

UPSC CIVIL SERVICE EXAM SYLLABUS



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ONLINE COURSE DETAILS

Duration : 12 months

Mode : Through online class

Timing : 9.00 p.m to 10.30 p.m

Total Fees structure income slab wise:

Below ₹1 lakh per annum	: ₹3000/-
Between ₹1 lakh to ₹2.5 lakh pa	: ₹6000/-
Between ₹2.5 lakh to ₹5 lakh pa	: ₹12000/-
Between ₹5 lakh to ₹7 lakh pa	: ₹24000/-
Between ₹7 lakh to ₹8 lakh pa	: ₹36000/-
Between ₹8 lakh pa to ₹10 lakh pa	: ₹50000/-
Above ₹10 lakh pa	: ₹60000/-

Course include:

Inclusive coverage of all Preliminary subjects (includes CSAT)

Inclusive coverage of all Mains subject (includes Ethics subject)

Monthly preliminary mock test

NOTE: Income here include individual's self income and family income

OFFLINE COURSE DETAILS

Duration : 12 month (paid) + Free access to all till succeeding in civil service exam

Mode : Physical classroom+ Online

Timing : 7.30 a.m to 9.30 p.m

Total Fees structure income slab wise:

Below ₹1 lakh per annum	: ₹6000/-
Between ₹1 lakh to ₹2.5 lakh pa	: ₹12000/-
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Between ₹8 lakh pa to ₹10 lakh pa	: ₹60000/-
Above ₹10 lakh pa	: ₹80000/-

Course includes:

Includes above all Online course features

Regular mains writing practice and mock test

Regular mock interviews

Regular intensive current affairs discussion

Skill development course includes spoken English)

Topic wise group discussions

Ethics based leaders stage talk

Real time one to one mentorship

Regular Subject wise seminars

Access to library and books

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ANNUAL SCHEDULE MARCH 2026 – FEB 2027

MONTH	SUBJECT – I (MON-FRI)	SUBJECT – II (MON-FRI)	SUBJECT – III (EVERY SATURDAY)	PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (OPTIONAL PAPER - EVERY SUNDAY)
MARCH - 2026	POLITY	GOVERNANCE	INTERNATIONAL RELATION	–
APRIL- 2026	POLITY	GOVERNANCE	INR	–
MAY- 2026	MODERN INDIA		INR	–
JUNE- 2026	POST - INDEPENDENCE	WORLD HISTORY	ETHICS BEGINS	
JULY- 2026	CORE ECONOMICS	INTERNAL SECURITY	ETHICS	PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION BEGINS – SEPARATE COURSE FEE: RS. 10,000/-
AUGUST - 2026	CORE ECONOMICS	INTERNAL SECURITY	ETHICS	P.A
SEPTEMBER- 2026	CORE ECONOMICS	INTERNAL SECURITY	ETHICS	P.A
OCTOBER- 2026	GEO & ENV	SOCIETY & SOCIAL JUSTICE	ETHICS	P.A
NOVEMBER- 2026	GEO & ENV	SOCIETY & SOCIAL JUSTICE	ETHICS	P.A
DECEMBER- 2026	GEO & ENV & DISASTER	SOCIETY & SOCIAL JUSTICE	ETHICS	P.A
JANUARY- 2027	ECONOMY SECTOR	SCI & TECH	INTERNATIONAL RELATION	P.A
FEBRUARY- 2027	ANCIENT & MEDIEVAL	ART & CULTURE	INR	P.A

STAGES OF THE EXAMINATION

The Civil Services Examination comprises two successive stages:

- (i) Civil Services (Preliminary) Examination (Objective Type) for the selection of candidates for Civil Services (Main) Examination;
- (ii) Civil Services (Main) Examination (Written and Interview/Personality Test) for the selection of candidates for the various Services and posts.

STAGE – I PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION

The Examination shall comprise of two compulsory Papers of 200 marks each.

Note:

- (i) Both the question papers will be of the objective type (multiple choice questions) and each will be of two hours duration.
- (ii) The General Studies Paper-II of the Civil Services (Preliminary) Examination will be a qualifying paper with minimum qualifying marks fixed at 33% .

