

# SMASH MAINS 2027

## UPSC CSE GENERAL STUDIES

### Highlights of the program:

1. Detailed Coverage of the entire UPSC syllabus.
2. Scientifically Designed and flexible Test Series Schedule.
3. Questions on latest exam pattern to maximize hit-ratio.
4. Detailed Model Answers.
5. Thorough Evaluation.
6. Individualised 1-1 mentoring assistance.

## APRIL BATCH TIMETABLE (ENGLISH MEDIUM)

Test Code	Start Date	Syllabus	Sources	All India Ranking
<b>B01 Polity Test (01)</b>	<b>19-Apr-2026</b>	<p><b>GS Paper II Polity and Constitution</b></p> <p><b>Topic 1.</b> Indian Constitution-Historical underpinnings &amp; evolution; Features, amendments, significant provisions, Basic Structure of Constitution</p> <p><b>Topic 2.</b> Functions &amp; responsibilities of the Union and the States; issues and challenges of federal structure;</p> <p><b>Topic 3.</b> Separation of Powers between different organs, dispute redressal mechanisms and institutions</p> <p><b>Topic 4.</b> Devolution of powers and finances up to local levels and challenges therein</p>	<p><b>Weightage in Mains: 8-9 Questions(100-110Marks)</b></p> <p><b>X- Factor Notes</b></p> <p><b>Handouts on specific topics</b> (Please bear in mind certain topics are so specific, they can be prepared only via Model Answers. Please consider Model Answers as notes)</p> <p><b>Core Books</b></p> <p>1. Laxmikanth (students using the older edition will have to match the topics)</p> <p>2. Polity NCERTs - Can attempt practices tests.</p> <p>CD Study Plan <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Detailed-StudyGuide-Polity-1-15.pdf">https://www.civildaily.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Detailed-StudyGuide-Polity-1-15.pdf</a></p> <p>CD Sources</p> <p>1. Polity FlashNotes - <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/flashnotes-polity-the-best-polity-notes/">https://www.civildaily.com/flashnotes-polity-the-best-polity-notes/</a></p> <p>2. Polity Series by Dr. Vipin, AIR 20 - <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/polity/">https://www.civildaily.com/polity/</a></p> <p>Advanced Sources</p> <p>Introduction to the Constitution of India: D D Basu</p>	N

