Tell me about your work experience? What was your job role?
- 2. How did you navigate the cultural shift while working for a US based bank?
- 3. What difference did you notice between Indian banks and US banks?
- 4. What did you learn on the job that might help you become a good diplomat? (Told me that he was trying to gauge if I'll be a good fit for the IFS, since it was my first preference)
- 5. Jalandhar is a beautiful city. What did you like the most about it?
- 6. Do you know about Nooran sisters? Ever attended their concerts?

(A bit of discussion upon their songs)

Chairman:

The board had a really good time interacting with you.

We wish you all the best for your future.

Take care of yourself and your family well.

You may go now.

(Overall a very cordial board; no cross-questioning, no grilling)

AN

Satyavathy Mam ,Sociology , BTech (Ece)

Chairmam

What have you been doing since last 6 years?

Any other work?

What social issues have you read?

Why there are child marriages in India?

What's the solution to fight it?

Isn't is the failure of administration that it is still prevailing?

Does the numbers vary within the society regarding child marriage?

M1

Tell me the performance of skill development mission .

Industry academia linkage.

Challenges to vocational education

How to promote it?

Issues in land acquisition

How to deal with it

Any alternative to land acquisition?

M2

Why your hometown came under media attacks during 1996 to 1998?

What your hometown did to I fight that menace?

Give me some novel ways to deal with taliban

Can taliban survive?

What's the status of women due to shariat law in Afghanistan?

M3

To what extent a signal can be amplified? Any guess?

Why are we making skill universities when we have universities?

Why are we making sports universities?

Tell me the socio economic characteristics of your hometown

M4

Name an Indian who came back to India and revolutionise the whole country

Name someone from post independent India

Indians are going abroad and achieving heights in different fields. Can in future we can see that people from outside coming to India can do the same in India?

What we should do to

Make Indian diaspora as a partner in India's development ?

Explain we three terms - green corridor, greenfield, green house

Chairman

You can go , your interview is over now

Anonymous, 17 September

2nd to go, Manoj soni sir, Optional: commerce and accountancy

Background: b.com, m.com, caring for stray dogs(hobby)

Chairman

- -beautiful saree, what material is it.
- -what did you learn in your internship.
- -what made you apply for the internship, was it compulsory part of your master's program?
- -what was the eligibility criteria?
- -college rank in nirf.
- -top 3 colleges.
- -why need nirf, when we have other rankings.

M1

- -winters, what special needs to be done for stray dogs.
- -rbi kehta he campaign.
- -we talk of averages, which removes our focus from the best, why?
- -any country without resources but doing very well?
- -any landlocked country?

M2

-3 problems of your area and how would you solve them?

(Not able to recall other questions)

M3

- -as a prospective student, convince me to apply to your college.
- -no. Of foreign students in college.
- -what measures taken for north eastern and foreign students to prevent any discrimination.

M4

- -what is transfer pricing and how do companies misuse it?
- -any recent international taxation issue?

- -how it affects FDI in country
- -what are governments arguments to levy capital gain tax on international transactions not involving india.
- -why companies leaving china not coming to India?

Chairman

Thank you, enjoy the weekend.

(Might have missed a few questions)

Board: Smita Nagraj ma'am, 15th Sept 2021, forenoon session

Relevant DAF pointers: computer science degree, Goldman Sachs work, mountaineering, Hazaribag district, Jharkhand

My responses are in brackets where context is needed.

Chairperson:

- Why leave Goldman Sachs? Did you feel you couldn't succeed in corporate world?
- Will a person successful in private sector necessarily be successful in civil services? What qualities lead to success in the two fields?
- How to measure civil servant's performance? (I mentioned people's feedback along with CAPAR)
- Isn't populism for politicians?
- Why companies engage with students on IIT campuses? (DAF mentioned a few events organised by corporates)
- Aren't Indian companies active on campus? Did you not participate in their events?
- How many of your batchmates are currently in core computer science sector? How many in Indian companies?

M1

- Oxfam report says \$11T unpaid caregiving work by women globally, does that number sound right to you? Reasons for such large number? (Oxfam mentioned in my DAF)
- How to fix?
- How to fix the societal side attitudinal change etc?
- Bitcoin: is it possible to enforce a complete ban?

M2

- What should be our goal in next 50 years? (mentioned private sector while discussing goals for innovation)

- Why leave private sector then, you could make more impact there?
- Why Jharkhand not growing post bifurcation?
- You were born in Jharkhand, schooled in Jharkhand, how were you awarded Bihar Gaurav? (native place and domicile)

M3

- Which is the annual award in mountaineering by GoI? (Tenzing Norgay adventure award) Why is it awarded on a specific date annually?
- Despite rich coal, mica reserves, Hazaribag didn't develop industries? (he answered connectivity himself)
- How would you develop industries as Hazaribag DC? Give me specific steps.
- In Hazaribag, girls used to go to Mount Carmel, boys go to St Xaviers, and there's St Columbus college all Catholic institutions setup pre-independence. Why growth of education institutions slowed after independence? (I politely pointed out multiple institutes developed after independence, but he didn't seem convinced; seemed to be looking for a specific reason)
- What steps would you take as Hazaribag DC to promote primary education?

M4

- With more people using internet, cybersecurity has emerged as a concern. How to tackle the challenges?
- How to use computer science in healthcare?
- How to use computer science in diagnostics?
- MRI scan frequently recommended to Covid-19 patients. What are its negatives?
- What is CADD? (it was Computer Aided Drug Design)

Chairperson again:

- You lived in Jharkhand most of your life. Why do you have Bihar domicile? 25-30 min total

AK, Sep 17 Afternoon, BB Vyas sir board

Geography, IBM, SBI PO, B Tech Petroleum Refining and Petrochemicals, writing tamil poetry.

CP:

Why merger of banks?

Has any bank featured in the top 100 largest banks in the world?

Basel norms?

Fintech Companies

What is a GI tag

Any recent from your state

GI from the other parts of country?

20 years of 9 11 how do u see world and US Position now.

How has our national security approaches changed recently.?

What is national hydrocarbon policy?

M1:

How far is your district from chennai and tell me about the special things in your district.

What is solar passive technology?

Recently consumer commission ordered that if a bank account is hacked, bank is responsible for it. What is your take on it. ?

M2:

What is the difference between Himalayan system and the other mountain systems in the world?

What is geological surprise?

(Explained then that if huge investments are poured in a particular project in Himalayas, and then suddenly a fault appears)

How to minimises such damages and how to predict these geological surprises beforehand?

Why rock filled dams are built in earthquake prone zones. ?

What Is NPA.?

What is the current npa scenario in the banks in India

M3:

What is the scope for india to become a technology hub.

What are the constraints in it.?

Why too much cattle smuggling is happening in india?

How to stop that ?

In which states ban on cattle slaughter is not there in india

M4:

1. Is geography playing a bigger role in politics of a region. Explain with reference to Afghanistan.

- 2. Why despite remaining landlocked Central Asian countries does not face much issues.
- 3. When industries are falling in current covid scenario how do u think will the recovery be.
- 4. What is offset policy.

CP:

Couple of questions.

- 1. What is specialised banking. Do u know the committee that was put for that and tell what is that.
- 2. What do u think will be the banking sector position in 10 years from now.

Thank you. Good luck to you.

13 Sept, Graduation - B-Pharmacy, Optional – Geography, Hyderabad, Telangana

Chairman (Dr. Monoj Soni Sir)

Pardon my ignorance. But your name must be having some meaning?

Ohhh...So do u know arabic ? (I said my name is a Arabic word)

Which other Indian languages do u speak?

Of all the languages u know. Is any of it a classical language?

What are criteria for identifying such classical language?

Is this your first time in Delhi?

Have you been to any places?

Any plan to go somewhere after this?

Also I see that you keep pet Birds. which birds do u have?

How did you develop this interest?

Is it not against Prevention Of Cruelty To Animals Act? (I explained him about the legality of this interest under Wildlife Protection Act)

He Said Ok and gently signalled the other member by hand.

Member 1 (a jolly Sardarji)

I see that u have done your graduation in Pharmacy. But then why geography optional? (One reason I gave was that Pharmacy subjects are not available in UPSC Optional Syllabus. They took it as a suggestion)

M1- We have such a long list of optionals but not pharmacy. Something to look into at our end. (Chairman notes down something on paper)

But still Geography is a very famous optional though people do not study it seriously in their graduation. Why so ?

Any recent Covid news regarding IPR in vaccine?

Why is India looking for that IPR waiver?

Why are those countries opposing the waiver?

Should we provide such indemnity?

It was very nice knowing this from you. Thankyou.

Member 2 (Serious Person)

You have geography optional. Can you tell me the geographical difference between the Himalayas and the Alps ?

Any other difference wrt their age?

Why are they called young mountains? How young...100-200 years??

You mentioned indemnity. Is there any other sector in which indemnity is being demanded by foreign companies?

Ok let me give u a situation...You are an IAS officer and there has been a cracker factory fire accident in your area. What SOP will you follow?

Member-3 (lady member - probably from a North eastern state)

You have been very active in sports... I see Roller skating, Jogging, executive member of college fest. What is your first service preference...IAS or IPS?

What have u learned from all these activities?

Okay. From all these learnings...What good qualities should a leader have?

How important is freedom to you?

U are here with us with the door closed. Is your freedom not compromised?

Then how do u justify keeping birds in cages ? (I explained to her politely the logic behind bird keeping)

What if we free them? Can't they survive?

You are from Telangana. What is this hype about She Team?

Has any of your friends had an encounter/ been saved by them?

Member - 4 (lady member- probably from Andhra or Telangana)

Your state recently started a initiative to deliver medicine to remote areas. What is it?

Do u think it is feasible. There have been reports about the medicines going missing midway? (I said I didn't get the context of her question. She explained again)

You have a purple belt in Shotokan karate. What does the purple colour signifies?

She said actually Purple signifies Royalty. Why do u think it is associated with Royalty?

There is this problem of people taking medicine without prescription from medicine stores. Why do you think people do that ?

How can we address this issue? (increase the role of Pharmacist in India)

Chairman (now looking at the clock before asking each question. Probably 30mins had crossed)

Is there anything more in life which you want to develop or change?

What is Empathy and How is it different from Sympathy?

Do u have both?

Ok so...After all this discussion on Freedom, Empathy, etc. would you like to change your opinion about keeping Pet Birds?

I said I'll keep the same stand and justified it.

He nodded and said Thankyou.

Your interview is over.

Takeaways -

- 1. Reading transcripts and working on our DAF, HR questions, etc. helps immensely.
- 2. We perform the best when we are Calm and at ease.

В

Board: Bharat Bhushan Vyas Sir, 15/09/2021

Forenoon session- 5th to go, Background: Dual degree in EE from IIT Delhi

Hobbies: Meditation, Reading biographies, Playing piano and composing melodies

Optional: Electrical Engg.

CHAIRMAN

- 1. What is the value of Antarctica? What is India doing about it?
- 2. What is InSPACE? Should we go for space sector privatisation? (Newspaper article in TOI on InSPACE that day)
- 3. Why should we even worry about space sector at all?

4. What about concerns related to national security?

M1

- 1. Besides above reasons, can space sector be useful in regional geopolitics as well?
- 2. You mentioned Meditation as you hobby? Why and how do you do it?
- 3. Why India is not doing so well in technology?
- 4. What can we do to increase the relevance and delivery of technology?

M2

- 1. You mentioned reading biographies as your hobby, What kinds do you read? Any lessons from it?
- 2. You have lived in so many different places- Chd, Delhi, Bhopal, Ahmedabad, Bangalore What was your experience and learning?
- 3. You have mentioned you compose melodies, what kind? Sad/Angry?
- 4. Okay, tell me one thing that makes you really mad and angry?
- 5. Should we go for digital/physical interviews?

M3

- 1. What has been the impact of mobile phones in our lives?
- 2. Economic impact? And what are the ill effects?
- 3. Why eVehicles have not fully taken off?
- 4. Are we fully ready infrastructure wise for eVehicles?

M4

- 1. Median age of India is 28 and China 37, how can we reap this demographic dividend?
- 2. But if we invest more in such masses based economic activities, what would its impact on growth?
- 3. What have you filled as your 1st choice service?
- 4. What kind of IAS would you be?

Thank you, your interview is over.

Takeaway:

Preparation is always important and it should ideally be 90% thinking and 10% reading!!!

Thinking on the spot good answers to above Qn is not possible.

Frank

Interview Date: 16/09/2021, Afternoon session, 4th to go.

Profile:Mechanical Engineer, Sociology Optional, Working as freelance content writer

State: Kerala, Hobbies: Singing, Pencil sketching, World Cinema

Other: Have won an ISRO competition, Flood volunteering

Board: Manoj Soni

CM: First made me remove my mask and verified. Then asked me to wear it properly (later when it came down while I was speaking asked me again to wear it properly)

Chairman read my DAF very slowly:

You are a Mechanical Engineer, You've been working... So if I ask you why did you leave your job you'd tell you wanted to prepare full-time..

Are you getting content works nowadays? Which subject do you write?

Your have creative interests... helps you manage your stress, Right? What do you sketch- Portrait, landscapes..?

Cuisines even if they have similar ingredients differ in taste (talked about it for some moments taking examples) Do you think it is the geographical factors, sociological factors or anthropogenic factors influence this? Can you substantiate with the example of Kerala food?

M1

- 1. He took the cue from chairman and gave a long monologue about Kerala being so different. Then asked me what is so fascinating for an outsider like him..
- 2.Do you think God's own country tagline has helped Kerala Tourism? Marketing is one thing.. what is Kerala doing in tourism infrastructure?
- 3. Last year we were asking about Kerala's success in controlling Covid, this year it is the opposite.. what happened?

M2: Lady

- 1. You have World Cinema has your hobby. (Told me how she liked Comedy cinema and it is so few nowadays, she has to depend on animation movies) why there are few comedy movies now?
- 2. Your state has positive sex ratio, 1084 right? Is male migration to other countries a reason? How has this influenced the working pattern? Do you know which job women occupied due to this migration?

(At this point, Chairman left the room only to return few moments later)

- 3. There is snake boat race in Kerala.. what message does it give to a kid? What about direction? Don't you think it is important?
- 4. What is anticipatory socialisation? Tell me in individual point of view? Why do people do it?

M3: Lady

- 1. You have won an ISRO competition.. I'm taking you to ISRO.. who founded ISRO? What is the rocket launching station in Kerala called? Why Thumba was selected? What rockets are launched from there? What is this PSLV, GSLV...? GSAT? It's purpose?
- 2. They have already asked about Kerala. So where are you from? Is it a small town? Tell me 5 social issues of your place? Where you brought up there? (Taking cue from my answer) What is patriarchy? But I thought Kerala had a matriarchal system? (She cut me in between but then asked if I wanted to add something more and I completed my answer)

M4

1. You have done flood volunteering. So how can we prevent another 2018 flood? What caused the floods? Did the rainfall occur throughout Kerala? Yes, there was mismanagement of Dams. Rainfall will increase, we cannot prevent that (talked about climate change) what can we do to prevent overflow of rivers?(he was not satisfied with my answers.. so went on trying to extract it till I said I don't know) Where do Kerala's rivers originate? How long are these rivers? Can we increase depth of rivers that much distance? (I had told de-siltation)

CM: You have nice stay in Delhi. Your interview is over. You can leave.