General Studies Paper -I(200 marks)

Duration: 2 hrs

- Current events of national and international importance.
- History of India and Indian National Movement.
- Indian and World Geography-Physical, Social, Economic Geography of India and the World.
- Indian Polity and Governance-Constitution, Political System, Panchayati Raj, Public Policy, Rights Issues, etc.
- Economic and Social Development-Sustainable Development, Poverty, Inclusion, Demographics, Social Sector Initiatives, etc.
- General issues on Environmental ecology, Bio-diversity and Climate Change - that do not require subject specialization.
- General Science.

General Studies Paper II- (CSAT) (200 marks)

Duration : 2 hrs

- Comprehension;
- Interpersonal skills including communication skills;
- Logical reasoning and analytical ability;
- Decision making and problem solving;
- General mental ability;
- Basic numeracy (numbers and their relations, orders of magnitude, etc.) (Class X level), Data interpretation (charts, graphs, tables, data sufficiency etc. – Class X level).



STAGE – II Main Examination

Section A - The Written Examination will consist of the following paper

Qualifying Papers:

Paper-A

(One of the Indian Language to be selected by the candidate from the Languages included in the Eighth Schedule to the Constitution). **300 Marks**

Paper-B

English **300 Marks**

Papers to be counted for merit :

Paper-I

Essay **250 Marks**

Paper-II

General Studies-I

(Indian Heritage and Culture, History and Geography of the World and Society) **250 Marks**

Paper-III

General Studies –II

(Governance, Constitution, Polity, Social Justice and International relations) **250 Marks**

Paper-IV

General Studies –III

(Technology, Economic Development, Bio-diversity, Environment, Security and Disaster Management) **250 Marks**

Paper-V

General Studies –IV

(Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude) **250 Marks**

Paper-VI

Optional Subject - Paper 1

250 Marks

Paper-VII

Optional Subject - Paper 2

250 Marks

Sub Total (Written test)

1750Marks

Personality Test

275 Marks

Grand Total

2025 Marks



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QUALIFYING PAPERS ON INDIAN LANGUAGES AND ENGLISH

The aim of the paper is to test the candidates' ability to read and understand serious discursive prose, and to express ideas clearly and correctly, in English and Indian language concerned.

The pattern of questions would be broadly as follows :

- (i) Comprehension of given passages.
- (ii) Precis Writing.
- (iii) Usage and Vocabulary.
- (iv) Short Essays.

Indian Languages :—

- (i) Comprehension of given passages.
- (ii) Precis Writing.
- (iii) Usage and Vocabulary.
- (iv) Short Essays.

Translation from English to the Indian Language and vice-versa

- (i) For the Language medium/literature of languages, the scripts to be used by the candidates will be as under :—

Language	Script
Assamese	Assamese
Bengali	Bengali
Gujarati	Gujarati
Hindi	Devanagari
Kannada	Kannada
Kashmiri	Persian
Konkani	Devanagari
Malayalam	Malayalam
Manipuri	Bengali
Marathi	Devanagari



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Nepali	Devanagari
Odia	Odia
Punjabi	Gurumukhi
Sanskrit	Devanagari
Sindhi	Devanagari or Arabic
Tamil	Tamil
Telugu	Telugu
Urdu	Persian
Bodo	Devanagari
Dogri	Devanagari
Maithilli	Devanagari
Santhali	Devanagari or Olchiki

Note : For Santhali language, question paper will be printed in Devanagari script; but candidates will be free to answer either in Devanagari script or in Olchiki.

PAPER-I

Essay: Candidates may be required to write essays on multiple topics. They will be expected to keep closely to the subject of the essay to arrange their ideas in orderly fashion, and to write concisely. Credit will be given for effective and exact expression.

PAPER-II

General Studies-I: Indian Heritage and Culture, History and Geography of the World and Society.

- Indian culture will cover the salient aspects of Art Forms, literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times.
- Modern Indian history from about the middle of the eighteenth century until the present- significant events, personalities, issues.
- The Freedom Struggle — its various stages and important contributors/contributions from different parts of the country.
- Post-independence consolidation and reorganization within the country.
- History of the world will include events from 18th century such as industrial revolution, world wars, redrawing of national boundaries, colonization, decolonization, political philosophies like communism, capitalism, socialism etc.— their forms and effect on the society.



