

## Interview Test

### Interview: 1

**Name** : xxxxxx  
**Roll No.** : xxxxxx  
**Board** : xxxxxx  
**Year** : 2012  
**Duration** : 25 mins

### Chairman

1. Tell me your name, date of birth and roll No?
2. You have done engineering from BITS Ranchi have u ever seen a washing machine?
3. What are the operations performed by a washing machine?
4. I am giving u the name of countries. You have to tell me their capitals: Morocco, Algeria, Libya, Tunisia, Sudan, Somalia?
5. What is common amongst all these countries? Why were they in the news?

**Me:** Political unrest but she told it is dictatorship

6. What is the cause of this unrest?
7. What was the cause of Libyan crisis?

### Member:1

1. Why some districts are performing better while others arnt?
2. What reforms would u suggest for District administration?
3. How can we better implement the Govt. schemes?

### Member:2

1. Have you heard about Steve Jobs?
2. Tell me about his management style?
3. Why he was so successful?

**Me:** Innovation

4. How can u bring about innovation in the administration?

### Member:3

1. Is India a democratic country?
2. What do you mean by democracy?
3. What the tool people have in the democracy?
4. What is the age of voting in India?

Member:4

1. What is right to recall?
2. Can it be implemented in India?
3. What is first past the post system?
4. What are the alternatives?

## **Interview: 2**

**Name** : **xxxxxx**

### **Chairman**

1. What's your name?
2. Your D.O.B?
3. Your Roll No?

### **Member:1**

1. We have faced lot of security challenges in our country since independence, now do you feel our country is secured in the present circumstances?
2. How is the security situation now compared to post independence time...?
3. What is rule of law...?
4. Do you see rule of law exists in India...?
5. If you are posted as an SP of a Naxal district, what will be your priorities?
6. What all do you learn in geography...?
7. How will you use geography in administration...?
8. What are the different fossil fuels..?
9. What is the difference between coal and oil & natural gas in terms formation...?
10. Please name few islands in Andaman Archipelago.
11. We see lot of English names for those islands. Why is it so...?

### **Member:2**

1. What is fuel cell?
2. How does a photovoltaic cell function?
3. What is photo voltaic effect?
4. Which state are you from?
5. Do you know Pondicherry
6. What is Pondicherry famous for?
7. What is that Auroville?
8. Have you read Aurobindo Ghose's Book?
9. What is he known for?
10. What is diesel?
11. There is a peculiar feature about diesel that differentiates it with other fuel. What is that?

Member: 3

1. You have been member of NSS, what all did you do?
2. Did you attend any camp through NSS?
3. What all activities did your team carry out in the camp?
4. What did you learn from NSS and how will it be useful in administration?

Member: 4

1. What is VAT?
2. What is Lok Adalat?
3. Do they take up both civil and criminal cases?
4. Can you name few subjects that are dealt by Lok Adalat?
5. What is biodiesel?

### **Interview: 3**

**Name** : **xxxxxx**

**Roll No.** : **xxxxxx**

**Year** : **2012**

Chairman You must be going for walking or jogging right?

Me Yes Sir.

Chairman Where do you go? In the nearest park right?

Me Yes Sir

Chairman How big is the park, very big or very small

Me Adequately big sir

Chairman What do you watch in the park?

Me Birds, trees, Flowers, Sir

Chairman What kind of birds do you see, name some?

Me Sparrows, Mynahs and cuckoos, etc. Sir?

Chairman what kind of flowers do you see?

Me Roses, Seasonal flowers from the trees now, sir.

Chairman What kind of trees do you find?

Me Neem tree, crotons....uhhhmmm(thinking so badly for tree names)

Chairman Is croton a tree?

Me Sorry Sir? It's not a tree....nothing comes to my mind at this moment sir....

Chairman No problem. Tell me what are the measures taken to conserve trees in India?

Me Sir, we have framed a national forest policy, 1988, we have implemented programmes like agro-forestry, social or community forestry, and recently we have created CAMPA – Compensatory Afforestation Management and Protection Authority.

Chairman What is COMPENSATORY Afforestation?

Me Sir, for development projects and for the need of timber, we have to clear forest lands and trees. They must be replaced somewhere in order to maintain the minimum number of forest cover. Thus the loss is compensated in a sustainable manner sir.

Member:1 Your optional are geography and psychology; I would like to know about our atmosphere. Can you explain me?

Me Sure sir, of the geographical pentahedral i.e., lithosphere, hydrosphere, biosphere, human sphere and atmosphere, this atmosphere is very dynamic. It has different layers like troposphere, stratosphere.

M1 Where is ozone?

Me It is in the lower layers of stratosphere and above tropopause.

M1 What's ozone hole?

Me Due to CO<sub>2</sub> emissions into the atmosphere, the harmful gases lead to the depletion and formation of a hole in this layer (Actually it should have been CFC EMISSIONS)

M1 What are GHGs?

Me CO<sub>2</sub>, nitrogen dioxide (actually, its nitrous oxide),,,etc..Only these gases come to my mind now sir.

M1 Is water vapor a GHG?

Me Yes sir...water vapor is also a GHG

M1 In the HEP plants, water vapor is released into the atmosphere. Does this contribute to GHG emission?

Me Sir in HEP plants, steam is used to run the turbines to generate power. Then it is cooled to liquid form and then only released out in streams. Even if a minimal amount of vapor is released into the atmosphere, the hydrological cycle will take care of it. It's a GHG because it has the ability to hold heat in it. (Actually I made a blunder by saying steam being generated in hydro electric power project.)

M1 What are the effects of ozone hole?

Me It will result in the entry of harmful UV radiations leading to chlorosis in plants i.e, yellowing of chlorophyll pigments in leaves, skin cancer in animals and man, melting of glaciers contributing to the increase in global sea levels too, sir.

M1 What are the rays from sun that reach the earth's atmosphere?

Me Sorry sir, cosmic rays reach us but, I am not aware of any specific rays from sun..(Probably he might have had solar flares in mind)

Member:2 So, since 2006, you have not joined any job?

