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Non power without unity

Intro - Bundle of sticks example

the Topic → Marpower
→ Unity
→ strength } correlation

Ex: → ~~the~~ Natural freedom struggle
~~the~~ 18-11-1857

(distorted voices)

Karl Marx - class in itself
class for itself

Any revolution requires unity

Workers of the world
unite

public servant → unity → change

- fight against new state rules

cooperative X → collaborative federalism

Swachh Bharat Mission

importance of flagship schemes
mission mode schemes

(community participation) → social audits

Technology → ~~growth~~ social networking → dissemination of
information, whatsapp

COVID-19 → united response

adherence to social distancing = unity, not diversity

Importance of diversity → unique ideas approaches
conservation of ideologies

Tehsman → development to the most underdeveloped

FTT-off

→ IO-effects of unity → Fake news, polarization, riots
greater unity and consensus need to fight

Concl - Unity is diversity

social development

↳ ethics = collective consciousness

Abortion, transgender.

Social audit

SECTION A

- 1) Patience is the companion of wisdom.
- 2) Truth of conscience is the fallacy of society
- ✓ 3) Manpower without unity is not strength.
- 4) Mind is never a problem, mindset is.

Manpower without unity is not strength

A man had 5 sons and they were living together in his hut. The man was getting old and wanted to leave something for his sons. His sons were always bickering and arguing among themselves. So, the old man asked them to bring some sticks from the forest. He then asked each son to try and break ^{one} ~~the~~ sticks. The sons broke their sticks with ease.

Very good start

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The old man then bundled the sticks together and asked them to break them. Now the sons, could not break the sticks. The old man then made his sons understand how it is so difficult to break the bundle, yet so easy to break the sticks alone. ✓

However, the major role in this story is not played by the bundle of sticks, but the string that binds them together. The stick symbolises the underlying unity binding the sticks. ✓

The moral of the story is not just that the sons should remain together in cohesion. It is that the

String uniting their minds and ideas should be strong enough to hold them together.

The sons represent manpower. Manpower can be understood as the collective force of people. Manpower is similar to labour. For the performance of any task, labour is vital. Manpower is what keeps the wheels of the world turning. It is important for any task, company, government. Manpower or labour and capital are two major means of production according to Marxist theory.

The string binding the sticks represent strength of unity. Unity is collective action. Unity represents plurality. Any action sees different results when committed in singularity or as a union of people.

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Unity is a force and is an important tool for achieving any aim.

Manpower working in disconcert, or disunity will not be able to impact as much as people acting in harmony and unity. Although not a sufficient condition, it is a necessary implement. The bundle of sticks, when unified in their determination to reinforce each other and present a collective resistance to breaking, is much more difficult to bend and break. ✓

In the First War of Independence in 1857, there were revolts at multiple locations. However, there was no unifying leadership, nor a unifying agenda. As such, the British were able to stop the rebels in about a year.

On the other hand, the national freedom struggle led by Gandhiji became

Harmony
vs
Discord

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a mass movement with people pitching in from all walks of life - students, peasants, women, soldiers, etc. They put together a more united front against the imperial forces and managed to wrest freedom in 1947.

In the absence of unity, people are just distorted voices. It is vital to bring these voices together and create a rhythm, a crescendo, a force to be reckoned with.

Karl Marx understood the importance of unity. He did not want to instigate people to revolt. He knew that revolution was natural, when class in itself, becomes class for itself. That is when the majority population will realize their exploitation and come together to overthrow the capitalist class. Unity is sui generis - it

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generates in itself by the development of collective consciousness. That is why he said — 'Workers of the world unite' ✓

Public servants tasked with public welfare require the unity of their team to implement change. — to tackle non-state actors, like mafia. To tackle Left Wing Extremism (LWE) in India, the government is focusing on bringing all affected states on the same platform to act in concert. Today's agenda is not just cooperative federalism, it is collaborative federalism as well. The recent efforts of PRAGATI meetings, Bhasha Sangam, EK Bharat Shrestha Bharat, etc are programs to bring forth national unity as decreed ✓ in our Preamble. The states and centre

must work together in the development of the country as a whole.

The government has introduced flagship schemes such as Swachh Bharat Mission, Har Ghar Tiranga, Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav to bolster this unity.

The government is trying to encourage every Indian citizen to take part in these initiatives.

By connecting them with national pride, the government is trying to use the strength of unity to bring change. It is only by this concerted effort that every village in India became ODF in 2019, since a united effort was missing before.

