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Q1) How do attitudes shape our thoughts and influence our behaviour? Explore the factors that contribute to the misalignment b/w attitude, thoughts & behaviour. Provide real-life examples to support your arguments. (150 words)

Attitudes are the mental construct of a person and showcases how our actions are translated in reality.

Attitude influencing thoughts and behaviour

① Positive attitude brings optimistic thoughts and energize our behaviour.

Ex: Even after failing to crack competitive exams several times, positive attitude helps to focus on correcting our mistakes and be motivated.

② It also helps in resolving conflict of interest type of situation, crisis of conscience etc.

Ex: Donating some funds to NGOs working to provide food to beggars rather than spending the money elsewhere.

③ It also brings and inculcates values like Empathy and compassion in one's behaviour.

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Factors leading to misalignment between attitudes, thoughts and behaviour

① Anger leads to distortion of thought process and gets reflected in our behaviour even if attitude does not allow it so.

EX: Breaking things like phones out of anger due to fight with friends or family

② Greediness corrupts our thought process and behaviour

EX: ~~Public~~ Public ~~sees~~ thought of cheating in exam to get good grades corrupts one's behaviour.

③ Lack of Emotional Intelligence neglects the feelings towards the needy ones

EX: ~~release~~ Money cut for maids because she was unable to work out of disease

Thus to align these three, Aristotle's golden mean can guide us to enhance one's attitude.

use headings for the statements

external pressure

emotional intelligence

limiting awareness

use flow chart for such kind of questions

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Final Conclusion

(Q2)

Discuss the ethical implications of using persuasive techniques in political campaign. Provide your recommendation on ensuring ethical practices in political campaign while effectively engaging voters. (150 words)

Persuasion refers to a process of influencing a reader's attitude, beliefs or actions in the favour of persuader.

fine definition
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mentions

Ethical Implications in political ~~technique~~ campaign

① It can lead to polarisation of votes if persuasion stands to influence through one's religion, caste etc.

such as
organ for
parties and
groups

② ^{try to} might lead to increased use of muscle power as it indicates the strength.

③ Misuse of resources / subsidies as a tool of persuasion leading to wastage of public resources.

ex. promise of giving votes / clothes to a certain section of population.

④ It can lead to distraction of voters from important topics like unemployment, poverty, development etc.

asymmetric
↓
transparency

try to
like
machines

ethical implications
↓
manipulation
↓
information

Recommendation to ensure ethical practices in political campaign

- ① following model code of conduct both in letter and spirit.
- ② Giving equal opportunities to all political parties so that money / muscle power can be reduced.
- ③ self discipline within parties and not giving tickets to candidates having past criminal records.
- ④ consensus among political parties to avoid giving freebies to woo the voters.
- ⑤ open debates / discussion on topics like poverty, development rather than on polarisation of votes.

valued points

conclusion is
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Thus ensuring ethical practices in political campaign will increase voter participation. It will also make the election process smooth.

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Q.3) What is your viewpoint regarding the statement that the 'strategy of inclusive growth is designed to achieve inclusiveness and sustainability as its core objectives?' (150 words)

Inclusive growth is the growth that is fairly distributed across the society and helps in reducing inequalities.