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- Salient features of Indian Society, Diversity of India.
- Role of women and women's organization, population and associated issues, poverty and developmental issues, urbanization, their problems and their remedies.
- Effects of globalization on Indian society.
- Social empowerment, communalism, regionalism & secularism.
- Salient features of world's physical geography.
- Distribution of key natural resources across the world (including South Asia and the Indian sub- continent); factors responsible for the location of primary, secondary, and tertiary sector industries in various parts of the world (including India).
- Important Geophysical phenomena such as earthquakes, Tsunami, Volcanic activity, cyclone etc., geographical features and their location-changes in critical geographical features (including water-bodies and ice-caps) and in flora and fauna and the effects of such changes.

PAPER-III

General Studies- II: Governance, Constitution, Polity, Social Justice and International relations.

- Indian Constitution—historical underpinnings, evolution, features, amendments, significant provisions and basic structure.
- Functions and responsibilities of the Union and the States, issues and challenges pertaining to the federal structure, devolution of powers and finances up to local levels and challenges therein.
- Separation of powers between various organs dispute redressal mechanisms and institutions.
- Comparison of the Indian constitutional scheme with that of other countries.
- Parliament and State legislatures—structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers & privileges and issues arising out of these.
- Structure, organization and functioning of the Executive and the Judiciary— Ministries and Departments of the Government; pressure groups and formal/informal associations and their role in the Polity.
- Salient features of the Representation of People's Act.
- Appointment to various Constitutional posts, powers, functions and responsibilities of various Constitutional Bodies.
- Statutory, regulatory and various quasi-judicial bodies.



- Government policies and interventions for development in various sectors and issues arising out of their design and implementation.
- Development processes and the development industry –the role of NGOs, SHGs, various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional and other stakeholders.
- Welfare schemes for vulnerable sections of the population by the Centre and States and the performance of these schemes; mechanisms, laws, institutions and Bodies constituted for the protection and betterment of these vulnerable sections.
- Issues relating to development and management of Social Sector/Services relating to Health, Education, Human Resources.
- Issues relating to poverty and hunger.
- Important aspects of governance, transparency and accountability, e-governance• applications, models, successes, limitations, and potential; citizens charters, transparency & accountability and institutional and other measures.
- Role of civil services in a democracy.
- India and its neighborhood- relations.
- Bilateral, regional and global groupings and agreements involving India and/or affecting India's interests.
- Effect of policies and politics of developed and developing countries on India's interests, Indian diaspora.
- Important International institutions, agencies and fora- their structure, mandate.

PAPER-IV

General Studies-III: Technology, Economic Development, Bio diversity, Environment, Security and Disaster Management

- Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, mobilization, of resources, growth, development and employment.
- Inclusive growth and issues arising from it.
- Government Budgeting.
- Major crops-cropping patterns in various parts of the country, - different types of irrigation and irrigation systems storage, transport and marketing of agricultural produce and issues and related constraints; e-technology in the aid of farmers.
- Issues related to direct and indirect farm subsidies and minimum support prices; Public Distribution System- objectives, functioning, limitations, revamping; issues of buffer stocks and food security;
Technology missions; economics of animal-rearing.



- Food processing and related industries in India- scope' and significance, location, upstream and downstream requirements, supply chain management.
- Land reforms in India.
- Effects of liberalization on the economy, changes in industrial policy and their effects on industrial growth.
- Infrastructure: Energy, Ports, Roads, Airports, Railways etc.
- Investment models.
- Science and Technology- developments and their applications and effects in everyday life.
- Achievements of Indians in science & technology; indigenization of technology and developing new technology.
- Awareness in the fields of IT, Space, Computers, robotics, nano-technology, bio-technology and issues relating to intellectual property rights.
- Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment.
- Disaster and disaster management.
- Linkages between development and spread of extremism.
- Role of external state and non-state actors in creating challenges to internal security.
- Challenges to internal security through communication networks, role of media and social networking sites in internal security challenges, basics of cyber security; money-laundering and its prevention.
- Security challenges and their management in border areas - linkages of organized crime with terrorism.
- Various Security forces and agencies and their mandate.