Questions were all really long with monologues and details. All questions had something to do with DAF.

Felt like the interview lasted for 25-30 minutes.

F

Satyavathi ma'am board,5th to go

Kota (rajasthan), Mech engg., Anthro

2nd attempt, Social media head in college tech fest

Hobbies - watching historical documentaries, travelling, football

CM - put face shield on lap, remove mask, put mask back on. Read out my DAF aloud

So what have u been doing since you graduated in 2018?

Are you product of kota coaching? How was ur experience?

Would u like ur younger brother to join kota coaching institutes?

Did u join upsc coaching? Why not? Why students join these coaching institute?

Did u do iit coaching within school or apart from school?

Do you think with only school education one can't clear JEE What is the problem?

M1 - What historical documentaries have you watched?

Name some Indian documentaries.

Did u watch any on India's Economic history?

Asked questions on economic history of India.

Bombay Plan.

Watershed event in indian economic history? Why? What were benefits?

Which PSU were liberalised? Was it a success?

Issues faced by govt during land acquisition? Way forward?

M2 - continued with documentaries.

Asked my why I like watching war documentaries.

Talked about world war 2.

Reasons. Consequences.

Role of UN in preventing wars.

Why Indian soldiers killed on both sides in world war 2?

Asked azad hind fauj? Battle of kohima. Why japan invaded India? Why invaded from north east?

Did US join world war 2 from beginning? When it joined and why? Why japan attacked Pearl Harbour? What was US response?

M3 - why rajasthan growing so much oilseeds in recent times? Why rajasthan becoming agragarian economy? Govt steps for the same.

Why mech engg called evergreen branch?

What is mechatronics and relevance? (Follow up Q)

Opinion about whatsapp University and godi media.

M4 - talked about whatsapp issues and fake news etc (follow up question)

Travelling hobby - difference between north and south india

Why India has two football leagues. Name them.

Which new state created after ww2 that could have caused world war 3?

When was Israel created?

Why it was named Israel?

What is bani israel?

CM - thank you your interview is over.

Lasted around 30 minutes

No Q from current affairs or optional

Overall cordial

A

Sujata Mehta Board,16 sept afternoon session

Daf bullets - sociology, bihar, mental health, poem writing, Btech in ECE, female candidate

Chairwoman -

- 1. Introduce yourself with emphasis on education and work experience.
- 2. Did you sit for Campus placement?
- 3. Have you done internship?
- 4. Didn't you want to use your internship knowledge rather than going for upsc?
- 5. Mental health volunteer asked details about what I do, where I do, how I do, what type of cases come, etc?
- 6. Is mental health an issue in India as well?
- 7. India is a family oriented society so do we seek comfort in family or outside? Why outside?

One two more questions and then passed on to member 1 who was also a lady member.

M1

- 1. Spoke for 1-2 mins which summarised to tell me the issues and steps taken wrt cyber security and women security.
- 2. Interrupted after I spoke about cyber security and started asking follow ups State sponsored cyber security attacks.. What should India do about it?
- 3. Should we be offensive also or just defensive?
- 4. Challenges wrt women security?
- 5. Are the steps taken by companies for dealing with sexual harassment sufficient?

M2

- 1. Are men also vulnerable to sexual harassment?
- 2. What should we do about it?

3. Asked a very long question about low rates of first trimester checkup and it's probable linkage with sex determination test, developed countries fix the checkup responsibility on care giver. Should India also make a similar law? What else should we do?

M3

- 1. Brexit is UK regretting the move now?
- 2. IBC it's positives and negatives.
- 3. 3 decades of National Mental health programme what's it's status?

M4 (a little comforting person)

- 1. Is an individual shaped by the society?
- 2. Why was there a semiconductor shortage in the automobile industry in recent times?
- 3. Why is India not manufacturing it's own chips?
- 4. What is digital India and share some steps taken by the govt for the same?

Chairwoman -

Do you want us to ask you anything else?

I asked that if they have time, may I share one poem?

She denied \Box

I said thank you. There is nothing else I want to be asked.. She said okay then, thank you.

And I left.

I feel I messed up at the end a little bit. But other than that, it was nice. It was formal but members gave ample time to speak and express yourself. I also said I don't know much about a few questions like Brexit, mental health programme. But they said tell us what you know and I even asked to repeat one question and asked for clarification in one question. They humbly assisted me at all places.

Lasted for around 30 mins.

All the best to rest of the candidates.

A

15 September, Board-BB Vyas Sir, Optional-PSIR, Session-Afternoon (2nd last), State-Haryana, Time-About 30 minutes, Cricket

Chairman

1 why have you not done Post graduation

- 2 Tell me about India USA partnership in climate.
- 3 How will it help us in mitigation and adaptation

- 4 Tell me something about Lok Adalat
- 5 what role do they play at local level
- 6 what is ditital economy and fintech
- 7 can you give some examples
- 8 what is soft power
- 9 how is India using its soft power
- 10 have you heard of ICCR. What role does it play

Member 1(male)

- 1 What is role of CAG
- 2 what is the exact mechanism dbhon CAG audit)
- 3 does CAG conducts Audits himself or checks them
- 4 asked me to arrange countries (USA, UK, RUSSIA, CHINA AND JAPAN) with which India has stronger ties
- 5 asked me justification for the same

Member 2 (lady)

- 1 Why is there crime against women and how can we stop it
- 2 Does it make a difference if there is female SHO or male SHO
- 3 as a victim what do expect when you go to a police station
- 4 asked me the same question again
- 5 what is community policing

Member 3 (male)

- 1 why have you placed Russia ahead of USA. (Based on answer i gave to member 1)
- 2 But we have strong ties with USA now and Russia is aligning with China and Pakistan (based on last answer)
- 3 why is India so keen to tackle climate change
- 4 will you challenge the assessment that India is 3rd largest carbon emitter
- 5 What about per capita emissions do you have any data to support your view

Member 4(lady)

1 you have mentioned about village cleanliness in your DAF. what have you exactly done.

- 2 is it still continuing or was it just one time exercise
- 3 Tell me 5 plants to curb indoor pollution
- 4 Tell me about Sarvodaya. Who coined this word
- 5 tell me about its relevance in present context
- 6 what is essential public services act
- 7 what public services do you expect as a citizen
- 8 what is delitimation commission, when was last exercise done

Chairman - your interview is over, all the best.

UPSC Interview, Anonymous, Date - 16/9/2021

Board - Smita Nagraj Ma'am, Afternoon Session 2nd to go, Background - IIT Delhi

Work Experience - Data Science Analyst, Bengaluru ,Optional - Economics ,Hometown - Bhopal

Chairwomen

(No introduction)

- 1. So, Anonymous you have worked as a Data Science Analyst in Bangalore. What was your first impression about Bangalore?
- 2. Compare Bangalore and Bhopal (Home Town)
- 3. What should be done to solve the problem of heavy traffic in Big Cities?
- 4. What is the one problem of our country that is close to your heart and you want to solve? (I mentioned inequality)
- 5. How will you solve the above mentioned problem?

Member 1 (Male)

- 1. Tell me 2-3 big achievements of Madhya Pradesh in last 10 years
- 2. Why MP has done so good in agriculture?
- 3. What steps have the MP government has taken regarding crop diversification?
- 4. Would you attribute this success to State government or Central Government?

Member 2 (Male)

- 1. Do you think India needs these high speed trains?
- 2. Assess the performance of Vande Bharat Express since its launch
- 3. And what about Uday Desh ka Aam Nagrik Scheme. Has it been successful?

4. What is Most Favoured Nation?

Member 3 (Male)

- 1. Since your optional is Economics, for what topic Amartya Sen got Nobel Prize in Economics?
- 2. What steps have the government has taken to revive the economy since the pandemic has started?
- 3. What steps will you take to provide proper compensations to Bhopal Gas Tragedy victims?

Member 4 (Female)

- 1. For what initiative have you got award in your job (mentioned in DAF)
- 2. Please explain what did you exactly do.
- 3. Do you know about Deep Fakes. Are they easily recognisable?
- 4. What new steps would you take towards improving cybersecurity?

Chairwomen

Thank you Anonymous.

Overall - Cordial Board. They were letting you speak and were listening intently but had poker face so it's hard to judge.

No questions on Hobby, Leadership Position or Sports.

Advice: Confidence is the key:)

Anonymous

DR. MANOJ SONI board ,Forenoon, 4th to go ,30-35 mins

Relevant background info -Saharanpur, UP, Chemical engineering, PSIR

Model United Nations, literary society ,Learning kathak, reading fiction

Ch-please remove your mask for verification

Facesheild optional, mask compulsory

How was you transition from chem engg to psir?

Some key geopolitical events in recent past ? (I mentioned 3, he said if not paucity of time I would have mentioned some more)

Counter questions (AUKUS)

What is the high commendation award mentioned in your DAF? (in the MUN)

What was the literary society about? Something to do with literature?

Instruments used in Kathak? (mentioned learning)

Basic taal in kathak?

Do you foresee a situation wherein you will let go of your ethics? (I said no, he came back to this in the end)

M1(lady)

What's Saharanpur famous about?

How should the wood industry rejuvenate, become more relevant?

We talk of women empowerment, but we see women themselves defeating the purpose by demanding dowry and stuff.. how do you resolve that?

Given a chance, devise a crowd managment policy in shakunbari Devi (famous temple in saharanpur) in the event of a huge fair?

5 things in life you feel gratitude for today?

M2 (very jovial) -

You come from sarsawa(my town), how do people like us know it ?(Answered most likely because of the air force station there)

Why does India needs seat at UNSC? (Gave the conventional answer of PSIR, he again stressed on why India wants to join, corrected my answer and said, we want to be at global table of high diplomacy to play greater role in policy formulation in issues like cybersecurity etc.)

Why contestation between developed and developing countries over climate change?

Follow up - why developed countries emphasizing on net zero?

M3- seemed very disinterested

You mentioned Africa something (I mentioned south africa), tell me what issues africa raising at UN (Could recall the recent Vaccine IPR waiver proposal of India and South Africa, climate change, and SDG etc-not very well structured)

Tell me about sub Saharan Africa, what issues they face?

How are India's realtion with sub Saharan Africa?

Recently conducted africa summit (couldn't recall speciifcs)

M4 (lady) - was writing something all the time

Said will ask me one question but not framed properly

Recently kejriwal banned crackers in delhi, why?

Tell me about air pollution of Delhi?

What does the polluted air do once it gets inside our body (used alm the biology I could recall at that time:p)

Ch (again)

Wrt your ethics question, a situation rises where you have two options to follow your ethics or save a life what will you choose? (I answered I will choose life and be ready to face the consequences for my unethical actions)

Again Now, you have choice between following your ethics or a grave National interest what will you choose? (I answered I will ll stick to ethics because in the long term it will lead to protection of national interest) (I think I messed up here)

Ch- okay thankyou. All the best, stay safe, stay healthy. Your interview is over.

Overall, good experience. Cordial and encouraging board. The ethics question could have been better answered, I think.

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Date of interview: 14th of September ,5th to Go ,Sujata Mehta panel

Areas on which questions asked:- Hobby (following cricket is my hobby but maybe chairwoman took it as following sports), Optional (history), Working in Canara Bank, Graduation (polymer engineering)

Chairwoman

- 1. Asked about my opinion on whether Olympics should have been held during such pandemic or not. Recently after the games Japan had seen lot of covid cases and also there was some opposition to games internally in japan
- 2. Whether big events like olympic or IPL are more about money, brands and sports remain secondary to such event?
- 3. Gave a prologue about 2010 CWG games (the scam, bad press we got internationally)So, should we now bid for the olympics or not?

Male member 1

- 1. Asked benefits of merger of banks
- 2. Concept of bank rate
- 3. Current situation about inflation and reasons
- 4. What is one event from Indian freedom struggle I would like to delete
- 5. What are the alternatives to single use plastic

Male Member 2

- 1. Asked about issues in PPP model
- 2. Question about municipal bonds
- 3. Positive steps in New Education Policy about Higher education

Male Member 3

- 1. I didn't get his question first time. Asked him to repeat. Question about whether doctors, medical practitioners be more careful while prescribing generic drugs
- 2. I said yes because there might be issues with respect to Quality Control of these drugs when compared to branded drugs. But then he said that all these companies are licensed then what's the issue? I said that there have been news reports highlighting issues about generic drugs. I couldn't read his exact expression after this (I don't know whether I answered it correctly or not □ .)
- 3. Asked about how to promote diversity in government services?
- 4. How is diversity ensured at your bank/branch? I said that my manager is a lady and she is doing an excellent job. Then he said that how it shows diversity? I said that my branch has total 3 staff and out of that 1 is lady. He said Ok, Ok.

Lady Member 1

- 1. She said that lets talk something from your graduation (graduated from a chemical engineering institute). Asked about my understanding of the concept of energy security.
- 2. How are we securing our energy sources from any vulnerabilities of war etc (referring to a a point in my previous answer)
- 3. She initially asked about whether I know about case of Texas where there was blackout like situation since renewable couldn't supply energy. I said No.
- 4. How are we reducing the irregularity of supply in renewable energy sources when it comes to India?

Chairwoman

So, whether there is any area from which you want us to ask questions? I said that maybe my home state of Maharashtra. She asked about whether there should be separate state of Vidarbha.

Overall the interview was cordial. The only issue was the mask. It was going down whenever I was speaking. Sujata Madam is I think very particular about it. Even the door of interview room is open to keep ventilation. The lady member even asked me that whether I was wearing different mask while coming from home then who asked you to change that. I said security people at entrance. She then said that we need to take up the matter with authorities. So, I think this mask issue has happened with many candidates. I am hoping that they don't give me negative marks for this mask thing because the mask was just not staying in its place.

But all in all good experience.

Akash Agrawal, 17/09/21

Sujata Mehta Mam's Board,2nd to go in the morning session

Optional: PSIR

Nothing asked from my DAF, home state, graduation subject, hence not mentioned.

