

ESSAY

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Dear Bala,

you ~~are~~ well read and you have good examples. But don't treat essay as a typical general studies paper. It is a literature paper and should be treated as such.

Avoid 'qs-type' answer writing in essay. Avoid informal signs & bullet points etc. They can be used but a minimal message is advised.

Your essay misses the critical aspects and ~~do~~ you have to provide some good examples too in order to make your essay stand-out.

Segregation of essay into different headings ~~breaks~~ ~~breaks~~ the flow of the essay. Avoid it. Instead use some

entire headings

for content. I have outlined a strategy in the next page. Do refer it. Create a framework before writing an essay. Use examples judiciously.

Introduction:-

In the introductory part of the essay, try to show the relevance of the topic. UPSC doesn't ask an essay without relevance. And, a well justified relevance sets the tone of the essay.

Relevance is essentially drawn from one's knowledge of current-affairs. Thus having a good hold over current affairs can add value to your essay. Also, prelims specific preparation, data and details can come in handy; these don't discard the prelims specific knowledge (reports, data, incidents etc) and try to integrate it with ~~the~~ other GS paper as well as in essay.

Most importantly, the obvious theme of the essay is how tech. is a good servant (it is known); the dominant/emerging theme is how tech can be a bad master. Thus more focus should be on tech as bad master. That is the crux of the essay.

To set the tone of the essay, give an example or two in the introduction. Examples can be varied.

e.g:- Blue whale game - suicidal teenagers

- obsession with social media - ('selfie deaths')
- & cut off from real world
- promotion algorithm persuading and influencing

determining your next purchase etc

- obsession with gadgets (phone, tabs etc)

Now, how 'man' has become subservient to technology and how tech. is increasingly determining our way of life, our economy, our politics, our culture etc

The essay can broadly be divided into 3 major aspects:-

i) Show how technology is an ever-growing entity (From printing press → Internet → Internet of things (IoT))

• & multiple dimensions of tech:- (Refer next page flow chart)

ii) How technology has been a good servant.

iii) How technology is emerging as a bad master.

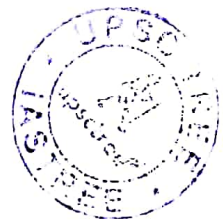




The above flow chart is indicative and not exhaustive. It provides you an idea on how to create a framework. you can elaborate or minimize as you need it. for each domain of tech ; try to bring out the pros & cons.

More so, you must think of conclusion first; because if you don't know where to go, no vehicle can take you there. So decide your conclusion first & once you have your destination in mind; you will certainly reach there without any deviation. For this essay the conclusion should be :-

Tech	People	Outcome
good	good	good
good	bad	bad



(terrorist using social media for propaganda etc)

So essentially, it is us as a species that determines what we can do with our tech. The robots we create can fight wars for us or can clean the sewerage systems so that manual scavenging can be eradicated. Thus essentially; how tech is neutral; it is us who determines the use/abuse.

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④ Technology is good servant but bad

Introduction:

Technology and ~~its~~^{its} role in human life is like inherent Entity right from morning to night perhaps day starts with technology and day ends with technology and it is used in every activity in one way or other way no doubt it has served and still serving and it will serve humans in a bigger way

Everyone will accept that technology is influencing beyond their usage and utility. Man is still exploring its potential to make things easier it is good servant and making things simpler and simplest for that matter man is ignoring his manual capabilities and fully relying on technology especially in twenty first century it has become part and parcel of life and world is accepting that fourth industrial revolution is all about zenith in technology i.e. Artificial Intelligence and it is step to replace human labour and workforce.

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Instead of statements, you can use few examples to ~~state~~ make your point. Write smaller sentences.

Technology now is best used as a tool in daily activities say in any sphere it has its application which are discussed below

Dimensions of Technology applicability

(i) political : Right from political party to political representative and political bodies functioning largely based on technology now. With this functioning has become smooth and efficiency has been evident by making sessions of Lok Sabha and state assembly technically sound

Ans in
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signs.

- e-vidhan and e-sansad is paperless work in legislature
- schemes like MPTAD & MAMRECA their functioning and tracking of developmental activities by using Android applications
- states like ODISHA and Madhya Pradesh started e-sessions also it is helpful where non session time for any needy situation

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- (-) Government which is in ruling can issue directives to its members and services delivered largely on online platform like grievances.

Economical point of view → to informal

- (-) Technology in Economy is need of hour if not we will be in disadvantaged position. Entire global development now lies on technological advancement diff sectors in economy utilizing technology in best way.

