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CSE  
Qualifier  
2025

# SOCIOLOGY

OPTIONAL

Complete Syllabus *in* **60** DAYS

*through*

**DAILY ANSWER WRITING  
& MENTORSHIP**

**30<sup>+</sup>** MENTORSHIP  
SESSIONS

Based on 23 Topical Tests to cover  
entire syllabus of Geography Optional.

**4** WEEKLY  
Revision  
Tests

**4** SECTIONAL  
Tests



Detailed Discussion of the Tests  
for better clarity



Daily Preparation Target with  
Strict Schedule (No Flexi Format)



One on One Mentorship Sessions  
for Marks Improvement

**Mentor: RAKESH VERMA**

BATCH  
STARTS

**22**

**SEPTEMBER**

**PROGRAMME FEE**  
₹ 10,000 +GST



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# Course COMPONENTS

CSE Qualifier 2025 – Sociology offers a 60-day comprehensive coverage of the entire optional syllabus, with a special focus on daily answer writing and personalized mentorship. This course emphasizes the critical role of consistent answer writing practice to sharpen conceptual understanding, improve answer presentation, and align with UPSC's marking demands. With daily writing sessions and expert guidance, aspirants will be well-prepared to handle Sociology questions with confidence, ensuring a structured and disciplined approach to excel in the examination. The programme will include:

1

## DAILY ANSWER WRITING

The syllabus is divided into 23 Topical Tests to cover each topic through daily answer writing



2

## MENTORSHIP

3-4 Mentorship sessions in a week comprising Pre-Test and Post-Test (5 Questions) based on Topical Tests.



3

## REVISION

Weekly Revision Tests and Sectional Tests will be conducted after every 2 weeks to cover different dimensions of the topics covered.



# Course DELIVERY

**STEP  
01**



## PRE-TEST MENTORSHIP SESSION

Concept Building Mentorship Session for the Topical Tests will include discussion of important concepts for the topics mentioned in the upcoming test.

**ATTEMPT THE TEST**  
as per the Test Schedule



**STEP  
02**

**STEP  
03**



## EVALUATION

The Topical Test will be evaluated within 2 working days

## POST-TEST MENTORSHIP SESSION

Doubt-clearing session after evaluation for common mistakes, key demand of the questions, answer structure and modification in learning process.



**STEP  
04**

**STEP  
05**



## ONE-ON-ONE COPY DISCUSSION

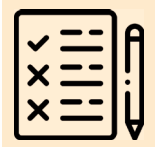
after evaluation with the faculty for marks improvement and better outcome.

# Mentorship & Test PROCEDURE

**01**

The **Pre-Test and Post-Test Mentorship Sessions** will be held for each Mains Topical Test. The session will be held on **Google Meet** and the timing will be **8:00 PM**.

The **Offline Students** can attempt the test between **09:00 AM to 4:00 PM** at the Test Center.

**02****03**

The **Online Students** can attempt the test between **09:00 AM to 7:00 PM** in your account at [iascore.in](https://iascore.in).

Evaluation of the **Topical Test Mains Copy** will be done within **2 working days** or **before the Mentorship Session** for that Test.

**04****05**

Evaluation of Weekly Revision and Subject Revision Mains Tests will be done **within 5 working days**.

# Mentorship & Test SESSION PLAN

WEEK, TEST TYPE & DATE		DATE & TOPIC
WEEK: 01	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION – 01</b> <b>(PRE-TEST)</b>	<b>22 SEPTEMBER, 2024</b> <b>TOPICAL TESTS: 01-06</b>
	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 01</b> <b>23 SEPTEMBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ <b>Sociology The Discipline</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Modernity and social changes in Europe and emergence of sociology.</li> <li>▶ Scope of the subject and comparison with other social sciences.</li> <li>▶ Sociology and common sense.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 02</b> <b>25 SEPTEMBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ <b>Sociology as a Science</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Science, scientific method and critique.</li> <li>▶ Major theoretical strands of research methodology.</li> <li>▶ Positivism and its critique.</li> <li>▶ Fact value and objectivity.</li> <li>▶ Non- positivist methodologies.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 02</b> <b>(POST-TEST)</b>	<b>26 SEPTEMBER, 2024</b> <b>TOPICAL TEST - 01</b>
	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 3</b> <b>27 SEPTEMBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ <b>Research Methods</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Qualitative and quantitative methods.</li> <li>▶ Techniques of data collection.</li> <li>▶ Variables, sampling, hypothesis, reliability and validity.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 03</b> <b>(POST-TEST)</b>	<b>28 SEPTEMBER, 2024</b> <b>Topical Test - 02</b>