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stats

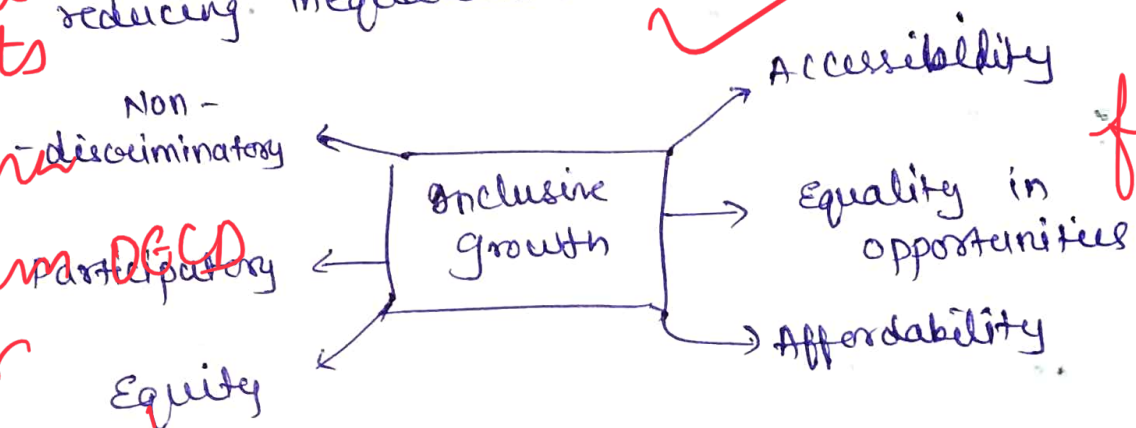
either

from OECD

or

Economic survey

Inclusive growth - core objectives



Inclusiveness

① So that every section of society can reap its benefits

good

Ex: providing fibre network both in urban and rural areas

② Bringing parity in Employment and Economy

Ex: Maternity and Paternity leave concept

③ Giving opportunities and empowering the

most vulnerable sections of society
Ex: ST/SC/OBC/EWS reservation in jobs
and educational institutions.

Sustainability

find points
mention
about
environment
climate change
as well

(i) Growth that remains for a long time without any ~~ends~~ collapsing.

Ex: PM Kisan support to farmers.

(ii) Growth that does not eat up the benefits or put undue burden over future generation.

Ex: New Pension scheme benefit to govt. employees

(iii) Growth that is based on objectivity and facts through use of reports, indices etc.

Ex: Distribution of resources by finance commission through income distance principle.

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also
include

Hence, capability approach as suggested by Dr. Amartya Sen will further help in achieving the core objectives of inclusive growth.

SDG - 2, 3
and
inclusive
development

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Q1) Explain the significance of the statement "the welfare of individuals is inseparable from the well-being of society as a whole." Analyse how this principle can be effectively applied in the realm of public life. (150 words)

Ans welfare generally means improving the life of an individual in addition to providing assistance as a whole. *intro is aptly written*

meaning of how welfare of individual is inseparable from well-being of society

① Providing equality in opportunities in society as a whole essentially means giving every individual an equal a level playing field.

② Improving the state of health in society means improving the productivity of every individual.

③ Progressing individuals also motivates the society as a whole

ex: Phogat sisters in wrestling motivated the society as a whole and enabled conducive environment for girls in field of wrestling.

your approach

justify

the welfare points

are good but

have mentioned them as per individuals as per policymakers.

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Effective in realm of public life

① curbing discrimination based on gender, caste, class or religion.

② Making public goods accessible to all vulnerable sections of society.

Ex: Digital platforms like Umang app.

③ Brings more harmony and brotherhood, fraternity in the society

④ Improving the living standards and opportunities in society

Ex: Raising income levels and diminishing inequality in society.

Hence, the concept of satyodaya can be applied. This will help in making welfare of ^{both} individuals and society inter-dependent.

good points but try to write as per the asked word limit

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fine conclusion

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Q2) Discuss with examples the role of digital technology in transforming the Indian economy and its impact on employment and inclusive growth. Highlight the challenges and opportunities associated with this digital transformation. (250 words)

begin by either

Digital technologies are the technologies defining that primarily uses Information technology (IT) computers, internet etc.

stating some

Role of Digital technology in transforming Indian Economy

report and

① shifting of traditional markets to e-commerce platforms

facts such as

Ex: Amazon, flipkart etc.

India's digital

② universal presence irrespective of barriers related to topography like hills, coastal areas

transformation

~~etc~~

③ Growth in online jobs and increasing online consultancy

and technology potential is around

Ex: work from home concept

④ Rise of Gig economy concept and platform economy

2.5 trillion

Impact on Employment

A) Positive Impact

- Ease of doing job
- Reduced mobility
- Demand for technology skilled workforce is increasing
- Enhancing opportunities for work for employees.

B) Negative Impact

- Automation in jobs leads to rising unemployment.
- Increasing work load on employees.
- Disturbing work-life balance.

