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PREFACE

This is the classroom material for SSC (CGL) 2016 Tier III. I hope it will prove to be a guiding light for the SSC (CGL) 2016 aspirants who have burnt their midnight oil and have reached upto this stage.

Our students' constructive feedback and suggestions are most welcome which have always remained and will remain our guiding light. I will be highly obliged if you message/maill me your feedback or suggestion on 8860330003/ **support@kdcampus.org**

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Essays

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Seeking Votes on Caste & Religion, Unconstitutional

India is a multicultural & multi-linguistic country with multiple religions and castes living by their own customs and traditions in a harmonious environment. Unity in diversity is the essence of our culture and the thread of nationalism binds the beads of separate identities of different castes, religions and languages. We have all the reasons to boast of a rich and multi-faceted culture yet the difference in status, place of worship, customs and languages often create frictions among the different castes and religions in India. Division on the ground of castes and religions makes India weak but the unity found among the people of a particular caste and religion usually makes that caste/ religion more powerful and their hold becomes stronger not only in day-to-day affairs of the trades but also on the politics of the country.

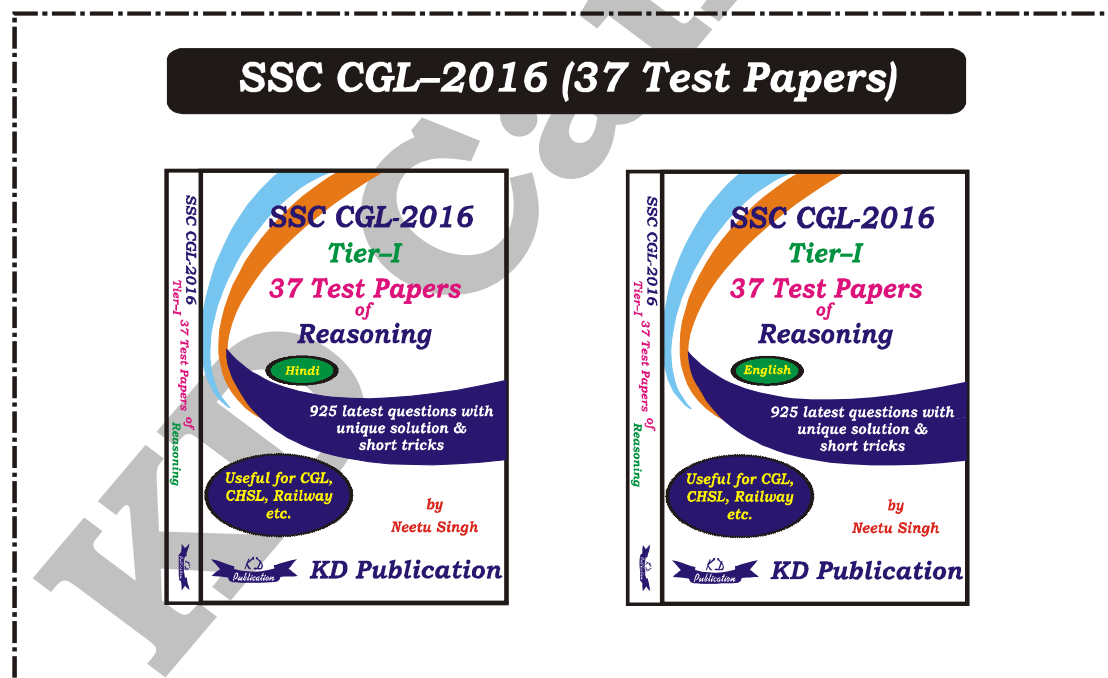
In India there are many religions and the religions are again divided into castes and sects. Usually development takes a back seat and castes/religions motivate the people to vote for the candidate who is of the same caste/religion. Caste and religion have started playing such a prominent role in the politics of the country that now the political parties distribute tickets on the basis of caste/religions of the candidate and not based on their performance. Even the religious leaders on loudspeakers issue orders or fatwas to the common masses belonging to the same religion/caste to vote for a particular candidate/party and the only criterion that party/candidate qualify for the votes of such a large number of people is not performance but religion/caste. Large states like Uttar Pradesh & Bihar witness this caste and religion ridden politics in every election but recently this abhorrent form of politics faced a setback when on January 2, 2017 the Supreme Court ruled that religion, race, caste, community or language will not be allowed to play any role in the electoral process of India.

Seeking votes on the ground of caste, religion, race etc is unconstitutional, unethical and unwarranted. Section 123(3) of the Representation of The People Act clearly lays down that appeal based on sectarian, linguistic or caste consideration is prohibited. This means that any appeal made by a candidate or his agents to vote or refrain from voting on the grounds of religion, race, caste and community is a corrupt practice.

