

Daily Answer Writing: 5 July 2025

Q1. *"The PM-POSHAN scheme reflects India's commitment to child nutrition and educational equity, but implementation gaps hinder its full potential."*

Discuss. (250 words)

Relevant UPSC GS Paper 2 Syllabus:

- **Governance**
- **Government policies and interventions for development**
- **Issues relating to development and management of education and health**

Directives to Approach (Brief):

- **Intro:** Define PM-POSHAN and objective.
 - **Achievements:** Enrolment, retention, nutrition.
 - **Challenges:** Funding, discrimination, teacher workload.
 - **Way Forward:** Local menu flexibility, tech-based audits, fund reforms.
 - **Conclusion:** Strengthen implementation to fulfill intent.
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Q2. *"Youth empowerment in agrifood systems is essential not just for rural development, but also for global food security and economic resilience."*

Examine. (250 words)

Relevant UPSC GS Paper 3 Syllabus:

- **Agriculture:** Major cropping patterns, e-technology, agri-marketing
- **Inclusive Growth and Employment**
- **Food Security**
- **Issues relating to poverty and hunger**

Directives to Approach (Brief):

- **Intro:** Link youth and agrifood systems.
- **Significance:** GDP, food security, rural development.
- **Challenges:** NEETs, climate risk, access to resources.
- **Way Forward:** Jobs, inclusion, investment, migration support.
- **Conclusion:** Youth in agri is key to long-term growth.