PAPER-V

General Studies- IV: Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude

This paper will include questions to test the candidates' attitude and approach to issues relating to integrity, probity in public life and his problem solving approach to various issues and conflicts faced by him in dealing with society. Questions may utilise the case study approach to determine these aspects. The following broad areas will be covered :

- Ethics and Human Interface: Essence, determinants and consequences of Ethics in-human actions; dimensions of ethics; ethics - in private and public relationships. Human Values - lessons from the lives and teachings of great leaders, reformers and



administrators; role of family society and educational institutions in inculcating values.

- Attitude: content, structure, function; its influence and relation with thought and behaviour; moral and political attitudes; social influence and persuasion.
- Aptitude and foundational values for Civil Service, integrity, impartiality and non-partisanship, objectivity, dedication to public service, empathy, tolerance and compassion towards the weaker-sections.
- Emotional intelligence-concepts, and their utilities and application in administration and governance.
- Contributions of moral thinkers and philosophers from India and world.
- Public/Civil service values and Ethics in Public administration: Status and problems; ethical concerns and dilemmas in government and private institutions; laws, rules, regulations and conscience as sources of ethical guidance; accountability and ethical governance; strengthening of ethical and moral values in governance; ethical issues in international relations and funding; corporate governance.
- Probity in Governance: Concept of public service; Philosophical basis of governance and probity; Information sharing and transparency in government, Right to Information, Codes of Ethics, Codes of Conduct, Citizen's Charters, Work culture, Quality of service delivery, Utilization of public funds, challenges of corruption.
- Case Studies on above issues.

PAPER-VI & PAPER VII

OPTIONAL SUBJECT PAPERS I & II

List of optional subjects for Main Examination:

- (i) Agriculture
- (ii) Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Science
- (iii) Anthropology
- (iv) Botany
- (v) Chemistry
- (vi) Civil Engineering
- (vii) Commerce and Accountancy
- (viii) Economics
- (ix) Electrical Engineering
- (x) Geography
- (xi) Geology
- (xii) History
- (xiii) Law



- (xiv) Management
- (xv) Mathematics
- (xvi) Mechanical Engineering
- (xvii) Medical Science
- (xviii) Philosophy
- (xix) Physics
- (xx) Political Science and International Relations
- (xxi) Psychology
- (xxii) Public Administration
- (xxiii) Sociology
- (xxiv) Statistics
- (xxv) Zoology
- (xxvi) Literature of any one of the following languages:

Assamese, Bengali, Bodo, Dogri, Gujarati, Hindi, Kannada, Kashmiri, Konkani, Maithili, Malayalam, Manipuri, Marathi, Nepali, Odia, Punjabi, Sanskrit, Santhali, Sindhi, Tamil, Telugu, Urdu and English.

SECTION B - INTERVIEW/PERSONALITY TEST

Candidates who obtain such minimum qualifying marks in the written part of the Civil Services (Main) Examination as may be fixed by the Commission at their discretion, shall be summoned by them for an Interview/Personality Test. The Interview/Personality Test will carry 275 marks (with no minimum qualifying marks).

1. The candidate will be interviewed by a Board who will have before them a record of the candidate's career. The candidate will be asked questions on matters of general interest. The object of the Interview/Personality Test is to assess the personal suitability of the candidate for a career in public service by a Board of competent and unbiased observers. The Interview/Personality Test is intended to judge the mental calibre of a candidate. In broad terms this is really an assessment of not only intellectual qualities but also social traits and interest in current affairs. Some of the qualities to be judged are mental alertness, critical powers of assimilation, clear and logical exposition, balance of judgement, variety and depth of interest, ability for social cohesion and leadership, intellectual and moral integrity.
2. Candidates are expected to have taken an intelligent interest not only in their special subjects of academic study but also in the events which are happening around them both within and outside their own State or Country as well as in modern currents of thought and in new discoveries which should rouse the curiosity of well-educated youth.



