

## **POLITICAL SCIENCE** MAINS TEST SERIES 2025

**TEST SERIES** *cum* **MENTORSHIP PROGRAMME** 



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Ç Pre-test and Post-test
A A Mentorship to Identify target





**Elaborate Discussion after** each test

**Detailed Model Answer Hints** 

- Copy Evaluation & **Discussion:** 
  - After submission of Copy, **Evaluation will be done** within a week.

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After Copy Evaluation One to One Discussion with Faculty will be conducted







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## TEST SCHEDULE

<b>TEST NAME &amp; DATE</b>	TEST TOPICS
<b>TEST-1</b> 20 OCTOBER, 2024	<ul> <li>Western Political Thought :Plato ,Aristotle, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke, John,S. Mill, Marx, Gramsci, Hannah Arendt</li> <li>Political Ideologies: Liberalism, Socialism, Marxism, Fascism, Gandhism and Feminism</li> </ul>
TEST-2 27 OCTOBER, 2024	<ul> <li>Political theory meaning and approaches</li> <li>Theories of the state: Liberal, Neoliberal, Marxist, Pluralist, Post-colonial and feminist</li> <li>Justice: Conceptions of justice with special reference to Rawl's theory of justice and its communitarian critiques.</li> <li>Equality: Social, political and economic relationship between equality and freedom; Affirmative action</li> <li>Rights: Meaning and theories; different kinds of rights; concept of Human Rights.</li> <li>Democracy: Classical and contemporary theories; different models of democracy' representative, participatory and deliberative</li> <li>Concept of Power: Hegemony, Ideology and Legitimacy</li> </ul>
TEST-3 03 NOVEMBER, 2024	<ul> <li>Indian Political Thought: Dharamshastra, Arthashastra and Buddhist traditions; Sir Syed Ahmed Khan, Sri Aurobindo, M.K. Gandhi, B.R. Ambedkar,M.N. Roy.</li> </ul>



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	<ul> <li>Indian Nationalism:</li> <li>Political Strategies of India's Freedom struggle: constitutionalism to mass Satyagraha, Non-cooperation, Civil Disobedience; millitant and revolutionary movements, Peasant and workers' movements.</li> <li>Perspectives on Indian National Movement: Liberal, Socialist and Marxist; Radical humanist</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>and Dalit</li> <li>Making of the Indian Constitution: Legacies of the British rule; different social and political perspectives.</li> <li>Salient Features of the Indian Constitution: The Preamble, Fundamental Rights and Duties, Directive Principles; Parliamentary System and Amendment Procedures; Judicial Review and Basic Structure doctrine</li> <li>Principal Organs of the Union Government: EQnvisaged role and actual working of the Executive, Legislature and Supreme Court</li> <li>Principal Organs of the State Government: Envisaged role and actual working of the Executive, Legislature and High Courts</li> </ul>
TEST-4 10 NOVEMBER, 2024	<ul> <li>Grassroots Democracy: Panchayati Raj and Municipal Government; significance of 73rd and 74th Amendments; Grassroot movements</li> <li>Federalism: Constitutional provisions; changing nature of centre-state relations; integrationist tendencies and regional aspirations; inter-state disputes.</li> <li>Planning and Economic Development: Nehruvian and Gandhian perspectives; role of planning and public sector; Green Revolution, land reforms and agrarian relations; liberalilzation and economic reforms.</li> <li>Caste, Religion and Ethnicity in Indian Politics</li> </ul>





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	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Social Movements: Civil liberties and human rights movements; women's movements; environmentalist movements</li> </ul>
TEST-5 17 NOVEMBER, 2024	<ul> <li>Approaches to the Study of International Relations: Idealist, Realist, Marxist, Functionalist and Systems theory.</li> <li>Key concepts in International Relations: National interest, Security and power; Balance of power and deterrence; Transnational actors and collective security; World capitalist economy and globalisation.</li> <li>Contemporary Global Concerns: Democracy, human rights, environment, gender justice, terrorism, nuclear proliferation.</li> </ul>
TEST-6 24 NOVEMBER, 2024	<ul> <li>Changing International Political Order         <ul> <li>Rise of super powers; strategic and ideological Bipolarity, arms race and Cold War; nuclear threat;</li> <li>Non-al igned movement: Aims and achievements;</li> <li>Collapse of the Soviet Union; Unipolarity and American hegemony; relevance of non-alignment in the contemporary world</li> </ul> </li> <li>ComparativePolitics:Natureandmajorapproaches; politicaleconomyand political sociology perspectives; limitations of the comparative method.</li> <li>State in comparative perspective: Characteristics and changing nature of the State in capitalist and socialist economies, and, advanced industrial and developing societies.</li> </ul>



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	<ul> <li>Politics of Representation and Participation: Political parties, pressure groups and social movements in advanced industrial and developing societies.</li> <li>Globalisation: Responses from developed and developing societies</li> <li>Evolution of the International Economic System: From Brettonwoods to WTO; Socialist economies and the CMEA (Council for Mutual Economic Assistance); Third World demand for new international economic order; Globalisation of the world economy.</li> </ul>
TEST-7 01 DECEMBER, 2024	<ul> <li>Indian Foreign Policy: Determinants of foreign policy; institutions of policy-making; continuity and change.</li> <li>Non-aligned Movement: Aims and achievements. Relevance of non-alignment in the contemporary world, India's Contribution to the Non-Alignment Movement: Different phases; current role</li> <li>India and South Asia: Regional Co-operation: SAARC' past performance and future prospects.</li> <li>South Asia as a Free Trade Area.</li> <li>India's "Look East" policy</li> <li>Impediments to regional co-operation: river water disputes; illegal cross-border migration; ethnic conflicts and insurgencies; border disputes.</li> <li>India and the Nuclear Question: Changing perceptions and policy</li> </ul>
TEST-8 08 DECEMBER, 2024	<ul> <li>India and the Global South: Relations with Africa and Latin America; leadership role in the demand for NIEO and WTO negotiations</li> <li>India and the Global Centres of Power: USA, EU, Japan, China and Russia</li> </ul>





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	<ul> <li>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.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>United Nations: Envisaged role and actual record; specialized UN agencies-aims and functioning; need for UN reforms.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>India and the UN System: Role in UN Peace- keeping; demand for Permanent Seat in the Security Council.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Regionalisation of World Politics: EU, ASEAN, APEC, SAARC, NAFTA</li> </ul>
AFTER PRELIMS	
TEST-9	MOCK - 1 (PAPER - 1)
TEST-10	MOCK - 2 (PAPER - 2)
TEST-11	MOCK - 3 (PAPER - 1)
TEST-12	MOCK - 4 (PAPER - 2)

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