Me Sir, I have done my graduation in law after my zoology while simultaneously giving my attempts since then. After my law, I have dedicated it fully for this exam from the last year.

Chairman acknowledged it by saying the member 2 that I have done a graduation in law after 2006...

M2 Well you are a law student, can you explain land acquisition?

Me Sure sir, LA is the taking over of the lands by the Government, be it revenue or forest land, for the purpose of DEVELOPMENTAL activities by providing appropriate reparation to the people who were resettled by the same.

M2 What about the condition of the act?

Me Now the rehabilitation and resettlement part must be preceded before the onset of the project. There is also an environmental aspect in it. Proper EIA must be done and also the gram sabha's consent is mandatory sir.

M2 What is land tenancy?

Me Sir, the landless farmers rent the land for a particular season by paying the rent in cash or in kind form. This time period is considered as a tenancy.

M2 You are the co-ordinator of Tsunami rehabilitation program in your college. What is that factor that contributed to the damage?

Me Sir, before the onset of Tsunami, the sea receded back first. It actually attracted people to go towards the sea to watch this phenomenon with surprise. Even after the onset of Tsunami waves, they got wonder struck without running to safer places...this is because of the LACK OF AWARENESS about these deadly waves.

M2 Do you think that the government was prepared for it?

Me No sir, even the Government is unprepared to it. We never expected Tsunami in Indian Ocean region. Excepting the technical people, general populace is grossly unaware of it.

M2 What are the measures taken by the government after this event?

Me After 2004 disaster, the parliament enacted a national disaster response force teams are positioned along the coastal areas.

M2 Which institution is responsible for alerting such events?

Me Sir, it's INDIAN NATIONAL CENTRE FOR OCEAN INFORMATION SERVICES at Hyderabad that has placed DEEP OCEAN ASSESSMENT AND REPORTING OF TSUNAMI buoys which detects the sea waves and sends radio signals to this centre. This centre in turn assesses the signals and alerts the coastal districts immediately. Then the NDRF teams are set in motion and proper protocols are followed.

M2 Usually these plans are in papers. They are not implemented. For example, there are fire extinguishers that never work when there is a fire

Me Sir, the act itself provides for the periodical review of the preparedness plans, to conduct mock drills along the coastal areas and also to create awareness among the people.

Member:3 Which island contributed to the development of a theory by a nature biologist?

Me Mam, its Galapagos Island that belongs to Ecuador in Pacific Ocean, visited by Charles Robert Darwin that led to his thesis: On the origin of species by means of Natural Selection.

M3 Well, who is the Austrian Scientist who also worked on natural selection?

Me (I waited for a member, Madam herself told it was Mendel) I acknowledged by: Yes mam, its Gregor John Mendel.

Member:4 Who was the person the contributed to the development of science in India?

Me Sir, there are many, I am fixed to mention one.

M4 Its Nehru

Me Oh ...Yes Sir....(with gesticulation acknowledging Nehru's contributions...)

M4 What is CSR?

Sir the commercial enterprises are earning huge profits from the society. They must be in a position to shed some of their profits by giving back to the society. This is CSR sir.

CHARIMAN **xxxxxx** you have done some social service before. What comes to your mind when it comes to service?

Me Sir, if I am blessed with something which is not there with others and if they are in dire need of it, I must be in a position to share them with them. This SHARING part, I think is that what it means by service.

CHAIRMAN You mentioned about those who are in need, who are those needy? Are they the rural poor...???

Me Sir, needy needs no region, no gender, no identity...they can be urban or rural, poor or rich. The point is they must be in badly in need of something.

CHAIRMAN What are the necessities in a bureaucrat?

Me Sir, he or she must be neutral, balanced and ready to work. Not merely do the duties but also work with a sense of responsibility

CHAIRMAN Signed to share some more...)

Me Sir he or she must be compassionate to the people who are in need. Listen to them and act flexibly.



CHAIRMAN So, you will break the laws...?

Me Negating by my gestures immediately) sir, I did'nt mean to break laws.

CHAIRMAN (breaking before I explain further )hum....all the best...your interview is over...

Me Thank your sir....thank your madam...thank you sirs....

## **Interview: 4**

**Name** : xxxxxx

**Board** :xxxxxx

Questions:

Member 1 You are from Anna University? What is it famous for? It was in news recently.

Member 1 No...No...Have your heard about Abdul Kalam? What does APJ stands for?

Member 1 You have done MBA. What is the difference between MBA and MBE?

Member 2 It is said that MBA is between MA and BA? What do you think.

Member 2 Do you think you can master the subject by having a master's degree?

Member 2 Does government encourage FII?

Member 2 What if the FILs come and take the money and fly away

Member 2 Do you say euro zone crisis did not affect India? Don't you know what happened today?

Member 2 Why MBA borrow everything from other subjects? Why don't it borrow from orthopedics ophthalmology etc.

Member 2 (Back to FDI) what about FDI? In Aviation...What is its current status?

Member 2 What about FDI in banking?

Member 2 What are the subjects you studied in finance?

Member 2 What are the subjects you studied in Marketing?

Member 2 What are the subjects you studied in MBA?

Member 3 Why you have taken geography and Public administration as your optionals?

Member 3 Why shouldn't you do MA in geography than engineering?

Member 3 Why public administration?

Member 3 Tell me about climate change

Member 3 Can you tell how it affects?

Member 3 What is the difficulty in building Tibet railways? (i/e) in Lhasa

Member 3 What are the other problems?

Member 3 Do you know what is permafrost?

- Member 3      What is the important thing that happened during Rajiv Gandhi period with respect to Public Administration?
- Member 3      What about Khap Panchayats? Don't you think element of conservation will dominate panchayats?
- Member 4      What is EL Nino? Why it called so? What is the difference between EL Nino and La Nino..
- Member 4      What is lanino and what is the difference El Nino and La Nino?
- Member 4      What is corporate social responsibility? What are its principles?
- Member 4      You are saying about the deliverables of CSR...What are its underlying principles ?
- Member 4      You are talking like a layman. If you are asked to give lecture on CSR, Is this all you would tell? Speak like a management graduate..tell about the underlying principles of CSR.