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<b>B02 Polity Test (02)</b>	3-May-2026	<p><b>GS Paper II Polity and Constitution</b></p> <p><b>Topic 5. Comparison of Indian constitutional scheme with other countries'</b></p> <p><b>Topic 6.</b> Parliament and State Legislatures (structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers &amp; privileges; issues therein)</p> <p><b>Topic 7.</b> 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</p> <p><b>Topic 8.</b> Salient features of the Representation of People's Act.</p>	<p><b>Weightage in Mains: 8-9 Questions(100-110Marks)</b></p> <p><b>X- Factor Notes</b></p> <p><b>Handouts on specific topics</b> (Please bear in mind certain topics are so specific, they can be prepared only via Model Answers. Please consider Model Answers as notes)</p> <p><b>Core Books</b></p> <p>1. Laxmikanth 6th Edition (students using the older edition will have to match the topics)</p> <p>2. Polity NCERTs - Can attempt practices tests.</p> <p>CD Study Plan <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Detailed-StudyGuide-Polity-1-15.pdf">https://www.civildaily.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Detailed-StudyGuide-Polity-1-15.pdf</a></p> <p>CD Sources</p> <p>1. Polity FlashNotes - <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/flashnotes-polity-the-best-polity-notes/">https://www.civildaily.com/flashnotes-polity-the-best-polity-notes/</a></p> <p>2. Polity Series by Dr. Vipin, AIR 20 - <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/polity/Advanced Sources">https://www.civildaily.com/polity/Advanced Sources</a></p> <p>Introduction to the Constitution of India: D D Basu</p>	N
<b>B03 Economy Test</b>	17-May-2026	<p><b>GS Paper III Economy</b></p> <p><b>Topic 1.</b> Indian Economy (issues re: planning, mobilisation of resources, growth, development, employment)</p> <p><b>Topic 2.</b> Inclusive growth and issues therein</p> <p><b>Topic 3.</b> Government Budgeting</p> <p><b>Topic 11.</b> Effects of Liberalisation on the economy; Changes in Industrial policy &amp; their effects on industrial growth.</p> <p><b>Topic 12.</b> Infrastructure (energy, ports, roads, airports, railways); Investment models."</p>	<p><b>Economy weightage in Mains: 4-5 Questions(60 Marks)</b></p> <p><b>X- Factor Notes</b></p> <p>Handouts on specific topics</p> <p>1.12th NCERT - Introductory Macro Indian Economy</p> <p>2. 11th NCERT-Indian economic development</p> <p>3. CD Material - Himanshu Sir <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/indian-economy-gs-for-ias-prelims-and-mains/">https://www.civildaily.com/indian-economy-gs-for-ias-prelims-and-mains/</a></p> <p>4. CD Material - Dr. Vipin, AIR 20 Notes <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/economy-concepts/">https://www.civildaily.com/economy-concepts/</a></p>	N
<b>B04 Agriculture Test</b>	24-May-2026	<p><b>GS Paper III Agriculture</b></p> <p><b>Topic 4.</b> Major Crops-cropping patterns in various parts of the country. types of irrigation, irrigation systems</p> <p><b>Topic 5.</b> Storage, transport and marketing of agricultural produce and issues and related constraints</p> <p><b>Topic 6.</b> E- technology in the aid of farmers</p> <p><b>Topic 7.</b> Issues related to direct and indirect farm subsidies and MSP; PDS (objectives, functioning, limitations, revamping, issues of buffer stocks &amp; food security), Technology Missions</p> <p><b>Topic 8.</b> Economics of Animal-Rearing</p> <p><b>Topic 9.</b> Food processing and related industries in India (scope &amp; significance, location, upstream-downstream requirements, supply chain management).</p> <p><b>Topic 10.</b> Land Reforms in India.</p>	<p><b>Agriculture weightage in Mains: 3-4 Questions(40 Marks)</b></p> <p><b>X- Factor Notes</b></p> <p>Handouts on specific topics</p> <p>1.12th NCERT - Introductory Macro Indian Economy</p> <p>2. 11th NCERT-Indian economic development</p> <p>3. CD Material - Himanshu Sir <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/indian-economy-gs-for-ias-prelims-and-mains/">https://www.civildaily.com/indian-economy-gs-for-ias-prelims-and-mains/</a></p> <p>4. CD Material - Dr. Vipin, AIR 20 Notes <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/economy-concepts/">https://www.civildaily.com/economy-concepts/</a></p>	N

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<b>B05 Modern History Test</b>	7-Jun-2026	<p><b>GS Paper I Modern History</b></p> <p><b>Topic 2.</b> Modern Indian History from Mid-18th century - Present (significant events, personalities, issues).</p> <p><b>Topic 3.</b> Freedom Struggle- various stages, important contributors from different parts of the country.</p>	<p><b>Modern History Weightage in Mains: 2-4 Questions(30-40Marks) Post Independence - 1 Question(10-15Marks)</b></p> <p><b>X- Factor Notes</b></p> <p><b>Handouts on specific topics</b> (Please bear in mind certain topics are so specific, they can be prepared only via Model Answers. Please consider Model Answers as notes)</p> <p><b>Core Books</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Old NCERT Modern India Class 12 by Bipin Chandra-Pre Gandhian Phase</li> <li>2. Themes in India History 3: Class 12</li> <li>3. India's Struggle for Independence - Bipin Chandra</li> <li>4. Spectrum-A Brief History Of Modern India Latest Edition.</li> </ol> <p><b>CD Sources</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. History FlashNotes - <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/history-flash-notes/">https://www.civildaily.com/history-flash-notes/</a></li> </ol>	N
<b>B06 Art and Culture</b>	14-Jun-2026	<p><b>GS Paper I Art &amp; Culture</b></p> <p><b>Topic 1.</b> Indian Culture-Salient aspects of Art Forms, Literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times.</p>	<p><b>Weightage in UPSC Mains: 1-3 Questions(20-30 Marks)</b></p> <p><b>X factor notes</b></p> <p><b>PYQ Handouts</b></p> <p><b>Core Books</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Old NCERT Ancient India class 11 ncert by RS Sharma</li> <li>2. Quick Revise @CD (Listicles)</li> <li>3. New NCERT Fine Arts class 11</li> <li>4. CCRT Website selected topics</li> <li>5. Art and Culture Nitin Singhania CD Notes</li> </ol> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. FlashNotes Art and Culture</li> <li>2. CD's material for easy start - <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/ancient-medieval-history-art-and-culture/">https://www.civildaily.com/ancient-medieval-history-art-and-culture/</a></li> </ol>	N
<b>B07 Geography Test (01)</b>	28-Jun-2026	<p><b>GS Paper I Geography</b></p> <p><b>Topic 11.</b> Salient Features of World Physical Geography</p> <p><b>Topic 14.</b> Important Geophysical phenomena such as earthquakes, Tsunami, Volcanic activity, cyclone etc.</p> <p><b>Topic 15.</b> Geographical features and their location-changes.</p> <p><b>(Geomorphology + Climatology + Oceanography)</b></p>	<p><b>Weightage in Mains: 8-(4-10Markers,4-15Marker=100Marks)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.Class 11th - Fundamentals of Physical Geography NCERT</li> <li>2.Old NCERTs Class 6,7,8 for World Geography + Maps</li> <li>3.Complete World Geography (Oxford and Orient Blackswan Atlas)</li> <li>4.Certificate Physical and Human Geography by Goh Cheng Leong</li> <li>5.<a href="https://www.civildaily.com/indian-geography-for-ias-mains/">https://www.civildaily.com/indian-geography-for-ias-mains/</a></li> </ol>	N