WEEK, TEST TYPE & DATE		DATE & TOPIC
WEEK: 01	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 4</b> <b>30 SEPTEMBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ <b>Sociological Thinkers – 1</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Karl Marx- Historical materialism, mode of production, alienation, class struggle.</li> <li>▶ Emile Durkheim- Division of labour, social fact, suicide, religion and society.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 04</b> <b>(POST-TEST)</b>	<b>01 OCTOBER, 2024</b> <b>Topical Test - 03</b>
WEEK: 03	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 5</b> <b>02 OCTOBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ <b>Sociological Thinkers – 2</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Max Weber- Social action, ideal types, authority, bureaucracy, protestant ethic and the spirit of capitalism.</li> <li>▶ Talcott Parsons- Social system, pattern variables.</li> <li>▶ Robert K. Merton- Latent and manifest functions, conformity and deviance, reference groups</li> <li>▶ Mead - Self and identity.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 05</b> <b>(POST-TEST)</b>	<b>03 OCTOBER, 2024</b> <b>Topical Test - 04</b>
	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 6</b> <b>04 OCTOBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ <b>Stratification and Mobility</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Concepts- equality, inequality, hierarchy, exclusion, poverty and deprivation</li> <li>▶ Theories of social stratification- Structural functionalist theory, Marxist theory, Weberian theory.</li> <li>▶ Dimensions – Social stratification of class, status groups, gender, ethnicity and race.</li> <li>▶ Social mobility- open and closed systems, types of mobility, sources and causes of mobility.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 06</b> <b>(POST-TEST)</b>	<b>05 OCTOBER, 2024</b> <b>TOPICAL TEST - 05</b>

WEEK, TEST TYPE & DATE		DATE & TOPIC
WEEK: 03	MENTORSHIP SESSION: 07 (POST-TEST)	07 OCTOBER, 2024 TOPICAL TEST - 06
	WEEKLY REVISION TEST - 1 08 OCTOBER, 2024	REVISION OF WEEK: 01 & 02
	SECTIONAL REVISION TEST - 1 11 OCTOBER, 2024	SYLLABUS (TOPICAL TEST 1 TO 6)
	MENTORSHIP SESSION: 08 (PRE-TEST)	13 OCTOBER, 2024 TOPICAL TESTS – 07 TO 12
WEEK: 04	TOPICAL TEST: 7 14 OCTOBER, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ <b>Work and Economic Life:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Social organization of work in different types of society- slave society, feudal society, industrial / capitalist society.</li> <li>▶ Formal and informal organization of work</li> <li>▶ Labour and society.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	TOPICAL TEST: 8 16 OCTOBER, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ <b>Politics and Society:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Sociological theories of power</li> <li>▶ Power elite, bureaucracy, pressure groups, and political parties.</li> <li>▶ Nation, state, citizenship, democracy, civil society, ideology.</li> <li>▶ Protest, agitation, social movements, collective action, revolution.</li> </ul> </li> <li>▣ <b>Politics and Society (Paper 2)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Nation, democracy and citizenship.</li> <li>▶ Political parties, pressure groups , social and political elite.</li> <li>▶ Regionalism and decentralization of power.</li> <li>▶ Secularization</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	MENTORSHIP SESSION: 09 (POST-TEST)	17 OCTOBER, 2024 TOPICAL TEST - 07