## **Interview: 5**

**Name :**        **xxxxxx**

**Board :**        **xxxxxx**

Optional        :        1.     Public Administration.  
                                  2.     Sociology

Questions:

1.     Tell about women's reservation bill?
2.     Why it is needed?
3.     Reason for opposing it?
4.     Being an educated women, will u become a politician?
5.     Why?
6.     IAS or Politics which one u will choose?
7.     Why IAS?
8.     Will u be neutral?
9.     First Guardianship for women (from the day's newspaper) ?
10.    Why it should be given?
11.    What is shares and debentures?
12.    What is the report of a system analyst called?
13.    What is talaq and its procedure, ur view of recent issue related to talaq?
14.    Is muslim marriage a contract?
15.    What is Mahr?
16.    When it started?
17.    Is it a respect or compensation?
18.    How much petroleum are we importing?
19.    What are the alternate sources of energy?
20.    What is global warming?
21.    What are green house gases?
22.    What is CFC?
23.    What is biodiesel?
24.    Difference between GATT and WTO?
25.    Difference between equity and preferential shares?
26.    What is the debt equity ratio?
27.    What is currency swap?
28.    Define finance?

## **Interview: 6**

**Name** :xxxxxx  
**Optional** :Geography, Medical Science.  
**Hobby** :yoga, Spirituality.  
**Year** :2012  
**Board** :xxxxxx (All other members were male)  
**Duration** :25 – 30 mins

Afternoon session and second person to be interviewed .

Ch- Ok. What is medical ethics?

Me Madam , It is the set of principles which should be followed by the medical practitioner during his life time.

Ch I am a lay man. Now explain to me.

Me Madam, it is the action of omission and commission done by a medical practitioner like treating a patient without fear or personal favor , treating even a person from enemy country

Ch what is herd immunity?

Me Mam, it is the presence of immunity against a disease among the large number of societal members so that it prevents the occurrence and transmission of disease to the unimmunized persons. This is used in polio control.

(Ch passed to m1)

M1 what is circadian rhythm?

Me sir, it is an internal clock in which the normal physiological functions are timed and controlled by brain 's pineal gland.

M1 how it is useful for economic growth ?

Me sir, by learning this we can calculate the active period of a person which the government and industries can use for its development. For Eg . sir, active period can be calculate in Jet Lge condition which is influenced by circadian rhythm.

M1 who is the first noble laureate

Me Roentgen, Sir.

(He thought for a few minutes )

M1 trace the epidemiological pattern of india from 1900 to 1950, from 1950 to 2000 and from 2000 to present

Me pardon sir

M1 repeated the question

Me sir, from 1990 to 1950 it was mostly poverty, famine and malnutrition related diseases. From 1950 to 2000, it was mostly communicable disease. From 2000 onwards there were emergence of more non communicable diseases due to sedentary lifestyle

M1 so you say that there were no communicable diseases problems during 1900 to 1950  
You see plague had consumed more lives

Me- yes, sir. These were present . But they were not reported and counted during those days, sir.

M1 TN is known for TB reduction. Does the short term course treatment is introduced first in this state?

Me sorry sir. I don't know whether it is started in tamil nadu , sir.

M1 mention some new diseases emerging in india.

Me sir, new emerging disease is swine flu and some other disease are there but they were eradicated.

M1 ok What are the diseases eradicated in india?

Me sir, yaws, guinea worm, small pox and in the next two years we will eradicate polio.

M1 repeat, the diseases emerging in india after 1980.

Me sir, swine flu and HIV.

M1 any other virus?

Me sorry sir, I don't know

Me ebola virus, you know?

Me yes, sir Ebola morburg virus .

M1 yes, Is there any relation between small pox virus and HIV virus?

Me Sir, after the eradication of small pox virus in 1980 , HIV virus was discovered.

M1 yes Do you know why this thing?

Me sorry sir. I don't know.

(ch passed to m2)

M2 You had taken medical science as optional. But most the personal of professional background like BE, B.TECH etc won't take their subject as optional. If you have given one more chance whether you will take medical science as optional or any other subject like Pub Ad or other?

Me Sir I will take Medical science as optional even in hardship.

M2 how is pattern in Medical science paper?

Me sir, 1<sup>st</sup> paper is more of book oriented questions and 2<sup>nd</sup> paper is more application oriented,k sir. Even a small disease is asked in a elaborate manner.

M2 ok .Why you took Geography as option al?

Me after deciding Medical science as optional, searched for other optional. So I studied NCERT books of all subjects. In that I found more similarities between Medical science and Geography. So I took Geography, Sir.

M2 What are the similarities?

Me Sir, Medical science, we study the structure, function and defect or disease in every part of our body and, in Geography we study structure, function and defect external to our body, So this complementary nature made interest within me about Geography.

M2 (laughed and said) it is the most diplomatic way of answering the question. I cannot probe in this further.

M2 you have yoga as hobby. But recently when I asked a neurologist about doing an asana for my spine problem, he discouraged this. Why this? Is yoga not efficient? Why does Allopathy dislike yoga?

Me sir, we cannot say yoga is not efficient. Because it is included in our government's AYUSH PROGRAMME. And in allopathy we prescribe meditation which is part of yoga. So yoga is prescribed in allopathy, sir.

M2 ok. Then what about asanas? You people are discouraging it.

Me sir, the mechanism of asanas are relaxation of muscles and increasing blood flow to a particular area. But this should be done under proper guidelines otherwise more worsening of disease and more problem to patient will occur than curing the disease.

M2 so your point is that it should not be done improperly.

Me yes, sir.

M2 your other hobby is spirituality? What is it? You have something more elaborate like having Medical science as optional, yoga and Spirituality as hobby. What is this spirit or spirituality?

Me sir, Spirituality is known about one's own true inner nature and the basic qualities or nature of human being.

M2 what is the basic nature of human being?

Me sir, they are the inner qualities which every human being shall have.