Unity can be understood as the base for ethics. Ethics is a result of collective consciousness of society. It is through a united conscience that in today's society there is a greater acceptance of

transgenders, women rights. India is one of the most progressive countries in the case of abortion rights. due to the development of ^{such} ethical standards. The triple talaq bill could not have been passed without enormous public support for women empowerment.

The various developmental programmes of the government require community participation. Involvement of gram Sabha in planning, monitoring of developmental schemes is crucial. There is an increasing encouragement for social audit of schemes by the public at large. India is going through a phase of demographic dividend. Its manpower is on the rise and we will soon become the most populous country in the world. Unless we are able to channel this manpower

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towards unified efforts of development, this unity might turn into a demographic disaster. ✓

With the development of technology, and penetration of internet, a huge chunk of population has come online. Social networking has become very popular and connectivity has increased. The role of the internet is rapid dissemination of information is being utilized by governments nowadays. Apart from a forum to debate government policies where the government can see the inclination and issues of the majority population, social media is used to tweet and retweet disaster warnings in force. The role of presenting a united front on social media was best highlighted during the second wave of Covid-19, when cases were at a high and availability of hospital beds was causing alarm.

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India's response to COVID-19 has met global applause and its efficiency in tackling the pandemic is a case-study in itself. Only by uniting together people by elements like candle vigils, beating of plates, the government was able to lay focus on the importance of unity in tackling the virus. People adapted to a life of social distancing, abiding by strict behavioral change of wearing masks only by the development of social policing. People all over the country took it as their responsibility to ensure people adhere to COVID guidelines. This would not have been possible without united action.

At the same time, there are certain ill-effects of a united front. It becomes

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difficult to tackle the dissemination of misinformation and fake news proliferating on social media en masse. People might get polarized and it becomes difficult to handle such large sections of population. Riots may happen and is an example of manpower ~~without~~ with unity demonstrating strength. But it is strength in a wrong direction. Greater strength is required along with efforts to develop conscience among these people to stop them. It is ~~unity~~ a greater united approach against these anti-state elements that is required to break them. ✓

However, the question arises that if unity in manpower is alone to demonstrate strength? The role of a guiding light in the right direction

Divisive
elements
breaking
society
apart
when
there
is
unity

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cannot be understated in this regard.
The unity should be used for the benefit of society and not to polarize people for narrow interests.

At the same time, the importance of diversity should be highlighted

Diversity allows us to invite unique ideas from different world-views. A unified approach should not be confused with a uniform approach. Allowing and respecting diversity helps in the conservation of minority rights and does not let it turn into the tyranny of majority.

Just like it is unfair to have tyranny of one over all, it is unfair to have tyranny of all over one' ✓
- J.S. Mill

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Our actions should be keeping in mind Gandhi's talisman - to ensure the benefits of development reaches the least developed people. ✓

Hence, while it is justified that manpower without unity is not strength, it is unity, a dear conscience, leadership and respect for diversity that allows in perfect utilization of strength. This moral lesson for his sons is worth more than any material things the old man could have left behind.

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1. Preamble - Unity, Fraternity.
2. Ek Bharat, Shrestha Bharat; ~~W~~ Wikshat Bharat
3. Fundamental duties - Unity, Protect Fraternity
4. Integrity is a concept means One whole
5. "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam"
6. Unity with Diversity is The balance one should strive to achieve.
7. Politics when becomes communal, it tries to break down society and make it weak.

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8. Manpower with unity is blessing.
without unity is curse.

9. Essence of democracy is a collective will.

10. Socialist state (DPSP) - A. 30(b)(c)
- equal distribution of resources
- minimise inequality

11. Unity brings peace, growth, development

12. Ways to achieve unity
↳ Sports.
↳ Yoga
↳ Education
↳ Redistributive Justice

13. A. 14, A. 19, A. 21

14. Manpower with unity is Dividend
else a disaster.

15. Role of Media, Judiciary in ensuring
unity
Civil Society

16. Unity (Negative) → Majoritarianism vs Democratic
debate.
→ Globalised society has different
meaning of unity
→ Liberal world order for
consent in unity

Dissenting voice of
Media of Civil Society
need to coexist with
The goal of Unity

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17. Educational curriculum need to have focus on Unity (Ekta)

18. Ekta aur Akhandta
(Unity) (Integrity)

Preamble.

