

GS SCORE

An Institute for Civil Services

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GS PAPER 2

Complete Solution for 250 Marks

- Complete coverage of syllabus of GS Paper 2 (for Prelims & Mains)
- Classes for
 - Polity & Constitution
 - Governance & Social Justice
 - International Relation
- Regular Answer Writing for each subject
- Special Classes & Tests for Prelims
- Total 12 Tests:
 - ▶ 7 Revision Tests
 - ▶ 3 Sectional + 2 Mock Tests After Prelims
- Printed Study Material
- Monthly Current Affairs in Online Mode Only
- Personalised Mentorship

BATCH STARTS

**09 JANUARY
2023**

TIMINGS

06:00 PM to 8:30 PM

₹ COURSE FEE

**₹ 20,000/-
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Course DELIVERY

The Course involves the start from basics of all the concepts and raising the bar through our innovative course delivery to encounter both prelims and Mains examination decisively. The course delivery includes:



01 CLASS

Each topic would start from basics and core concepts to applied context consisting:

1. **Basic Concepts, Exam Relevant Content & Analysis of the topic.**
2. **Prelims, Application & Current Perspectives of the topic.**
3. **Expected questions & PYQ.**



02 ANSWER WRITING PRACTICE & TEST

Art of writing a good Answer for mains and solving problems for prelims will be developed through:

1. **Regular answer writing sessions**
1. **Subject Wise Prelims & Mains Tests**
2. **Mock Tests after Prelims**



03 PERSONALISED MENTORSHIP

One-on-one guidance by the faculty will be ensured through:

1. **Regular Doubt clearing Session**
2. **Effective copy evaluation**
3. **Personalised feedback**



04 STUDY MATERIAL

For making candidates ready to excel in both Prelims and Mains as well as for constant value addition, study material will be provided in form of:

1. **Subject Specific Study Material**
2. **Various Worksheets**

Course

SESSION PLAN

-- Note --

The following session plan is only indicative of the issues and the topics to be covered in different sessions; actual coverage of issues would be far wider

CONSTITUTION & INDIAN POLITY

| SESSION | TOPICS | SUB TOPIC | CONTEMPORARY ISSUES |
|---------|--|--|---|
| 1 | Indian Constitution— Historical Underpinnings, Evolution, Features, | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction • History • Making of Constitution • Key Features of Constitution | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministry of Cooperation • Delimitation commission |
| 2 | Preamble, Significant Provisions, Basic Structure | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preamble and Its significance • Key features • Basic Structure Doctrine | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Standards Of Basic Structure: Questioning The Master Of The Roster • Positive secularism |
| 3 | Union and states | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concept of Union of States • Territorial Division • Reorganisation • Demand for New States and UTs • Challenges and Issues | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inter-State Disputes • Demand for New States • Demand for Legislative Council • Enemy Property |
| 4 | Citizenship | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meaning • Significance • Citizenship Act • Issues and Challenges | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Citizenship Amendment Act • NRC • NPR • PIO and OIC Issue |

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| 5 | Fundamental Rights 1 | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mob-lyching • Religion and Conversions • Freedom of Religious practices • Custodial Torture • Dilemma Between Aadhar and Privacy • Hate Speech • Right to protest vs. Right to mobilization |
| 6 | Fundamental Rights 2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic of Fundamental Rights • Significance • Right to Equality • Right to Freedom | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mandamus Cannot Be Issued For Setting Up An Adjudicatory Body Or Tribunal: Supreme Court |
| 7 | Fundamental Rights 3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Right Against Exploitation • Right to Freedom of Religion • Cultural and Educational Rights • Right to Constitutional Remedies | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Article 32 and its ever changing interpretation • Right to be Forgotten • Right to protest vs. Right to mobilization • Right to speedy trial is a fundamental right? |
| 8 | Fundamental Rights 4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Writs • Armed Forces and Fundamental Rights • Martial Law and Fundamental Rights • Property Rights | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The right to Health • Getting government aid: Fundamental Right or DPSP • Preventive Detention: A necessary Evil? |
| 9 | Fundamental Rights 5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issues • Law vs Fundamental Rights • Evaluation of Fundamental Rights • Other Rights | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Article 32 and its ever changing interpretation • Right to be Forgotten • Right to protest vs. Right to mobilization • The right to Health |
| 10 | Fundamental Rights 6 | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sedition Law • The IT Rules and constitutionality • Validity of self-incriminating evidence (narco, lie detection tests, etc.) • Sedition Laws |