WEEK, TEST TYPE & DATE		DATE & TOPIC
WEEK: 04	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 9</b> <b>18 OCTOBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ <b>Religion and Society:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Sociological theories of religion.</li> <li>▶ Types of religious practices: animism, monism, pluralism, sects, cults.</li> <li>▶ Religion in modern society: religion and science, secularization, religious revivalism, fundamentalism.</li> </ul> </li> <li>▣ <b>Religion and Society (Paper 2)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Religious communities in India.</li> <li>▶ Problems of religious minorities.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 10</b> <b>(POST-TEST)</b>	<b>19 OCTOBER, 2024</b> <b>TOPICAL TEST - 08</b>
WEEK: 05	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 10</b> <b>21 OCTOBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ <b>Kinship Systems:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Family, household, marriage.</li> <li>▶ Types and forms of family.</li> <li>▶ Lineage and descent</li> <li>▶ Patriarchy and sexual division of labour</li> <li>▶ Contemporary trends.</li> </ul> </li> <li>▣ <b>Systems of Kinship in India (Paper 2)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Lineage and descent in India.</li> <li>▶ Types of kinship systems.</li> <li>▶ Family and marriage in India.</li> <li>▶ Household dimensions of the family.</li> <li>▶ Patriarchy, entitlements and sexual division of labour.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 11</b> <b>(POST-TEST)</b>	<b>22 OCTOBER, 2024</b> <b>TOPICAL TEST: 09</b>
	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 11</b> <b>23 OCTOBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ <b>Social Change in Modern Society:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Sociological theories of social change.</li> <li>▶ Development and dependency.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



WEEK, TEST TYPE & DATE		DATE & TOPIC
WEEK: 05		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Agents of social change.</li> <li>▶ Education and social change.</li> <li>▶ Science, technology and social change.</li> </ul>
	<u>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 12</u> (POST-TEST)	<u>24 OCTOBER, 2024</u> TOPICAL TEST: 10
	TOPICAL TEST: 12 <b>25 OCTOBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ <b>Introducing Indian Society-</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Perspectives on the study of Indian society:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Indology (GS. Ghurye).</li> <li>◆ Structural functionalism (M N Srinivas).</li> <li>◆ Marxist sociology (A R Desai).</li> </ul> </li> <li>▶ Impact of colonial rule on Indian society :                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Social background of Indian nationalism.</li> <li>◆ Modernization of Indian tradition.</li> <li>◆ Protests and movements during the colonial period.</li> <li>◆ Social reforms</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<u>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 13</u> (POST-TEST)	<u>26 OCTOBER, 2024</u> TOPICAL TEST: 11
WEEK: 06	<u>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 14</u> (POST-TEST)	<u>28 OCTOBER, 2024</u> TOPICAL TEST: 12
	WEEKLY REVISION TEST-2	<u>30 OCTOBER, 2024</u> (Revision of Week 4 & 5)
	SECTIONAL REVISION TEST - 2	<u>02 NOVEMBER, 2024</u> Syllabus (Topical Test 7 to 12)
	<u>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 15</u> (PRE-TEST)	<u>03 NOVEMBER, 2024</u> Topical Test – 13 to 18

WEEK, TEST TYPE & DATE		DATE & TOPIC
WEEK: 07	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 13</b> <b>04 NOVEMBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ <b>Rural and Agrarian Social Structure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ The idea of Indian village and village studies-</li> <li>▶ Agrarian social structure –</li> <li>▶ Evolution of land tenure system, land reforms.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 14</b> <b>06 NOVEMBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ <b>Caste System:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Perspectives on the study of caste systems: GS Ghurye, M N Srinivas, Louis Dumont, Andre Beteille.</li> <li>▶ Features of caste system.</li> <li>▶ Untouchability - forms and perspectives</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 16</b> <b>(POST-TEST)</b>	<b>07 NOVEMBER, 2024</b> <b>TOPICAL TEST: 13</b>
	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 15</b> <b>08 NOVEMBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ <b>Tribal Communities:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Definitional problems.</li> <li>▶ Geographical spread.</li> <li>▶ Colonial policies and tribes.</li> <li>▶ Issues of integration and autonomy.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 17</b> <b>(POST-TEST)</b>	<b>09 NOVEMBER, 2024</b> <b>TOPICAL TEST: 14</b>
WEEK: 08	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 16</b> <b>11 NOVEMBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ <b>Social Classes in India:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Agrarian class structure.</li> <li>▶ Industrial class structure.</li> <li>▶ Middle classes in India.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 18</b> <b>(POST-TEST)</b>	<b>12 NOVEMBER, 2024</b> <b>TOPICAL TEST: 15</b>
	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 17</b> <b>13 NOVEMBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ <b>Social Change in India:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Visions of Social Change in India: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Idea of development planning and mixed economy.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>