Impact on Inclusive growth

A) Positive Impact

- Increased opportunities for every employees due to digital presence.
- Increasing labour force participation of women.
- Innovative digital tools for ease of governance.

Ex: e-governance tools like Aadhaar enabled payment service, e-RUPI etc.

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logical

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ⓑ Negative Impact

- Increasing digital divide
- Increasing Rural-urban divide
- Increasing crimes, harassment, ~~fraud~~ **scams** in digital platforms

→ digital divide

Challenges associated

supported (C) should have been given

- Surveillance risks
- Automation lead to increased job loss **such as**
- Monopoly of few big tech
- Inadequate digital infra-structure **female 33%**

male 57.7%

Opportunities associated

- Innovative tools to solve social problems **internet users.**
- Reskilling and upskilling of existing employees in digital technology

more govt initiatives along with this

ubiquitous presence lead to globalisation benefits **5 1/2**

→ Bharatnet, Digital India can help India to accelerate its digital technology that enhances progress in society as a whole.

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Q3) What factors have contributed to the substantial growth of services sector in India, bypassing the traditional transition from agriculture to industry? Can India achieve developed country status w/o a robust industrial foundation? (250 words)

quote statistics for such questions

< 50% GDP contribution
Services sector essentially comprised of sectors like trade, banking, ICT, transport

Factors contributed to substantial growth of services sector bypassing industries

could have used graphs

① post 1991 reforms, incentives for service sectors to grow

relevant points
Ex: Increased Foreign Investment in Business Process Outsourcing (BPO)

represent the same.

② Technological shift with increased digitalisation and IT services

and examples
Ex: Mobile phones, Internet connectivity

③ Cheap skilled labour provided by India in field of IT services.

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- ④ Lack of capital investment in setting up of industries.
- ⑤ Inadequate focus on capital intensive industries that can absorb abundant labour force from agriculture.
- Ex: Textiles, food processing industries.
- ⑥ Growth of IT parks in metro cities favoured service sector more with policy support.

Robust Industrial foundation ← a necessity

① will help in absorbing the semi-skilled workforce from agriculture and thus reduces unemployment.

② Reducing Income inequality in India with rise of middle class in coming future.

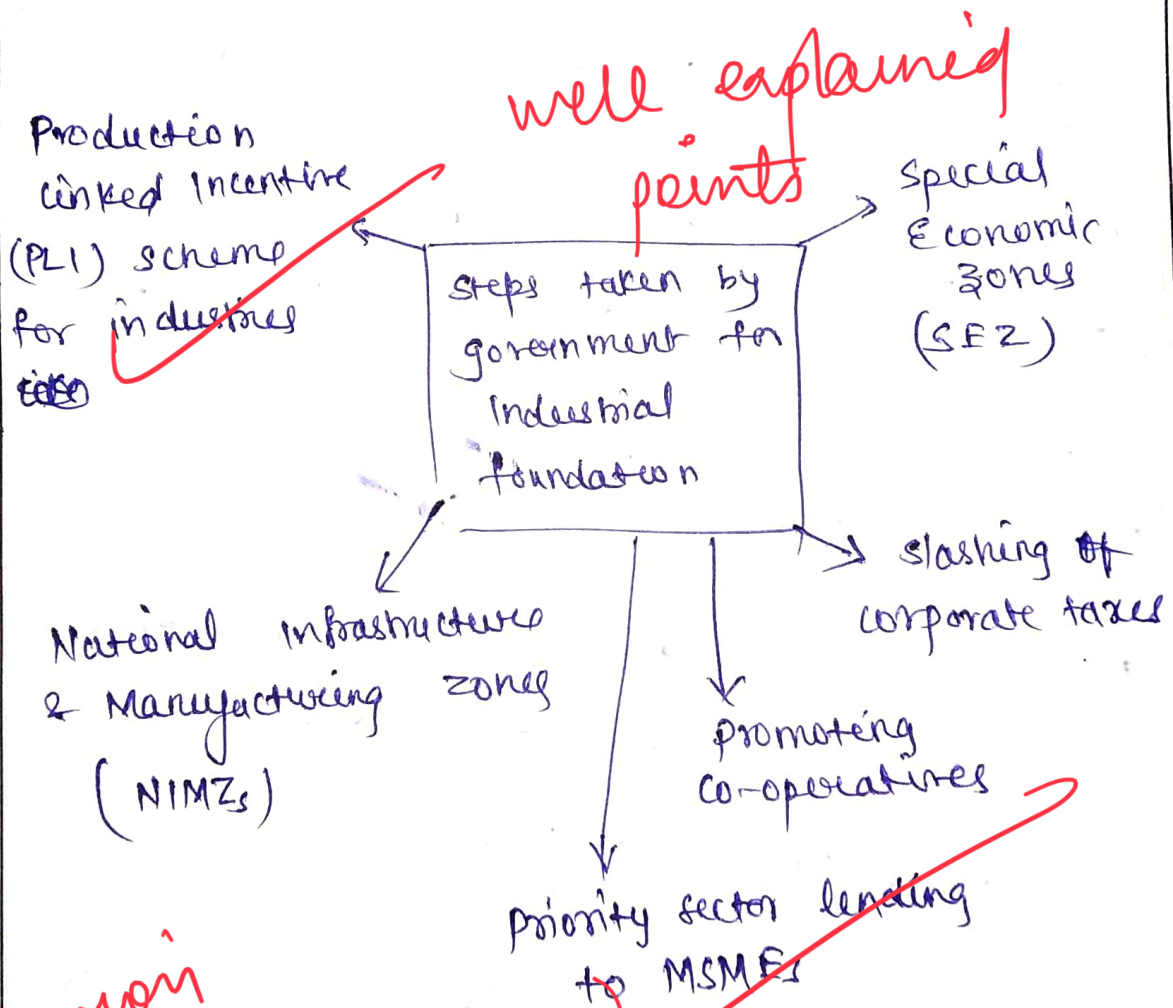
③ will help as an essential supply chain that can provide service sector with opportunities.

