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## ESSAY-Test 4 निबन्ध-परीक्षा 4 CSE 2025

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	निबन्ध विषय सं० Essay Topic No.	अंक Marks	
खण्ड-A Section-A			
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**EVALUATOR'S FEEDBACK: ESSAY SECTION-A**

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**EVALUATOR'S FEEDBACK: ESSAY SECTION-B**

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## खण्ड-A / Section-A

- Q.1 Science is not only a disciple of reason but, also, one of romance and passion.  
विज्ञान केवल तर्क का ही अनुयायी नहीं है, बल्कि यह रोमांस और जुनून का भी है।
- Q.2 Man's capacity for justice makes democracy possible, but man's inclination to injustice makes democracy necessary.  
न्याय के प्रति मनुष्य की क्षमता लोकतंत्रा को संभव बनाती है, लेकिन अन्याय के प्रति मनुष्य का झुकाव लोकतंत्र को आवश्यक बनाता है।
- Q.3 The Voice of the Gobal South needs to set its own tone.  
वैश्विक दक्षिण की आवाज को अपना स्वर स्वयं निर्धारित करना होगा।
- Q.4 But man is a part of nature, and his war against nature is inevitability a war against himself.  
मनुष्य प्रकृति का ही एक अंग है, और प्रकृति के विरुद्ध उसका युद्ध अंततः स्वयं के विरुद्ध युद्ध बन जाता है।

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Topic 3 : The voice of global South  
needs to set its own tune

2020 made the humanity to suffer  
from one of the worst crisis it  
has ever seen, THE COVID-19  
PANDEMIC. At that time there  
was chaos all across the world  
and uncertainty all over. People  
were dying, crying and were being  
hospitalised.

At the same time, 9

month into the crisis, a hope emerged. The global North led by USA had discovered the vaccine for Covid-19 pandemic.

What would one hope when people are dying? Everyone hoped North to share vaccine with the south so that pandemic gets over and we get back to normalcy.

But what did the so-called developed country do? They engaged in vaccine denialism. Instead of giving vaccines to needy, they hoarded the vaccines to earn profits and engaged in self-centrism.

The experience of Vaccine Nationalism during Covid-19 is a stark reminder for global south on need to set its own tone. But firstly, what do we mean by global

South? How it is dancing on agenda set by global North? why is there a need for South to set its own tone? and how can it set its tone?

In this essay, we will explore all such question and also project India as a natural leader of global South. Let us first start by understanding what we imply when we say global South?

Global South refers to grouping of developing countries from Asia, Africa and Latin America (the southern part of continent), which includes countries like India, Egypt South Africa, Brazil etc.

Global South is divided from North via Branck line. Across the countries of global South

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these are some unifying characteristics like all of them are developing, have rising population, are technologically dependent and are poor in per capita income terms compared to global north.

This unifying characteristics make them a single bloc at global platforms.

After exploring the meaning of global south, we will now see how global south is dancing on agenda set by global North?

**South: Trapped in Neo-Colonialism**

Global South is highly dependent on global north for various things first is the technology, as the most of country's in grouping do not ~~can~~ have funds to spend on R&D. These are dependent on transfer of technology from global

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North .

Similar is dependence on investment and FDI. Economist Prebisch and Singer in their "Dependency Theory" highlight this dependence.

Other dependence include dependence for knowledge sharing, institutional building, finance for climate adaptation etc.

As the Economist Prebisch and Singer argue, this dependency make global South a tool in hands of global North. They (North) devise the agenda in such a way that it further perpetuate the dependency.

To illustrate, the economist cite example of policy of laissez faire, how this policy of free trade has made developing

Countries to export raw material and import manufactured goods. Since there is falling demand of raw material with rise of income (Engel's law), with time this export of raw material only perpetuate the dependency.

And to be modest, this is just a tip of iceberg. In the today's globalised world, from Techno-feudalism by global Big Tech of North to conditionality attached with FDI and loans, the neo-colonialism is a truth.

In this world, where North sets agenda and South follows, what is need for global South to set its own tone? and what will be benefit of such tone setting?

## Setting own Tone : Need of Hour

The global south needs to set its tone by itself due to variety of reasons. Firstly, as C Raja Mohan (IR expert) points out that world today is stuck into polarity dilemma, it is sometimes unipolar (US), sometime bipolar (US-China), sometime multipolar (BRICS) and some time heteropolar (Big Techs)

In such as situation of polarity dilemma, own tone would establish global south as a stable pole in global dynamics and tone of global south would then act as global tone.