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| 11 | Directive Principles of State Policy Fundamental Duties and Amendments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Features and classification Directives- Old and New Significance • Issues, criticism and Evaluation • What are Fundamental Duties? • Significance and Issues • Amendment: Types • Procedure • Issues and evaluation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High Court on Uniform Civil Code • The Constitution (One Hundred and Second Amendment) Act, 2018 |
| PT Special-1 | | Constitution (history, evolution, etc.), Citizenship, Fundamental Rights, DPSP, Fundamental Duties, etc. | |
| Revision Test-1 | | Prelims Test + Mains Answer Writing (Session 1-11) | |
| 12 | Federalism, Centre-state and Inter-state Relations | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal System: Features • Federal System: Evaluation • Centre-State Relations: Legislative, Executive, Financial • Inter-State dynamics | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health in Concurrent list: A solution for Health Sector • Inter-State Border Disputes • Bifurcation of States: Good or Bad? • Era of Combative Federalism • 7th Schedule |
| 13 | Parliament & Legislatures 1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parliamentary System • Parliament and State Legislatures: An institution • Composition • Elections • Duration • Membership | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (One Nation, One Legislative Platform) • Parliamentary Proceedings • Logjam • Performance of Parliament • One- nation, One legislative platform |
| 14 | Parliament & Legislatures 2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Houses • Presiding Officers • Leaders • Sessions • Devices | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maharashtra's Governor & Speaker • Position of Deputy Speaker • Position of LOP • Maharashtra's Governor and Speaker |

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| 15 | Parliament & Legislatures 3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procedure of Proceedings • Budget • Evaluation of Role | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confidence Motion • Parliamentary Privileges • Question and Zero Hour • Certification of bills as money bill: Discretionary power of Speaker |
| 16 | Parliament & Legislatures 4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parliamentary Committees • Financial Committees • Departmental Standing Committees • Other Committees • Forums and Groups | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effectiveness of Parliamentary Committees • Role of Committees in Public Consultation • Intra-committee politics |
| 17 | Emergency provisions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Types of Emergency • Constitutional Provisions • Issues and criticism • Evaluation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Article 356 and 365-Need a relook |
| 18 | Union Executive | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President & Vice President • Elections • Qualifications • Significance • Powers • Evaluation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discretion to call and form the government |
| 19 | Union Executive | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prime Minister & Cabinet • Role and Appointment • Significance • PMO • Cabinet and Council of Ministers • Cabinet Committee • Evaluation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PMO v/s Ministries |
| 20 | Judiciary | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structure • Supreme Court • Composition and Appointment of Judiciary • Tenure and Removal | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The state of Judicial Infrastructure • Judicial Appointments • The State of Judicial Infrastructure |

