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With Reyasat Ali sir & Experienced Team in CSE Prep

ESSAY CSE Main 2024: Mini Mock Test 2

Syllabus:

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- All Philosophical Topics
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Section A

Write Essay any one of the following topics in about 1000 to 1200 words

1. "The Purpose of the life is not to find yourself, but to create yourself"

"जीवन का लक्ष्य स्वयं को खोजना नहीं, बल्कि स्वयं को बनाना है"।

2. To Educate a person in mind and not in morals is to educate a menace to society

किसी व्यक्ति को नैतिकता की बजाय मानसिक शिक्षा देना समाज के लिए खतरा पैदा करने के समान है।"

3. The weak can never forgive. Forgiveness is an attribute of the strong

"कमज़ोर व्यक्ति कभी क्षमा नहीं कर सकता। क्षमा करना शक्तिशाली व्यक्ति का गुण है।"

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ATTRIBUTE OF THE STRONG.

It was a pleasant day and Lord Buddha was sitting under a tree giving sermon to his disciples. Suddenly, a man came and started abusing him. Lord Buddha didn't respond and just listened to him patiently. When asked by one of his disciples that why he didn't repay the man in same coin, he said 'I forgave him.'

Today, we don't remember the name of that man, but remember

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Lord Buddha very fondly. This is because of the strength of his moral character which was reflected in forgiveness. Thus establishing that the weak can never forgive, forgiveness is an attribute of the strong.

To understand this further, we first need to understand what is forgiveness. In simple terms forgiveness is the act of letting go of resentment, anger or the desire of revenge. Necessarily, it may not mean forgiving that incidence, but choosing

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to release negative emotions and moving forward.

This can be illustrated by an example when Pope John Paul II forgave his shooter Mehmet Ali Agca and even advocated for his release.

On having understood the meaning of forgiveness now we move to understand that why the weak cannot forgive.

The first reason could be the lack of emotional intelligence. When a person lacks emotional intelligence,

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He lacks awareness and regulations of the emotions. Thus, his/her emotions tend to over ride rationality.

Then the decision is based on narrow considerations.

Secondly, a weak person considers and equates forgiveness with defeat. He/she sees the lack of reaction as the win of the opposite party.

This is what happened with Ravana.

He considered forgiveness for cutting his sister's nose as defeat and

thus took many mis-steps. It eventually led to his destruction.

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Thirdly, weak people have a self-centered view of the world. They fail to see the inter-connectedness of the world. Also, they tend to see only one side of the picture. Paradoxically, they also fail to appreciate the fact that if something wrong happened, they were an equal participant in it.

Also, the weak believe that by forgiving someone, they keep themselves open to harm in the future. This is a misconceived notion because they ignore the fact that forgiveness breeds forgiveness.

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Having probed the fact that how and why the weak can't forgive, we come to the next question that is how it is an attribute of the strong.

The foremost reason is that it reflects the emotional strength and the strength of the character of the person. This was shown by nobel laureate Nelson Mandela who showed forgiveness towards the white for their apartheid policy.

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Further, it also shows the appreciation of the fact that the fault does not lie in the stars, but the fault lies in us. It means accepting like Mahatma Gandhi, that if a wrong is done, we are equally responsible. This understanding will bring forgiveness.

Also, it needs strength of character and moral strength to forgive someone even when we know that we have been wronged. It is also linked to the belief in the value of communitarianism

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which needs one to shun complete self-centeredness.

Finally, it needs cultivation of many qualities like empathy & compassion which are difficult to cultivate. Only people with strong ethics and character possess them.

The Indian constitution is a strong constitution not just because it protects the rights of the citizens or due to its amendability but because it proposes forgiveness.

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This is reflected in provisions like pardoning powers of the President and governor. Further the directive principle of promoting ~~not~~ peace and harmony has forgiveness at its core.

However, there is also another side to the picture. ~~The~~ lack of forgiveness doesn't mean that the person is weak in all cases. This is what happened in Mahabharata.

When Arjuna decided to forgive his brethren and kin and refused to fight a war with them, Lord

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Krishna told him that it is weakness and cowardice. And to protect Dharma one should fight.

Similarly, Lord Rama in Ramayana also fought with Ravana for justice instead of just forgiving him.

Therefore, the choice of forgiving or not forgiving is determined by the fact that whether it upholds Dharma or not.

Even, when we have seen both sides of the picture, one thing that can be said conclusively

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is that forgiveness is a virtue. At many times, by not forgiving someone we risk to poison our soul and punish ourselves for no wrong of ours.

Thus, forgiveness must be practised with Dharma as the central consideration. This would ensure that we keep the legacy of the great people like Lord Buddha alive in our hearts.

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