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<b>B08 Geography Test (02)</b>	5-Jul-2026	<b>GS Paper I Geography</b> <b>Topic 12.</b> Distribution of key Natural Resources (World, S. Asia, Indian subcontinent) <b>Topic 13.</b> Factors responsible for location of Industries (primary, secondary, tertiary; India, world)  <b>(Human + Economic Geography)</b>	<b>Weightage in Mains: 8-(4-10Markers,4-15Marker=100Marks)</b> 1.Class 11th - Fundamentals of Physical Geography NCERT 2.Old NCERTs Class 6,7,8 for World Geography + Maps 3.Complete World Geography (Oxford and Orient Blackswan Atlas) 4.Certificate Physical and Human Geography by Goh Cheng Leong 5. <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/indian-geography-for-ias-mains/">https://www.civildaily.com/indian-geography-for-ias-mains/</a>	N
<b>B09 Environment + Disaster Management Test</b>	19-Jul-2026	<b>GS Paper-III Environment + Disaster Management</b> <b>Topic 16.</b> Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment <b>Topic 17.</b> Disaster and Disaster Management	<b>Weightage in UPSC Mains: 4-5Questions (50MARKS)</b> Civildaily PYQ Handout <b>X Factor Notes</b> 1.NCERT Class 12 Biology - Last 4 chapters of Environment and Biodiversity 2.NCERT Class 12 Environmental Chemistry 3.CD Environment Material 4.CD FLashNotes 5. Mc Graw Hill Environment 6. Disaster management by D R Khullar	N
<b>B10 Society + Social Justice</b>	2-Aug-2026	<b>GS Paper I Society &amp; Social Issues</b> <b>Topic 6.</b> Salient features of Indian Society; Diversity of India; <b>Topic 7.</b> Role of women and women's organization, population and associated issues, poverty and developmental issues. <b>Topic 8.</b> Urbanisation: problems and remedies <b>Topic 9.</b> Globalisation and its effects on Indian society <b>Topic 10.</b> Social empowerment, communalism, regionalism & secularism.  <b>GS Paper II Social Justice</b> <b>Topic 12.</b> 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. <b>Topic 13.</b> Issues relating to the development and management of Social Sector/ Services relating to Health, Education, and Human Resources. <b>Topic 14.</b> Issues relating to poverty and hunger	<b>Indian Society Weightage in Mains: 7-8Questions(80-100 Marks)</b> <b>Social Justice Weightage in Mains: 3-4Questions(40-50MARKS)</b> <b>X factor notes</b> Samachar Manthan Notes Specific ARC 2 Reports – 1 st , 5 th , 6th , 11th , 12th, 14th & 15th NCERT: Class 12 - Indian Society NCERT: Class 12 - Social Change and Development in India NCERT: Class 11 (Political Theory)	N