good approach
highlight keywords

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④ Also help in developing capital infra-structure in long term

⑤ will help in boosting exports opportunities with robust industrial foundation



conclusion is
highlighting

This robust industrial foundation will help India to achieve developed country status by 2047 in *Amrit Kaal*.

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(Q1) "Ethics is knowing the difference b/w ~~to~~ what you have a right to do and what is right to do" - ~~Peter~~ Potter Stewart

In light of this quote, analyze the ethical dilemmas encountered by govt. officials while making decisions and ethical considerations they should prioritize in order to ensure responsibility & just governance. (150 words)

The above quote means that ethics involves making decisions that are not only legal / within one's rights but also morally right and just.

For government officials, it acts as a double edge sword.

②

Ethical dilemmas encountered

Ethical considerations

① Safety of public ^{v/s} efficacy of vaccine

In COVID-19 pandemic, govt. authorised roll out of vaccines by fast forwarding the normal process to save as many lives as possible society (social welfare)

Tip
the point
is

apart from this could mention
 → Transparency
 accountability

②
 development vs welfare

Encroachment drive will make the poor homeless but not taking action will further promote encroachment. Hence, for displaced people, shelter homes can be arranged.

eg are missing

③
 law vs conscience
 → conflict of interest

Denial of ration due to inadequate digital infrastructure - pos machines, will not be ethical but legally correct.

well explaining

Thus to resolve such ethical dilemmas developing Emotional intelligence and objectivity in decision making will make less scope of conflict of interest.

Hence initiatives like maison karmayogi will further transform govt. officials from rule-based to roles-based karmayogis.