M2 what are these inner qualities?

Me sir, these are having humanistic approach, compassion, universalism. Rationality and doing the duty without favor.

M2 but you see most people in the world forget these things during self interest. Then how can these things sustain?

Me sir, self interest should be there to protect our own body. Without self interest we cannot protect our own body, But this self interest should not damage the humanity.

M2 so, you say that self interest should be but upto a certain limitation.

Me yes, sir

M2 ok. You are coming from Tamil Nadu. Let us speak about that. You see Tamil Nadu is less cosmopolitan except for Chennai. Do you see any possibility of cosmopolitanization in Tamil Nadu?

Me yes. Sir definitely it will become more cosmopolitan in near future.

M2 how?

Me sir, TN has more number of engineering colleges and these produces more engineering graduates, who shall go to other country for work through which cosmopolitan will occur. TN people are nowadays learning Hindi so they can have jobs in northern part of our country and take the northern part of our countries culture to TN. In this way cosmopolitan will occur TN, sir.

(Ch passed to M3)

M3 let us speak about foreign policy india. Non alignment is the foreign policy of our country. do you think we still follow this?

Me sir, if we analyse the basic feature of non alignment. The first is having independent foreign policy without any external influence, still we have this so we are following Non alignment. The second one is not having foreign military base in our country, still we didn't have any foreign military base in our country so we are following Non alignment. Third one is against imperialism and colonialism. Though this has been suppressed new form of imperialism i.e economic imperialism has emerged so we need to

Follow Non alignment. Sir in toto are following non alignment.

M3 what is the purpose of non alignment movement?

Me to protect the interest of newly formed nations and prevent them from aligning with any of the 2 major power block namely ussr and to voice against colonialism.

M3 but we had a strategic alliance in 1971 with Russia. So we are aligned.

Me sir, alignment is going to war along with other nation without asking why, if that nation goes for war. But in Russia's agreement we signed for defence procurement and joint military exercise. so we are still following alignment, sir.

M3 so what kind of foreign policy principal should we have?

Me sir, we should have non alignment on one hand pachasheel on other hand.

M3 but we doesn't have any friendly with relation with neighbors and rest of the world. Is there any example of good relation with neighbor or rest of world to say our foreign policy is success ? No good relation is there. So our foreign policy is a failure.

Me sir, engaging both the isreal and Palestine simultaneously without having any friction and engaging both usa and ussr simultaneously without having any friction, No country in the world has done this expt us. So we have the most successful foreign policy in the world, sir.

M3 ok, coming to the recent view of death penalty, How the death penalty should be given?

Me sir, in my opinion we should not have death penalty in this civilized country. It is like eradicating the patient rather than curing the disease. Because most person cannot influence their own mind as in psychiatric patient then how about influence by external factor. If we taken the example of kaseb, sir, he was indoctrinated in such a mannar that he will reach heaven if he does this action. So we should rehabilitate these persons, sir We should be humanistic approach in this, sir.

Ch (intervened)- then how to address more Kandahar and hostage crisis issues?



M3 how about maoist taking hostage of people and demanding release? First answer madam's question

Me these are security and intelligence failure which we should address, madam. This should not be mingled with death penalty, Madam.

Ch then how about money spend for them to keep in jail? Do you know much is the expenditure for this?

Me don't know, madam

Ch(to all board members and to me)- equal to the cost of for a siachin glacier . Then how about Money spend for them to keep in jail? You said he had been indoctrinated. How you can change him?

Me madam, we should remove these indoctrination by our good counter indoctrination. And a proper rehabilitation should be done. He should be evaluated by a evaluation committee for rehabilitative measures.

Ch what is the drug for swine flu?

Me oseltamivir or its trade name is Tamiflu, madam.

Ch government recently banned the manufacturing of new Tamiflu by private companies. Don't you think this will affect the health care system? What should be the approach of the government?

Me- madam ,this is done to prevent usage of over the counter medication and development of resistance to this scares drugs which will make the authority difficult to control this disease. And another reason for this is, It will be easy for the government to procure the needed drugs in case of emergency.

Ch yes. But then why should they ban the production? What approach should the government follow?

Me sorry , mam I don't know.

Ch Actually the government should allow the production and stop the distribution. Because as you said the drug is a scares resource and government should have control over it. Ok, final question to you.

Me yes, madam

Ch a car is traveling in a crowded area and another car is travelling in a crowded free road. Which among these will consume more fuel?

Me mam , it depends on the speed of the car travelling in crowded free road. If it travels beyond optimum speed it will consume more fuel.

Ch that car travel in optimum speed. Now tell me the answer.

Me the car travelling in crowded area will consume more fuel, mam.

Ch how?

Me mam, the car in crowded area travels in 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> gear for every which capacity is more and fuel consumption is high. But when the car in crowdless area will travel in top gear so it consumes less fuel.

Ch explain it technically

Me Mam, when the car in crowded area travels in 1st or 2<sup>nd</sup> gear for every rotation in the engine the wheel will rotate 1 or 2 times. But when the car is moving 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> gear, for every rotation in the engine the wheel will rotate 4 or 5 times by consuming the quantity. So the car in crowded area will consume more flue, mam.

Ch But in the city most the time we won't move in 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> gear. So there other explanation for this, Now Think and tell.

Me sorry. mam I don't know.

Ch the car in the crowded area should start and stop frequently. That is the reason for increased flue consumption.

Me thinks for the information, madam.

Ch ok, your interview is over .you can leave now.

Me thank you, madam. Thank you,sirs.

Overall the boards was cordial, One member on right side didn't ask any question. He simply watched my response and the way of answering. Throughout the interview madam was expressionless. Much of the time she spend her time in reading my main's DAF.

## **Interview: 7**

**Name** : xxxxxx

**Board** : xxxxxx

**Year** : 2012

Questions:

Chairman:

1. What is bioinformatics?
2. After finishing your degree did you pursue anything in bioinformatics?
3. If u posted as a collector in your district what will be the program that u will implement?(I said pollution and polluter pays principle)
4. If pollution is not properly addressed do u think that is there any corruption?
5. If implementation is the problem, is the collector bribed or the people bribed?
6. Then what other issues will u try to improve in your district?
7. When u don't have proper primary medical care facilities what is the point in improving medical tourism?