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<b>B11 Governance Test</b>	9-Aug-2026	<p><b>GS Paper II Governance</b></p> <p><b>Topic 9.</b> Appointment to various Constitutional posts; Constitutional Bodies (powers, functions and responsibilities); Statutory, Regulatory and Quasi-judicial bodies.</p> <p><b>Topic 10.</b> Government Policies &amp; Interventions for development of various sectors (issues in their design, implementation)</p> <p><b>Topic 11.</b> Development processes and the development industry —the role of NGOs, SHGs, various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional and other stakeholders.</p> <p><b>Topic 15.</b> Transparency and accountability (institutional and other measures); Citizens Charter, E-Governance (applications, models, successes, limitations, potential)</p> <p><b>Topic 16.</b> Role of Civil Services in a democracy.</p>	<p><b>Governance Weightage in Mains: 4-5 Questions(40-50 Marks)</b></p> <p><b>1. X factor Notes</b></p> <p>2. Governance : M. Laxmikant</p>	N
<b>B12 International Relations</b>	16-Aug-2026	<p><b>GS Paper II International Relations</b></p> <p><b>Topic 17.</b> India and its neighborhood- relations.</p> <p><b>Topic 18.</b> Bilateral, regional and global groupings and agreements involving India and/or affecting India's interests.</p> <p><b>Topic 19.</b> Effect of policies and politics of developed and developing countries on India's interests, Indian diaspora.</p> <p><b>Topic 20.</b> Important International institutions, agencies and fora- their structure, mandate.</p>	<p><b>International Relations Weightage in Mains: 4 Questions(50 Marks)</b></p> <p><b>X Factor Notes</b></p> <p>Civildaily IR Background material  <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/subject/world/">https://www.civildaily.com/subject/world/</a></p>	N
<b>B13 Internal Security</b>	23-Aug-2026	<p><b>GS Paper III Internal Security</b></p> <p><b>Topic 18.</b> Linkages between Development &amp; spread of Extremism</p> <p><b>Topic 19.</b> Role of external state and non-state actors in creating challenges to internal security.</p> <p><b>Topic 20.</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Topic 21.</b> Security challenges and their management in border areas - linkages of organized crime with terrorism.</p> <p><b>Topic 22.</b> Various Security forces and agencies and their mandate.</p>	<p><b>Internal Security Weightage in Mains: 4 Questions(50 Marks)</b></p> <p><b>X Factor Notes</b></p> <p><b>Internal security by Ashok kumar</b></p>	N

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<b>B14 Sci &amp; Tech Test</b>	30-Aug-2026	<p><b>GS Paper-III Science and Technology</b></p> <p><b>Topic 13.</b> Science and Technology- developments and their applications and effects in everyday life</p> <p><b>Topic 14.</b> Achievements of Indians in S&amp;T; Indigenisation of technology &amp; developing new technology</p> <p><b>Topic 15.</b> Awareness in the field of IT, Space, Computers, robotics, nano-technology, bio-technology and issues relating to intellectual property rights.</p>	<p><b>Weightage in UPSC Mains: 2-3 Questions (30MARKS)</b></p> <p>Science and Tech will mostly be from contemporary topics. Refer CD's study material as it is more aligned to the recent trend of the exam.</p> <p><a href="https://www.civildaily.com/science-technology/">https://www.civildaily.com/science-technology/</a> Current Affairs</p> <p><a href="https://www.civildaily.com/subject/science-tech/">https://www.civildaily.com/subject/science-tech/</a> X Factor Notes</p>	N
<b>B15 Ethics Test</b>	6-Sep-2026	<p><b>GS Paper IV Ethics Integrity and Aptitude</b></p> <p><b>Topic 1.</b> Ethics and Human Interface: Essence, determinants and consequences of Ethics in-human actions; dimensions of ethics; ethics – in private and public relationships.</p> <p><b>Topic 2.</b> Human Values - lessons from the lives and teachings of great leaders, reformers and administrators; role of family society and educational institutions in inculcating values.</p> <p><b>Topic 3.</b> Attitude: content, structure, function; its influence and relation with thought and behaviour; moral and political attitudes; social influence and persuasion.</p> <p><b>Topic 4.</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Topic 6.</b> Contributions of moral thinkers and philosophers from India.</p>	<p><b>Weightage in UPSC Mains: 10 theory based questions + 3 quotation based questions + 6 case studies (250 marks)</b></p> <p><b>1. X Factor Notes</b></p> <p>2. D K Balaji</p> <p>3. CD 50 Ethics Terms with examples</p> <p>4. CD Solved PYQ Handout</p>	N

