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Discuss in the light of the 97th Constitutional Amendment, how can the Centre promote cooperative reforms without undermining federal principles?

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Critically analyse how a tight individual ownership cap and a Settlement Guarantee Fund prevent market manipulation and cartels in sovereign mineral trading.

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Q3.

Analyse how implementation hurdles in Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) create exclusion errors for rural women seeking social security benefits. Suggest remedial measures.

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Underline the role of the Zoological Survey of India in cataloging faunal resources. How does taxonomic documentation strengthen India's sovereign rights over bio-resources under the CBD?

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How can preferential public procurement policies be leveraged as an effective tool for the socio-economic empowerment of marginalized MSMEs? Explain.

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Point out how leveraging grassroots networks like BC Sakhis for rural digital service delivery can overcome gender disparities in technology access.

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Why do SC and ST entrepreneurs face persistent structural barriers in accessing formal credit? Critically discuss how institutional mechanisms like Stand-Up India can bridge this gap.

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Q8.

Taking example of SPS measures, analyse why stringent phytosanitary standards in international markets act as non-tariff barriers for Indian agricultural exports.

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Critically examine how technological sovereignty can protect the Global South from digital neocolonialism. How does the expansion of BRICS strengthen this collective bargaining power?

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Q10.

Explain how the CAROTAR Rules (2020) strengthen India's customs administration and why strict verification of Rules of Origin is essential to prevent trade diversion.

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Q11.

Critically discuss how infrastructural bottlenecks in the North Eastern Region hinder agricultural export competitiveness under APEDA. What steps are needed?

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Q12.

Why does India lag in food processing levels compared to global benchmarks? Critically discuss how decentralized farm-gate infrastructure can mitigate post-harvest losses.

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Why is the National Monetisation Pipeline (NMP 2.0) considered essential for mobilizing non-debt public capital in India? Critically discuss its challenges in attracting private investment.

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Q14. Critically examine why integrating MSMEs into Global Value Chains (GVCs) remains challenging for India despite the success of Production-Linked Incentive (PLI) schemes.

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Examine the role of the Internet of Things (IoT) in automating food supply chains. How does this technology prevent real-time logistics failures?

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Q16.

Underline the role of artificial intelligence platforms like 'Data Lake' and geospatial planning in transforming traditional highway asset management and monitoring in India.

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Q17.

Explain how conventional mutation breeding differs from transgenic genetic modification in crop development. Why do regulatory frameworks in India treat these biotechnology pathways differently?

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Explain how subterranean "ecosystem engineers" maintain forest soil health. Why should conservation policies shift focus from megafauna to microfaunal soil biodiversity?

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Q19. Critically discuss how network-centric command architectures coordinating unmanned underwater and surface vessels are redefining modern maritime deterrence strategies for the Indian Navy.

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Q20. How does the Comprehensive Integrated Border Management System (CIBMS) address the vulnerabilities of physical fencing in difficult terrains? Critically discuss its role in modern border security.

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