To further add, there is also rising trends of

de-globalisation across globe. From Trump led Trade war to China's curbing of raw earth exports. The multilateralism is clearly failing

In such a fragmented world some of multilateral reforms being given by global south leaders would be only way forward for future world <sup>because</sup> As the UN Secretary general Antonio Guterres rightly says, "we can not build future of our grand children, with institution of our grandparents"

Moreover, we also see that world is stuck in "Kindleberger Trap", where no one is willing to provide global public goods. The recent withdrawal of USA from WHO and UNESCO exemplify such trend.

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Here with a united force the global south could bridge the gap. Take the case of Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) model of India, which India is leveraging to provide global digital public goods.

Furthermore, setting own force is also pre-requisite to ensure equity and justice. For example the global south needs to unite at the global climate conference (COP) to ensure that climate justice is being delivered by walking on path of Common but differentiated responsibilities (CBDR).

Similarly, overcoming the technological denial regime of Global North, also require South to set the force of technology transfer.

like they did during Doha Round of WTO, where pressure from south allowed countries to ensure compulsory licensing, which prevented pharmaceutical technological denial by evergreening of patents.

Having seen the need of setting the agenda, here the India can play a very crucial role in ensuring unity of global south

~~India is a~~

India : Natural leader of South

India is a natural leader of global south. From leading the bloc during the cold war era through the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM). To recent Voice of global south Summit, we have always championed the cause of global south

The rising global stature from being fastest growing major economy of world to being biggest country in terms of population, India's leadership has become more so significant

In addition to this the cosmic vision of gandhi Rabindranath Tagore's ~~cosmic~~ "global village" to ~~the~~ idea of "Satve bhavantu Subhinah" (welfare of all) highlight our ~~new~~ selfless approach for global south.

Thus, it is time for India to take the leadership role and set the right tone of global south.

Way Ahead: Unity of voice, Unity of purpose

Thus, to ensure that the global

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South sets its own tone and does not dance on tone of North, we need "unity of voice and unity of purpose".

To be united we would thus need to work on 4 R framework; first is to Respond to changing dynamics of global geopolitics. Second is to Recognise, the threats faced by world. Third is to respect each other's view point and last is to Reform, the multilateral system to reflect present day reality.

To conclude, the need of hour is to have our tone and agenda, so that we could counter the vaccine Nationalism of North with "vaccine Martu" of global. South to make <sup>18</sup> would a family

because "Alone we could do little, together we can change the world"

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खण्ड-B / Section-B

- Q.5 Love the life you live. Live the life you Love.  
उस जीवन से प्रेम करो जिसे तुम जी रहे हो, और ऐसा जीवन जियो जिससे तुम प्रेम करते हो।
- Q.6 A Great man is always willing to be Little.  
एक महान व्यक्ति सदा विनम्र बनने को तैयार रहता है।
- Q.7 Choices must be made, dice must be cast.  
विकल्प चुनना ही होगा, पासा फेंकना ही होगा।
- Q.8 Success is not to be pursued, it is to be attracted by the person you become.  
सफलता का पीछा नहीं करना चाहिए, वह तो आपके व्यक्तित्व से आकर्षित होकर खुद आती है।

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Topic 8 : Success is not to be pursued,  
it is to be attracted by person you  
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" Success ke piche mat bhago, excellence  
ke piche bhago . Success apne ap  
humhare piche bhagegi "

(Don't run toward success but run  
toward excellence. Success will automatically  
follow you.)

This were the lines Rancho ,  
protagonist from movie 3 Idiots told  
Chatur his rival . In the movie  
then the two person follow a

Completely different path, while Rancho focuses on becoming a person with excellence, Chatur on the other hand chases success in life.

In the end of the movie, while Rancho becomes the greatest Scientist of his time. Chatur ends up begging for signing of contract from Rancho and gets confined to being a corporate slave.

The anecdote is a reminder for us that "success is not to be pursued, it is to be attracted by person you become". In this essay we will explore the meaning of the topic, analyse why success should not be pursued? how it gets attracted to your personality? and then conclude by seeing how can we develop a good character?

The topic of essay here tries to highlight the importance of a person's character and personality in determining his success instead of just hardwork and talent. As Gandhiji used to say, "your character & attitude, not your aptitude defines your attitude in life". The quote reinforces the same idea in human life.

History is full with example of people who attracted success through their personality instead of pursuing it. Take the case of Mother Teresa, whose compassion with personality automatically got her Nobel prize despite she not pursuing for it.

