



An Institute for Civil Services

MAINS TEST SERIES 2024

POLITICAL SCIENCE

COMPLETE SYLLABUS *through*
CONCEPT CLASSES & ANSWER WRITING



ONLINE



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OCTOBER, 2023



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PROGRAM
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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 |
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| SESSION - 01 14 OCTOBER, 2023 | Approach to PSIR Optional (Paper-I) | |
| SESSION - 02 15 OCTOBER, 2023 | Approach to PSIR Optional (Paper-II) | |
| Paper 1: Section-A (Political Theory and Indian Politics) | | |
| SESSION - 03 16 OCTOBER, 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 17 OCTOBER, 2023 | Political Ideologies-1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Liberalism Socialism Marxism |
| SESSION - 05 20 OCTOBER, 2023 | Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 01 | |
| SESSION - 06 22 OCTOBER, 2023 | Topical Test - 1 | |
| SESSION - 07 23 OCTOBER, 2023 | Political Ideologies-2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gandhism Behaviourism Multiculturalism |

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| SESSION - 08 24 OCTOBER, 2023 | Political Ideologies-3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Fascism ◦ Feminism |
| SESSION - 09 27 OCTOBER, 2023 | Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 02 | |
| SESSION - 10 29 OCTOBER, 2023 | Topical Test - 2 | |
| SESSION - 11 30 OCTOBER, 2023 | Western Political Thought-1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Plato ◦ Aristotle |
| SESSION - 12 31 OCTOBER, 2023 | Western Political Thought-2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Machiavelli ◦ Hobbes |
| SESSION - 13 03 NOVEMBER, 2023 | Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 03 | |
| SESSION - 14 05 NOVEMBER, 2023 | Topical Test - 3 | |
| SESSION - 15 06 NOVEMBER, 2023 | Western Political Thought-3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Marx ◦ JS Mill |
| SESSION - 16 07 NOVEMBER, 2023 | Western Political Thought-4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ John Locke ◦ Gramsci ◦ Hannah Arendt |
| SESSION - 17 09 NOVEMBER, 2023 | Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 04 | |
| SESSION - 18 10 NOVEMBER, 2023 | Topical Test - 4 | |
| SESSION - 19 13 NOVEMBER, 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. |

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| SESSION - 20 14 NOVEMBER, 2023 | Equality | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Equality: Social, Political and Economic; relationship between equality & freedom; Affirmative action |
| SESSION - 21 15 NOVEMBER, 2023 | Liberty | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Liberty: social, political and economic; Definition, nature and theories |
| SESSION - 22 17 NOVEMBER, 2023 | Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 05 | |
| SESSION - 23 19 NOVEMBER, 2023 | Topical Test - 5 | |
| SESSION - 24 20 NOVEMBER, 2023 | Rights | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rights: Meaning and theories; different kinds of rights; Concept of Human Rights |
| SESSION - 25 21 NOVEMBER, 2023 | Democracy | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Democracy: Classical and contemporary theories; Different models of democracy – representative, participatory and deliberative |
| SESSION - 26 22 NOVEMBER, 2023 | Power | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Power: Concept of power; hegemony, ideology and legitimacy |
| SESSION - 27 24 NOVEMBER, 2023 | Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 06 | |
| SESSION - 28 26 NOVEMBER, 2023 | Topical Test - 6 | |
| SESSION - 29 27 NOVEMBER, 2023 | Indian Political Thought-1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dharmashastra, Arthashastra and Buddhist Traditions Sir Syed Ahmed Khan |
| SESSION - 30 28 NOVEMBER, 2023 | Indian Political Thought-2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> M.K. Gandhi B.R. Ambedkar |
| SESSION - 31 29 NOVEMBER, 2023 | Indian Political Thought-3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sri Aurobindo M.N. Roy |

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| SESSION - 32 01 DECEMBER, 2023 | Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 07 | |
| SESSION - 33 03 DECEMBER, 2023 | Topical Test - 7 | |
| SESSION - 34 | Sectional Test – 1 – Paper 1:Section A (Political Theory and Indian Politics) | |
| Paper 1: Section-B (Indian Government & Politics) | | |
| SESSION - 35 04 DECEMBER, 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 05 DECEMBER, 2023 | Indian Nationalism-2 | ◉ Perspectives of Indian National Movement: Liberal, Socialist and Marxist; Radical Humanist and Dalit |
| SESSION - 37 08 DECEMBER, 2023 | Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 08 | |
| SESSION - 38 10 DECEMBER, 2023 | Topical Test - 8 | |
| SESSION - 39 11 DECEMBER, 2023 | Making of the Indian Constitution | ◉ Making of the Indian Constitution: Legacies of the British Rule; Different social and political perspectives |
| SESSION - 40 12 DECEMBER, 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 |