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<b>B16 Ethics Test</b>	13-Sep-2026	<p><b>GS Paper IV Ethics Integrity and Aptitude</b></p> <p><b>Topic 5.</b> Emotional intelligence-concepts, and their utilities and application in administration and governance.</p> <p><b>Topic 7.</b> Contributions of moral thinkers and philosophers from the world.</p> <p><b>Topic 8.</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Topic 9.</b> 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, Utilisation of public funds, challenges of corruption.</p>	<p><b>Weightage in UPSC Mains: 10 theory based questions + 3 quotation based questions + 6 case studies (250 marks)</b></p> <p><b>1. X Factor Notes</b></p> <p>2. D K Balaji</p> <p>3. CD 50 Ethics Terms with examples</p> <p>4. CD Solved PYQ Handout</p>	N
<b>B17 Ethics Case Study Test</b>	20-Sep-2026	<p><b>GS Paper IV Ethics Integrity and Aptitude</b></p> <p><b>Topic 10.</b> Case Studies on the above issues.</p>	<p><b>Weightage in UPSC Mains: 10 theory based questions + 3 quotation based questions + 6 case studies (250 marks)</b></p> <p><b>1. X Factor Notes</b></p> <p>2. D K Balaji</p> <p>3. CD 50 Ethics Terms with examples</p> <p>4. CD Solved PYQ Handout</p>	N
<b>B18 Post independence and World History</b>	27-Sep-2026	<p><b>GS Paper I Post Independence India and World History</b></p> <p><b>Topic 4.</b> Post-Independence-consolidation and reorganisation within the country</p> <p><b>Topic 5.</b> History of the world-18th century events (e.g. Industrial Revolution, WWs, redrawn boundaries, colonisation, decolonisation); Political philosophies (e.g. communism, capitalism, socialism) and their effect on society)</p>	<p><b>Weightage in UPSC Mains:</b></p> <p>World History: 0-2 Questions</p> <p>Post Independence: 0-1 Questions</p>	N

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<b>Mains Advance Tests</b>				
<b>MA01 Polity</b>	4-Oct-2026	<p><b>GS Paper II Polity and Constitution</b></p> <p><b>Topic 1.</b> Indian Constitution-Historical underpinnings &amp; evolution; Features, amendments, significant provisions, Basic Structure of Constitution</p> <p><b>Topic 2.</b> Functions &amp; responsibilities of the Union and the States; issues and challenges of federal structure;</p> <p><b>Topic 3.</b> Separation of Powers between different organs, dispute redressal mechanisms and institutions</p> <p><b>Topic 4.</b> Devolution of powers and finances up to local levels and challenges therein</p> <p><b>Topic 5.</b> Comparison of Indian constitutional scheme with other countries</p> <p><b>Topic 6.</b> Parliament and State Legislatures (structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers &amp; privileges; issues therein)</p> <p><b>Topic 7.</b> 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</p> <p><b>Topic 8.</b> Salient features of the Representation of People’s Act.</p>	<p><b>Weightage in Mains: 8-9 Questions(100-110Marks)</b></p> <p><b>X- Factor Notes</b></p> <p><b>Handouts on specific topics</b> (Please bear in mind certain topics are so specific, they can be prepared only via Model Answers. Please consider Model Answers as notes)</p> <p><b>Core Books</b></p> <p>1. Laxmikanth (students using the older edition will have to match the topics)</p> <p>2. Polity NCERTs - Can attempt practices tests.</p> <p>CD Study Plan <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Detailed-StudyGuide-Polity-1-15.pdf">https://www.civildaily.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Detailed-StudyGuide-Polity-1-15.pdf</a></p> <p>CD Sources</p> <p>1. Polity FlashNotes - <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/flashnotes-polity-the-best-polity-notes/">https://www.civildaily.com/flashnotes-polity-the-best-polity-notes/</a></p> <p>2. Polity Series by Dr. Vipin, AIR 20 - <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/polity/">https://www.civildaily.com/polity/</a></p> <p>Advanced Sources</p> <p>Introduction to the Constitution of India: D D Basu</p>	N
<b>MA02 Governance + IR</b>	18-Oct-2026	<p><b>GS Paper II Governance</b></p> <p><b>Topic 9.</b> Appointment to various Constitutional posts; Constitutional Bodies (powers, functions and responsibilities); Statutory, Regulatory and Quasi-judicial bodies.</p> <p><b>Topic 10.</b> Government Policies &amp; Interventions for the development of various sectors (issues in their design, and implementation)</p> <p><b>Topic 11.</b> Development processes and the development industry —the role of NGOs, SHGs, various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional and other stakeholders.</p> <p><b>Topic 15.</b> Transparency and accountability (institutional and other measures); Citizens Charter, E-Governance (applications, models, successes, limitations, potential)</p> <p><b>Topic 16.</b> Role of Civil Services in a democracy.</p> <p><b>GS Paper II International Relations</b></p> <p><b>Topic 17.</b> India and its neighborhood- relations.</p> <p><b>Topic 18.</b> Bilateral, regional and global groupings and agreements involving India and/or affecting India’s interests.</p> <p><b>Topic 19.</b> Effect of policies and politics of developed and developing countries on India’s interests, Indian diaspora.</p> <p><b>Topic 20.</b> Important International institutions, agencies and fora- their structure, mandate.</p>	<p><b>Governance Weightage in Mains:</b> 4-5Questions(40-50 Marks)</p> <p>1. X factor Notes</p> <p>2. Governance : M. Laxmikant</p> <p><b>International Relations Weightage in Mains:</b> 4Questions(50Marks)</p> <p>1. X Factor Notes</p> <p>2. Civildaily IR Background material <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/subject/world/">https://www.civildaily.com/subject/world/</a></p>	N