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19. Yoga - (Unity)

20. ~~At~~ Rashtriy Ekta Diwas.
↳ 31st Oct, Consolidation



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not related from fathers, borrowed from children

Father-son driving. Struck in traffic, want to become cycle repairman.

not related from fathers

borrowed from children

Resources are constant. Whatever we are, using, or one day from children. Eg - oil, clean air.

Father-son driving

Until politics, later all politics, struggle for power. Disaster does not impact all equally

Day - 1 of my boards. Cyclone. No lights in villages

Next day, he arrived at school. Lights for me

I went in car happy at bangalore better than most

→ late by 10 minutes, drenched from his knees, smelling.

But did I do better than him?

Disaster is an unforeseen event that brings upheavals in lives of those affected. impacts everyone who it has touched

Disaster → climate disaster → earthquake } watching on TV is diff from being there

economic technological

→ personal disaster

→ war, migration

→ displacement, disease, corporate

accident

(car v/s auto)

Beneficiaries of disaster → corporate, military companies

Affirmative action, PM Cares

Pradhan Mantri Arogya Yojana, Nidhi, Crowdfunding

Success is not final Failure is not fatal courage counts

Collaboration - Disaster is way of life.

Emergency is health

What matters is to prevent

SECTION B

- 1) International politics, like all politics, is a struggle for power.
- 2) We have not inherited Earth from our fathers, we have borrowed it from our children.
- 3) The idea of a smart village will pave the way for the ideal village of Gandhi.
- 4) Disaster does not impact everyone equally.

Disaster does not impact everyone equally

Sagar is a student in the 10th standard of his school. It is the last day before his Boards exams. At night, there was a huge cyclone. Trees uprooted, telephone lines got snapped, However, Sagar slept peacefully in his apartment in the 7th floor of a building. There were no disruptions in his air-conditioning. No damage at all in his posh society in the posh side of the city. The next day, as usual, he woke up and wore his freshly-ironed dress, had a steaming glass of milk and walked to the school,

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which is actually a 2-minute walk from his house.

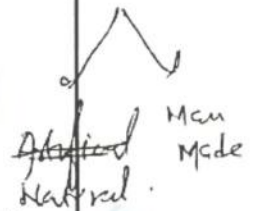
On the other side of town, Raju, the son of a daily wage-earner, was studying the night before when the storm hit. Raju barely managed to escape his house when the storm blew the ^{tinned-} roof of his house. He and his family somehow made it to the nearby shelter, with him worried about his exams the next day. He slept while trying to ~~remob~~ remember certain formulae which he had memorized earlier, while his books were getting soaked in his roof-less home. The next day, he somehow managed to make it to school for the test with a borrowed pen, drenched clothes, ^{hungry,} but with a look of determination to become the first person to pass Class-10 in his entire family.

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Of course, Sagar scored more than Raju. But the question remains, if he did do better than Raju in reality. ✓

A disaster is an unforeseen event that impacts everyone whose lives it has touched. However, it does not impact everyone equally. For some it upends their entire lives, while for some it may be inconsequential. A disaster affects people's lives in varying degrees.

When we see the term disaster, it naturally gives the idea of a natural disaster like the one Sagar and Raju went through. Natural disasters include earthquakes, cyclones, floods, landslides, or as recently seen in the case of Uttarakhand, cloudbursts. We often witness these disasters from the comfort of our homes on TV.



→ Economic disaster

→ COVID (Health disaster)

→ Education disaster

→ Demographic Disaster

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However, the plight of a survivor of the 2013 Nepal earthquake or the 2004 tsunami can only be understood by someone who witnessed it. Such a disaster immediately leads to loss of life and property, but over a long term might lead to disease, malnutrition, unemployment. While the rest of the world goes on with their daily lives, like it was just another Thursday. Children born near the town of Chernobyl still bear genetic defects to this day.

Disasters can arise due to war as well. The recent Russia-Ukraine war, Israel-Palestine war, Nagorno-Karabakh war has led to immense pain to the civilians in those regions. The Russia-Ukraine war was highly televised in the first few weeks

of war with security analysts analysing, ^{looking at} every step of the war. Today, Indian media, it seems hard to realize that the war is still ongoing. What we see televised is the rise in prices of commodities, which is actually how the war is affecting us. It is impossible to understand how it feels to be a victim. Hannah Arendt, a Jew who fled Germany during the Holocaust said that — 'to understand totalitarianism, one has to be a Jew living in Germany during the time of Hitler.'