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| SESSION - 41 15 DECEMBER, 2023 | Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 09 | |
| SESSION - 42 17 DECEMBER, 2023 | Topical Test - 9 | |
| SESSION - 43 18 DECEMBER, 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 19 DECEMBER, 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 22 DECEMBER, 2023 | Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 10 | |
| SESSION - 46 24 DECEMBER, 2023 | Topical Test - 10 | |
| SESSION - 47 26 DECEMBER, 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 27 DECEMBER, 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 28 DECEMBER, 2023 | Caste, Religion and Ethnicity in Indian Politics | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Caste, Religion and Ethnicity in Indian Politics |

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| SESSION - 50 29 DECEMBER, 2023 | Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 11 | |
| SESSION - 51 31 DECEMBER, 2023 | Topical Test -11 | |
| SESSION - 52 02 JANUARY, 2024 | Statutory Institutions/ Commissions | ◉ Statutory Institutions/ Commissions: Election commission, CAG, Finance Commission, UPSC, NCSC, NCST, NCW, NHRC, NCM, NBCC. |
| SESSION - 53 03 JANUARY, 2024 | 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 04 JANUARY, 2024 | Social Movements | ◉ Social Movements: Civil liberties and human rights movements; women's movements; environmentalist movements. |
| SESSION - 55 05 JANUARY, 2024 | Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 12 | |
| SESSION - 56 07 JANUARY, 2024 | Topical Test -12 | |
| SESSION - 57 | Sectional Test – 2 – Paper 1:Section B (Indian Government & Politics) | |
| Paper 2: Section-A (Comparative Politics and International Relations) | | |
| SESSION - 58 08 JANUARY, 2024 | Comparative Politics, State in Comparative Perspective | ◉ Comparative Politics: Nature and major approaches; Political economy and political sociology perspectives; Limitations of the comparative method |

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| | | <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 09 JANUARY, 2024 | 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 12 JANUARY, 2024 | Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 13 | |
| SESSION - 61 14 JANUARY, 2024 | Topical Test -13 | |
| SESSION - 62 15 JANUARY, 2024 | 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 16 JANUARY, 2024 | 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 19 JANUARY, 2024 | Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 14 | |
| SESSION - 65 21 JANUARY, 2024 | Topical Test -14 | |
| SESSION - 66 22 JANUARY, 2024 | Changing International Political Order | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Changing International Political Order: (a) Rise of super powers; Strategic and Ideological Bipolarity, |

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| | | 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 23 JANUARY, 2024 | 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 25 JANUARY, 2024 | Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 15 | |
| SESSION - 69 27 JANUARY, 2024 | Topical Test - 15 | |
| SESSION - 70 28 JANUARY, 2024 | 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 29 JANUARY, 2024 | Regionalization of World Politics | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Regionalization of World Politics: EU, ASEAN, APEC, AARC, NAFTA |
| SESSION - 72 02 FEBRUARY, 2024 | Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 16 | |
| SESSION - 73 04 FEBRUARY, 2024 | Topical Test - 16 | |

| SESSION - 74 | | Sectional Test – 3 – Paper 2:Section A (Comparative Politics and International Relations) |
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| Paper 2: Section-B (India & The World) | | |
| SESSION - 75 05 FEBRUARY, 2024 | 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 06 FEBRUARY, 2024 | 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 07 FEBRUARY, 2024 | 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 09 FEBRUARY, 2024 | Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 17 | |
| SESSION - 79 11 FEBRUARY, 2024 | Topical Test -17 | |
| SESSION - 80 12 FEBRUARY, 2024 | 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 13 FEBRUARY, 2024 | India & the Nuclear Question, and Recent developments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> India & the Nuclear Question: Changing perceptions and policy |

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| in Indian Foreign Policy | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 16 FEBRUARY, 2024 | Previous Year Questions (PYQs): 18 | |
| SESSION - 83 18 FEBRUARY, 2024 | Topical Test -18 | |
| SESSION - 84 | 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 |