- 1. Introduce yourself with respect to your educational background and your job ex.
- 2. What are your plans if you don't clear the examination this time?
- 3. Was exporting vaccines before the second wave right?
- 4. Should we export right now?
- 5. Pros and cons of free vaccination
- 6. Expenditure on vaccines is a burden on exchequer or is it an investment?
- 7. What did you like/dislike about our vaccination drive?
- 8. Tell me something about SCO.
- 9. Why is it in the news? Something recent?
- 10. Difference between Indian and Chinese growth story.
- 11. Population is a burden?
- 12. Difference between data and information.
- 13. Difference between FPOs and corporate farmers.
- 14. National Financial Regulatory Authority
- 15. Govt steps to alleviate problems of migrants after 1st Covid wave.
- 16. 1 nation 1 ration card.
- 17. E-Shram portal
- 18. How has been it's implementation?
- 19. Internal issues within Taliban
- 20. Should we export vaccines right now?(I didn't say a direct yes)
- 21. Would you have said the same if other nations had the production capabilities and we were the ones waiting for the vaccines?
- 22. In the above case, what would you do to make sure that your citizens get the vaccines?
- 23. There have been many intelligence lapses in the past. Recently too there were terror modules busted in Delhi and Kanpur. So don't you think that out intelligence agencies are lacking in their efforts?
- 24. We have seen 3pandemics in the last century or so. Do you think that we've improved our capabilities to handle these pandemics better in all these years?
- 25. Anything else you want us to ask you?

All the best everyone :). May the best women/men serve the nation \Box

Date of interview: 16th September 2021

Chairperson: Sathyavathi Madam

Forenoon session 4th candidate

Background: Indian Railway Traffic Service (IRTS), formerly PO in Canara Bank, B.Tech in

Mechanical Production Engineering, Sociology optional, Kerala state

Duration of interview: 30 minutes

CP:

- 1) What were you doing after your graduation in 2015 till 2019?
- 2) What is your opinion about bank mergers? Are you in favour or are you against it?
- 3) Why are banks being merged when small banks are being given license?
- 4) Is the purpose of small banks only financial inclusion?
- 5) What reforms are required for improving efficiency of PSBs?

M1:

- 1) Should Railways be bothered about efficiency or should it be merely a social service?
- 2) What is operating ratio?
- 3) What are the reasons for low operating ratio?
- 4) How to improve operating ratio?
- 5) What is Ro-Ro service? Do you know that Railways don't favour it that much?
- 6) Why are passenger fares not being raised even now?
- 7) Will people use Railways if fares are increased?

M2:

- 1) How to solve NPA crisis?
- 2) Do you agree with the view that public sector bankers are being unnecessarily targeted by government agencies?
- 3) Necessity of manpower recruitment in banks (Addressing manpower shortage was one of the reforms that I had suggested in one of my earlier answers)
- 4) Should Railways engage private players in freight and passenger operations?
- 5) Mention one reason each that is preventing private players from becoming active in the Railways

M3:

- 1) Instead of increasing manpower, shouldn't banks go in for technology adoption to reduce costs and increase efficiency?
- 2) How to solve India-Pakistan issue?
- 3) Talks have been a failure since Independence. Give other suggestions.
- 4) Should India balkanise Pakistan? If not, why? What other choices do we have?
- 5) Should India go in for offensive? If yes, why? If not, why?

M4:

- 1) Why nano-materials have more strength as compared to other materials?
- 2) Recently farmers conducted Kisan Parliament. Why was it conducted and is there a requirement for other such 'Parliaments'?
- 3) We are going in for de-mergers and decentralisation of institutions but at the same time merging banks. Why is there no uniformity in approach?
- 4) Wouldn't creating more elite institutions like IITs and AIIMS lead to loss of brand value? Do you support it?
- 5) Railways don't have the cold chain infrastructure to move perishable goods. So, is there hope for Railways in moving perishables?

Thank You. Your interview is over.

No questions from optional or home state. Since most of the questions were related to banking and Railways, I might have missed out on a couple of questions and the order of questions of each member might have been slightly different.

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Chaubey Sir board, 20th September

Can't imagine a more cordial board. Made me feel very comfortable and at ease. No mask during the interview.

Background: Panipat, Ministry of Education, BTech Civil engg, PG Diploma Urban Planning, MA Political Science, PSIR optional

Hobbies: writing, vexillology, learning new languages

Chair + 3M,1F members

C: Tell me about your work and education in one minute.

You've worked in M/o Education for 3 years. What's the biggest learning from that experience?

Should we shift to a presidential system of government?

M1: Explain GST compensation cess issue discussed in recent GST council meeting. What are your views on this?

Name the project similar to project tiger which is active in Central India for a carnivore

Why all major battles were fought in Panipat?

F1: Views on Ministry of cooperation? What are the issues related to it? What commodities could we bring cooperatives for?

What is the government doing to promote research in the country?

M2: What two changes would you make to the urban plan on Panipat and why

What is the credit transfer system in NEP and what are the issues related to it?

Why is there a push for regional languages?

M3: What attributes do you look for in your future wife?

What is the difference between physical and moral courage? When was the last time you showed moral courage?

When was the last time you felt physically and mentally drained out?

What is your first preference of posting and why? What would you think if we post you to chhattisgarh?

Which is the most backward state in India and why?

C: We have asked everything we wanted. Do you want to talk about anything? Talked about my hobby vexillology. Chairman asked a follow up question on design of Indian flag.

Overall a good experience. Though I feel it should've gone longer. Let's see \Box

MK

17/09/21; FN session

Chairperson: BB Vyas

Profile (relevant DAF keywords)

- Presently in IPS
- Pref IAS, IFS, IRS-IT
- Tamil Nadu
- Reading non-fiction, gratitude journaling

Chairperson

1. You are in IPS, why IAS?

- 2. SCO. Tell its significance and talk about its agenda
- 3. As advisor to PM, what should be the talking points in today's meeting?
- 4. You said ... what more?
- 5. GST council. What is happening today?
- 6. Have you heard about whitelist goods?
- 7. Waste to energy and it's feasibility. How to ensure viable power generation?

M1 (male)

- 1. Discussion on my name and why I was named so. Historical significance.
- 2. Unification happened under the British (follow up from previous answer), how do you see it?
- 3. You like reading non fiction. Who's your favourite author?
- 4. Who is he? Relevance of his ideas.
- 5. Agricultural society vs Hunter gatherers. Learnings from the latter?
- 6. Gratitude journaling. Tell us about it.
- 7. Didn't you feel confined during COVID? (Follow up from previous answer)

M2 (lady)

- 1. How has IPS training changed you?
- 2. Any one big learning from the training?
- 3. Personnel in police are low. Do you think that's affecting them? What should be done?
- 4. Why is there pendency and delays in cases?
- 5. India-Brazil relations and significance. Do you know anything about the defence aspect?
- 6. What is liquidity trap?

M3 (lady)

- 1. Leadership qualities necessary as IPS officer
- 2. As IAS, would different traits be necessary?
- 3. You are from TN, tell us about Puducherry.
- 4. Why is it a UT?
- 5. It is dispersed across different states, can you tell the names? Should they be amalgamated with the larger State?
- 6. When did French leave India?

Chairperson

- 1. Have you heard about artificial sun?
- 2. Tell us about it

Thank you, your interview is over.

Observations

- 1. Only 3 members were there apart from the Chairman. I was the first one to go in the FN session. Perhaps M4 joined later.
- 2. Qs from current affairs of that day
- 3. A few members pre-decided what to ask (written notes) and it didn't matter to them that they were unrelated to me
- 4. Told "don't know/can't recall" several times esp w.r.t. factual Qs

R_P

PT date: 20/9, Board: Smita Mam, Daf: INTEL India, IIT DELHI, Semiconductor industry

Mam: Why did u leave job?

(was sitting on bench) no opp

Mam: Shd hv waited (explained whole story)

Mam: What was good about job ex (no gender disparity was in all male team)

Mam: Have u faced disparity?

(in iit all male class) related discussion.

Mam: Shd hv tried better to make good with classmates.

Me: no, it was matter of my self respect rather shd hv complained against them to mentor ..!!

M1: afganistan what danger (drugs, terror)

M1: earlier too

Me: nexus bw pakistan china taliban past ex .. earlier gov was in india favour even denied to join cpec if india is nt allowed to trade through pak ..

M1: why semiconductor shortage?

M1: name places where manuf of semiconductor is done?

M2: delhi shd hv alternate model of management with respect to health ed ..

M2 : shd india hv semiconductor manuf ? what model to implement (PPP) high investment low profit but strategic sector .

M3: human rights in our consti (A21)

tell all fundamental duties?

are they enforcable?

M4 : dipankar gupta ? did u r read his book (no read few articles) why to care abt small islands in indian vicinity ?

Isro related questions (is our space prog good or bad)

vyomitra

gaganyan

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last quetn: is doing nothing sometimes doing everything? ,passitivity is positivity?

Background: Delhi, Mechanical Engineering, NSS, Hobbies: Exploring gadgets, Reading non fiction, Sathyavathi Ma'am Board

CW:

- 1. Tell us about administrative structure of Delhi
- 2. Why tussle between Delhi and Central government
- 3. Other UTs have legislatures too. Why not tussle there?
- 4. Which other UTs have legislature
- 5. How to resolve this tussle? Give practical Solution

M1:

- 1. NSS comes under which ministry
- 2. What did you do in NSS?
- 3. What does the orientation ceremony of NSS involve?
- 4. How long is this ceremony and how many times in year?
- 5. How to double agricultural income?

M2:

1. How to do water harvesting? Also tell central and state level initiatives about the same.

- 2. Difference between turbo engine and normal engine?
- 3. Which causes more pollution?
- 4. Respond to the statement: "US wants territorial expansion"

M3:

- 1. Who was Safdar Hashmi?
- 2. Where did you do Nukkad natak in NSS? What was it about?
- 3. Which books do you like to read?
- 4. What is freudian psychology? Have you read it?
- 5. Two unintelligible psychology terms
- 6. Isn't India wasting money by having space program? What is the utility?

M4:

- 1. Which is the smallest commercially produced chip size?
- 2. Which company has this chip?
- 3. What is moore's law
- 4. What is limit of moore's law?
- 5. Why this limit?
- 6. What is quantum tunneling?
- 7. Can you connect Quantum tunneling to moore's law?
- 8. Some unintelligible phenomenon
- CW: Thank you your interview is over. We wish you best of luck.

Sujata mehta ma'am board

17th sept., forenoon, 2nd to go., Geography optional, Background-Civil engg

Hobbies- travelling, reading novel, watching movies and web series, Hometown- amethi (U.P.)

Chm-

- 1-Amethi is prominent constituency, what do u thing are extra challenges one has to face while posted in amethi?
- 2- suppose u are posted in amethi, tell me the specific challenges and what steps will you take?
- 3- what eill you do to spread awareness?
- 4- what mediums will you use for spreading awareness?

- 5- can election commission help in this situation (situation of businessman political nexus)?
- 2-3 more follow up question.

1st member- (very serious)

1- your hobby is travelling, tell me how travelling enhance your personality other than increasing your knowledge?

Then follow ups

2- your optional is geography, tell me 2 economic development steps which you will take to develop a region, and don't tell all that bookish things, tell me two ground level steps.

Again 2-3 follow up questions.

2nd member-

I can see your hobby is watching movies and also reading novels.. so tell me there is one famous author in india whose many novels have been transformed into movies.. can you recall his name?

- 2- ok now tell me his novels which has been converted into movies.
- 3- you belong to musafirkhana (a place in amethi district), can you recall a song contain the word musafir?
- 4- ok, recite the song.
- 5- you are from gautam buddha tech. University, dont worry i'll not ask anything from gautam buddha, just tell me, govt had introduced ₹50 note a while ago, what monument has been inscribed on that note and ia it related to buddha? How?

(He smiled and said ok thank you)

3rd member- ma'am

- 1-You were assosiated with an NGO. What is the name?
- 2- ok, what was the NGO doing?
- 3- what was your role in the NGO?
- 4- do you think NGO are working good in india?
- 5- then, have you heard that govt. is banning the license of several NGOs, why govt is doing so? Should govt regulate the licensing for NGOs?
- 2-3 follow ups
- 6- what ground steps you will take to better the landfill sites.

Tell me two steps that you will take.

(I said waste segregation at source, and waste to energy plant)

7- how will you spread awareness for waste segregation? And isn't there already a law for waste segregation?

Ok thank you.

4th member-

1-you did civil engg?

- 2- there is a lot of flood in UP, do you have any blueprint on how to deal with recurrent floods in UP?
- 3- floods due to shifting of river, how will you deal with that?

I told 2 points, then he said- thats all?? I said yes sir that is waht i'm able to recall currently.

He said- Thank you.

Chm ma'am-

Ok, your interview is over, you can go now.

Overall good experience, interview was 30 mins.

One member was looking like he wants to stress me, both ma'am were very cordial.

Acinonyx

Sujata Mehta ma'am ,Bg- economics, psychology,eng literature, psir, Mountaineering

21 sept, forenoon, 2nd to go.,30-35 mins

Nm from hobbies

Tell about your education and work exp if any?

How college life was different in Chandigarh as compared to New Delhi?

How did u find Cowin portal? Did u face any difficulty?

What better model could we adopt?

Asha workers worried about their privacy due to constant tracking? What is the way forward?

Who do you think does more work, an Asha or a secy?

M1

What are the security threats to India?

What is India doing to counter china?

What about cyber security?

What is cert in?

What about naxalism?

M2

Tell me any famous English authors?

What did Robert frost do?

How is gst doing?

M3

What is the issue with adhar?

Privacy breach?

Loss of data, should govt apologize to people?

What is GeM portal?

Is it a good model?

Can people from lower sphere be equally represented?

M4

What places have u visited in Ladakh?

What is highest road in Ladakh?

What is gestalt Psychology?

What is para psychology?

Chairwoman

What subject would u like us to ask questions from?

How can we deal with Taliban?

Your interview is over. Best wishes.

RKR,15th September, forenoon, first one to go., Sujatha mehtha mam board

Optional: Kannada literature, Grad: mechanical engineering

Nothing from graduation, hobbies or achievements, so not mentioning them.

- 1. Introduction with education and experience details
- 2. Commercialization of cricket
- 3. Pay disparity in cricket and reasons.

- 4. Why women in India aren't encouraged to take up sports? Anything to do with patriarchal mindset?
- 5. GST and related questions
- 6. IBC and related questions
- 7. NPA and related questions
- 8. Why Kannada literature and favourite author
- 9. Telecom sector issues
- 10. Should govt buy Vodafone-Idea stake.
- 11. Vehicle scrappage policy.
- 12. Carbon neutrality target by 2050 and should India aim to achieve it? Followed by questions related to same
- 13. Dairy sector and pricing issues.
- 14. Pollution difference between Bangalore and Delhi
- 15. Importance of September 15th Engineers day and birth anniversary of Bharat Ratna Sir M. Vishweshwaraih.(I happen to study in his birthplace)
- 16. Achievements of Sir M.V.
- 17. Priorities of civil servants and long discussion on that, taking cues from previous answers like telecom and dairy sector.

S

Board-sujata mehta mam, Date of interview-21-09-forenoon(first candidate to be interviewed)

Hobbies-reading non fiction, mild excercise, tutoring, isha kriya, Optional-anthropology

Graduation-civil engineering, Entered and greeted members....mam said sit down...

