

Explain the process of fact-checking in investigative journalism. How does it contribute to credibility and public trust?

6. What are the challenges faced by investigative journalists in maintaining accuracy and avoiding conflict of interest? Provide real-world examples.

OR

Discuss the right to privacy in the context of investigative journalism. How can journalists balance public interest with individual privacy rights?

7. Examine the relationship between the Right to Information (RTI) and investigative journalism in India. How can journalists effectively use RTI in their investigations?

OR

“Accuracy and integrity are non-negotiable in investigative journalism.” Discuss this statement with reference to fact-checking practices and legal responsibilities of journalists.

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Instructions for Candidates

1. Write your Roll. No. on the top immediately on receipt of this question paper.
2. **This question paper contains 2 parts. Both parts are compulsory.**
3. Candidates have to answer **ALL the questions in Part A and ANY THREE questions in Part B.**
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PART A

1. "Investigative Journalism is vital for democracy". Do you agree? Critically analyse this statement with examples.

OR

How do journalists handle conflicts of interest in investigative reporting?

2. In what ways does the digital age alter the traditional understanding of confidentiality (on/off the record)?

OR

How do social media feeds and eyewitness accounts differ in reliability depending on the scenario they are used in?

3. Why is understanding the ethico-legal coefficient important in navigating complex investigative scenarios?

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Write short notes on **any TWO** of the following:

- (a) Right to privacy
- (b) Conflict of interest
- (c) Plagiarism and its impact on journalistic integrity

PART B

4. Analyse the Panama Papers and the Watergate Scandal as case studies. What impact did they have on public trust and journalistic standards globally?

OR

Explain the key qualities of an investigative journalist. How do these qualities contribute to the effectiveness of investigative reporting?

5. Compare and contrast traditional and new media sources used in investigative journalism. How has the rise of digital media influenced the sourcing process?

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