Similarly we could also see the case of APJ Abdul Kalam, when Kalam Sahab tried to pursue

Success by having a dream of joining the air force as a pilot, he ended up being a failure and came on verge of committing a suicide. It was only later he worked on being a virtuous person which made him "missile man of India" and "People's President" attracting unimaginable success.

But one may ask the question that Why should one not pursue success? What is harm of getting blind in pursuit of success?

Success ke piche mat Bhago!!

One should not run in pursuit of happiness because of several reasons. Firstly, by pursuing success, you may achieve your dream or be successful in short

run but without character you can't stay there for long run.

For example, Hitler got some initial dividends against France and allied power, when he pursued success, but the gains were soon lost because as it is rightly said by Swami Vivekananda

"your hardwork / pursuit determine whether you reach heights, but it is your attitude <sup>that</sup> determine ~~whether~~ how long you stay."

Similar, was case with modern day Pakistan, who in initial days (1960s) grew faster than India but eventually the extremist mindset and radicalisation by Zia-ul-Haq regime made it a country with begging bowl today

Moreover, pursuing success require constant motivation which not many people are able

to sustain throughout the journey

~~As~~ In addition to this, in pursuing the path of success, one tends to forget ~~and gets lost~~ the purpose and gets lost. For example the developed countries today in pursuit of material wellbeing have got lost in vicious cycle of materialism and consumerism. Their path to success is affecting the nature, humans and developing countries negatively.

Furthermore, Ac Dalai Lama used to say, "value success by what you have to give up for it". The recent interview of Chairman of Vedanta Group to Dallantop, where he highlights how in pursuit of success he lost his family and personal relationships.

Today, he has wealth and money, but should we call him successful?

Having seen the one side, let us also explore how success gets attracted when you become a good person?

Excellence he picks Bhago!!!

James Clear in his book, "Atomic habit", highlight the role of personality in beinging success. When you develop personality your activities become part of your habit and there is no need of any motivation then

for example by steering towards excellence Michael phillips developed a sportsman personality. He made it part of his daily routine to be in water for minimum 10 hours a day, and the result we

all know that he ended up winning 22 gold medals.

Moreover, the glory that you receive by improving personally is far greater than what you receive in pursuit. Take the case of Sachin Tendulkar, who focussed on becoming a good cricketer and contrast it with Vinod Kambli, who chased success.

The glory that two person received speaks for itself. While Sachin became "god of cricket", Kambli was one of the many good cricketers.

In addition to this, when we come into ethical domain a virtuous character becomes more so important. As Aristotle in his ideas of Virtue Ethics highlight "your character and personality is small thing that matter"

For example in pursuit of success one might end up taking up unethical means like cheating in exam, fraud in business or violence in mass movement. But it requires character of Gandhi to withdraw the movement after Chauri - Chaura incident, and it was this strong personalities of our freedom fighters that brought us success in form of freedom at 15<sup>th</sup> August.

Furthermore, success tends to get attracted by personality, because "good things happens to those who are good." This is fundamental truth of life highlighted in kaumic philosophy of Bhagwat

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Take the case of Dr Ambedkar, who focussed on becoming an enlightened person instead of ~~the~~ chasing short term

Success. Today, see the law of Karma that he is the most respected person throughout India

Here, we need to bring one more dimension to our analysis. There might be instances of people not receiving success despite having an attractive personality and having a moral character.

But we need to understand that such person's are not a failure at all. This is just that the success is taking its own time to get attracted towards you. For example till 1991, India developed a moral character by welfareism and upholding Fabian socialism, but we didn't see success in economic domain. This didn't imply that we failed.

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- There are several other factors like situation, entomalties, performance of competitor which tend to determine a person's success; and this all factors should also be acknowledged in the process.

But this are only temporary impediments, as India saw post 1991; your character eventually reaps you dividend.  
 "It may take time but in end it would be worth"

This brings us to the last part of our analysis, where we learn how to become a good person

Here the virtue ethics can be a good guide, as Plato says, we need to focus on 4,

Cardinal values of temperance,  
fortitude, justice and prudence to  
develop a virtuous character

Secondly, as Rancho in  
3 idiots says at start, we should  
strive towards excellence in  
life instead of success

Thirdly, we also need  
to convert our pursuit into our  
daily habit to make it part of  
our character

Lastly, as a society we  
need to measure success not in  
~~at~~ terms of material wellbeing,  
but as Dalai Lama says, "what  
person gave up for it"

To conclude your personality define  
you and will also define the glory  
you receive, so  
"Be a virtuous man <sup>\*\*\*</sup> instead of being  
only success blind man" <sub>30</sub>