Chairperson-introduce urself (it was a long intro...I thought of adding issues I want to contribute into as a civil servant-mam was listening passionately-apart from intro I said 4 issues in which I want to work-education,gender issues(lgbt,women) and tribals..

Mam said ok lets pick up efucation...

Q-what issues you see in education (talked of other than infra,funding,I majorly focussed on value based education and absense of society and parents in education curriculum...

Q-mam said how you will inculcate parents and society?

I said ptm meeting where parents can be awared about skill of their children,how issues they need to discuss how to discuss etc...in society I taljed of nukkad natak etc where behavioural change can be brought in...

Q-then she asked who will oversee all this-i answered in terns of collaboration of every stakeholder...then she countered wat will dm do here?

I answer in terms of dm being a umbrella entity who can oversee whether things are going in right direction....

Then chairperson asked member 1 to ask

M1-i will start with education sector only, issues he again asked and wat new education policy doing abt it?(I answered in term of funding, language as a barrier, vocational eduvation then answered how nep is a ray of hope in this direction)

-wat this designation of school captain is. i answered that this is top most position given in my school...he said good...

He then said letzz now move to economy -tell me wat are the prospect of our ecinomy? (I answered aatmanirbhr bharat,then he stopped in between that I am not talking only post covid economy our economy was slow before that tell me major issues (I answered in terms of skill development,ease of business,jobbless growth) then he asked wat are labour intensive sector. I answered in term of textile,footwear,msmes etc.. then a bell rung from outside ,meanwhile chairperson was strucking a pencil for 2-3 times,signalling member 1 that ur time is over...

Member 2- discussion with education (not able to recall exactly wat he asked) then he abruptly moved to stubble burning...asking wat u can do as a policy maker (I answered something on lines that stubble can be a value material, there can be storage, and stubble can be mixed with soil)...then he counterd he was so inaudible that I was not able to get what exactly he was saying but somehow I understood gist of the question that was related to environment policy how will you design...that was a big question...in between a be rung...I was answering...he nodded and said think about this more....I said yes sir...

Member 3 - praised me for my credentials first.. marks nd all in school and colleges, then asked which book u have read -I talked 4 books -- out of 2 (siksha, and I am malala was on education)he said u r seriously very passionate about improving our education sector...

Then he asked why do mild excercise? Why not intense (I answered he nodded)...

Then he said lets come back to civil engineering...that was a long question where he quote lot of figures and stats and question was why too much road accident .. I answered in technicalities (like potholes because of poor material, poor forecasting of traffic etc) then he countered by saying I agree ur point but stats show that 90% of road accident because of reckless driving ... I said I was not aware of that stat but added I agree that sir and told h issue of reckless driving in my home district rewa....again be rung...

Member 4-

Tell me about malala (I answered)

Have you ever done intense excercise (I added that during collg I was into gym but after preparation was not able to carry that fwd so mild only now)

Then he askef about technologies which will come in next 10yrs and how to use (answered ai,big data)I was adfing on he said tell me how big data is used (answer in crimin justice,agriculture, education)it was a long discussion then bell rung

Chairperson again-what is laalbatti culture? (Answered)

Ur vuew on that? (I said it creates division of soviety on have and have not and added on sayong govt recently banned it)

Then she asked ok so suppose as a sp if u want to go to a place now quickly nd u dont have any batti isn't a problem? (Answered wat I have seen in indore that in between roads a separate section from where in emergency ambulances can go, something on this line can be done)

Then she asked if u want anything else to be asked?

I said mam tribal affairs?

Then she asked...is a tribal culture one thing or there is difference (I answered there are many culture) then she asked how we should go abt it (answered that mam one size fit all approach doesnot go well with tribals...so we need more decentralized planning)...she asked who are stakeholders for that I answered local bodies,gram sabhas,people

She said okay...good shubham.you may leave now...ur interview is over.I thanked everyone...

Mam including entire oanel was very inaudible at times I had to shift very closer to the member asking question...and at times I had to say I was not able to hear properly but they repeated question again...

Overall a very good experience overall they were quite engaging and wanted to have a discussion rather than interrogation....

J

Date: 01-09-2021,Optional: Anthropology,Background: B.Tech in Mechanical Engineering, VIT Vellore,State: AP

Chairman Sir (Shri R N Choubey)

- 1) Introduce yourselves with an emphasis on educational and professional experience.
- 2) Why did you work in software firm being from mechanical engg discipline. So, your mechanical knowledge didn't help you in getting a job. Right?
- 2) One idea of Gandhiji with which you don't agree.
- 3) Gandhiji vs Bhagat Singh whom do you support.

Member 1

- 1) controversy in Lakshadweep and follow up questions.
- 2) strategic importance of Andaman and nicobar islands

- 3) name 2 islands in A&N which are recently announced as development hubs.
- 4) tell us about sentinelese tribes.
- 5) what is creamy layer concept, what is the limit, how agriculture income is measured to identify creamy layer.
- 6) should we bring creamy layer concept for sc/sts?

Member 2

- 1) probs with India's HEIs
- 2) solutions for the same
- 3) Is NAM relevant now
- 4) IT industry in India

Member 3

- 1) Criminal tribes/ Denotified tribes related laws and comparison between those laws
- 2) Why DNTs were Denotified before a new law was enacted? What was the government's logic behind this denotification?

(Lowest point in the whole interview)

Member 4

- 1) what's happening in china- pak- india border
- 2) how are we dealing with those 2 countries
- 3) You were discussing about QUAD with other member. Why there is huge attention towards Indo-Pacific these days?
- 3) India is a developing country, can we invest so much money on defence neglecting development and welfare?
- 4) prioritise between cybersecurity, maritime security, land border security in terms of investing limited resources India has keeping in mind the vulnerabilities.
- 5) using cricket's growth story give suggestions to improve our medal tally in next olympics.

RG

Board - TCA ananth sir ,DAF - IRPS probationer, mechanical engineering, job in honda cars india Ltd, Jhabua and Alirajpur. September 20th, 2021

Chairperson-

What are you doing currently?

Why your service is not mentioned in DAF?

Pls rationalize this choice of taking anthro as a subject despite mechanical background?

M1

AI is a futuristic technology. Are we as a country ready to brace it? Pls tell me pros and cons of this tech? Why are there apprehensions?

How can you apply it to your tribal hinterland?

M2

Tell me one scheme that brought great change to jhabua?

Are there any PVTGs in jhabua?

What tribes reside there?

What is the difference between TED and TED talks

M3

Women in armed forces? Is it a good decision? What's your take?

Electric vehicles and govt policy. Where do we stand now?

One more question that I can't recall

M4

Why is manufacturing sector not able to take off?

What can we do?

What are the challenges in India due to which Electric vehicles are still not popular?

EV technology is unaffordable right now? Should we bring it for rich only and not for the poor?

What alternatives do you suggest?

Thank you.

D

Board- A.M. Bhonsale Sir, Date- 07.09.21, Afternoon, second last to go, 5:15 to 5:45, PSIR

Entered room, greeted the board.

Bhonsale sir, straightaway asked what's your height? You are so tall, well built. What is you health mantra? { Parents and lots of fruits)

Then started reading my Daf.

He then said, I forgot to ask you to sit. Please sit, remove the mask wipe your face, relax and have water if you want. Given one minute time to settle down.

He then introduced me to the process, said we will assess you on our conversations, you can take time, use paper and pen in case and answer. Your medium is English but you can answer in Hindi too if you are more comfortable.

Read out my education alma maters, NCC, NSS, JRF, hobbies and details.

So as you are already into excellent institutions and academics for long. What's your take on NEP?

PM talked about \(\subseteq \subseteq \subseteq \) and \(\subseteq \subseteq \subseteq \) (justice and empowerment) with reference to importance of mother language. What's your assessment?

How mother language can help augmenting development and serve the underprivileged?

Have you seen the last test match? What was the turning point? Are you happy with the team?

When is the next match scheduled?

M1- How can we develop tourism, attract international tourists and more?

Why tourists sceptical about India despite natural and cultural richness?

What is the scepticism about National Monetisation and do you really think it's for the good?

M2- You studied history, why history is politicised, is the discipline a science?

Why call for banning of books and changing history? What are facts?

You are a member of board and get a complain to ban 3 books. How will you take action?

How Naxalism historically makes your region difficult?

Why are we not able to defeat naxalites?

M3- IR your specialisation, how do you see transitions from times of Nehru with reference to our relations with China, US and Russia?

Is Russia still a friend and valuable?

Why India-Israel relation not moved further? Should we engage with Israel?

Can India change it's position in terms of Palestine Issue?

Should we go back to Afghanistan?

What challenge we face from Taliban?

What are India's options?

Rapid fire round

M4- You studied from Netarhat? What is that motto written in front of your school gate? * Attadipa Viharath" (Be your own light- Buddha)

Who said that?

What is the shloka written beside in Sanskrit in your school? Do you remember and recite? From where the shloka has been adopted?

You read poetry, memver himself recited four lines of ".....the woods are lovely dark and deep." Who wrote it, which Poem? Which country is the author from?

Where the mind is without fear. Who wrote and what is the name of collection?

Which cricketer's autobiography is "A century is not enough"?

Novak Zokovich, Roger Federer, and Nadal. Which countries they play for?

What is the meaning of Olympic motto?

Chair- Ok, your interview is over. Hope you enjoyed it. What will you do now?

Said- will go and write my Phd. (Will not take your restaurant discount)

Said, good luck but enjoy and chill also before.

Sure sir. Thankyou.

Answered most, few hiccups in the the rapid fire round. Rest interview was smooth and cordial.

P

Smita Nagraj board ,20th September ,forenoon

Last to go ,Duration: 30 mins

DAF: economics optional, BA MA Eco, DU, JNU, Haryana, badminton

Chairman

- 1. What have you been doing since post graduation
- 2. Difference between US model of economic development vs Western European model
- 3. Views wrt social expenditure
- 4. Role of government of India in reducing social development gap
- 5. Role of private sector
- 6. Follow up questions on the same topic

Member 1

- 1. National monetisation pipeline wrt reducing inequalities in the country
- 2. Economics of farm laws and the related agitation

Member 2

- 1. Indianisation of judiciary
- 2. Judicial reforms required
- 3. Why UTs are important
- 4. Why should we not merge Puducherry with Tamil Nadu
- 5. What is the strategic importance of Puducherry

Member 3

- 1. Internal security issues for India
- 2. Role of taliban wrt India's internal security
- 3. LWE origin
- 4. Where has it been concentrated geographically
- 5. What can be done

Member 4

- 1. Name of the new chief minister of Punjab
- 2. 2 sports persons who won 2 medals at olympics
- 3. 1 thing that you learnt from Jnu
- 4. India's border with Afghanistan and Indonesia
- 5. If you are to be made the foreign secretary, tell me 3 steps you'll take to resolve India pak issues
- 6. Anything that you would like the board to ask you?

R

Rkg, Transcript, DOI-20/9/2021

Daf related to Maths, Technology, TCA Anant sir board

Chair:

1. What you have been doing since last 2 yrs

- 2. Why join civil services?
- 3. What did you do in Unnat bharat abhiyan?(Related to my answer)

M1:Grilling mode, soft speaker

- 1. What is personal, professional integrity??
- 2. What is difference between successful and worthy person?
- 3. What is AUKUS?(current based)

F1:

- 1. Why Grouund water table going down in UP?
- 2. What tech can be used to reduce and monitor it?
- 3. How can farmers be shifted away from water guzzling crops?

M2: Himself spoke a lot

- 1. How maths manifest in universe?
- 2. Maths and music relation?
- 3. What can be solution for preventing neglect of talent in students?
- 4. What is NEP doing in that regard?
- 5. Contribution of ramanujan?

M3: Grilling mode on

- 1. What are solutions developed by UBA?
- 2. Why regional solutions not replicated through out country?
- 3. What can be done to make it happen?

Chair: You may leave now, it lasted 25-30 mins

S

Sujata mehta ma'am board,17th sept. , forenoon, 2nd to go.,Geography optional

Background-Civil engg, Hobbies- travelling, reading novel, watching movies and web series

Hometown- amethi (U.P.)

Chm-

- 1-Amethi is prominent constituency, what do u thing are extra challenges one has to face while posted in amethi?
- 2- suppose u are posted in amethi, tell me the specific challenges and what steps will you take?

- 3- what eill you do to spread awareness?
- 4- what mediums will you use for spreading awareness?
- 5- can election commission help in this situation (situation of businessman political nexus)?
- 2-3 more follow up question.

1st member- (very serious)

1- your hobby is travelling, tell me how travelling enhance your personality other than increasing your knowledge?

Then follow ups

2- your optional is geography, tell me 2 economic development steps which you will take to develop a region, and don't tell all that bookish things, tell me two ground level steps.

Again 2-3 follow up questions.

2nd member-

I can see your hobby is watching movies and also reading novels.. so tell me there is one famous author in india whose many novels have been transformed into movies.. can you recall his name?

- 2- ok now tell me his novels which has been converted into movies.
- 3- you belong to musafirkhana (a place in amethi district), can you recall a song contain the word musafir?
- 4- ok, recite the song.
- 5- you are from gautam buddha tech. University, dont worry i'll not ask anything from gautam buddha, just tell me, govt had introduced ₹50 note a while ago, what monument has been inscribed on that note and ia it related to buddha? How?

(He smiled and said ok thank you)

3rd member- ma'am

- 1-You were assosiated with an NGO. What is the name?
- 2- ok, what was the NGO doing?
- 3- what was your role in the NGO?
- 4- do you think NGO are working good in india?
- 5- then, have you heard that govt. is banning the license of several NGOs, why govt is doing so? Should govt regulate the licensing for NGOs?
- 2-3 follow ups
- 6- what ground steps you will take to better the landfill sites.

Tell me two steps that you will take.

(I said waste segregation at source, and waste to energy plant)

7- how will you spread awareness for waste segregation? And isn't there already a law for waste segregation?

Ok thank you.

4th member-

1-you did civil engg?

- 2- there is a lot of flood in UP, do you have any blueprint on how to deal with recurrent floods in UP?
- 3- floods due to shifting of river, how will you deal with that?

I told 2 points, then he said- thats all?? I said yes sir that is want i'm able to recall currently.

He said- Thank you.

Chm ma'am-

Ok, your interview is over, you can go now.

Overall good experience, interview was 30 mins.

One member was looking like he wants to stress me, both ma'am were very cordial.

DAF points:

Home state-Jharkhand. ,Education-B. Tech mechanical engineering ,Job-L&T hydrocarbon engineering ,Board-Mr R N Choubey

Chairman:

- 1.Please introduce yourself emphasizing on educational qualification and profession.
- 2.In agriculture ,next growth axis after Green revolution in order to improve yields.
- 3. Follow up about the answer given.
- 4. Situation based question-you have surrounded a naxal camp on receiving intelligence, made them aware about shootout if anyone tries moving, still some women move about. Will you shoot?
- 5. Follow up on the above question.