The Supreme Court held that India being a Secular State cannot and will not identify itself with any one of the religions and that election of a candidate will be declared null and void if an appeal is made to seek votes on these grounds. It further held that the constitutional ethos of the country forbids mixing of religions with the secular functioning of the State and religions must remain a matter personal to an individual and neither the State nor any other person has anything to do with it. In one sentence, it can be summed up that religion cannot & will not play any role in the governance of the country.

A landmark judgment came while the court was revisiting its earlier judgement including one from 1995 that termed 'Hindutva' as a way of life and stated that a candidate was not necessarily violating the law when he sought votes on this ground. Several petitions filed over the years challenged the consequences of this verdict. On 2nd Jan, 2017 a seven-Judge constitutional bench ruled that the relationship between man and god is an individual choice and that State cannot interfere in it. It added that an election is a secular exercise and this secularism must reflect in the way and process and hence religion should not interfere in it.

Religion is a personal choice, a faith and belief that connects man with the Supreme power. It is something very personal and close to heart and hence must stay closed in heart. If politics spreads its fangs into the domain of religions, the very sanctity of religion is polluted and religion may become opium. Religion looks and feels best if it is kept as a way of life and not a way in which the secular framework of country is governed.



Use and Misuse of Social Media

(Most of the points of this essay can be included for the topic
'Use and Misuse of Internet' too)

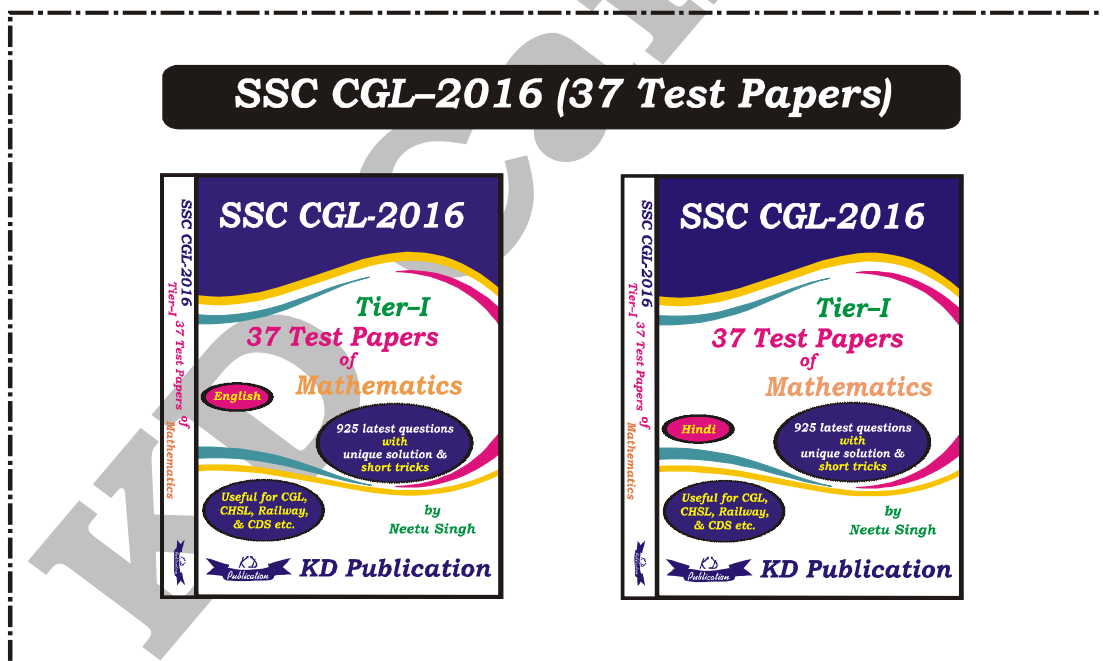
Communication is the essence of life. It is not the distance that keeps us apart but the absence of communication kills a relationship. Communication is the salt of life and adds spice to one's life. By character, man is a social animal and hence the worst kind of punishment for heinous crimes given to the most brutal kind of offenders is solitary confinement where his communication with the whole world is severed. The absence of communication causes the greatest of mental agony and communication can be rightly termed as the soul of all relationships. Communication saw a new height with the advent of internet followed by the boom in a new virtual world of communication via social media such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Whatsapp etc.

