



An Institute for Civil Services

MAINS TEST SERIES 2024

POLITICAL SCIENCE Q&A

COMPLETE SYLLABUS *through*
CONCEPT CLASSES & ANSWER WRITING



ONLINE



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MARCH, 2023



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PROGRAM
FEE



20,000
(including GST)



- ✓ 37+ Classes for Concept Building
- ✓ 3 Level of Test for Gradual Improvement
 - 18 Topical Tests (10 Questions)
 - 4 Sectional Tests (20 Questions)
 - 4 Full Mock Tests (As per UPSC Pattern)
- ✓ 18 PYQs Discussion Sessions
- ✓ Test Discussion after each Topical Test
- ✓ Doubt Clearing Session after Copy Evaluation for Marks improvement.



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PROGRAMME FEATURES

01

Exclusive programme to cover complete syllabus of Political Science & International Relations (PSIR) Optional through Concept Building classes, Answer Writing Practice sessions & discussions.

02

Specially curated interlinked approach in order to maximize attempts and score 300+ marks in PSIR Optional.

03

Classes will focus on conceptual clarity and Application of different approaches mentioned in syllabus

04

Topic Wise PYQs discussions will be provided

05

Sectional test to be conducted after completion of a section of syllabus and Mock Test will be conducted after Prelims

06

Sectional & Mock Tests will be based on UPSC pattern & evaluation will be done by Experts and Faculty only.

07

Regular one-on-one doubt clearing sessions will be conducted for personalized mentoring & performance improvement.

SESSION PLAN

DATE	TOPIC	SUB-TOPIC
SESSION - 01 21 MARCH, 2023	Approach to PSIR Optional (Paper-I)	
SESSION - 02 22 MARCH, 2023	Approach to PSIR Optional (Paper-II)	
Paper 1: Section-A (Political Theory and Indian Politics)		
SESSION - 03 27 MARCH, 2023	Political Theory and Theories of the State	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Political Theory: Meaning & Approaches Theories of the State: Liberal, Neo-liberal, Marxist, Pluralist, Post-colonial and Feminist
SESSION - 04 28 MARCH, 2023	Political Ideologies-1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Liberalism Socialism Marxism
SESSION - 05 31 MARCH, 2023	Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 01	
SESSION - 06 02 APRIL, 2023	Topical Test - 1	
SESSION - 07 03 APRIL, 2023	Political Ideologies-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gandhism Behaviourism Multiculturalism

SESSION - 08 04 APRIL, 2023	Political Ideologies-3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Fascism ◦ Feminism
SESSION - 09 07 APRIL, 2023	Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 02	
SESSION - 10 09 APRIL, 2023	Topical Test - 2	
SESSION - 11 10 APRIL, 2023	Western Political Thought-1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Plato ◦ Aristotle
SESSION - 12 11 APRIL, 2023	Western Political Thought-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Machiavelli ◦ Hobbes
SESSION - 13 14 APRIL, 2023	Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 03	
SESSION - 14 16 APRIL, 2023	Topical Test - 3	
SESSION - 15 17 APRIL, 2023	Western Political Thought-3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Marx ◦ JS Mill
SESSION - 16 18 APRIL, 2023	Western Political Thought-4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ John Locke ◦ Gramsci ◦ Hannah Arendt
SESSION - 17 21 APRIL, 2023	Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 04	
SESSION - 18 23 APRIL, 2023	Topical Test - 4	
SESSION - 19 24 APRIL, 2023	Justice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Justice: Conceptions of justice with special reference to Rawl's theory of Justice and its communitarian critique.

SESSION - 20 25 APRIL, 2023	Equality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Equality: Social, Political and Economic; relationship between equality & freedom; Affirmative action
SESSION - 21 26 APRIL, 2023	Liberty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Liberty: social, political and economic; Definition, nature and theories
SESSION - 22 28 APRIL, 2023	Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 05	
SESSION - 23 30 APRIL, 2023	Topical Test - 5	
SESSION - 24 01 MAY, 2023	Rights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Rights: Meaning and theories; different kinds of rights; Concept of Human Rights
SESSION - 25 02 MAY, 2023	Democracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Democracy: Classical and contemporary theories; Different models of democracy – representative, participatory and deliberative
SESSION - 26 03 MAY, 2023	Power	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Power: Concept of power; hegemony, ideology and legitimacy
SESSION - 27 05 MAY, 2023	Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 06	
SESSION - 28 07 MAY, 2023	Topical Test - 6	
SESSION - 29 08 MAY, 2023	Indian Political Thought-1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Dharmashastra, Arthashastra and Buddhist Traditions ◦ Sir Syed Ahmed Khan
SESSION - 30 09 MAY, 2023	Indian Political Thought-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ M.K. Gandhi ◦ B.R. Ambedkar
SESSION - 31 10 MAY, 2023	Indian Political Thought-3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Sri Aurobindo ◦ M.N. Roy