Member 1:

- 1. 2 failures of govt in the handling of covid pandemic.
- 2. Hobby related to short story reading hindi-authors and stories.

- 3.what did u learn from it?
- 4. Contemporary relevance of the said story.
- 5. New problems of agriculture.

Member 2:

- 1. should we scrap history teaching in schools?
- 2. How to induce interest in history?
- 3. Motivation for civil services.
- 4. Official language act and use /relevance.

Member 3:

- 1. In Hydrocarbon sector which dept did u work?
- 2. What were your responsibilities?
- 3. What is the future of hydrocarbon?
- 4. Can we seek complete independence from hydrocarbon related business?
- 5.If made an advisor to jharkhand CM, what suggestions will you give for improvement of jharkhands stunted growth?
- 6. will forest produce based industries destroy the forests?
- 7. SEZ and significance.
- 8. How come Kerala public school in jharkhand? (My primary school was Kerala public school)

Member4:

- 1. Is there a similar tribal cooperative (i had mentioned this in one of the above answers) example among US natives?
- 2. Why IAS?
- 3. How to convince people to accept GM crops?

Chairman:

Would you like to add something?

Thank you. Your interview is over.

All board members were cordial.

Thanks and all the best.

GI

Sujata Mehta Board, DAF - Dentist, Anthropology, IR, Time 25-30 mins

Chair

- 1) Introduce yourself.
- 2) When did you graduate?
- 3) So you have not practiced Dentistry?
- 4) What is mission Indradhanush?
- 5)Compare it with the present covid vaccination?
- 6) Should vaccines be free? Why?
- 7) Now tell points why they shouldn't be free?
- 8) Can you take Vaccine whenever you want?? There is an 84 day gap right? (I Said I was talking about 1st dose)
- 9) Should Health Services in the country be free of cost?
- 10) Which Services should be free acc to you? You think ambulance should be free? 2 others

M1

- 1) Why is it difficult to make vaccines for virus and not for bacteria?
- 2) Is anything related to the cell wall?
- 3) Features of NEP that you liked?
- (Subjects from different fields, credit bank, multiple exit and entry)
- 4) It was there before also. Student could switch between fields. What's new then?

(Few more questions)

M2

- 1) Why only india Centric IR? Not interested in others?
- 2)You said healthcare should be free, but people are having so many kids, why should an honest taxpayer pay for the extra kids?

More follow up questions

M3

- 1) Stages of Healing of tooth socket after tooth removal
- 2) When is the bone formed?

- 3) When did Agriculture begin in India?
- 4) Stages of Human evolution?
- 5)How did humans effect ecosystem in every continent?
- 6)Have you heard of Homo Florence? Tell me about it.
- 7) What are your views on Aryan invasion Theory

M4

- 1) What are SDG Goals?
- 2) Is health part of it.
- 3) Is India part of it? Have you read a research paper on India and SDG?
- 4) What is Cop 26?
- 5) There is so much Tax evasion in India, what are the reasons?
- 6) Only Foreign MNCs are doing? what about domestic companies, they don't do it?
- 7) Any recent global news about Taxation (G7 Global minimum tax)
- 8) What is cultural Anthropology

Chair

- 1) Continue About Cultural Anthropology.
- 2) It is said that NEET favours urban elite Students and has lead to coaching culture. What do you think?

Do you want us to ask you on any topic? I said IR.

- 3) Should we use Indian diaspora for our Foreign policy Goals?
- 4) What if tomorrow china uses Indians of Chinese descent to promote their goals?

V

Board: R N Choubey Sir, 20th september 2021

DAF: Btech (Mech) DTU, Mtech (Design) IITD, ESE- 2019, BRO (probationer), Madhubani painting

Chairman:

Made me comfortable

- 1. Are you superstitious? (Said no with a pause)
- 2. Seems like you were about to say yes, then you said no

- 3. What are your views about women keeping fast for their husbands?
- 4. 4 judges came out to media. Why? And do you think it was the right thing to do?
- 5. You said public faith in judiciary. Have you heard of tareekh pr tareekh? What is it about?
- 6. How many cases are pending in our courts?
- 7. What is the avg time of disposal of cases in India?
- 8. You still think that your argument of public faith holds good?

M1:

- 1. Why ford had to shut it's shop?
- 2. But other players are doing well. How?
- 3. As a design engineer, what changes would you recommend in ford design to increase their sales?
- 4. Given that both petrol and diesel cost the same, which system would you incorporate into your design?
- 5. Logistic costs are increasing. How does it impact our economy?

M2 (Lady)

- 1. As a design engineer, design a policy for women empowerment? Your original policy.
- 2. Govt policies in these areas?
- 3. Have you heard about any famous shg model? (From previous answer)
- 4. To which state this model belongs?
- 5. Tell me more about this model?
- 6. You mentioned about NRLM, What's that?
- 7. Madhubani as SHG. Commercialization steps by the government
- 8. You make these paintings as well?

M3:

- 1. What is barter system?
- 2. Do you know about Atal tunnel?
- 3. Tell me a specific sensor name used in it.
- 4. What is collaboration and inter disciplinary in NEP?
- 5. Is collaboration limited to foreign universities?

- 6. How corporate collaboration can help in NEP?
- 7. As a mechanical engineer, how would you proceed for collaboration with corporate to float a course? Which course would be your priority?

M4:

- 1. Who is your best friend
- 2. What would she tell if I ask her your strengths?
- 3. Your weakness?
- 4. You could have done well in private. Why ESE and CSE?
- 5. How was your experience in IITD compared to DTU?
- 6. If you were DC, Chamoli, and you mother calls to tell you that your father has few days left. What would you do?

Chairman:

Do you want to tell us or want us to ask from a particular area?

Just

Chair - Smiti Nagaraj board.

Chairperson:

- 1. Your are from TN, is it your first visit to delhi?
- 2. Before this visit, what is your northernmost place you visited in India?
- 3. What are the places you visited here?
- 4. What what is your first impression when you landed in delhi?
- 5. In your impression, Is Delhi justified to be the capital of India?
- 6. Many automobile companies are leaving India, Why? What are the implication to TN?

Member 1 -

Why Tiruppur is famous for textile industry?

Apart from cheap labour, capital what other factors? Is there anything spl there?

Even though South India has many ports, why columbo became a major port?

Why we are not implementing setu samudram project?

Considering QUAD, AKUS, Do we need to allow USA to land and operate force against China? As we can't handle the chinese single handedly.

Member 2-

Long question - Social media freedom vs security of the state?

What we learnt from Covid?

Member 3.

Who are the inhabitants of India?

Is there a relation between baluchistan and South India?

Is khilji a settler or invader?

What is haiku? (Hobby)

Why ISL is not able to bring the glory to football, if hockey league can do to men's hockey?

Who according to you is the greatest women badminton at present?

Mention 3 greatest leaders of 20th century who can be remembered for next 500 century?

Member 4:

Who is Durkheim?

"Technology and its advancement will change the societal values" is it true? If yes then explain.

What is the constitutional provision to eradicate Untouchability, as a sociological student tell me the solution.

What is tangible and intangible culture?

What is poona pact? How many articles in the constitution and how many amendment we are having?

7th September, TCA Anant sir Board

History graduation, political science optional, hobby yoga (no economics background)

Chair

Why do you want to go for civil services?

From your daf it seems that you cleared your graduation in 4 years, why did you take long?

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What did you do as headgirl?

M2

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Which are the sectors in electronics?

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M4

What is the one mistake that we made in ancient and medieval India that we can learn from?

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Do you think our policy on South China sea is good?

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Transcript

TCA Anant sir board, Date -21/9/2021

Background – Madhubani, Bihar| GGPS Bokaro | Chemical Engg. Plastics and Polymer | BIT Mesra Jharkhand

Hobbies - Running | Hindi Movies with a message | Developmental Stories

Chairperson:

- 1. SWOT Analysis of your district (Madhubani).
- 2. Ways to tackle Weaknesses?
- 3. Why Madhubani to Bokaro for intermediate(11th and 12th)?

M1:

- 1. Is defence infrastructure boosting, need of the hour or waste of resources?
- 2. Cybersecurity related threats and possible ways forward?

M2:

- 1. Should plastics be banned altogether?
- 2. Possibility of single-use plastic use in circular economy (e.g. road building material)
- 3. Every movie has a message, what is special about Hindi movies with a message?
- 4. How do you decide that a movie has a message without watching it?
- 5. What do you mean by developmental story?

M3:

- 1. Attracting investment in your district? Basis (Situation based, addressing investor's forum with your state CM)
- 2. Promotion of local products (Makhana)?
- 3. Steps to be taken to promote economic growth in your district (in 2 years)?
- 4. On college placement?

M4:

- 1. About Vidyapati, a famous Maithili poet?
- 2. Another famous personality of this region (Mandan Mishra)?

Chairperson: Thank You, Your interview is over. (around 30 min)

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TCA Anant sir's Board ,Optional - commerce and accountancy

Background- Bcom, Chartered Accountant, State - Chhattisgarh

Hobby - cricket, meditation and biographical movies, Interview date - 7th September

Chairman

- 1. Read out my academic qualification and work experience.
- 2. Why did you leave job?
- 3. Why you want to join civil services?
- 4. How will CA help in civil services?

Member 1

- 1. What is zero based budgeting?
- 2. Its advantages and disadvantages?
- 3. Why does India not adopt zero based budgeting?
- 4. Which type of Biographical movies do you watch?
- 5. Which is latest movie you have watched?
- 6. What is the importance of India's win at the oval?
- 7. What is a chinaman? Why is it called so?
- 8. What is management accounting?
- 9. Do you think it is useful in govt decision making?
- 10. What did you not like in your previous organisations?
- 11. Dont you think govt organisation and such private organisations are very different?

Member 2

- 1. Tell me about the global presence of ICAI (CA institute)?
- 2. How will you use the global network of ICAI in administration?
- 3. Do you support National Monestisation pipeline?
- 4. Dont you think private organisations will charge high prices to people?
- 5. What is India's debt to GDP?
- 6. Tell me about the composition of this debt in India?
- 7. India wanted to raise fund through sovereign bonds, why didnt we go ahead with that Idea?
- 8. Do you think India should devalue or control the exchange rate for the purpose of improving our exports?
- 9. What is the driving force or passion in your life?
- 10. When was the recent time you helped someone? (i had mentioned helping in previous answer)
- 11. One best practice that you would want to contribute to govt accounting system since you have this as your background?

Member 3

- 1. When was ICAI founded?
- 2. Why has the act not amended till date? Do you think it should be amended?
- 3. Don't you think ICAI and NFRA have similar and overlapping roles? (i had mentioned NFRA in my previous answer)
- 4. Who maintans and audits accounts of both central and state govt?
- 5. What is the change you would want to bring in the govt accounting?
- 6. What is the difference between audit of govt companies and private companies?
- 7. What is the ideal debt equity ratio for an Infrastructure company?

Member 4

- 1. When was Chhattisgarh formed?
- 2. Currently how many districts in Chhattisgarh? (may be because recently 4 new were created)
- 3. How has Chhattisgarh progressed after separation from MP?
- 4. You say it has progressed, then why do you still have naxalism?
- 5. Do you think tribals get caught between naxals and govt?
- 6. What do you mean by canons of financial propriety?
- 7. What is mankading? Chairman Thank you. Your interview is over., Overall very cordial board.

Ethan Hunt, IRTS

Jharkhand, Btech (Production Engg)

Hobbies- Weghtloss, strength Training and investment planning, Board- RN Choubey Sir

CH-

- 1. Give intro detailing about study and work ex
- 2. 2. GST a threat to Fiscal federalism (2 connected question)
- 3. Your weakness
- 4. What you have done to overcome...

M1-

- 1. What is 22 sept famous for (Police reform dayit was on newspaper today)
- 2. Police have trust issue among them self? What you say (My dad is police officer)
- 3. Reforms in Police which have not stated till now?
- 4. Where are you know? I mean what training you are undergoing

M2 (Lady motherly figure)

- 1. Bullet trains and its significance?
- 2. Benefits of bullet train? Is it not wastage of money?
- 3. About railway restructuring (2-3 related questions)
- 4. Compare roadways and bullet train(Not normal train)
- 5. Weight loss program... What you do? Professional or Amature(Said reduced weight from 98 to 72 Kg in 1 year... every one was WAAAOO....maam said salute to you determination) Few more question on weight training.

M3

- 1. What was your role as PRO
- 2. What qualities a PRO must have
- 3. You were alumni incharge. So don't you think Alumini play a important role.
- 4. Suppose you are Heading a team and asked to invest 2 Cr rupees from alumni fund and a suggestion comes that a part of it should be spend on poor children near by your college. Would you accept?
- 5. What will you do for implementing that?

M4

- 1. How will you deal with fight between locals and college students
- 2. If you are chief Secy how would you see problem of GST loss to your state
- 3. What will be your priority as IAS?
- 4. 2- more question on hobby didn't remember

CH- Ethan its very good interacting with you. From our side we have asked question. Would you like to ask or say any thing from you side

I said Sir I want to say about Strength training and nutrition—Said about my weight loss journey.. difference between fat loss and weight loss...importance of weight loss. (Detailed)

Sir said Thank you can go

It was very good experience. Board was cordial there is nothing to say about that as they are not Raghu Rajiv of Roadies

Few mistakes-

- 1. I said in railway there is strong departmentalism and people sees there mistake——its a loose statement——but realised and clarified with example that mechanical don't want to discontinue Diesel engine as they have their interest
- 2. Said thank you while in process of standing but realised and said again after standing.
- 3. Said sorry in 3-4 factual question.

Chairperson: Mr RN Choubey IAS

Background: Kerala; English Literature, Linguistics; High Court of Kerala; Hobbies: Reading, Travelling, Watching shows on OTT platforms; Optional: Geography

Please sit back and relax. We are a friendly bunch of people who want to have a conversation with you. If a question is not clear, please ask us to repeat it. If you don't know the answer or don't remember it, feel free to say so

So you already have a job. That's good, but it is always good to aim higher.

Please introduce yourself

- 1. Global warming is a myth. Do you agree or disagree. Justify.
- 2. How many ice ages have Earth gone through?
- 3. How is climate change in the previous periods different from now?
- 4. What's the percentage change?

Member 1

5. What made you start preparing for the civil services?

- 6. Name 3 positive and 3 negative things about Kerala govt's approach towards COVID management
- 7. What's the circumference of Earth?
- 8. At what speed does Earth rotate around the Sun?
- 9. Name two exceptional features of Kerala
- 10. If you were to choose to stay in a state other than Kerala, which one would it be and why?
- 12. Which places have you travelled to?

Member 3

13. What are the 3 mistakes you did as the part of coordinating the European Day of Languages? What could you have done differently?