Agriculture : Earlier agriculture largely confined to manual work which led to less productivity and at one point of time we failed to feed our own people and with the advancement of technology in agriculture which started with green revolution during 1960s, high yielding varieties which are genetically engineered seeds yield good return, with that mechanization of agriculture started.

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Not only production, now a days technology in agriculture has become handy tool for agriculturists and farmers in various ways

- crop management
- Estimation of crop failure through earth monitoring satellites
- Agriculture scientists interacting with farmers through Radio and Android applications
- information dissemination like floods, tsunamis, land slides, and giving information regarding inputs like

- seeds

- Fertilizers

- Minimum support price information

states like Andhra Pradesh going in right direction in utilizing technology in best possible way

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Industrial Sector

Answer Booklet

Technology role in Industrial Sector

Immense and right from the industrial revolution to present fourth industrial revolution greatly associated with technology. specially manufacturing sector which solely runs on the technology to produce durable and non-durable goods say it mobile phones, television, electronics, gadgets now has become part and parcel of human life.

Industries like power, steel, chemical, refinery almost every stage technology look after the things.

— Construction sector greatly associated with it if not huge buildings would not be existed and manual human labour find it difficult to construct such huge constructions.

— space industry and defence industry both are go hand in hand with technology and upgradation of technology.

Ex ISRO, DRDO missiles and satellites are reeled on technological developments.

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Service Sector: Across world each and every economy has expected the positive vibes in this sector and it is possible and it has become reality with technology. Country like India service sector contributing more than 50% to GDP of an economy.

Tourism: Right from travel plan to tourist guide will take technology as their friend and going with it to greater extent without feeling ~~discomfortability~~ like mapping and showing ~~digitally~~ designed charts.

Hotels: Hotels are also taking technology help in several ways like billing and doing digital transaction, display of menu digitally, before entering in to hotel customer used to book the table by using mobile apps or telephoning.

Communication: mobile phones now ruling the world without it human life never gone for a day and with it technology upgraded in providing internet fiber net, telephonic wire, lagging with technology.

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Technology in cultural preservation :

— Cultural Identity, Ethnic Tradition largely stay away from technology usage but now a days they were exposed to technology and acquainted with it and showing their customary laws and traditions to world at the same time few culture get to know that they need conservation if not they will extinct for that technology intervention and preservation of artefacts and unique cultural artefacts will be preserved in museums if at all any documents are there will be stored digitally.

• Technology useful in

- > identification of remote areas issues and their need regarding ethnicity and culture
- > providing solar lamps which are developed recently because electricity to them is unknown
- > By providing internet with google balloon, and Rhetnet optical fibre we can address many grievances

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Social sector - Technology

Health : Healthcare sector would have been backfire without recent technology. Technological developments in health sector is totally revolution and now doctors in a position to save the bedridden patients and giving life to many people who are fighting with their ill condition.

- cancer treatment like chemotherapy, radiation
- X-ray machines
- Laboratory machines are best technology
- MR scan, CT scan and many instruments

Nowadays telemedicine has gained importance and people who are far away from healthcare, they are getting doctors help through several means

→ Awareness campaigns regarding

- HIV/AIDS
- immunisation
- vaccination
- swachh bharat - cleanliness program.

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Education also experiencing new world with Technology and to say that small kid to PhD student dealing their Education with Technology.

- Digital classes
- curriculum activity
- R&D in higher Education
- Quat Education channels for unaffordable and remote village youth
- self Evaluation through technology advancement
- upgraded laboratory equipment

By and large Education, totally going in technological way perhaps technology itself teaching Education instead of Education teaching Technology

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Are we over relying?

Yes; over and ~~above~~ we inserted technology and its application into our daily life and for that matter now technology has become master without master we are not moving half a inch.

Right from starting day every step is associated with technology and without it human's existence would be in danger.

is it good?

— good for good and bad if we use it for bad purposes man is making in way however it's morally wrong but still going for it with effective technology and yes technology doesn't know what is good for human and what is bad but it has become master.

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Example :

- Radicalization of people on social networking sites like recruiting people for ISIS on Facebook is detrimental for him and his family and it is great threat to nation integrity
- media is though serving very good in many dimensions but it is in a way perverting certain section of people and it is matter of concern

steps to be taken :

- > state intervention is a need of hour
- > effective oversight mechanism is necessary
- > monitoring system and imposing reasonable restrictions on usage of technology is welcome
- > special law should be made to restrict technology in social life and if threat to nation's security it should be avoided

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Aesthetics is good,
but you need more practice
& little guidance to
make your essay
stand out