SESSION - 32 12 MAY, 2023	Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 07	
SESSION - 33 14 MAY, 2023	Topical Test - 7	
SESSION - 34 21 MAY, 2023	Sectional Test – 1 – Paper 1:Section A (Political Theory and Indian Politics)	
Paper 1: Section-B (Indian Government & Politics)		
SESSION - 35 22 MAY, 2023	Indian Nationalism-1	◦ Political Strategies of India's freedom struggle: Constitutionalism to mass Satyagraha, non-cooperation, civil disobedience; Militant and Revolutionary Movements, Peasant and Workers Movements
SESSION - 36 23 MAY, 2023	Indian Nationalism-2	◦ Perspectives of Indian National Movement: Liberal, Socialist and Marxist; Radical Humanist and Dalit
SESSION - 37 26 MAY, 2023	Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 08	
SESSION - 38 28 MAY, 2023	Topical Test - 8	
SESSION - 39 29 MAY, 2023	Making of the Indian Constitution	◦ Making of the Indian Constitution: Legacies of the British Rule; Different social and political perspectives
SESSION - 40 30 MAY, 2023	Salient Features of the Indian Constitution	◦ Salient Features of the Indian Constitution: The Preamble, Fundamental Rights & Duties, Directive principles; parliamentary System and Amendment Procedures; Judicial Review and Basic Structure Doctrine

SESSION - 41 02 JUNE, 2023	Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 09	
SESSION - 42 04 JUNE, 2023	Topical Test - 9	
SESSION - 43 05 JUNE, 2023	Organs of the Government	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Principle Organs of the Union Government: Envisaged role and actual working of the Executive, Legislature and Supreme Court ◦ Principle Organs of the State Government: Envisaged role and actual working of the Executive, Legislature and High Courts
SESSION - 44 06 JUNE, 2023	Grassroots Democracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Grassroots Democracy: Panchayati Raj and Municipal Government; Significance of 73rd and 74th Amendments; Grassroot movements
SESSION - 45 09 JUNE, 2023	Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 10	
SESSION - 46 11 JUNE, 2023	Topical Test - 10	
SESSION - 47 12 JUNE, 2023	Federalism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Federalism: Constitutional Provisions; changing nature of centre-state relations; integrationist tendencies and regional aspirations, inter-state disputes
SESSION - 48 13 JUNE, 2023	Party System	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Party System: National and regional political parties, ideological and social bases of parties; patterns of coalition politics; Pressure groups, trends in electoral behaviour; changing socio-economic profile of legislators
SESSION - 49 14 JUNE, 2023	Caste, Religion and Ethnicity in Indian Politics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Caste, Religion and Ethnicity in Indian Politics

SESSION - 50 16 JUNE, 2023	Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 11	
SESSION - 51 18 JUNE, 2023	Topical Test -11	
SESSION - 52 19 JUNE, 2023	Statutory Institutions/ Commissions	◦ Statutory Institutions/ Commissions: Election commission, CAG, Finance Commission, UPSC, NCSC, NCST, NCW, NHRC, NCM, NBCC.
SESSION - 53 20 JUNE, 2023	Planning & Economic Development	◦ Planning & Economic Development: Nehruvian and Gandhian perspectives, role of planning and public sector; Green revolution, land reforms, and agrarian relations; liberalization and economic reforms
SESSION - 54 21 JUNE, 2023	Social Movements	◦ Social Movements: Civil liberties and human rights movements; women's movements; environmentalist movements.
SESSION - 55 23 JUNE, 2023	Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 12	
SESSION - 56 25 JUNE, 2023	Topical Test -12	
SESSION - 57 02 JULY, 2023	Sectional Test – 2 – Paper 1:Section B (Indian Government & Politics)	
Paper 2: Section-A (Comparative Politics and International Relations)		
SESSION - 58 03 JULY, 2023	Comparative Politics, State in Comparative Perspective	◦ Comparative Politics: Nature and major approaches; Political economy and political sociology perspectives; Limitations of the comparative method