Member 4

- 14. What are the provisions of Prevention Of Sexual Harassment Act?
- 15. Which authorities/organisations are exempt from the provisions of RTI Act?
- 16. If you were in charge of the tourism dept, what 3 immediate changes would you focus on?

Member 4

- 17. I see you are from the Science background (in 12th). How come you changed your specialization after school?
- 18. What 3 lessons given by Sree Narayana Guru have struck you as the most important?
- 19. What is your opinion about the collegium system in judiciary?
- 20. How would you promote regional languages as per New Education Policy?
- 21. Mention 3 ways in which you can promote Punjabi in Kerala
- 22. What can be done to integrate regional languages in a diverse country like India.
- 23. What can be done to prevent the misuse of sexual harassment legislations in India?
- 24. Has the phenomenon of communalism improved in Kerala over the years?
- 25. What is the shape of Earth?

Chairperson: Your interview is now over. We had a nice time talking to you. We have asked everything we want to ask you. Is there anything else you would like to tell us? Thank you and all the best

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M1:

- 1. Is defence infrastructure boosting, need of the hour or waste of resources?
- 2. Cybersecurity related threats and possible ways forward?

M2:

- 1. Should plastics be banned altogether?
- 2. Possibility of single-use plastic use in circular economy (e.g. road building material)
- 3. Every movie has a message, what is special about Hindi movies with a message?
- 4. How do you decide that a movie has a message without watching it?
- 5. What do you mean by developmental story?

M3:

- 1. Attracting investment in your district? Basis (Situation based, addressing investor's forum with your state CM)
- 2. Promotion of local products (Makhana)?
- 3. Steps to be taken to promote economic growth in your district (in 2 years)?
- 4. On college placement?

M4:

- 1. About Vidyapati, a famous Maithili poet?
- 2. Another famous personality of this region (Mandan Mishra)?

Chairperson: Thank You, Your interview is over. (around 30 min)

TCA Anant sir's Board, Optional - commerce and accountancy

Background- Bcom, Chartered Accountant, State - Chhattisgarh

Hobby - cricket, meditation and biographical movies, Interview date - 7th September

Chairman

- 1. Read out my academic qualification and work experience.
- 2. Why did you leave job?
- 3. Why you want to join civil services?
- 4. How will CA help in civil services?

Member 1

- 1. What is zero based budgeting?
- 2. Its advantages and disadvantages?
- 3. Why does India not adopt zero based budgeting?
- 4. Which type of Biographical movies do you watch?
- 5. Which is latest movie you have watched?
- 6. What is the importance of India's win at the oval?
- 7. What is a chinaman? Why is it called so?
- 8. What is management accounting?
- 9. Do you think it is useful in govt decision making?
- 10. What did you not like in your previous organisations?
- 11. Dont you think govt organisation and such private organisations are very different?

Member 2

- 1. Tell me about the global presence of ICAI (CA institute)?
- 2. How will you use the global network of ICAI in administration?
- 3. Do you support National Monestisation pipeline?
- 4. Dont you think private organisations will charge high prices to people?
- 5. What is India's debt to GDP?
- 6. Tell me about the composition of this debt in India?
- 7. India wanted to raise fund through sovereign bonds, why didnt we go ahead with that Idea?
- 8. Do you think India should devalue or control the exchange rate for the purpose of improving our exports?

- 9. What is the driving force or passion in your life?
- 10. When was the recent time you helped someone? (i had mentioned helping in previous answer)
- 11. One best practice that you would want to contribute to govt accounting system since you have this as your background?

Member 3

- 1. When was ICAI founded?
- 2. Why has the act not amended till date? Do you think it should be amended?
- 3. Don't you think ICAI and NFRA have similar and overlapping roles? (i had mentioned NFRA in my previous answer)
- 4. Who maintans and audits accounts of both central and state govt?
- 5. What is the change you would want to bring in the govt accounting?
- 6. What is the difference between audit of govt companies and private companies?
- 7. What is the ideal debt equity ratio for an Infrastructure company?

Member 4

- 1. When was Chhattisgarh formed?
- 2. Currently how many districts in Chhattisgarh? (may be because recently 4 new were created)
- 3. How has Chhattisgarh progressed after separation from MP?
- 4. You say it has progressed, then why do you still have naxalism?
- 5. Do you think tribals get caught between naxals and govt?
- 6. What do you mean by canons of financial propriety?
- 7. What is mankading?

Chairman - Thank you. Your interview is over.

Overall - very cordial board.

22/09/21 Morning, 2nd to go. Smita Nagarajan ma'am board

DAF: Delhi, engineering physics(DCE), sociology, meditation, marathon.

Other things not touched.

Chairperson

1. Why TM? Why TM famous in west? How different from other forms of meditation?

- 2. Is dissatisfaction good?
- 3. Any dissatisfaction in past that proven good? (Gave pre independence ex)
- 4. Dissatisfaction In last decade?
- 5. Social issues in India that hurt our development.
- 6. What is Loneliness of long distance runner.
- 7. What are you doing now a days?

M1:

- 1. very very big monologue on PSU, their origin, their present status.
- 2. Should tax payers money be wasted? Should they be disinvested?

Spoke for around 5-6 minutes but asked only 2 questions.

- M2: Again big big monologue on delhi governance.
- 1. Asked one question on FDI which I didn't know.
- 2. Why Delhi should have a assembly?
- 3.London also doesn't has.

I said population but he was dissatisfied.

4. Suggest some Judicial reforms?

M3:

- 1. August Comte and his contribution. And why sociology was born?
- 2. MN Srinivas ans his contribution
- 3. Issues faced by youth and their sociological explanation.
- 4. Book by yogendra singh.
- 5. Asked some concept which I didn't know.
- 6. Diff between social work and social service.

Kept saying I'll ask the last question and went on to ask 3 questions one after other. :P

M4: Very dissatisfied.

- 1. A news that your read that you didn't want to read today.
- 2. Debate about India's marathon runner.
- 3. Why sociology

- 4. India's performance in track and field.
- 5. Gentlemen sport?

Said I don't know many times.

Wasn't able to listen to their words as members were sitting far with masks. Several times I asked them what did they say and then I started answering.

Length of interview: ~ 20 minutes.

No time wasting no comforting. Started questioning the moment I sat.

Didn't touch many sides of daf.

No smiling, very formal setup.

24.8.21

Satyavathy mam board, Afternoon session, Last to go, Interview time - 25-30 minutes

Background- Mechanical engg, Optional - geography ,State- Chhattisgarh ,Hobby- playing acoustic guitar

Ch mam-

- 1) you have self learnt guitar through YouTube, Role of social media in your life?
- 2) why geography as optional?
- 3) Earthquake zones in India. Who zones it, on what basis it is zoned
- 4)EQ zones in your state. Delhi in which zone?
- 5) low swarm EQ in Delhi frequently, it is said that big EQ is due in Delhi. Your views, any studies to back it?

M1-

- 1) why Chhattisgarh is named as Chhattisgarh?
- 2)Timezones in India. Why countries has multiple time zones. Can India have >1 timezone. Views?
- 3) what is business process re-engineering.
- 4) root cause of naxalism?

M2-

- 1) different types of guitar?
- 2) principles of acoustics?
- 3)GST. Impact on society, business?

4) views on removal of direct taxes & a situational ques

M3-

- 1) Why casualties so high in naxal operations?
- 2) As a officer, how will you use technical intelligence in naxal ops?
- 3) increasing fuel prices + oil bonds?
- 4) what is post truth?

M4-

- 1) Locals recruitment for naxal ops?How will it help? Views
- 2) Engineering in regional languages? Views, impact on your area?
- 3) literature of Chhattisgarh?

Some more Ques were there, couldn't remember now.

Board was very cordial, had a great experience:)

Bhosale Sir Board, Afternoon, 1st one to go

Madhya Pradesh, Sociology

CHAIRMAN

Explained the entire process, told to keep the mask on throughout the interview.

Asked about civil service delivery in Madhya Pradesh and reasons for its relative effectiveness.

M1

Proportion of tribals in MP.

Opinion on Idea of tribal University and asked where in MP is such a university.

Problems of rural MP and solutions.

How to improve tourism?

M2 (madam)

Opinion on creation of Bundelkhand as a separate state.

Bundelkhandi music and its features (hobby)

Problems of development in Bundelkhand

M3

Told to speak in favour or against the motion 'Equal opportunities for all but selection of the best'.

Stand on reservation.

Opinion on caste census.

M4 (questions on Sanskrit as I had Sanskrit optional in class 12)

Asked about a quote 'some read word by word, some page by page but I read book by book'.

A few writings of Kalidas

About stages of consciousness in Sanskrit.

Actress in movies - Mary Kom, Saina Nehwal, Shakuntala

Indian origin women to go to space.

A sentence in Sanskrit and its writer.

Who composed Gayatri Mantra?

CHAIRMAN

Should India consider engaging with China and reorient ties with US in the face of Afghan exit and Chinese reach in Afghanistan?

Plans post interview, Approx time: 35 minutes

S K

Sujata mehta board, Geography, cricket, Bollywood movies, Rajasthan, Indian Defence Estates service

Ma'am:1) introduce about study and job experience in breif.

- 2) defence Land : long conservation, questions, counter questions like land monetization, defence infra , Optimum utilisation etc .
- 3) Cantonment road closures issue
- 4) ma'am said about recent incident of minor girl rape case in delhi cantonment (old nagla village)-should they have right to protect in cantonment?

What's your views as cantonment authorities are not allowing.

- 5) How do you see this CDS move, relevance?
- 6) CDS and department of military affairs (DMA) are there than what is the need of IDES?
- 7) NOW how defence land will be managed after this DMA?

OTHER MEMBERS:

8) what is retrospective tax?

Recent case status?

- 9)TRP?
- 10) relations between fake news and TRP?
- 11) what to do with private land in cantonment? (B3 land)
- 12) merger of civil area in nearby municipality and discussion on this like what if municipalities don't agree to do? Way out
- 13) chairperson ma'am took a point from my reply and asked specifically about enclaves of civil area between military area case .
- 14) which finance commission it was?
- 15) specific recommendations for defence by this finance commission? (I remembered 2 recommendations)
- 16)about one recommendation of non lapsable fund for defence benifit from it?, if we don't have this what will be issues?, Should we go for fund like this in these situations of financial crisis?
- 17) unable to remember clearly but they talked about Jems col. Tod (related to rajasthan)
- 18) you have geography optional tell me about latitude, longitude, magnitude?
- 19) how times are different for countries, how it decided?
- 20) you said like we can go for monetization of defence land to some extent , don't you have a perspective plan fo defence land for long term?

What point you have in your plan?

21) curefw under which law of section?

22) CASE STUDY

suppose you as DM of a district, there are riots in two groups? Now you have to take decision for section 144, curfew, shoot?

How you will assess that what course of action should be taken?

- 23) in this he asked what you will do to report of SP of that district?
- 24) what are the similarities and differences between CEO of municipalities and CEO of cantonment? And further questions
- 25) are you doing digitization in your cantonment ?(Explained e-chhawani)

Chairperson (ma'am): is there anything that we should ask?

(I said about cricket and hindi movies)

Ma'am looked at all members to ask and finally she herself asked

- 26) what kind of movies do you watch?
- 27) padmawat movie issue?
- 28) was that agitation and incidents regarding this movie were appropriate?
- 29) filmmakers should have liberty to make films with some changes in real stories?

Your interview is over.

I may not be able to recall some questions, questions are not in sequence.

Overall: cordial board , helpful people, most of the Questions related to job , ma'am was specifically want to know only opinion , nothing factual .

RN Choubey Sir Board

Name: Artificial Intelligence, Date: 27th Aug 2021., Optional: Sociology

Academic Qualification: BCom, MBA (HR+Marketing), M.A. in Sociology from Ignou. Twice qualified for NET-JRF in Sociology.

Work Experience: Four years in the organized sector and a few months in the unorganised sector.

Hobby: Endurance Running, Reading Bhagwat Geeta and Holy Koran.

From Bhopal, MP

First one to go in the afternoon session.

Chairperson: You can take your mask off since you have an RT-PCR negative report.

Be relaxed, It will be a nice conversation and we will learn from you.

Tell us about your academic qualification and work experience.

M1:

- a) Concept of Natural Justice. Provisions in the Indian Constitution and Law for it.
- b) 'Nal se Jal'. (I drank water before answering this question. They said- Don't be in a hurry)
- b1) How much the Government of India allocated for it in this year's budget?
- c) Why river interlinkage remains a non-starter?

M2:

a) How Bangladesh could surpass India in its per-capita GDP?

- b) Constitutional provisions for National Emergency?
- b1) What changes were made in the Article 352 and why?
- b2) How many times was 'Emergency' provision applied in India?

Chairperson: Which subject among all the subjects that you have studied, should we ask you the questions from?

M3(Lady Member):

- a) What was 'Himalayan Blunder'? There is also a book by this name.
- b) Which service is your first preference?
- c) How would Sociology help you in that service?
- c1) Anyone, even with no Sociology can tell about the Women and Caste. I am not satisfied.
- -I asked for one more chance and gave a concrete Socio+HRM answer.
- d) What is your opinion on the new Drone rules considering that two months ago (in June) there was a drone-attack on an airport base in J&K?

M4:

- a) Your citizenship status?
- b) One of your hobbies is to read Bhagwat Geeta. So, I will be asking you on Mahabharata.
- b1) Question on 'Yakshaprashan'.
- c) Muslims have been roughed up. Have they received what all they have been promised during partition days in India?
- c1,c2) Kept asking me followup questions until I said "I am sorry Sir, I don't follow politics".

Earlier, I counted the Constitutional provisions, PM's 15-point programme and the Sachchar Committee report. Then a follow up question was the name of the report giving Committee's chairperson which I correctly answered.

Here the Chairperson Sir kindly reminded the honorable member that I have already given the answer he was seeking, two questions ago.

I said thank you to the Chairperson.

Chairperson: Is there something you want to share with us?

I gave my observations on Patriarchy.

Chairperson: Your interview is over.

Air Marshal AS Bhonsle Sir

Forenoon - last candidate

B.E. Computer Science (BITS)

Chemistry Optional

Dumka, Jharkhand

Chairman

Was instructed to take off my face shield and mask, wipe my face with the tissue and get comfortable. Was told to place the face shield on the table and keep my mask on.

Read out my DAF aloud.

- 1. What is the difference between Science, Engineering and Technology?
- 2. If an institute is named Delhi Institute of Science, Engineering and Technology, what courses do you think it will offer?
- 3. If not civil services, what alternate career path would you choose?

M1

- 1. Why do we always say that the Chemistry between India and Pakistan is bad and never say that Physics is bad or Mathematics is bad?
- 2. What did you do in IIRS? (Internship)
- 3. What is the latest version of ArcGIS?
- 4. Do you think we can have a technology where living things can be converted into non living things and living things can be converted into non living?
- 5. If such technology were to develop, what implications would it have?
- 6. If you have to set up a chemical factory, what things will you consider?
- 7. Have you heard about the book The Hindu Chemistry?
- 8. But I want you to guess, what do you think it would be about?