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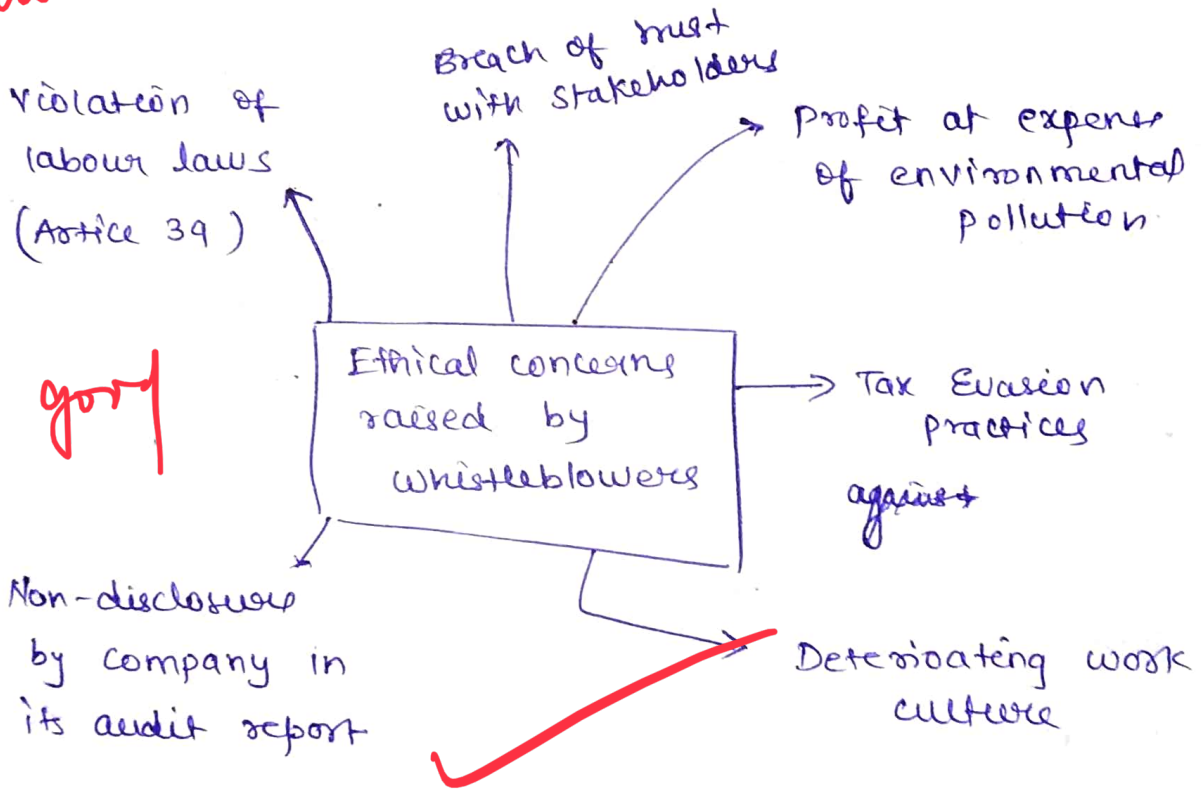
(Q2)

Case study

(250 words)

The above case reflects the corporate governance issues which can be related to real life examples including sterlite plant in Tamil Nadu.

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intro



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potential impact of
such violations

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Company	stakeholders	society at large
<p>① will lead to financial loss in future after verifying allegations.</p> <p>② loss of market value in future</p> <p>③ Threat of protest/ resistance from employees itself</p> <p>④ Fine against violation of norms.</p> <p>⑤ If false allegations will destroy the trust for a longer period</p>	<p>① Breach of trust of company's stakeholders</p> <p>② wages of labour did not increase despite growing company's profit</p> <p>③ Threat to whistleblower's life against exposing the news</p> <p>④ stakeholders will not invest money in the company</p>	<p>① polluting common public goods like air, water</p> <p>② less tax revenue from company, so less expenditure on public welfare</p> <p>③ protest/ agitation against the company</p> <p>④ Against the constitution <u>Article 21</u> right to clean Environment</p>

try to substantiate with

reason violation of norms.

exploitation of labour

Suggested measures

① verifying the credentials of allegations. If found fake, taking action against such mischievous / misinformation.

valid points

② If found true, immediately stopping the violations.

as

③ spending CSR funds to undo the wrongs - for environmental clean up.

conduct

④ filing tax as per the rules and avoid tax evasion - make public the audit to enhance transparency.

Adopt sustainable & responsible business practices

⑤ Treating labour as family so that company can do more than just providing wages - bonuses in case of extra profit.

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These recommendations of Rahul Bajaj Committee & Uday Kotak Committee will further enhance corporate governance.