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<b>MA03 Indian Society &amp; Social Justice</b>	1-Nov-2026	<p><b>GS Paper I Society &amp; Social Issues</b></p> <p><b>Topic 6.</b> Salient features of Indian Society; Diversity of India;</p> <p><b>Topic 7.</b> Role of women and women's organization, population and associated issues, poverty and developmental issues.</p> <p><b>Topic 8.</b> Urbanisation: problems and remedies</p> <p><b>Topic 9.</b> Globalisation and its effects on Indian society</p> <p><b>Topic 10.</b> Social empowerment, communalism, regionalism &amp; secularism.</p> <p><b>GS Paper II Social Justice</b></p> <p><b>Topic 12.</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Topic 13.</b> Issues relating to the development and management of Social Sector/ Services relating to Health, Education, and Human Resources.</p> <p><b>Topic 14.</b> Issues relating to poverty and hunger</p>	<p><b>Indian Society Weightage in Mains:</b> 7-8 Questions (80-100 Marks) Social Justice Weightage in Mains: 3-4 Questions (40-50 MARKS)</p> <p><b>X factor notes</b> Samachar Manthan Notes Specific ARC 2 Reports – 1st, 5th, 6th, 11th, 12th, 14th &amp; 15th NCERT: Class 12 - Indian Society NCERT: Class 12 - Social Change and Development in India NCERT: Class 11 (Political Theory)</p>	N
<b>MA04 Ethics</b>	15-Nov-2026	<p><b>GS Paper IV Ethics Integrity and Aptitude</b></p> <p><b>Topic 1.</b> Ethics and Human Interface: Essence, determinants and consequences of Ethics in human actions; dimensions of ethics; ethics – in private and public relationships.</p> <p><b>Topic 2.</b> Human Values - lessons from the lives and teachings of great leaders, reformers and administrators; role of family society and educational institutions in inculcating values.</p> <p><b>Topic 3.</b> Attitude: content, structure, function; its influence and relation with thought and behaviour; moral and political attitudes; social influence and persuasion.</p> <p><b>Topic 4.</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Topic 6.</b> Contributions of moral thinkers and philosophers from India.</p> <p><b>Topic 10.</b> Case Studies on the above issues.</p>	<p><b>Weightage in UPSC Mains: 10 theory based questions + 3 quotation based questions + 6 case studies (250 marks)</b></p> <p><b>1. X Factor Notes</b> 2. D K Balaji 3. CD 50 Ethics Terms with examples 4. CD Solved PYQ Handout</p>	N

