

GS-II Government Policies and Interventions for Development in Various Sectors and Issues Arising out of their Design and Implementation.

1. Critically Analyze the recently Proposed Personal Data Protection Bill, 2019.

Why this Question?

- The Government Introduced a Draft of the Personal Data Protection Bill (PDP) in Parliament on December 11, 2019.

Key demands of Question:

- Give brief intro about the Data Protection Bill and its importance in the current digital environment.
- Discuss the merits and demerits of the proposed Bill.
- Discuss the suitable measures to tackle the demerits in the proposed Bill.

Directive Word:

Critically Analyze:

- When asked to analyze, you have to examine methodically the structure or nature of the topic by separating it into component parts and present them as a whole in a summary. When 'critically' is suffixed or prefixed to a directive, one needs to look at the good and bad of the topic and give a Fair Judgement.
- Whenever it is asking Critically Examine, Critically Comment or Critically Analyse just remember that you have to write both pros and cons and give a fair, unbiased or value loaded judgement. It should always give a closure feeling while examiner reading the answer.

Structure of Answer:

Introduction:

- Explain in brief about the Data Protection Bill and its importance in the current digital environment. Mention the B.N. Srikrishna Committee on Data Protection.

Body:

- Explain in brief about the need for the data protection of the citizens.
- Discuss the merits and demerits of the Data Protection Bill. Give example to substantiate your views.
- Discuss the various concerns regarding the proposed Bill.
- Discuss the changes required to address the concerns in the Bill.

Conclusion:

- Conclude with the Supreme Court Judgement on Privacy and B.N. Srikrishan Committee and balanced law need for the Right to Privacy and the State's access to the information of the citizens.