Amie

(83) Analyze the recommendations of Swaminathan Committee on Agriculture in the context of farm subsidies and evaluate the progress made in achieving their intended objectives. (250 words)

Swaminathan Committee was set up in 2004 to improve the agriculture status in India.

Recommendations in context of farm subsidies

- ① Enhancing investment in agri-research to substantially increase flow of credit to small farmers.
- ② Kisan credit cards for the women farmers.
- ③ Integrated credit-cum-crop-livestock human health insurance package.

④ Recommended C₂ (comprehensive cost).

$$C_2 = A_2 + FL + \text{land rent} + \text{interest payments}$$

- ⑤ one - Nation - one market to reduce cartelisation of APMC markets.

Progress - analysed

- ① Agri - startups are increasingly provided innovative solutions to agriculture.

Ex: AgNext, ReshaMandi etc.

well explaining

- ② e-NAM initiative to deliver the promise of one - Nation - one - market principle.

- ③ Increasing agricultural investment on infrastructure.

Ex: Agri Infra fund of ₹ 1 lakh crore for next 10 years.

- ④ Irrigation reforms through promoting Micro Irrigation facilities

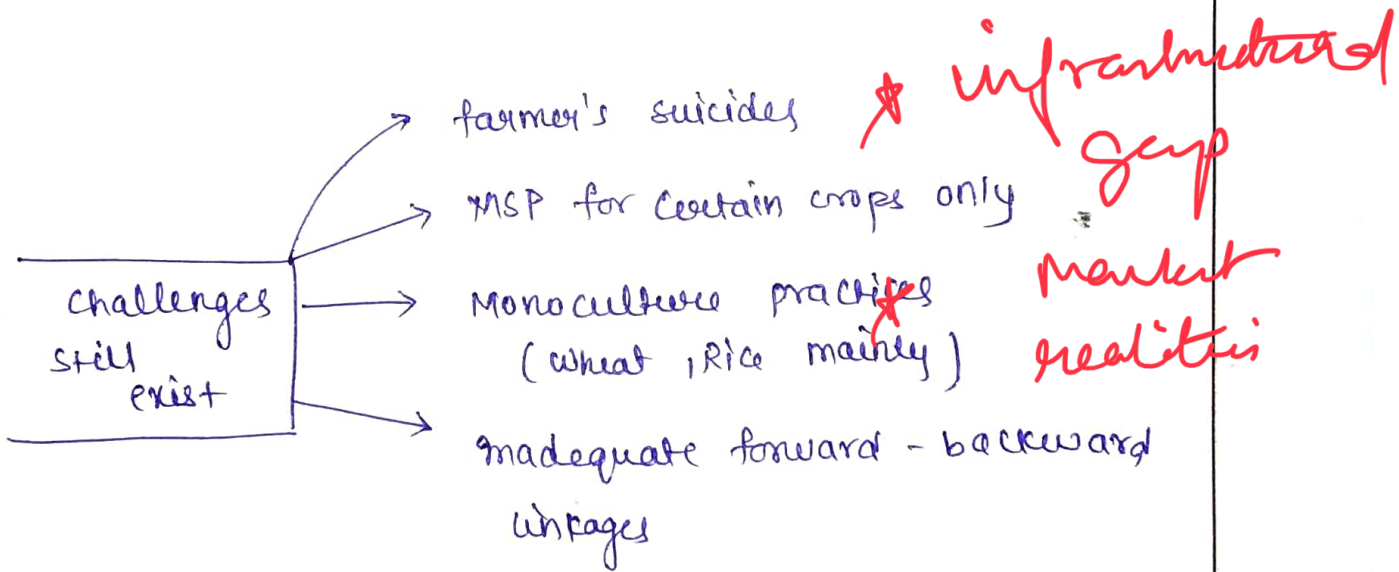
Ex: Drip, sprinkler irrigation

⑤ A token of direct benefit to small and vulnerable farmer's group

Ex: ₹6000 annually in PM Kisan.

⑥ Improving productivity & providing insurance to against crop failures

Ex: PM Fasal Bima Yojana 2016



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Thus Evergreen revolution is need of the hour in Indian agriculture. This will transform our farmers into Annadata in true sense

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