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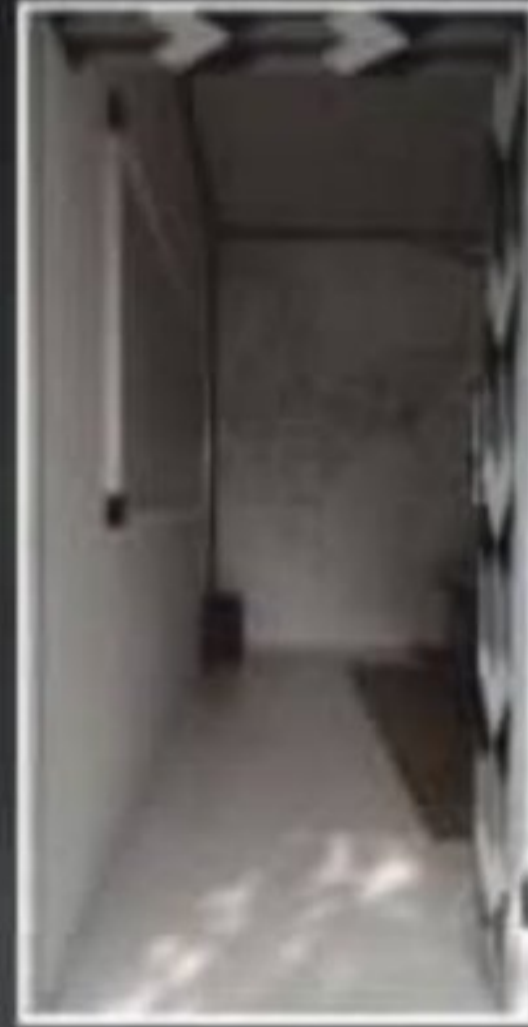
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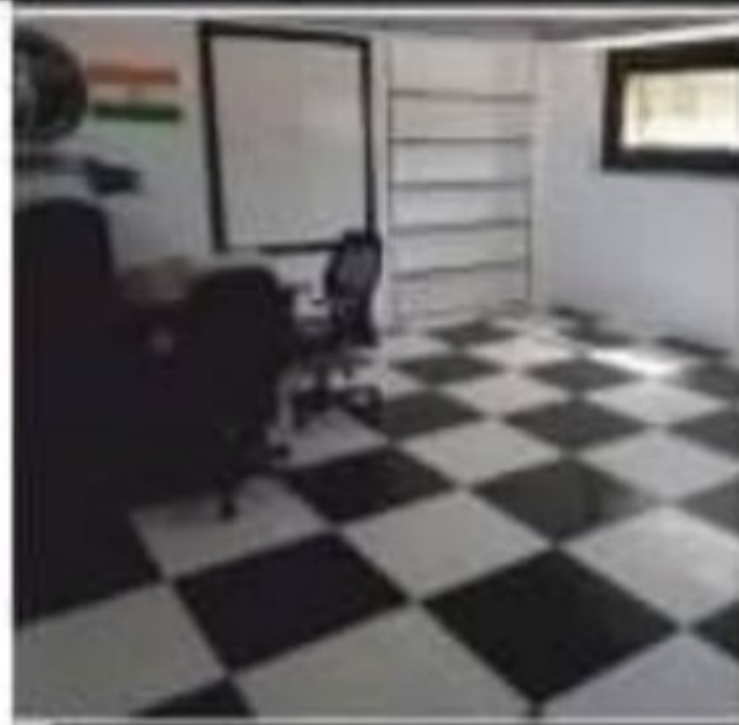
- (i) Indian Administrative Service
- (ii) Indian Foreign Service
- (iii) Indian Police Service
- (iv) Indian Audit and Accounts Service, Group 'A'
- (v) Indian Civil Accounts Service, Group 'A'
- (vi) Indian Corporate Law Service, Group 'A'
- (vii) Indian Defence Accounts Service, Group 'A'
- (viii) Indian Defence Estates Service, Group 'A'
- (ix) Indian Information Service, Junior Grade Group 'A'
- (x) Indian Postal Service, Group 'A'
- (xi) Indian P&T Accounts and Finance Service, Group 'A'
- (xii) Indian Railway Protection Force Service, Group 'A'
- (xiii) Indian Revenue Service (Customs & Indirect Taxes) Group 'A'
- (xiv) Indian Revenue Service (Income Tax) Group 'A'
- (xv) Indian Trade Service, Group 'A' (Grade III)
- (xvi) Armed Forces Headquarters Civil Service, Group 'B' (Section Officer's Grade)
- (xvii) Delhi, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep, Daman & Diu and Dadra & Nagar Haveli Civil Service (DANICS), Group 'B'
- (xviii) Delhi, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep, Daman & Diu and Dadra & Nagar Haveli Police Service (DANIPS), Group 'B'
- (xix) Pondicherry Civil Service (PONDICS), Group 'B'

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