Social media is a newly coined term which means different media and platforms for interactions, sharing and exchanging ideas, releasing new information, exchanging moments of joys and sorrows on a virtual platform among people, family, friends, groups and like-minded people. This new and virtual world of communication has taken the real world by storm. Social media has carved its niche in the world of communication. In a very short span of time, it has connected people closely and effectively and has transformed the world into a global village. It has made communication very easy even with the person living on the other side of the globe. Social media spreads every piece of information like a wild fire and like-minded people get connected with a social cause immediately and whole-heartedly. Any person can create one's personal profile and start communicating. The whole process is so easy, interesting and addictive that in no time an individual becomes friend with unknown people sharing pictures, videos and personal things. It helps us stay connected with family and friends in today's fast world when no one has time for anyone. It helps us rekindle old friendship, find lost acquaintances and share information. It helps us connect with people of same interest and build new relationships. Businessmen find it very helpful in promoting and marketing their business, products and brands. New brands soon become a household name. Thanks to social media.

Social media has revolutionized the Police and Security Departments too. Criminals get nabbed in no time if their mugshot is circulated online. Social media has helped the Police Department in solving many cases. Earlier the most wanted criminals of one police station roamed about freely in the jurisdiction of other police station but now they cannot hide even in the other side of the world. Other information too like those related to security threats, missing children, agitations and even traffic congestions are shared, averted and solved through social media.

Social media like any other invention of science is not free from abuses and misuses. It has serious drawbacks too. The first and foremost problem with social media is the social media itself. It is highly addictive. This web of lies catches on the imaginative world of the youths who go crazy about anything and everything. They get carried away by the attention they draw and risk their life by going for blind dates and spending time with a completely unknown person who has walked from the virtual world into his/her real world. Cyber bullying has also wreaked havoc in the life of many people who one fine morning finds slanderous and malicious pieces of information about their personal life on social media. Social media has been the root cause of many broken relationships too. People get so much absorbed in their virtual world that they reduce and almost stop interacting with the real world face to face. The quality of conversation via social media is awful because one cannot sense the emotion of other person. Misconstrued emotions cut deep into the relationship between two individuals when one feel deep for the other while the other is just flirting with one and the other profile. Such misunderstood emotions lead to either heart breaks and depressions or the perpetration of heinous crime in revenge. This web of lies has ruined the life of many people.

Social media has its own pros and cons. Its advantages are so many that we cannot do without it but its disadvantages are so serious that we cannot turn blind eye towards them. There is no general rule book on the dos and don'ts when we use the social media, hence self-imposed restrictions and censorship are wise and advisable. Unbridled power breeds despotism, abuse of power and anarchy. Better to be safe than sorry, with this powerful medium of communication too.



CYBER CRIME

With every rose, comes a thorn; with every invention of science, comes its misuse and abuses. With hordes of advantages that follow every product of science, many things spin out of control too. Cyber crimes are no exception; a newly coined term, an unwanted side effect of computer and internet.

Cyber-crime is defined as a crime in which computer is used as an object of crime to commit an offence that may range from hate speeches, child pornography, accessing personal information or business trade secrets, bank frauds, identity thefts, credit and debit card information thefts to spreading different kinds of viruses and worms throughout the world. In cyber-crime a computer is used as a weapon of crime by an individual, an organized group or even a country and their crime committed is often surprising, horrendous and of alarming and unprecedented scale.

Cyber-crimes unlike normal crimes are unique, unusual and unparallel. In it the victim and the perpetrator of crime may never come in direct contact with each other. Usually the offenders are based in countries with weak or non-existent cyber laws. A person gets victimized even when he is thousands of miles away. Hence, we can say that cyber-crimes are universal and omnipresent.

The most common types of cyber-crimes are hacking, spanning and infecting computers with virus and worms. Hackers access a person's personal information over the internet such as his credit card and bank account numbers. A person may lose his whole bank balance in a second and may fall into heavy debt instantly. Even email and facebook accounts are hacked and messages are sent to terrorist groups and police department, landing the ignorant and obvious victim in the soup while he is clueless about everything. The victim is then subjected to hour-long interrogation by such level of government departments, the names of which are sufficient to send shivers down his spine. Trojan, virus and worm attack make one's teeth itch because they spread in seconds and infect computers through web. Similarly receiving unwanted mails and sometimes malicious codes via these mails are irritating and excruciating.

Another type of cyber-crimes is theft. Artistic works like books, music and movies are downloaded and circulated thereby infringing upon a person's copyright materials. The pirated copies cause great loss to the owners both psychologically and monetarily. The most serious theft is identity theft when one portrays to be Mr. X, accessing all the online accounts and information of Mr. X, without Mr. X's getting even a wind of what is going around.