Member 1:

1. U finished bioinformatics, did u study biothermics?
2. Who is the famous mathematician from your stat?(I said Ramanujam)
3. Who is Foreigner associated with him?(I said i'm unaware of it)
4. He asked do u know Hardy?

Member 2: (Lady member)

1. Whe is Sivakasi?
2. Sivakasi is near your district right?
3. Is Sivakasi a separate dt or part of some dt?
4. What is the problem associated with Sivakasi? (I said Chid labour)
5. Tell me who is a child labour?
6. What kind of crackers r manufactured in Sivakasi?
7. You have studied history, did u study Indian history or world history?

8. Who built Red fort and what is its significance? (I said Peacock throne and it was invaded by Afghan invaders)

Chairman interrupted and asked who was the invader? ( I Said Nadirshah)

Then chairman consulted with other members whether Nadirshah was Persian or Afghan invader but didn't turn to me.

Member 3:

1. If you r posted as a collector, how will apply bioinformatics to improve Agriculture? (I said Bt cotton and GM technology)

2. Can u apply this Bt cotton technology in any part of India?

3. Is there any Bt brinjal?

Chairman interrupted and asked which state is the leading producer of brinjal? He himself said it is Tamilnadu when I said don't know.

4. It is bioinformatics, what is the information that u possess?

Member 4:

1. There is a criticism that Bt crops destroy the fertility of the soil?

2. What is sustainable development?

3. In the long run how can the problem of environment be addressed?

4. Can u tell any one case that is associated with environment? (I said U.C. Metha) he rectified it as M.C. Metha.

5. Do u know what is it related to?

6. Do u know which city is it related to?

7. There is a problem of surrogate mother in India, can we continue with it or ban it?

## **Interview: 8**

**Name** : xxxxxx

**Board** : xxxxxx

**Year** : 2012

Respected Madam,

I was the second candidate to attend the board on 4<sup>th</sup> April's morning session. Before the interview I got verified my certificates and had some fine discussions with candidates who were going to attend xxxxxx board. At 10.30 am peon came and called my name. He escorted me to xxxxxx board's room. There I was made to sit outside the room for 10 minutes as interview for first candidate was going on. After five minutes that guy came outside with his hands on his head. That gave the impression that interview to him was not fine. But I didn't bother about that. Then after the five minutes I was called. Peon guided me inside the room. I asked for the permission to enter the room and walked few steps and wished all the members good morning. Then

Chairman asked me to sit and I obliged. Then interview was started.

Chairman: xxxxxx. You did Electronics and Communication engineering. Good.

Me. Thank You mam.

Chairman: Ok xxxxxx tell me the difference between LEO, MEO and GEO satellites.

Me: I told the difference with some help from mam.

Chairman: What are the advantages of Geostationary satellites.

Me: I said about navigation system, weather forecasting. Mam asked me what about spying. I nodded my head positively.

Chairman: What is the communication satellite we are using?

Me: INSAT mam.

Chairman: Will you track these insat series?

Me: No mam.

Chairman: Do you know from where last insat satellite was launched?

Me: I said sorry mam.

Chairman: Ok do you know SHAR

Me: Yes mam. It is Sriharikota satellite launching centre. It is near pulicat lake mam.

Chairman: Ok do you know why most of the satellite launching canters are located in the east coast?

Me: I don't know mam. But I guess mam?

Chairman: You are a tele communication engineer. You should know about it.

Me : Sorry mam. I think since earth is rotating from west to east, in the case of failure of space module, it should fall in ocean rather than on main land. So in the case of Sriharikota any failure would result in fall of space module on Bay of Bengal.

Chairman thought about it sometime and nodded her head. Then baton was passed to the member sitting immediate right to me.

M1: Though India has huge bovine population India's milk production is too low. What are the ways to increase?

Me: Sir actually India is the top most milk producer in the world. Its the productivity we are low. We can increase it by using cross breed varieties, increasing the healthcare facilities (veterinary care) to bovine population as cross breeds are not disease resistant, and spreading awareness about the opportunities to rural people and increasing the credit facilities and setting up of more cooperative societies.

M2: Which is the oldest technical institute in India?

Me: Sir it is IIT Roorkee.

M2: What about CEG? I think it is more than 150 years old.

Me: I have referred it sir. Roorkee engineering institute was the oldest technical institute but later modified into all IIT Roorkee.

M1: How women can be empowered through self help groups?

Me: Sir Government itself giving money to self help groups to start businedd like food processing. It improves financial literacy and politically it also empowers women for example in Kerala through Kudumbasree programme many women are contesting in Panchayat elections.

M1: Ok. It is the final question from me. There is lack of transparency in the functioning of NGOs? How can we correct it?

Me: We can audit them through CAG sir.

M1: But there are too many NGOs are there?

Me: We can increase personnel in CAG sir or those ngos doing other than what they intended to do can be banned and we can perform social audit. sir

M3: Tell me about administrative relations between centre and states?

Me: I couldn't tell any meaningful thing

M3: Ok tell me about legislative relations between centre and states.

Me: Here also I couldn't tell any meaningful thing.

M3: Atleast tell me about 7<sup>th</sup> schedule

Me: Sorry sir. I couldn't recollect.

M3: It is the question from your own background. You should know about it. Ok tell me how many schedules are there in the Indian constitution.

Me: Sir 12 schedules

M3: What is the 12<sup>th</sup> schedule?

Me: Sir it is related to municipalities

M3: What is the 11<sup>th</sup> schedule?

Me: It is related to Panchayats sir.

M4: K have you read Arthasastra?

Me: Yes sir but only small things. It is written by Kautilya. We call him Chanakya sir.

M4: What it tells?

Me: It tells about how country should be ruled, how administration should be done and how one should have external relations.

M4: Ok what it tells about corruption?