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<b>MA05 Economy + Agriculture</b>	29-Nov-2026	<p><b>GS Paper III Economy + Agriculture</b></p> <p><b>Topic 1.</b> Indian Economy (issues re: planning, mobilisation of resources, growth, development, employment)</p> <p><b>Topic 2.</b> Inclusive growth and issues therein</p> <p><b>Topic 3.</b> Government Budgeting</p> <p><b>Topic 4.</b> Major Crops-cropping patterns in various parts of the country. types of irrigation, irrigation systems</p> <p><b>Topic 5.</b> Storage, transport and marketing of agricultural produce and issues and related constraints</p> <p><b>Topic 6.</b> E- technology in the aid of farmers</p> <p><b>Topic 7.</b> Issues related to direct and indirect farm subsidies and MSP; PDS (objectives, functioning, limitations, revamping, issues of buffer stocks &amp; food security), Technology Missions</p> <p><b>Topic 8.</b> Economics of Animal-Rearing</p> <p><b>Topic 9.</b> Food processing and related industries in India (scope &amp; significance, location, upstream-downstream requirements, supply chain management).</p> <p><b>Topic 10.</b> Land Reforms in India.</p> <p><b>Topic 11.</b> Effects of Liberalisation on the economy; Changes in Industrial policy &amp; their effects on industrial growth.</p> <p><b>Topic 12.</b> Infrastructure (energy, ports, roads, airports, railways); Investment models.</p>	<p><b>Weightage in Mains: 7-8 Questions(100 Marks)</b></p> <p><b>X- Factor Notes</b> Handouts on specific topics 1.12th NCERT - Introductory Macro Indian Economy 2. 11th NCERT-Indian economic development 3. CD Material - Himanshu Sir <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/indian-economy-gs-for-ias-prelims-and-mains/">https://www.civildaily.com/indian-economy-gs-for-ias-prelims-and-mains/</a> 4. CD Material - Dr. Vipin, AIR 20 Notes <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/economy-concepts/">https://www.civildaily.com/economy-concepts/</a></p>	N
<b>MA06 Science and Technology + Internal Security</b>	13-Dec-2026	<p><b>GS Paper-III Science and Technology</b></p> <p><b>Topic 13.</b> Science and Technology- developments and their applications and effects in everyday life</p> <p><b>Topic 14.</b> Achievements of Indians in S&amp;T; Indigenisation of technology &amp; developing new technology</p> <p><b>Topic 15.</b> Awareness in the field of IT, Space, Computers, robotics, nano-technology, bio-technology and issues relating to intellectual property rights.</p> <p><b>GS Paper III Internal Security</b></p> <p><b>Topic 18.</b> Linkages between Development &amp; spread of Extremism</p> <p><b>Topic 19.</b> Role of external state and non-state actors in creating challenges to internal security.</p> <p><b>Topic 20.</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Topic 21.</b> Security challenges and their management in border areas - linkages of organized crime with terrorism.</p> <p><b>Topic 22.</b> Various Security forces and agencies and their mandate.</p>	<p><b>S&amp;T Weightage in UPSC Mains: 2-3Questions (30MARKS)</b> Science and Tech will mostly be from contemporary topics. Refer CD's study material as it is more aligned to the recent trend of the exam. <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/science-technology/">https://www.civildaily.com/science-technology/</a> Current Affairs <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/subject/science-tech/">https://www.civildaily.com/subject/science-tech/</a> X Factor Notes”</p> <p><b>Internal Security Weightage in Mains: 4Questions(50Marks)</b> <b>X Factor Notes</b> Internal security by Ashok kumar Civildaily IR Background material <a href="https://www.civildaily.com/subject/world/">https://www.civildaily.com/subject/world/</a></p>	N