Today our young generation is too sensitive and touchy. Cyber bullying has become a common practice causing serious repercussions, insanity and even deaths.

Another typed of serious crime is defamation. It takes a whole life to earn respect but a dirty mind and an internet connection to wipe it away in a second. A person with his family and friends bear great mental agony because some criminal with malicious intention was hell bent on tarnishing the reputation he earned in years.

Stalking, though seems nothing more than some sort of annoying behaviour, many times lead to serious crimes. Cyber stalking is continually peeping into the profile of a person of one's interest, flooding him/her with message, calls and threats thereby causing great concern to his/her safety and life.

Child pornography and trafficking to find their way much easily through internet. Children are tempted towards online chatrooms and fall prey to organized dangerous groups. Parental control software and eye on the sites frequented by our children may help avert potential threats.

Cyber Crimes against Government is called cyber terrorism. Such crimes wreak havoc when crucial and sensitive information of national importance and security are accessed by some egoist hacker, terrorist organisation or unfriendly neighbouring country. Cyber criminals earn the desired notoriety by posting outrageous videos of merciless killing while sitting in a banana republic with no law at all. what to say about cyber laws.

Protecting oneself from cyber crimes is not a cake walk but not that uphill task. Some precautions help us keep many such crimes at bay. We must keep our computer configured securely and choose complicated and strong passwords. Security softwares too protect our information upto a large extent and we must never respond to any call, E-mail or message asking for personal information and must steer clear off fraudulent websites promising gifts and huge amount of money for the lottery ticket that we have never bought in life.

In this great world, virtues and vices march hand in hand. With every boon comes a bane. the numerous advantage of every inventions shouldn't be marred by its abuses and misuses. Why not be a little vigilant both in the world and web? "Prevention is better than Cure" they say, not without a reason.



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You are Rahul Singh living in Park Street, Kolkata. You have been facing the menace caused by stray cattle in your locality. Write a letter to the concerned authorities drawing their attention towards problem.

Park Street
Kolkata
14th February, 2017

The Municipality
North-West Zone
Kolkata

Sir,

Subject: Menace of Stray cattle

This is to draw your attention towards the menace caused by the stray cattle roaming about in our locality and as far as I think over the whole of Kolkata. These cattle disrupt smooth traffic flow and even sit on the middle of the roads causing traffic jams on the roads. These stray cattle themselves even get injured many a time by speeding vehicles and at times they attack and injure the passersby and children. Old and feeble people have sustained serious injuries in our locality by these horned huge animals.

The stray cattle feed on the garbage thrown in the bins placed at different corners of our area thereby littering the surrounding areas and feeding on all the wastes, even the non-biodegradable and toxic things including the polythene bags. The polythene bags choke their intestinal system and their life is cut short without any fault of these docile animals.

It is high time the authority took strict action against the owners of these poor cattle who milk them, earn fortune and then leave them on roads for the whole day. The cattle must be seized and transported to the nearest cow shelter and heavy penalty be imposed on their masters.

I hope, stringent action will be taken by the authority in this regard and steps will be initiated to safeguard and secure the residents of Park Street from this ever-increasing menace faced by us.

Thanking you

Yours sincerely

Rahul Singh



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Write a letter to the election commission lodging a complaint against Mr. XYZ of ABC party who has flouted not only the directions of the election commission but also the Supreme Court's ruling prohibiting candidates from seeking votes on the ground of castes and religions.

Examination Hall
New Delhi
16th February, 2017

The Chief Election Commissioner
The Election Commission of India
New Delhi

Sir,

Subject: Violation of model code of conduct

It pains me greatly while drawing your attention towards the brazen violation of the model code of conduct and ruling of Supreme Court by Mr. ABC of XYZ party. The harangues of Mr. ABC dampen the sanctity of this secular exercise and are spreading hatred and conflict in our town. His hate speech and diatribes against one particular religion is of late creating disharmony and loss of trust. A representative has great responsibilities towards the nation and he must be secular in his outlook and practice but Mr. ABC is raising unwanted concerns in the mind of one religious group which in turn is disturbing the peace and harmony of our town.

The Supreme Court of India has strictly ruled that no candidate must seek votes in the name of religion, caste or community. Disobeying the Supreme Court's ruling is synchronous to challenging the Apex Court's of India. Sir, I feel if his anti-constitutional activities continue unchecked, disharmony, difference and dissatisfaction will soon find fertile breeding ground in otherwise conducive and peaceful town.

I shall be grateful to you if you urgently look into this blatant and willful violation of law and take stern actions against this erring candidate.

Thanking you
Yours sincerely
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