M2

- 1. Why are we unable to solve the issue of Naxalism?
- 2. Who is an urban naxal?
- 3. What is Ultra Marathon? (Marathon was mentioned in DAF)
- 4. So now we have a new player in Afghanistan in the form of IS-K? How does it affect the present equation?
- 5. What was the CIA chief doing in Afghanistan?
- 6. What implication does the situation in Afghanistan have on the rest of the world?

M3

- 1. You had a good job, so why did you make such a switch to civil services?
- 2. What has recently happened in Dumka?
- 3. Why was Jharkhand formed? Have the objectives been achieved? Where does it lack? (+ a few follow ups based on my answers)

M4

- 1. When was Jharkhand formed?
- 2. Tell me something about Birsa Munda.
- 3. What social reforms did he do?
- 4. What is the full form of Jio?
- 5. What is wrong with Computer Science? Why do we see so many CS people appear for civil services?

Chairman

1. What will you do after going back? (followed by small chit chat over my answer)

Your interview is over. You may leave

Board-bhonsle sir

Date - 20/08/2021 (afternoon session, last one to go)

Relevant details from DAF - Studied in JNV, BTech CSE from UCE Kakinada, Home state - A.P, worked for 2 years in indian oil, presently working as Assistant commissioner of state taxes in A.P.

Anthropology optional.

Hobbies- part of an initiative to help state civil service aspirants

Interview started at around 6:00-6:05 PM

Duration- Around 30-35 minutes.

Chairman:

You are the last batsman for today. I think you are like a night watchmen in cricket now. Do you play cricket?

We generally dont get this late. But don't worry we will give you your 30 minutes to assess your personality. We are here to test your suitability for the services. He asked me to settle down remove face shield and wipe my face with tissue.

Sir started by reading out my education, work experience and hobbies with positive comments about them.

- 1) What is charles darwin famous for.
- 2) what does theory of origin of species say about.
- 3) what is natural selection.
- 4) Do you know the name of the essay in which theory of origin of species was described.
- 5) Suppose you are posted in kakinada, which is effected by cyclones and you get information that a cyclone will hit in the next 5-6 days. What steps will you take, tell me broadly.
- 6) what do you do as part of the initiative to help state service aspirants.
- 7) what questions you usually get from aspirants.
- 8) what do you suggest them.

M1:

- 1) So you have worked in oil sector and working in taxation. Finance minister is telling that oil prices are not coming down because of the oil bonds during UPA time. What is your opinion on that.
- 2) Now let us come to gst. I have two questions. First one is , GST is being portrayed as a good example of fiscal federalism, do you also think the same. Second one is , why few states are opposing GST then.
- 3) What is destination based tax ?(follow up question)
- 4) What is the impact of Self Help Groups?

M2:

- 1) Who controls the internet.
- 2) Where is the DNS server located.
- 3) Where is root DNS server located.
- 4) You are a student of anthropology. Has reading anthropology brought any change in your life.
- 5) Now i am going to throw you a googly. What is the difference between thought and idea?
- 1) You are from Andhra. Do you support the idea of 3 capitals.
- 2) Then why few people are opposing it.
- 3) Suppose you are posted in a rural area. How will you increase enrolment in schools.
- 4) You have studied in navodaya. Which aspects of navodaya do you want to extend to other state government schools also.
- 5) How can we reduce tax evasion.

M4:

Sir started by saying, You are the last batsman of the day and i am the last bowler of the day.

- 1) Tell me the difference between Artificial intelligence and Machine learning
- 2) Tell me one real life example of machine learning.
- 3) Why 5g is told to increase speeds.
- 4) What is the relation between frequency and wavelength
- 5) What is shale gas
- 6) How is shale gas extracted
- 7) What is the principle behind that extraction technique.
- 8) What is the environmental impact of shale gas exploration
- 9) which country has biggest shale reserves.

- 10) what are embedded system.
- 11) Difference between embedded systems and computer.

Chairman:

- 1) The Prime minister in his independence day speech told that NEP is a weapon to eradicate poverty. Why do you think it is so. Take your time, write down points in the paper before you and answer me. We can even write a essay on the topic but i just want few points.
- 2) I have answered 3 points and sir has insisted me to think more after which i was able to add one point.

Sir gave a speech for around 2 minutes regarding the 25 years amrit kal that PM has spoke about, the importance, expectations from public servants and why public servants should work hard.

3) What are you going to do now?

Than you . Your interview is over.

Overall a very cordial board and most of the questions are from DAF.

GA

Board: M Satyavathi Ma'am. Date 15th September 2021. 4th to go. Afternoon session.

Optional: Law

Graduation: BA LLB. 2020.

Chairman: Read my DAF aloud.

- 1. What is touch typing? (From my hobby)
- 2. What is the issue regarding the tussle between executive and the judiciary on tribunals and what is your stand on it.
- 3. Why is Supreme Court interfering in Parliamentary work?
- 4. What should the Supreme Court do regarding the Pegasus issue?
- 5. What is your opinion regarding Judicial overreach and Judicial activism?
- 6. Which fiction books do you like to read and which was the most recent one which you read?

Member 1:

- 1. Do you think our Constitution needs an amendment?
- 2. What is the purpose of International Law if some countries flout the decisions by International Tribunals so brazenly?
- 3. What is the solution?
- 4. What can we do in the context of United Nations?
- 5. Why has the US not ratified the UNCLOS yet? Why only the flak against China?
- 6. Is the 5 trillion dollar economy possible? Or will it be tough to reach?

Member 2:

- 1. What is the significance of Cyber laws and IT laws?
- 2. What other subjects apart from law background should law students study?
- 3. Are our laws moving in tandem compared to the technological development in the world?
- 4. How can we resolve the dispute between the farmers and the Government and what is the role of judiciary in this?

Member 3:

- 1. What is the recourse to challenge an arbitral award in the judiciary?
- 2. On what grounds?
- 3. What is the 4th schedule of arbitration and conciliation act?
- 4. Do we really need so many tribunals?
- 5. What are the issues plaguing the tribunals in our country?

Member 4:

1. What has been the progress of Naya Raipur?

- 2. What has been the improvement in the status of KBK districts in Odisha? (my home state)
- 3. What has been the growth story of Odisha?
- 4. Why are today students choosing law as a career option?

End of the Interview

Name- Siddharth Aanand Education- B.Com Optional- Maithili literature State- Bihar,Darbhanga

Board- Manoj Soni sir

2nd in afternoon session on 05/08/2021.

Time- Around 2.50pm to 3.20 pm

Entered.. Greeted.. They asked me to remove face shield and mask to verify me from my photo they had.

I have been told that mask is compulsory so I continued with it. (But I removed face shield and put that in my lap).

Chairman sir-

- 1. You pursued commerce till 2013 what happened then you suddenly develop interest in Maithili literature?
- 2. Do you know about noble prize?
- 3. In which areas it is given?
- 4. Recently who has awarded.
- 5. Anyone from India in the past?
- 6. You are a DM of a district and you come to know a person recieved Nobel Prize from your district. What will you do?
- 7. Can you reciete few lines of maithili poem?

Member 1.

- 1.Do you know about Madhubani painting?
- 2. What are the problems of bihar for its growth.
- 3. Which govt schems are doing good in your district.
- 4.As a DM what will be your priority to develop industries in Darbhanga.
- 5. Why do you want be in civil services?

Follow up- your father is in police why not IPS first?

- 6. There are many civil servants from your district. Do you know any of them?
- 7. What is happening in Nepal and India's reaction.
- 8. What is happening in South Africa? violence on Indian diaspora due to Gupta brothers involvement with ex president in financial irregularities.

Member. 2 (Lady)

- 1. Social and cultural relation with nepal specially with Bihar. And follow up conversation.
- 2.Tell me about the History of Maithili language and literature. How old is it?
- 2-3 more questions which I am unable to recall at this point of time

Member 3.

- 1.Do you believe in Numerology? Why Aa in Aanand? -my name
- 2. Why violence on diaspora in South Africa? Any other reasons?

- 3. It is happening globally with Indians. Why?
- 4. How many soldiers from undivided India participated in WW1?
- 5. How many got martyred?
- 6. How is the relation between India and Suriname?

Member 4.

- 1.Do you know Ravi Dahiya? What happened with him? -opponent bite in arm.. The madel colour was not confirmed till then.
- 2. Can you tell me opponent's name? Country name?
- 3. You have told that you like to do things in diverse areas but it is not reflect in your dad since 2013. I told few things including learned cooking which they heard coaching so asked
- 4. Have you taken coaching?

The chairmain sir greeted me and gave best wishes. Your interview is over

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Smita Nagaraj Ma'am

31/8/21

IFS, B.Tech Mechanical, Rajasthan

4th to go

Chairperson

- 1. What do you infer from the fact that malnutrition figures are 60% in Dalit families than non dalit families?
- 2. What are some schemes regarding this?
- 3. Caste based discrimination is only a societal failure or is a failure of state too?

M1

- 1. Pros and cons of using Bioethanol
- 2. Major source?
- 3. Film censorship issues? (DAF)
- 4. Which body is higher than CBFC?
- 5. Your take on women reservation bill. Why not passed yet?

M2

- 1. Agenda of COP 26
- 2. What are issues in carbon credits?
- 3. Benefits of Intl Solar Alliance? Has it been a success?
- 4. Cons of Solar and Wind Energy
- 5. Will we be able to achieve 175 GW target?
- 6. What are Smart Cities? How is it different from AMRUT?
- 7. Is the funding same or different for both schemes?

M3

- 1. National Monetization Pipeline?
- 2. How will the process take place? How will govt earn money?
- 3. Two Lessons learnt from India's success in Aus and England (DAF)
- 4. As a project director, what factors to be seen before making a Dam? What is the social cost associated?

M4

- 1. What is duck ball? Couldn't make out whether he wanted to ask Duke's ball
- 2. Recently cars having 360 degree cameras are reporting higher accidents. Why?
- 3. Why India was hesitant to play with Pink ball?

- 4. Concept of open prisons
- 5. Why open prisons more in Rajasthan?
- 6. What is the meaning of We, the people of India, in preamble?

Chairperson

- 1. Taking over from M4, who would you call as people?
- 2. Can we organize a referendum in India?
- 3. What are the cons of conducting referendum in India apart from logistical issues?

Thank You.

05.08.21

Bharat bhushan Vyas sir board

Afternoon session

Interview time - 25-30 minutes

Name: - Pradhumn Singh Yadav

Background-

Aerospace engg, IITk (2016 graduate)

Optional - geography

State- Rajasthan

Hobby-Swimming

Chairman:-

- 1) What are you doing for last five years?
- 2) Why civil services when you did engg in such a prestigious field and college?
- 3) Tell me something about INSPACe
- 4) Space tourism and how it is different
- 5) Apart from pandemic do you think increasing protectionism can be a reason for fall in growth of emerging economies?
- 6) What is the expected global GDP growth in 2021?
- 7) What is SCO?
- 8) what are the interest of India in SCO?

M1-

- 1) Emerging new dimensions in space tourism
- 2) what is Micro gravity and how it create meaningful differences?
- 3) What is the impact of pandemic on Aviation sector?
- 4) Can Indian aviation sector recover from it?
- 5) What are the positives of Covid-19?

М2.

- 1) Successful programme of ISRO in previous 5 years.
- 2) Planned programmes of ISRO in next 5 years.
- 3) What is "Sankalp se Siddhi"?
- 4) what are those 6 sankalp?
- 5) What is the progress of our country in these 6 sankalp?
- 6) Did pandemic cause any hindrance?
- 7) kshiti jal pavak gagan samira panch tatva se bna sharira.... tell me its meaning
- 8) do these 5 elements have anything to do with geography and your educational background.
- 9) As an administrator how will you use the characteristics of these 5 elements for good governance?

M3-

1) Nearest galaxy to Milky Way

- 2) 2 years back a black hole was in news. Why? tell me the name
- 3) How can we know the universe behind black hole? (I mentioned gravitational lens phenomenon)
- 4) What is black hole and Gravitational lens?
- 5) what is big bang theory?
- 6) Are we(humans) doing any experiment about it? (told them large hadron collider)
- 7) Where is it?
- 8) Who is Aarti Shah?
- 9) Why are we lagging so behind in swimming?
- 10) Does malnutrition has something to do with performance in swimming?

M4-

- 1) Why ravindra nath tagore some times referred as ravindranath thakur? (my school name is tagore)
- 2) When did he write our national anthem and in which language?
- 3) Did he write it to praise somebody? (told them both perspective)
- 4) Tell me the name of that king?
- 5) Which words are they(I said...Adhinayak and Bhagya vidhata)
- 6) Who elect our president? process?
- 7) Do value of vote of MP and MLA same?
- 8) Do value of vote of every MLA same?
- 9) What is the process of impeachment?
- 10) On what grounds parliyament can impeach president of India?
- 11) What is the meaning of Pradhumn (my name)
- 12) Who was he?
- 13) did something terrible happened with him?
- 14) Who was that demon and tell us the full story.?

Chairman

Your interview is over now. Thank you

YV

Chairperson: Smita Nagraj Mam

Date: 13/09/21

PROFILE:Past Work Ex(IT), 2 years

Optional: PSIR

Graduation: BTECH (IT)

Hometown: Ramnagar, Distt Nainital, Uttarakhand Interests and Hobbies: drawing cartoons, Football

No intro, no DAF reading by chairperson, straight on question

Smita Nagraj Mam

Chipko andolan.... Environment... Has led to any thing substantive or in the name of development we have left the train for environment

So you are talking about both should work together and are complementary.. What can be done in infrastructure projects like Road construction? Why we need to develop such projects?

You talked about out migration, what is the problem in it. How is it a cause of worry.

OK, but why outmigration is a cause of worry. Why it is important for people to be in hilly regions

Follow up question on....that Roads are built by BRO so why do we need people as resources there - - - (-as I talked about most of the cases people migrate due to push factors as they want to live where they are if necessary development reaches to people.. Also people in strategic region bordering neighbours hold significance for labour, communication, intelligence etc.)

Member 1:Some place called Kumeria: near my hometown Ramnagar, do you know about it? What is sustainable development

Before SDG - - - what was there

Performance of MDG

What do you think that why SDG are better than MDG what makes it better Which SDG will be difficult for India to achieve.

Don't you think Environment is more important a challenge than Poverty. Poor contribute quite low to

carbon footprints. Aren't Rich responsible for it.?

Member 2

As you say balance should be maintained between development and environment say 50:50, so what will you choose if you have to... between urbanization and environment(and you have to choose one only)

Okay, tell me if you are made DM - of your area near your hometown, There are many forest product that doesn't reach to markets, how would you promote it

Tell me uttarakhand is Majorly a pilgrim based region and less for tourists. Tell me if you become DM, what would you do there for promotion of tourist places other than pilgrims

Tell me in very short, in one word, what one thing would you do for wildlife in your region

Member 3 (female member)

Afghan situation what india should do vis a vis Taliban

OK tell about How should be our strategy towards China with respect to its function with Taliban

Do you really think cooperation is possible between India and China?

