Date of interview: 10th May forenoon session//Optional: philosophy//Work profile: PepsiCo India; Assistant Commissioner State taxes( ACST) ( uttar pradesh)//Board: Manoj Soni

## **Chairman:**

- Q1. how does it feel to be ACST?
- Q2. Don't you feel power?
- Q3. Doesn't it add to your status?
- Ok let's discuss about philosophy?
- Q4. Name the india schools of philosophy in order?
- Q5. 6 schools of Vedanta?
- Q6. What learning from your entire reading of philosophy will you apply to governance and administration?

# Member1 (Ma'am):

- Q1. Bureaucracy is complicated and there are multiple pressures. How does one not succumb to these pressures?
- Q2. But one has to take care of family, there's also social status. What is your limit? How will you ensure that you don't succumb?
- Q3. Why is Namami gange not able to perform?

#### Member 2:

- Q1. you said about basin approach. Are trying to say that other states are not performing? (probably tried to pressurize)
- Q2. What is UP gst collections? How does it compare with state like Maharashtra?
- Q3. What was difference in PepsiCo and Government work environment?
- Q4. What learning from PepsiCo you can apply in your department?

#### Member 3:

Q1. Do you know about sufism?

(I said my knowledge is limited)

Ok so I will ask the question 🙂

- Q2. A long monologue on a sufi Saint who was beheaded by Aurangzeb for saying "Allah nhi hai, Kuch bhi nhi hai Allah k sivah" and Shankaracharya said "Aham Brahamasmi". How do the two compare?
- Q3. Asked about all the constitutional provisions related to state taxes (I could come up with only 3)

### Member 4:

- Q1. What is artificial intelligence?
- Q2. If intelligence can be artificial then we don't human thought and neither philosophy. What do you think?
- Q3. Why there are so many types of yoga?
- Q4. Why PhD in sociology is also called a doctor of philosophy?

Overall I felt the questions were a bit different from the ones asked in mocks. Yet the board was listening very patiently.