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<b>MA07 Geography + Environ- ment + Disaster Management</b>	27-Dec-2026	<p><b>GS Paper I Geography</b></p> <p><b>Topic 11.</b> Salient Features of World Physical Geography</p> <p><b>Topic 12.</b> Distribution of key Natural Resources (World, S. Asia, Indian subcontinent)</p> <p><b>Topic 13.</b> Factors responsible for location of Industries (primary, secondary, tertiary; India, world)</p> <p><b>Topic 14.</b> Important Geophysical phenomena such as earthquakes, Tsunami, Volcanic activity, cyclone etc.</p> <p><b>Topic 15.</b> Geographical features and their location-changes.</p> <p><b>GS Paper III Environment + Disaster Management</b></p> <p><b>Topic 16.</b> Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment</p> <p><b>Topic 17.</b> Disaster and Disaster Management</p>	<p><b>Weightage in Mains:</b> Geography <b>8 Questions(4-10Markers,4-15Marker=100Marks)</b></p> <p>1.Class 11th - Fundamentals of Physical Geography NCERT</p> <p>2.Old NCERTs Class 6,7,8 for World Geography + Maps</p> <p>3.Complete World Geography (Oxford and Orient Blackswan Atlas)</p> <p>4.Certificate Physical and Human Geography by Goh Cheng Leong</p> <p>5.<a href="https://www.civildaily.com/indian-geography-for-ias-mains/">https://www.civildaily.com/indian-geography-for-ias-mains/</a></p> <p><b>Weightage in UPSC Mains:</b> Environment + Disaster Management 4-5Questions (50MARKS) Civildaily PYQ Handout</p> <p><b>X Factor Notes</b></p> <p>1.NCERT Class 12 Biology - Last 4 chapters of Environment and Biodiversity</p> <p>2.NCERT Class 12 Environmental Chemistry</p> <p>3.CD Environment Material</p> <p>4.CD FLashNotes</p> <p>5. Mc Graw Hill Environment</p> <p>6. Disaster management by D R Khullar</p>	N
<b>MA08 History</b>	10-Jan-2027	<p><b>GS Paper I Art &amp; Culture + Ancient + Medieval History + Modern History + Post Independence India and World History</b></p> <p><b>Topic 1.</b> Indian Culture-Salient aspects of Art Forms, Literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times.</p> <p><b>Topic 2.</b> Modern Indian History from Mid-18th century - Present (significant events, personalities, issues).</p> <p><b>Topic 3.</b> Freedom Struggle- various stages, important contributors from different parts of the country.</p> <p><b>Topic 4.</b> Post-Independence-consolidation and reorganisation within the country</p> <p><b>Topic 5.</b> History of the world-18th century events (e.g. Industrial Revolution, WWs, redrawn boundaries, colonisation, decolonisation); Political philosophies (e.g. communism, capitalism, socialism) and their effect on society)</p>	<p><b>Weightage in Mains:</b> <b>Ancient and Medieval: 1-3Questions</b> <b>Modern History:2-4Questions</b> <b>Post Independence: 0-1Questions</b> <b>World History: 0-1Questions</b></p>	N

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<b>FLT 1 GS2 (Round 1)</b>		Full Syllabus Test for GS paper 2		Y
<b>Essay FLT 1</b>		Full Syllabus Test		Y
<b>FLT 2 GS4 (Round 1)</b>		Full Syllabus Test for GS paper 4		Y
<b>Essay FLT 2</b>		Full Syllabus Test		Y
<b>FLT 3 GS1(Round 1)</b>		Full Syllabus Test for GS paper 1		Y
<b>Essay FLT 3</b>		Full Syllabus Test		Y
<b>FLT 4 GS3 (Round 1)</b>		Full Syllabus Test for GS paper 3		Y
<b>Essay FLT 4</b>		Full Syllabus Test		Y
<b>FLT 5 GS2 (Round 2)</b>		Full Syllabus Test for GS paper 2		Y
<b>FLT 6 GS4 (Round 2)</b>		Full Syllabus Test for GS paper 4		Y
<b>FLT 7 GS1 (Round 2)</b>		Full Syllabus Test for GS paper 1		Y
<b>FLT 8 GS3 (Round 2)</b>		Full Syllabus Test for GS paper 3		Y
<b>Essay FLT 5</b>		Full Syllabus Test		Y
<b>FLT 9 GS1 (Round 3)</b>		Full Syllabus Test for GS paper 1		Y
<b>FLT 10 GS2 (Round 3)</b>		Full Syllabus Test for GS paper 2		Y
<b>FLT 11 GS3 (Round 3)</b>		Full Syllabus Test for GS paper 3		Y
<b>FLT 12 GS4 (Round 3)</b>		Full Syllabus Test for GS paper 4		Y
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