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Previous Year Questions

Cyber Security & Money Laundering — GS-III

Previous Year Questions (verbatim, official syllabus)

14 Questions

Year range: 2013–2024

Verbatim from official UPSC papers

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Internal security challenges through communication networks, media and...

2024 GS-III 15M · 250W

Q20. Social media and encrypting messaging services pose a serious security challenge. What measures have been adopted at various levels to address the security implications of social media? Also suggest any other remedies to address the problem.

2016 GS-III 12.5M · 250W

Q17. The use of the internet and social media by non-state actors for subversive activities is a major security concern. How have these been misused in the recent past? Suggest effective guidelines to curb the above threat.

2013 GS-III 10M · 200W

Q22. What are social networking sites and what security implications do these sites present?

Basics of cyber security

2022 GS-III 15M · 250W

Q18. What are the different elements of cyber security? Keeping in view the challenges in cyber security, examine the extent to which India has successfully developed a comprehensive National Cyber Security Strategy.

2021 GS-III 10M · 250W

Q18. Keeping in view India's internal security, analyze the impact of cross-border cyber-attacks. Also, discuss defensive measures against these sophisticated attacks.

2020 GS-III 10M · 250W

Q17. Discuss different types of cyber crimes and measures required to be taken to fight the menace.

2019 GS-III 10M · 250W

Q18. What is CyberDome Project? Explain how it can be useful in controlling internet crimes in India.

2018 GS-III 15M · 250W

Q20. Data security has assumed significant importance in the digitized world due to rising cyber crimes. The Justice B. N. Srikrishna Committee Report addresses issues related to data security. What, in your view, are the strengths and weaknesses of the Report relating to protection of personal data in cyber space?

2017 GS-III 10M · 250W

Q19. Discuss the potential threats of Cyber attack and the security framework to prevent it.

2015 GS-III 12.5M · 250W

Q17. Considering the threats cyberspace poses for the country, India needs a “Digital Armed Force” to prevent crimes. Critically evaluate the National Cyber Security Policy, 2013 outlining the challenges perceived in its effective implementation.

2013 GS-III 10M · 200W

Q23. Cyber warfare is considered by some defense analysts to be a larger threat than even Al Qaeda or terrorism. What do you understand by Cyber warfare? Outline the cyber threats which India is vulnerable to and bring out the state of the country's preparedness to deal with the same.

Money-laundering and its prevention

2023 GS-III 15M · 250W

Q20. Give out the major sources of terror funding in India and the efforts being made to curtail these sources. In the light of this, also discuss the aim and objective of the ‘No Money for Terror (NMFT)’ Conference recently held at New Delhi in November 2022.

2021 GS-III 10M · 250W

Q19. Discuss how emerging technologies and globalisation contribute to money laundering. Elaborate measures to tackle the problem of money laundering both at national and international levels.

2013 GS-III 10M · 200W

Q21. Money laundering poses a serious security threat to a country's economic sovereignty. What is its significance for India and what steps are required to be taken to control this menace?

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