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State in Comparative Perspective: Characteristics and changing nature of the State in capitalist and socialist economies, and advanced industrial and developing societies.
SESSION - 59 04 JULY, 2023	Politics of Representation and Participation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Politics of Representation and Participation: Political parties, Pressure Groups and social movements in advanced industrial and developing societies.
SESSION - 60 07 JULY, 2023	Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 13	
SESSION - 61 09 JULY, 2023	Topical Test -13	
SESSION - 62 10 JULY, 2023	Approaches to the Study of International Relations, Key Concepts in International Relations-1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approaches to the Study of International Relations: Idealist, Realist, Marxist, Functionalist and Systems theory Key Concepts in International Relations: National interest, security and power; Balance of power and deterrence
SESSION - 63 11 JULY, 2023	Key Concepts in International Relations-2 and Globalization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Key Concepts in International Relations: Transnational actors and collective security; World capitalist economy and globalization Globalization: Responses from developed and developing societies
SESSION - 64 14 JULY, 2023	Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 14	
SESSION - 65 16 JULY, 2023	Topical Test -14	
SESSION - 66 17 JULY, 2023	Changing International Political Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Changing International Political Order: (a) Rise of super powers; Strategic and Ideological Bipolarity,

		arms race and cold war; Nuclear threat; (b) Non-aligned Movement: Aims and achievements; (c) Collapse of Soviet Union; Unipolarity and American hegemony; Relevance of non-alignment in the contemporary world
SESSION - 67 18 JULY, 2023	Evolution of International Economic System	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Evolution of International Economic System: From Brettonwoods to WTO; Socialist economies and CMEA (Council for Mutual Economic Assistance); Third world demand for new international economic order; Globalization of the world economy
SESSION - 68 21 JULY, 2023	Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 15	
SESSION - 69 23 JULY, 2023	Topical Test -15	
SESSION - 70 24 JULY, 2023	United Nations and Contemporary Global Concerns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ United Nations: Envisaged role and actual record; Specialized UN Agencies- aims and functioning; need for UN reforms ◦ Contemporary Global Concerns: Democracy, human rights, environment, gender justice terrorism, nuclear proliferation
SESSION - 71 25 JULY, 2023	Regionalization of World Politics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Regionalization of World Politics: EU, ASEAN, APEC, AARC, NAFTA
SESSION - 72 28 JULY, 2023	Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 16	
SESSION - 73 30 JULY, 2023	Topical Test -16	

SESSION - 74 06 AUGUST, 2023	Sectional Test – 3 – Paper 2:Section A (Comparative Politics and International Relations)	
Paper 2: Section-B (India & The World)		
SESSION - 75 07 AUGUST, 2023	Indian Foreign Policy, India's contribution to NAM	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◉ Indian Foreign Policy: Determinants of foreign policy; the institutions of policy-making; Continuity and change◉ India's contribution to NAM: Different phases and current role
SESSION - 76 08 AUGUST, 2023	India & South Asia	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◉ India & South Asia: (a) Regional Co-operation; SAARC-past performance and future prospects; (b) South Asia as a Free Trade Area; (c) India's Look East policy; (d) Impediments to regional co-operation: River disputes; illegal cross border migration; Ethnic conflicts and insurgencies; Border disputes
SESSION - 77 09 AUGUST, 2023	India & Global South	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◉ India & Global South: Relations with Africa and Latin America; Leadership role in the demand for NIEO and WTO negotiations
SESSION - 78 11 AUGUST, 2023	Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 17	
SESSION - 79 13 AUGUST, 2023	Topical Test -17	
SESSION - 80 14 AUGUST, 2023	India & the Global Centres of Power, India & the UN System	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◉ India & the Global Centres of Power: USA, EU, Japan, China and Russia◉ India & the UN System: Role in UN Peace-keeping; Demand for permanent seat in Security Council

SESSION - 81 16 AUGUST, 2023	India & the Nuclear Question, and Recent developments in Indian Foreign Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> India & the Nuclear Question: Changing perceptions and policy Recent developments in Indian Foreign Policy: India's position on the recent crisis in Afghanistan, Iraq and West Asia, growing relations with US and Israel: Vision of a new world order
SESSION - 82 18 AUGUST, 2023	Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 18	
SESSION - 83 20 AUGUST, 2023	Topical Test -18	
SESSION - 84 27 AUGUST, 2023	Sectional Test – 4 – Paper 2: Section B (India & the World)	
AFTER PRELIMS	Mock - 1	PAPER - I
AFTER PRELIMS	Mock - 2	PAPER - II
AFTER PRELIMS	Mock - 3	PAPER - I
AFTER PRELIMS	Mock - 4	PAPER - II