

GS-III Conservation, Environmental Pollution and Degradation, Environmental Impact Assessment.

1. Discuss the various Implications of e-waste on the Environment and also Explain the Various Challenges to Addressing the same.

Why this Question?

• Consequence of its consumer oriented growth combined with rapid product obsolescence and technological advances are a new environmental challenge-the growing menace of 'electronic wastes' that consists of obsolete Electronics Devices.

Key Demands of Question:

• Discuss the implications of the e-waste on the environment. List out the various challenges in addressing the e-waste management and give the suitable measures to address the same.

Directive Word:

Discuss:

• This is another common directive which is an all-encompassing one – you have to debate on paper by going through the details of the issues concerned by examining each one of them. You have to give reasons for both for and against arguments. And once all the discussion is done, a suitable apt conclusion may be given at the end of the answer.

Structure of Answer:

Introduction:

• Give brief intro about the growing menace of e-waste in India.

Body:

- Discuss the various impact of e-waste on the environment. For example, contaminate soil, water, increasing toxicity, etc.
- Explain the various challenges in addressing the e-waste.
- Highlight the government measures in this regard. For example, e-waste management rules etc.
- Give the way forward measures to address the Issue.

Conclusion:

• Conclude with the challenges ahead and the significance of e-waste management in India.