Disasters can be induced by man as well. The displacement of livelihoods that villages and tribals go through for the sake of development, like building of dams, or by the pressure of corporates, is nothing short of a disaster for them.

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Immigration is always a disaster and a painful idea. People/Refugees living in camps, treated as uninvited entities, fighting for scraps and living in deplorable conditions is a recipe for disaster. ✓

The recent Covid-19 pandemic was a disaster of biblical proportions in the way it affected the entire world. Millions of lives were lost. Children became orphans, families got broken over night. The pain of a son searching for the corpse of his father among a pile of corpses, only to realize that his father was 'probably' cremated a day ago is heart-wrenching. Yet the world has moved on and the pandemic seems increasingly moving to an epidemic phase.

The global financial crisis of 2008 shook the entire world with repercussions ✓

felt all over. Many unstable economies broke down, such as Greece.

At the same time, there can be personal disasters, such as road accidents.

India suffers the highest number of fatalities from road accidents and it is a major cause of concern.

→ Data on road accident.

Hence, there is a section of people uniquely affected by disasters, and there is a section of people, who are relatively unaffected by disasters. A closer look makes us realize how a certain section of people are beneficiaries of disasters.

During the Covid-19 pandemic, medicine and pharma companies made billions of dollars on the plight of people. Their promoters became multi-billion dollar people. Serum Institute of India's valuation shot up extremely high.

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In case of war, private military manufacturers are major beneficiaries. They are always on the lookout for wars to make profit and the plight of civilians and refugees is a secondary concern for them.

So, we realize how disasters or crisis affect people differently. The onus is on us as dutiful citizens, human beings to understand the issues of fellow human beings and do what we can to provide equitable justice.

Dr B.R. Ambedkar stressed on affirmative action to provide a level-playing field for the sections of population who have been victims of social oppression for ages. We need to ensure similar upliftment of victims of disasters. It is not the fault of the Rajus of the world that they

could not perform like the Sagas of the world.

On an individual level, contributing to relief funds like PM National Relief Fund or PM Cares Fund can be done.

Community participation through donation of relief materials, working with NGOs to ensure rehabilitation of affected people.

Crowdfunding efforts for refugees living in temporary camps can be done.

On a national level, the government should ensure quick action through National Disaster Management Association and its corp of volunteers. Mobilization of the armed forces to reduce the effect of the disaster should be a priority.

India's timely response in the X-press Penal oil spill near Sri Lanka was commendable.

→ Judiciary.

→ Role of Media in reporting.

→ Role of Civil Society in disaster.

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The government should install early warning systems to prepare for natural disasters.

Communities should be trained for quick evacuation in case of calamities.

On an international level, the United Nations should quickly mobilize for Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR). Governments should invest in improving disaster resilience on the principles of Sendai Framework.

Immanuel Kant had said that "as human beings we have resources. It would be inhuman if people die due to lack of resources and against human dignity".

Disasters are the true mirror of society. We get to know the level of consciousness of human dignity and respect for human life in events of disasters.

Disasters affect people differently. For some it is easier than others. And with increasing global issues like climate change, distrust and enmity between global powers, instances of disaster will see a jump in the coming years. It is time to gain goodwill by helping others in times of crisis, because it is uncertain when crisis may strike us.

Disasters should be seen as an opportunity to uphold human values of compassion, empathy. It shows the leadership values of people. The firefighters, who were the first responders at the 9/11 incident, have earned their place in history as the saviors of so many people. The armed forces and police personnel who fought on the frontlines on 26/11 have demonstrated their commitment to duty and

human life above all else. This is the reason why medical workers were ~~port~~ portrayed as superheroes during the covid pandemic. Because they understood that disaster has an unequal affect. And they endeavoured to reduce the inequity.

Finally, the impact of disasters on the wildlife and biodiversity should not be overlooked. They are often neglected and animal rights organizations should make efforts to improve ecosystem health. This will have a consequential effect on health and sanitation of the affected area.