Me: sir in the water we cannot identify whether fish is drinking water or not. Similarly we cant identify whether Government officials in the Government are indulging in the corruption or not sir.

M4: Then dose it mean corruption is existing in the Indian administration?

Me: After a pause I said yes sir. It can be reduced if we work with the conviction that it can be abolished.

M3: What are the 5 parliamentary committees to control the Indian administration?

Me: I have told only two committees. ie PAC and committee on PSUs.

M3: He told about only estimates committee.

Me: I told him "thank you for enlightening me sir"

M4: Do u know basic Indian history?

Me: With hesitation i said "Yes sir"

M4: Which Indian dynasty you have liked the most?

Me: Sir it is the Mugal dynasty which I liked the most. Especially ruled by Akbar.

M4: Why?

Me: Because he was a secular king sir. He gave equal opportunities to Hindus and Muslims and other religions too.

M4: Anything specific about him?

Me: Sir he started Din-i-illahi religion sir.

M4: Anything other than this?

Me: Sorry sir.

M2: You are talking with elders and children. What are the things you will talk with elders?

Me: Sir I will talk about normal things. Sometimes I will give advice to avoid taking tobacco..

M2: Will you do this thing to everyone or only relatives and neighbours.

Me: Sir mostly for relatives and neighbours

M2: Do you know there is an act for protecting senior citizens?

Me: Yes sir. But I don't know the exact name

M2: Do you think the act is right?

Me: Sir the act is right thing sir. Nowadays most of the children are not taking care about their parents.

M2: What do you see about the future of children because of increasing nuclear families?

Me: After liberalization more and more families are getting nuclear. Children may not know about the values and they may increasingly turn to violence that can be seen in recent cases.

M2: There is a gap in the professional courses and working in the industries? How can we decrease it?

Me: Sir it is true there is a gap between professional courses and industries. Nowadays especially in tamil nadu professional courses are mainly concentrated in IT sector. Their needs a balance. It can be solved by giving in plant training right from the first year. Further colleges itself started to give industry related courses. For example recently IIT madras started course for metro rail technology. There was a huge response. Many students didn't get the seat.

M2: Why many students are opting for MBA?

Me: Money, ambition and parental pressure sir

Chairman: Do you know who is the Nobel prize winner presently in India?

Me: With a bit of hesitation I said " Mother Teresa mam"

Chairman: No no. She is living. She was recently awarded the Noble prize.

Me: Sorry mam.

Chairman: Its today news. She is Tawakkul Karman.

Me: Yes mam. She is an Yemeni national. She was the forefront in the protest against the saleh Government.

Chairman: You should have said "pwaceful and non-violent protests"



Me: Ok mam.

Chairman: Do you know what is fascism? who established it?

Me: Yes mam. The Government that favours particular race, ethnicity, religion and having nationalism.

Chairman: Ok good. Who established it?

Me: Mussolini mam. He was one of the leader of axis power in world war two.

Chairman: Where?

Me: Italy mam.

Chairman: Do you know why some people are calling Anna Hazare as a fascist?

Me: Mam possibly, it is said that he was supported by some right wing organisations.

Chairman: No sasi. There is some other reason.

Me: Mam may be because he wants the Government to establish what he says only mam.

Chairman: Good ok. Have you read about 6<sup>th</sup> century bc thinkers?

Me: Sorry mam.

Chairman: Ok sasi. Your interview is over. You can go now.

Me: I said thanks to mam and other members and came out of the room.

## **Interview: 9**

**Name** : xxxxxx

**Chairman** : xxxxxx

**Year** : 2012 (afternoon session)

Second person to attend interview

Four men member and one women as board chairman

After taking seat

Chairman :

1. aeronautical engineering, then why IAS
2. what is gyro?
3. what is avionics?
4. what is instrumental landing system.
5. How it is working and how it is different from others.
6. what is green house effect
7. What are all green house gases

Member1:

1. What are the social problem existing ?
2. How you solve that problem  
I explained for female infanticide and poverty
3. Based on dpsc of constitution
4. Nrega how it empower rural people

Chairman : in mnrega lot of scam there.

Member2 :

1. Manipur why problem existing?
2. Which country supporting insurgent group in Manipur ?
3. Why Manipur asked Independent ?
4. Why China claiming north east state ?
5. Why China disturbing India ?
6. Explain google search engine why it is popular
7. What is google ? ( Cricket )

Member3 :

1. What are different religious worship places famous in Nagapattinam ?
2. Why Portuguese built velankanni?
3. Tell about paid news ?
4. Why it is there ?

5. How to curtail and power of press council of India ?

6. Who is Chairman of press council of India ?

Member4 :

1. China is banning some website, India can apply same thing
2. In India some people are thinking democracy is not viable and failed. What is your opinion.
3. After Mangalore crash India planned thread mill type runway in table top runway. Do you think it will work out ?
4. Who is the authority controlling the regulation of aviation in India?

Chairman :

1. What is GER?
2. In a four sided paper, If one corner is cutted slightly then how many side will be there

Thank you

You can go now

## **Interview: 10**

**NAME** : xxxxxx

**BOARD** : xxxxxx

**Year** : 2012

CHAIRMAN

1. Were you in Delhi before?( Yes,took coaching in vajiram)?

2. Are the question asked from their notes?

3. A famous mathematician from your state?

Member1:

4.What the reason for power shortage in T. N and give some solutions to solve it

5.Giving free power to farmers, what is your view ?

6.What do you know about the recently announced industrial policy of T. N in the budget?

7. Why the cinema stars are entering politics in T. N ?

Member2:

8. What is your stand on nuclear energy? why there is protest in koodakulam?

9. What are the concerns other than safety in the nuclear reactor?

10.Where are the Tamils residing (migration) other than India?

11.Why the are problems wherever Tamils are going ex in Malaysia, Singapore...

Member3:

12.What is ecology ? Have you heard about human ecology?

