Student Notes:

TYPES OF ATTITUDE AND THERE MANIFESTATION Positive attitude -Neutral attitude -Negative attitude optimistic frame of mind it brings pessimism It simply means detached Manifestations of a neutral Positive attitude manifests Manifests in the following in the following ways: ways: attitude are: Positive and constructive Negative and destructive Ignorance: someone might thinking. thinking and hampers have a neutral attitude creative thinking. towards political issues. O This frame of mind is Whatever the general conducive to creative O It kills motivation and societal or political problem thinking - it encourages to energy to do things, take be, they are content that it take calculated risks, risks and accomplish goals. is not theirs' to solve. necessary for innovation. A person wielding this O Indifference Motivation and energy to attitude remains sad and Detachment do things and accomplish unhappy. Unemotional goals. Balanced (a positive trait) An attitude of happiness.

2. Some Other Specific Types of Attitudes

2.1. Attitude Towards Weaker Sections

A man's character is most evident by how he treats those who are not in a position either to retaliate or reciprocate. The way we treat people who are disadvantaged, poor or marginalised is determined by the attitude we have towards poverty, deprivation, discrimination and other factors that perpetuate such conditions.

A positive attitude towards such factors, counter-intuitively, implies empathy and caring nature of the person. It signifies compassion towards weaker and marginalised sections. This attitude is utmost desirable for public servants because of the immense powers they exercise for the inclusion or exclusion of the marginalised.

Significance for Civil servant

A civil servant is duty bound to enforce laws and implement policies, rules and regulations in a manner which is not only 'just and fair' but also seen to be so by maintaining transparency and acting without fear and favour. This should be done in the true spirit of 'rule of law' on which rests the democratic polity.

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