WEEK, TEST TYPE & DATE		DATE & TOPIC
WEEK: 08		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Constitution, law and social change.</li> <li>◆ Education and social change.</li> </ul>
	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 19</b> <b>(POST-TEST)</b>	<b>14 NOVEMBER, 2024</b> <b>TOPICAL TEST: 16</b>
	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 18</b> <b>15 NOVEMBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ <b>Rural and Agrarian Transformation:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Programmes of rural development, Community Development Programme, cooperatives, poverty alleviation schemes.</li> <li>▶ Green revolution and social change.</li> <li>▶ Changing modes of production in Indian agriculture.</li> <li>▶ Problems of rural labour, bondage, migration.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 20</b> <b>(POST-TEST)</b>	<b>16 NOVEMBER, 2024</b> <b>TOPICAL TEST: 17</b>
WEEK: 09	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 21</b> <b>(POST-TEST)</b>	<b>18 NOVEMBER, 2024</b> <b>TOPICAL TEST: 18</b>
	<b>WEEKLY REVISION TEST-3</b>	<b>20 NOVEMBER, 2024</b> <b>(REVISION OF WEEK: 07 &amp; 08)</b>
	<b>SECTIONAL REVISION TEST - 3</b>	<b>22 NOVEMBER, 2024</b> <b>SYLLABUS (TOPICAL TEST 13 TO 18)</b>
	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 22</b> <b>(PRE-TEST)</b>	<b>23 NOVEMBER, 2024</b> <b>TOPICAL TEST: 19 TO 25</b>
WEEK: 10	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 19</b> <b>25 NOVEMBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▣ <b>Industrialization and Urbanisation-</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Evolution of modern industry in India.</li> <li>▶ Growth of urban settlements in India.</li> <li>▶ Working class: structure, growth, class mobilization.</li> <li>▶ Informal sector, child labour</li> <li>▶ Slums and deprivation in urban areas.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

WEEK, TEST TYPE & DATE		DATE & TOPIC
WEEK: 10	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 20</b> <b>27 NOVEMBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▫ <b>Social Movements in modern India-</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Peasants and farmers movements.</li> <li>▶ Women's movement.</li> <li>▶ Backward classes &amp; Dalit movement.</li> <li>▶ Environmental movements.</li> <li>▶ Ethnicity and Identity movements.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 23</b> <b>(POST-TEST)</b>	<b>28 NOVEMBER, 2024</b> <b>TOPICAL TEST: 19</b>
	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 21</b> <b>29 NOVEMBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▫ <b>Population Dynamics:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Population size, growth, composition and distribution.</li> <li>▶ Components of population growth: birth, death, migration.</li> <li>▶ Population policy and family planning.</li> <li>▶ Emerging issues: ageing, sex ratios, child and infant mortality, reproductive health.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 24</b> <b>(POST-TEST)</b>	<b>30 NOVEMBER, 2024</b> <b>TOPICAL TEST: 20</b>
WEEK: 11	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 22</b> <b>02 DECEMBER, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▫ <b>Challenges of Social Transformation:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Crisis of development: displacement, environmental problems and sustainability.</li> <li>▶ Poverty, deprivation and inequalities.</li> <li>▶ Violence against women.</li> <li>▶ Caste conflicts.</li> <li>▶ Ethnic conflicts, communalism, religious revivalism.</li> <li>▶ Illiteracy and disparities in education.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 25</b> <b>(POST-TEST)</b>	<b>03 DECEMBER, 2024</b> <b>TOPICAL TEST: 21</b>

WEEK, TEST TYPE & DATE		DATE & TOPIC
WEEK: 11	<b>TOPICAL TEST: 23</b> <b>04 DECEMBER, 2024</b>	<b>Dynamic and Application Based Topics</b>
	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 26</b> <b>(POST-TEST)</b>	<b>05 DECEMBER, 2024</b> <b>TOPICAL TEST: 22</b>
WEEK: 12	<b>MENTORSHIP SESSION: 27</b> <b>(POST-TEST)</b>	<b>09 DECEMBER, 2024</b> <b>TOPICAL TEST: 23</b>
	<b>WEEKLY REVISION TEST-4</b>	<b>12 DECEMBER, 2024</b> <b>(REVISION OF WEEK 10 &amp; 11)</b>
	<b>SECTIONAL REVISION TEST - 4</b>	<b>15 DECEMBER, 2024</b> <b>SYLLABUS (TOPICAL TEST 18 TO 25)</b>

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