13. Difference between ecology and environment

14. Your views on inter caste marriage. Maharashtra Govt recently announced Rs. 12,00 for inter caste marriage

15.Can inter caste marriage help in eliminating castes

16. Where did British Government introduce reservation first ? (He told answer, its in madras presidency)

17. What are the steps to tackle corruption

18.What can be the role of Lokpal in eliminating corruption

19.Lokpal itself may turn as a corrupt body. What is your view?

Chairman

20.Supreme court recently scrapped licenses in the telecom sector citing a reason what's it ? (Auction)

21.Can't corruption occur during auction

22.What actually is the problem in 2G scam

23. Can supreme court transgress in the policy purview of the legislature

THANK YOU

## **Interview: 11**

**Name** : xxxxxx

**Board** : xxxxxx

Most of the question were specific to my academics and cadre preference ( I had given IFS as my first preference)

Member1 :

- \* What is development? How does it differ from growth?
- \* Does balanced growth mean the same as development?
- \* It says that you were an RBI young scholar, what is the role of the RBI?
- \* What is IBRD?
- \* Is IBRD a part of the World Bank Group or the World Bank?

Member2 :

- \* It is said that Kerala is “ God’s Own Land ” (Country rather), why is it called so?
- \* Does that mean all the areas are God’s own hinterland?

Member3 :

- \* what is the speciality of March 21<sup>st</sup> ? (Spring Equinox)
- \* Does the equinox date change with the leap Year?
- \* What is the speciality of March 23<sup>rd</sup> ? ( the hint given was Navarati and the Hindu new year?)
- \* There are two perspectives towards IITs opening new courses in diverse fields. One claims that opening up such courses is necessary, the other states that IITs should be restricted to their mandate. What is your opinion?

Lady Member :

- \* You have said that you studied in Turkey, what are the similarities between the two regions ?
- \* How would you explain Sufism to someone who doesn’t know what it is?
- \* What would be the policy that you would adopt towards the region?

Member4 :

- \* Why is Turkey known as the ‘ sick man of Europe’?
- \* Who introduced the reforms and modernization in Turkey?
- \* What is IBRD?

\* As a keen observer of India's politics and economy, why do you think Kerala despite all its social developments lagged behind in economic progress?

xxxxxx sir

\* What do you think about the recent news about military generals getting arrested in Turkey and the rise of moderate Islam in a predominantly secular country?

\* Do you believe the Indian diplomacy caused an embarrassment by interfering in a domestic dispute in Norway?

\* Why do you think India's neighbors have a negative attitude towards India? Is it because of India's big size?

## **Interview: 12**

**Name** : xxxxxx

**Year** : 2012

**Board** : xxxxxx

Questions:

- Does the school in which you work had good? (I worked as a teacher in a primary school)
- Are there schools present in every village in TN?
- Why are students drop out from school?
- In which case higher number of drop outs – boys or girls?
- What are the steps needed to reduce drop outs?
- Say something about Anti-brahmin movement?
- What are the castes the prominent leaders of Anti-brahmin movement belonged to?
- TN is an industrialized state. what are the types of industries in TN?
- What are the major problems faced by industries in TN?
- What are the steps taken by TN govt to mitigate power shortages?
- About power shortage in Salem District ....(My home District ) and other districts...
- Srilankan issue – an overview.
- When did the tamil people go to Srilanka?
- About recent UNHRC resolution. Whether India's stand is right?. Is it due to domestic compulsion?
- What steps are need for the development of Salem district?
- As a collector of Salem district, what will be your primary focus?

### **Interview: 13**

**Name** : xxxxxx  
Graduation : Homoeopathy medicine  
Board : xxxxxx  
Optional : History & Sociology  
Year : 2012  
Duration : 25 minutes

#### QUESTIONS:

1. Importance of the pharmaceutical industry of India?
2. About recent patent issue?
3. Product and process patent which is good ?
4. How Govt's recent action on patent which is good?
5. Domestic violence act?
6. What is your opinion on live-in relationship?
7. Relation between law and society ?
8. Why civil services? how your medical knowledge will help in administration?.
9. Speciality of homoeopathy?
10. Different between formal and informal transaction of business.
11. Native river linking programme. whether it is a new or old concept? pros and cons?  
what is your view?
12. Do you have all syllabi in Tamil at school level?
13. Samacheer kalvi thittam? present condition and your view?
14. Why there is decrease in rural population ? causes for migration?
15. Different types of urban local self government bodies?



## **Interview: 14**

**Name** : xxxxxx

Roll No : xxxxxx

Board : xxxxxx

Year : 2012

Time : 25 mins

Chairman:

1. Tell me your name, date of birth and roll no.
2. You have done engineering from BITS Ranchi. Have you ever seen a washing machine?
3. What r the operations performed by a washing machine ?
4. I am giving u the name of countries. u have to tell me their capitals: Morocco, Algeria, Libya, Tunisia, Sudan, Somalia?
5. What is common amongst all these countries? why we they in the news?  
me: political unrest but she told it is dictatorship?
6. What is the cause of this unrest?
7. What was the cause of Libyan crisis?

Member1

1. Why some districts are performing better while others are not?
2. What reforms would u suggest for dist administration?
3. How can we better implement the Govt schemes?

Member2

1. Have you heard about Steve jobs?
2. Tell me about his management style?
3. Why he was so successful?  
me: innovation

Member3

1. Is India a democratic country?
2. What do you mean by democracy?
3. What the tool people have in the democracy?
4. What is the age of voting in India ?

Member4

- 1.What is right to recall?
2. Can it be implemented in India?
- 3.What is first past the post system?
- 4.What are the alternatives ?

Dear madam,

such were my Questions:

What is the relation between sociology and history?

Types of monsoons in India, West Bengal and Tamil Nadu?

Physiographic of Tamil Nadu?

Sociological problems in Tamil Nadu?

What will do to remove caste system?

burecracy diff between weber and marx

Where lies fallacy of Marxism

Individual contribution u can make to remove casteism

nuclear energy, is it really good ?

France stopped nuclear... How good thing?

