**Chapter: What Development Promises - Different people different goals**

**Read the excerpt given below and answer the questions that follow.**

Development as Freedom is Amartya Sen's first book after receiving the Nobel

and the most widely read of all of his works. Based on the author's World Bank

Fellow Lectures in 1996, this descriptive, non-technical overview of welfare

economics argues that 'development' should be viewed not in terms of economic

measures (e.g. GDP growth, average annual income) but in terms of the real

'freedoms' that people can enjoy such as economic facilities and social

opportunities. Sen describes human freedom as both the primary end objective

and the principal means of development; economic measures are merely the

means to this end. Sen frames development as the realisation of freedom and

the abolishment of 'unfreedoms' such as poverty, famine, and lack of political

rights.

**Q.1 Which of the following definitions of development are aligned with the view of**

**development presented in this excerpt?**

A. Development refers to improvements in way of managing an area’s natural

and human resources in order to create wealth and improve people’s lives.

B. Development means raising the standard of living for citizens of the world

today, through relating to the needs of the coming generations.

C. Development means an increase inthe size or pace of the economy such that

more products and services are produced.

D. Development is a tool to make conditions that lead to a realisation of the

highest potentials of human personality.

**Q.2 Which of the following would be true development according to Amartya Sen?**

A. Providing services through charity to people living in a slum area

B. Constructing a city by-pass to divert heavy traffic away from the city

C. Equal participation and representation of women in political matters

D. Building well-planned cities with smart technology for city management

**Q.3 Which indicator of development would come the closest to measuring the kind**

of development that is being talked about?

A. Ease of Doing Business Index

B. Human Development Index

C. Global Happiness Index

D. Gross Domestic Product

**Free Response Question / Subjective Question**

Q.4 Consider a situation where the government of a developing country has decided

to undertake a large dam-building project. This project is touted to provide

significant benefits such as hydroelectric power, improved irrigation, and flood

control. However, this project also involves relocating several tribal communities

that have lived in the project area for generations. These tribal groups are

protesting the project, citing the loss of their ancestral lands and insufficient

rehabilitation measures

In 3 relevant points, analyse this scenario in the context of development.