Tell your strengths and weaknesses

Mam asked after I finished strengths - what about Leadership? is it not your strength?

Tell me one instance where you led successfully

After this, member 4 started to ask question.. And question on weakness got skipped.

Member 4 (he was some professor)

Himalayan region, how was it formed

Why flash floods in uttarakhand

Don't you think, Dams are also one of the reasons?

Now tell what should be our policy wrt Dams in uttarakhand Tell ecological and climatic importance of himalayas

Tell some China mushroom

Some uttarakhand Mushroom

Smita Nagraj Mam:

You forgot to tell about your weaknesses(smiling) Thank you.

Board: Smita Nagaraj Ma'am

Background: Civil Engineering, Cricket, Cooking

Optional: PSIR

Ma'am

Do you have any work experience?

Cooperative Sector played a great role in development of states. How do you see the role of cooperation ministry?

Should we force cooperation as model of development on undeveloped regions?

What are the problems faced by cooperatives?

Irregularities in cooperative banks.. Are you aware of them?

Reasons for such irregularities

Shouldn't we abandon cooperative banks and go for private banks so that such frauds will be avoided

What about frauds in big banks (In context of PNB crisis and DHFL scam)

Regulatory mechanism in others sectors of economy

Tell me about performance of regulatory mechanisms in India.

Member 1

Maharashtra is draught prone. Still sugarcane production. What should we do?

Sugarcane lead to water stress what will you do?

From Answer - Govt schemes are working for 30-40 years but no result. Don't you think we have failed?

From Answer - I have visited the Hiware Bazaar. But do not see any impact on other villages.

Gave examples from my side how it is leading other villages to come forward

Member 2

You did civil Engineering.

Tell me about expanded concrete?

What are the techniques for thermal insulation of building and it's technical details?

Uniform civil code - Should we go for it or not?

Is your village popular?

Why there are child marriages in Maharashtra?

Why there are more crimes in Nagpur?

Member 3:

Tell me about pollutants in river water

Sea pollution and reasons

Measures to be taken

Regulatory body for pollution in states

Member 4

Farmers Suicide in Maharashtra. Reasons.

PM KISAN vs Farm Loan Waivers - which is better?

Why not farm loan waivers?

Member 4

Do you know Dholavira? What is its speciality?

There are 2 Quads. Are you aware of another QUAD?

What is the mandate of Afghanistan wala Quad? Is it working?

How Quad (Ind-US wala) is working. Is it effective?

Ma'am Again - One last question

Why USA intervened in Afghanistan and Central Asian region?

You may go now.

SKP

Date - 21 sep 2021

Board - tc anant

Work ex - Infosys then mentor and content developer - coaching Institute

Optional -geography

Morning 1st to go

Chairman

- 1. Tell your journey from Infosys to Institution where u work now
- 2. Role in Infosys
- 3. Swot analysis of your district (ganjam)
- 4. Told about threat from adjoining naxal districts and my district is crime capital of odisha.
- 5. How to resolve the weaknesses
- 6. Reason why it is crime capital.

M1

- 1. As u told abt naxal districts what steps taken by odisha govt to tackle naxal district
- 2. Long discussion on leaders of naxal and issues related to naxals in odisha
- 3. Why educated persons like sabyasachi panda becoming naxal leaders.
- 4. Which scheme is best to tackle naxals state one or central govt one
- 5. Effectiveness of direct benefit transfer
- 6. Tell me something unique about baleshwar chandipur beach and reason behind the geographical phenomena

M2

- 1. Long discussion on surrender and rehabilitation policy of Odisha
- 2. He Told me youths are joining naxal cadres to gain monetarily from surrender and rehabilitation policy. What's your take on that and how to tackle it
- 3. Quantum computing. Explain the principle of superimposition and entanglement

M3

- 1. Long lecture on climate Change and conferences associated with it. Then asked why low developed countries and Developing countries not adopting to renewable energy technologies swiftly.
- 2.Asked me questions on nuclear energy. Why not give full scale preference to nuclear energy and then discussion regarding it
- 3. Question on AUKUS
- 4. Difference between conventional submarine and nuclear power submarine.
- 5. Further discussions on nuclear powewred submarine

M4 (madam)

- 1.Long discussion on mentoring and content development- what you do there, what is the socioeducational background of those student, what challenges do they face, any success stories from your Institute
- 2. What success means to you
- 3. How you are going to tackle crimes in your district and boost tourism potential.

Chairman - Thank you, your interview is over.

Yogesh

Relevant entries- Maharashtra/pune, Anthropology (optional), Commemorative coins collection, Reflective writing, Fergusson college, Zoology(graduation)

Smita Nagraj mam 20/09/2021 Last to go.

CP- Welcome, your height Is good, you must have been the tallest person in all your classes

- do you play any sports?
- What are you doing nowadays?
- Unequal development in maharashtra, reasons?
- Personal opinion on whether marathwada should be made a separate state?
- how to gauge the demand of people? How do people make their demands known?
- Should we hold a referendum for such decision?
- What are the issues that arise in referendum?(I told people may be influenced by politicians for a particular decision, holding such a massive exercise would be difficult) She told me that voice of minorities may be suppressed.
- Any personal experience where issues of minorities were taken into consideration or otherwise while taking decision? I said unable to recall

M1

- gave long context and asked whether do you support the new expressway that is being developed between mumbai and delhi?
- Won't it be a waste of money as already freight corridor is present?
- Some more back and forth about it, In the end, I said I'll read more about it.
- Is Darwins theory relevant today?
- What are its criticism?
- Which theory is relevant for evolution today?

M2

- -Why don't people opt for anthro in graduation?
- have we stooped such low that getting jobs is the only consideration while selecting graduation courses?
- You're from pune, Why are private education institutions rising all over India?
- What role do you see the public education institutions playing in near and long term future.
- Won't the public institutes lose their position to private institutions?
- If you're given power, what changes will you make so as to make educational institutions more relevant?

M3

- Can we represent anthropology through statistics?
- is there any subject that we cannot express through use of statistics?
- What is reflective writing?
- How is it different from normal writing?
- any things that you wrote recently?
- What is the biggest security challenge before india?
- How should we deal with Pakistan so as to force them to withdraw their support to cross border terrorism?
- can water be used as a weapon?
- Which country is doing so?

M4

- What is the study of coins called?

- Which all coins do you have?
- favorite coin and reasons?
- how should we deal with kashmir issue?
- who is the home secretary of India?(no clue)
- What concrete steps will you take to solve kashmir issue if you're made home sec.

CP- Tell me one thing that you learnt from your mother and one from your father.

Thank you, your interview is over.

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Smitha Nagaraj Board IRS IT AFHQ ICICI LOMBARD

chairman:-

Tell me how the mandal politics has brought changes in Bihar? What's your opinion? Is it a good move Tell me what has been the implications?

Is political representation real empowerment?

Which ares have tribal population in Bihar?

Why tribal has not developed? Is it failure of govt?

Custom means can they kill someone. Why shall govt not interfere in their customs?

M1:- Tell me how Jharkhand has lost after seperation from Bihar?

Eodb, tell me any 2 new industries of Jharkhand? Has industrial development really happened?

Why hockey is showing good participation from Jharkhand?

Do you think it's due to economic reasons?

Why India is doing poorly in team games like hockey, football?

M2:-

Tell me what is China's dispute with India in Ladakh

Name the three regions

What is CovidShield controversy with UK?

Tell me names of writer from Maithili from Jharkhand and Odisha

Tell me recent movie you watched?

M3:-

What is Havana syndrome?

From where it started?

One person you would like to kill in the Indian history of 20th century?

What is mob lynching?

Is it states failure?

What govt has done?

Has New IT guidelines benefitted?

Date- 21.09.2021

Afternoon session (4th to go)

Sujata Mehta Ma'am Board

Areas in DAF- Energy and Meditation (Rest none of the area from DAF was touched)

The door to the room was open. I asked for permission to enter.

As I went inside, Chairman ma'am asked to take seat. I wished everyone and took my place.

Chairman Ma'am

- 1. Introduce yourself by giving details about educational qualification and job experience (If any)
- 2. How was your experience at IIT Delhi?
- 3. Tell me something about the Energy Studies Course you did.
- 4. Should India commit to Net Zero emissions as propounded by western countries?
- 5. At one end India is focusing so much on renewable energy and on another we are commissioning new thermal fired power plants. Do you see it as dichotomy when it comes to our policy?
- 6. Nuclear energy forms as part of our energy mix but it's overall contribution is quite low. Why is it so?
- 7. Ok now tell me is it the right time to have a relook at the capital punishment in India. What are your views on it? (Out of the blue question)
- 8. But the concept of the "rarest of the rare" is nowhere defined. How do one decide it?

One or two follow up questions which I am unable to recall.

Member 1

- 1. What are ultra supercritical coal power plants?
- 2. What is the issue of storage capacity with regard to renewable energy sources?
- 3. What are lithium ion batteries?
- 4. What are shortcomings of lithium ion batteries?
- 5. What are other new technologies in this regard?
- 6. What are government initiatives for improving storage capacity in the country?

Had follow up questions also.

Member 2

Ok so much talk about energy, Can we talk about economy? Are you comfortable talking about that?

- 1. What is revenue neutral rate?
- 2. Does under the present GST regime, we have any such rate and how much is that?
- 3. Did state revenue fall after the implementation of GST?
- 4. What is GST Compensation and issues surrounding it?
- 5. Is the issue due to fall in revenue or the government overcommit?
- 6. Do you know about FTA?
- 7. Should India sign FTA?
- 8. How is it possible under FATs to at one end secure National Interest and also open up the economy?
- 9. How is it possible in the negotiations?

Member 3

- 1. Why don't you use your surname when today we see people with middle name along with surname?
- 2. Tell me about the poet you share your name with.
- 3. Was he French or English?
- 4. Ok you were talking about the energy scenario. Around world, we don't see so much of outrages and blackouts as much as we see in India. Are the government only focusing only quantity and not on quality? Is it government failure?
- 5. How do you ensure that consumers pay for the services they avail?
- 6. How do one hold the DISCOM companies accountable?
- 7. Ok now I would like to draw a parallel for quality of service between telecom sector and energy sector. As you know that the prices of telecom services were very high on the past decade but today the prices are quite competitive. But when it comes to the quality of call and also of the internet is not at the same level as in the western countries. Why is is so? What is your evaluation?

Had follow up questions also for the answers I gave.

Member 4

- 1. How did you start meditation?
- 2. What are the benefits of meditation?
- 3. What are the biological changes you observe when you meditate?
- 4. What is the current renewable energy mix of the country?
- 5. How you do evaluate it?
- 6. What should be the energy policy of the country in the next decade?
- 7. What role should the renewable energy play in it?
- 8. What are the challenges when it comes to renewable sources of energy such as solar and wind.
- 9. Ok so we don't use the renewable energy as soon as we produce it and as you said that we have challenges when it comes to storage systems. There is provision to use energy as much as one requires and rest is fed to the grid. What is this thing called technically?
- 10. How do you evaluate India's performance when it comes to net metering? How are we doing in this regard? What is the policy of government of India when it comes to the same?

Chairman Ma'am Again

- 1. Should India promote biofuels?
- 2. What is Jatropha?
- 3. It was in news in past few years, what was policy of government with regard to this plant?
- 4. Would you like to discuss something in particular with us or want us to ask questions from?

Thank you. Your interview is over.

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TCA anant board

Key words: ITS, JNU, Delhi, debating, Bahrain

1. TCA Anant

- You are in ITS, what have you learnt in the last few months?
- Theoretical knowledge of trade vs actual practice?
- What the opportunities and losses in trade with Europe?
- Significant non tariff barriers?
- 2. Member 2
- compare Jnu to other universities
- Main USP of JNU
- Why crimes against women haven't gone down?
- What can we do individually?
- Should activism be included in syllabus of schools?
- Favourite Indian authors of fiction and why?
- Boxfit what?
- 3. Member 3- lady member:
- what are the ways in which conflict in Afghanistan can be understood?
- How should we help afghan women?
- Situation of afghan women?
- Difference between the education systems of Delhi and all other places you have lives?
- Can the difference be tackled through new education policy?
- 4. Member 4
- Do you know about debates of Roman Empire?
- Do you know about debates of ancient India?
- What is dialectics

- Is this dialectics?
- Have you read argumentative indian? Enumerate the debates in that?
- Why our exports haven't been able to catch up with imports?
- Why are they still a small part of our gdp?
- 5. Member 5
- Bahrain as a Saudi vacation home?
- Culture of Bahrain?
- First service preference? (IFS)
- Should india have state funding of election?

Air Marshal AS Bhonsle Sir

Forenoon - last candidate

B.E. Computer Science (BITS)

Chemistry Optional

Dumka, Jharkhand

Chairman

Was instructed to take off my face shield and mask, wipe my face with the tissue and get comfortable. Was told to place the face shield on the table and keep my mask on.

Read out my DAF aloud.

- 1. What is the difference between Science, Engineering and Technology?
- 2. If an institute is named Delhi Institute of Science, Engineering and Technology, what courses do you think it will offer?
- 3. If not civil services, what alternate career path would you choose?

M1

- 1. Why do we always say that the Chemistry between India and Pakistan is bad and never say that Physics is bad or Mathematics is bad?
- 2. What did you do in IIRS? (Internship)
- 3. What is the latest version of ArcGIS?
- 4. Do you think we can have a technology where living things can be converted into non living things and living things can be converted into non living?
- 5. If such technology were to develop, what implications would it have?
- 6. If you have to set up a chemical factory, what things will you consider?
- 7. Have you heard about the book The Hindu Chemistry?
- 8. But I want you to guess, what do you think it would be about?

M2

- 1. Why are we unable to solve the issue of Naxalism?
- 2. Who is an urban naxal?
- 3. What is Ultra Marathon? (Marathon was mentioned in DAF)
- 4. So now we have a new player in Afghanistan in the form of IS-K? How does it affect the present equation?
- 5. What was the CIA chief doing in Afghanistan?
- 6. What implication does the situation in Afghanistan have on the rest of the world?

М3

- 1. You had a good job, so why did you make such a switch to civil services?
- 2. What has recently happened in Dumka?
- 3. Why was Jharkhand formed? Have the objectives been achieved? Where does it lack? (+ a few follow ups based on my answers)

M4

- 1. When was Jharkhand formed?
- 2. Tell me something about Birsa Munda.
- 3. What social reforms did he do?
- 4. What is the full form of Jio?
- 5. What is wrong with Computer Science? Why do we see so many CS people appear for civil services?

Chairman

1. What will you do after going back? (followed by small chit chat over my answer)

Your interview is over. You may leave.

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