Thanking u

## **Interview: 15**

**Name** :xxxxxxx

**Year** : 2014

**Board** : xxxxxxx

**Subjects** : Public Admin, Geogarphy

**Hobbies** : Online Computer Gaming, Cooking

**Working as** :Assistant Manager in Indian overseas Bank

**College** : PSG College of Technology, Coimbatore

Questions:

Chairman

1. Who is principal in your college now?
2. Which dept he is?
3. What is famous in Coimbatore?
4. Name some textile mills in Coimbatore?
5. Famous area near Coimbatore?
6. Tell me something about Tirupur?
7. Any issues in Tirupur? (asking about current problems)

Member1:

1. Why states often asking for financial aid from centre? Is there any provision really?
2. Asked something about centre state relations?
3. Tell me the article that deals with financial emergency?
4. Consequences of financial emergency?
5. Role of banking in Indian Financial System?

Member2:

1. Do Banks give loans only on compulsion by Government?
2. Banking in rural areas and problems?

Member3:

1. What is NABARD?
2. Tell me about its functions?
3. What is NHB? and
4. What do they do?

Member4:

1. What is credit and debit?
2. What do you do in bank?
3. How you clear cheques?
4. Do you know Agni 5?
5. Tell me about it?
6. Tell me about our deterrent policy? Whether increase in agni 5 range increase the deterrent capacity?

That's it.

## **INTERVIEW:16**

**Name** :xxxxxx

**Chairperson** : xxxxxx

The interview questions are as follow. Whenever the question is based on my answer for the previous question, I have explained the answers also.

### **Chairman:**

1. What is your area of interest ? ( I said Tamil folk songs)
2. What are the topics in which you have written songs?
3. Have you performed on the stage?

### **Member1:**

1. Which is called as rice bowl of TN?
2. Why Chennai is called as Chicago of India?
3. Why there is no many freebies in TN. What is the poverty level?
4. Whether people are able to get 2 meals per day ? (I explained about universal PDS)
5. Do you support freebies? (i said “people should not be given with fish but they should be taught how to catch he fish” people should be equipped to earn for their needs)
6. Now I taught the people to catch fish and they are catching fish. What will you do now? (I said performance based incentive can be given)
7. You are from village background. What is the role of women in panchayats?
8. What is the role of panchayats?
9. What about MNREGA ? ( I explained about it and the agri labour shortage it creates in agriculturally intensive district)
10. What would be the solutions? (i explained about ministry of rural development’s plan to engage laborers in farmer’s field)

### **Member2:**

1. MNERGA laborers are engaged in which activities? (I said they are engaged in asset creating activities)
2. Is asset creation is mentioned in the act? (I said “yes, but what type of asset to be created is not defined)
3. Then what should we do? ( I said “it has to be defined. Panchayats should be allowed to select the asset to be created based on their requirements)
4. What is the allocation for MNERGA in the budget?
5. Define fiscal deflect?
6. What is the role of CPSU?
7. Tell me the amount of dividend paid by CPSU?

**Member3:**

1. You studied in one of the reputed institution i.e., Tamil Nadu agricultural university. What are the accreditations of TNAU?
2. What are the varieties developed by TNAU?
3. What is GM Crop?
4. Explain the process of development of GM crop by taking any agricultural crops as an example (I explained the process by taking Bt cotton as an example)
5. Why Bt cotton is not supported by the farmers? ( I explained that the bt. Cotton is effective against only 2 pests namely Helicoverpa armigera and Spodoptera Litura which are bollworms but susceptible to other pest especially mealy bug. But farmers when they sow the bt cotton they expect that there should not be any pest and when they find the other minor pests, they are telling that bt cotton is not effective.)
6. If bt cotton is not effective against mealy bug then why should we cultivate that ? (I said “ bollworms are the major loss makers. Once we manage to control them, others can be controlled easily)
7. So you are supporting bt cotton ? ( I said yes)
8. What are the different sources of electricity?( I said thermal, hydro, wind, nuclear, energy etc.,)
9. Do you support nuclear energy?

**Member4:**

1. Why people are agitating in Koodankulam?
2. What is the role of NGOs I the agitation?
3. Explain how the music evolved over a period of time with the help of technology?
4. What would be the impact of e-books? Whether there would be libraries? I said “yes because there would be people who wish to read the printed version” but the opposed and said if everything is digitized and no printed version then there would be no library, I agreed with him.

## **Interview: 17**

**Name** :xxxxxx

**Board** : xxxxxx

**Year** : 2012 (FN Session)

I was the last person for the morning session and entered around noon.

The Chairwoman started here questions.

What have you been doing after your graduation?

What are your service preferences? Please tell us why you made those choices.

Why would you like to join the foreign services?

With regards to diplomacy, India's epics have some relevance to it. What is it?

The questioning moved to the person sitting on her right.

With the exit of the US from Afghanistan, What do you think would be the future of the country as well as India's challenges in terms of our foreign policy?

Pakistan has been making peace overtures recently. What do you think India should do?

The person sitting diagonally opposite to him questioned me next.

Do you think your ambition is in conflict with the country's ambition?

If a country maintains friendly relations with its neighbours but is hostile to its citizens, what would you call that ?

There exists a negative image about civil servants in the media and the public eye. What do you have to say about that?

The member sitting to my left started questioning me.

India once has a bigger role in hockey. Why do you think that has come down now?

Have your read any works by Jane Austen?

The member sitting to the left of the Chairwoman questioned me next.

What do you know about the Sethu Samudhram Project?

What is its mythological significance?

Why is there an opposition to it?

Have you studied American Literature?

There was a poem by Robert Frost whose last lines were very popular. Which one is it?

It captivated the mind of an important person in India. Who was it?

How did he make them memorable?

The Chairwoman got into questioning me again.

Have your studied Julius Caesar?

There is an important oration there.

What significance does it hold in diplomacy?

Thank you. That will be all.

The Board sounded extremely cordial and the members did not object or try to counter any answer I gave. The atmosphere was very relaxed and that does not point to any obvious consequence in terms of marks. After the interview was over. I felt that some of my answers could have been a bit more nuanced and organized.

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