Disaster is a ^{part} ~~way~~ of life. It can strike anyone, anywhere. However, at the same time, inequity in disaster is the truth and there is no denying the truth. What matters in the face of disaster is to persevere, to keep the

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time

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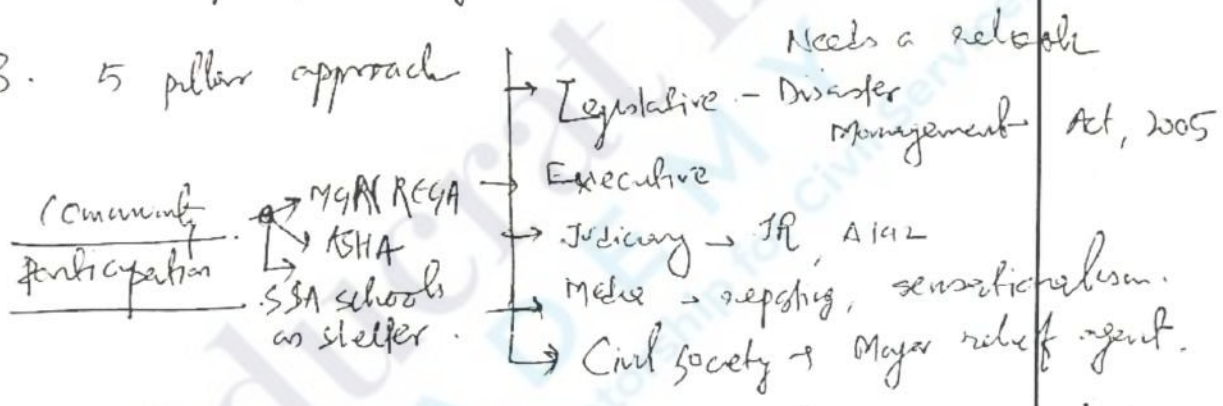
fighting spirit alive, to help oneself and then help others.

If we lose our hope, that is the real disaster - Dalai Lama

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1. Niti Aayog report
2. UN report / IMF report
3. 5 pillar approach



4. Disaster is a dynamic concept, the laws need to be in line with current times.

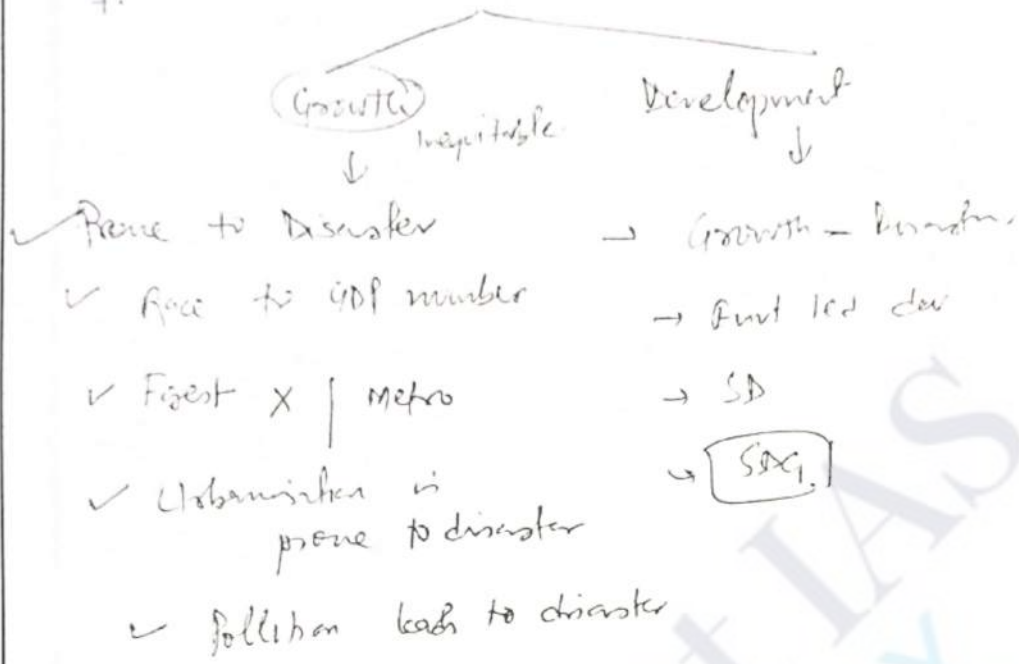
5. Yojana - Women are disproportionately affected by disaster,

6. DM/DC - Head of disaster mgmt in district.

- ↳ Covid - Domestic Violence
- ↳ Rural women - stuck in flood
- ↳ Feminisation of Agri
- ↳ Male → Women - Migration
- ↳ DM efficient

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7.



8. SDG — 17 goals / 169 targets.
(UNDP)

9. MHA — Disaster mgmt
 ↳ Border security as borders are prone to disaster
 ↳ Hilly areas are prone
 Main India vs. Hilly areas.
 ↓
 FC allocation higher → compensation for damages

10. CAPPA funds



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