

HPAS MAIN EXAM 2012
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
MOCK TEST PAPER I
(EXPECTED QUESTIONS)

TIME: THREE HOURS

MAXIMUM MARKS :150

Question No. 1 is compulsory. Attempt. any four questions from the remaining. All questions carry equal marks.

1. Answer any THREE of the following in not more than ' 200' words each :-' '

(a) The major points of difference between public and private administration are in the ' spheres of "uniformity, responsibility,' accountability and serviceability". Elucidate.

(b) "The concept of good governance again revives the old politics 'administration dichotomy." Do you agree?

(c) "The principle of span of control has come under revision in recent years." Examine.

(d) "Line and staff are archaic distinctions not validated by modern organisational reality". Comment.

2. The New Public Management perspective is a paradigmatic response to the forces of globalization in public administrative theory. Critically examine its core arguments.

3. Critically examine Rensis Likert's theory of leadership.

4. What are the legislative and judicial controls on administration ? Evaluate the uses of the Right to Information and the Citizen's Charter as tools of public accountability in a democracy.

5. Answer any THREE of the following questions in not more than two hundred (200) words :

(a) 'Administrative Adjudication is the investigation and settling of a dispute involving a private party on the basis of law and fact by administrative agency' (L.D. White). Explain.

(b) 'The scope of study of Comparative Public Administration is primarily characterised by empirical, nomothetic and ecological concerns.' -Comment.

(c) 'Exclusive adherence to either the method of direct recruitment or the method of promotional recruitment does not meet the needs of the Public Administrative System.' _ Comment.

(d) Distinguish between Performance-Budgeting and Zero-Base Budgeting.

6. Define Development Administration. Elucidate the role of Bureaucracy in Development Administration.

7. Analyse the nature of conflict in Employer-Employee relations. Suggest measures for healthy relationships between them.

8. Define Public Policy, and explain the process of Policy Formulation.