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| 21 | Judiciary | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Independence of Supreme Court Jurisdiction and Powers of Supreme Court Other Issues | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> UAPA and the growing crisis of judicial credibility in India e-Courts Project 'Indianising' legal system Imposing of 'Hindi' as official court language Recusal in India Income can't be the sole basis to decide Creamy layer: SC |
| 22 | Judiciary | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judicial Review Judicial Activism Public Interest Litigation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The IT Rules fail the test of constitutionality Criminal Justice System Article 142 Default Bail POSCO Act Death penalty |
| 23 | Judiciary | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> High Court and Subordinate Courts Composition and Appointment Tenure, Removal and Transfer Jurisdiction and Powers Tribunals Subordinate Courts National Legal Services Authority Lok Adalats Other Judicial Institutions and Structures | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tribunal Reforms: Commission for tribunal Appointments Special Courts To Try MPs, MLAs' Lower judiciary and centralised recruitment Pavement dwellers and their Rights Artificial Intelligence in Judiciary Judicial appointment |
| PT Special-2 | | Centre-state and Inter-state Relations, Parliament & Legislatures, Emergency, Union Executive, Judiciary, etc. | |
| Revision Test-2 | | Prelims Test + Mains Answer Writing (Session 12-23) | |
| 24 | Governor & State Executive | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Role and Significance of Governor Appointment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Governors and Power to pardon CM vs governor/LG/ Administrator |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Governor's Office Term Powers and Functions Constitutional Position CMO Cabinet and Council of Ministers Evaluation | |
| 25 | State Legislature | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Composition Elections Duration Membership Houses Presiding Officers Leaders Evaluation of Role | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Questions around the election of Deputy Speaker Official language of the States MLA's Suspension |
| 26 | Special Provisions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provisions for Maharashtra and Gujarat Provisions for Nagaland Provisions for Assam and Manipur Provisions for Andhra Pradesh or Telangana Provisions for Sikkim Provisions for Mizoram Provisions for Arunachal Pradesh and Goa Provisions for Karnataka | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demand for Inner Permit Line Issues around Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act. Sixth schedule of Iadakh |
| 27 | Local Government - 1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> History Evolution Committees and Commissions 73rd and 74th Constitutional Amendments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Municipal Bonds and issue of Finances Conflicting Jurisdiction Quota for locals |
| 28 | Local Government- 2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PRIs Structure Classification Implementation and Evaluation Urban Local Bodies | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional Disparity: A Source of All Discontent Decentralisation of Urban local bodies PESA: issues and developments |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structure • Classification • Implementation and Evaluation | |
| 29 | Union Territories; Scheduled and Tribal Areas | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creation of UTs • Administration of UTs • Special Provisions for Delhi • Administration of Scheduled Areas • Administration of Tribal Areas | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution of power between LG and elected government • Status of de-notified, notified and semi-nomadic Tribes. • SCs/STs benefits can be claimed only in one state |
| 30 | Elections | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Composition of ECI • Independence of ECI • Powers and Functions of ECI • Representation of People's Act | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State funding of elections • Simultaneous Election • NRIs and Postal Ballots • Right to recall • Registration of Political Parties • Issues around Election Symbols • E-voting system • Selection process of Election Commission • Need of Maintaining impartiality and autonomy of EC • One- nation, One-Election |
| 31 | Commissions for Backward and Vulnerable Sections | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Composition, Appointments, Powers & Functions, Mandate, and Issues related to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ National Commission for SCs ▶ National Commission for STs ▶ National Commission for BCs ▶ National Commission for Women ▶ National Commission for Protection of Child Rights | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transgender Rights • OBC Sub-categorization • EWS Quota problem |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Transgender ▶ Special Officer for Linguistic Minorities ▶ Other Commissions | |
| 32 | Constitutional Institutions - 1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Composition, Appointments, Powers & Functions, Mandate, and Issues related to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ UPSC ▶ SPSC ▶ Finance Commission ▶ GST Council ▶ CAG ▶ Attorney General ▶ Advocate General And other important Constitutional entities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compensation clauses • Politicization of GST Council • Independence of Constitutional Bodies • Right of UPSC Candidates for cadre of choice |
| 33 | Constitutional Institutions - 2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Composition, Appointments, Powers & Functions, Mandate, and Issues related to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ NITI Aayog ▶ NHRC ▶ State Human Rights Commission ▶ CIC ▶ SIC ▶ CVC ▶ CBI ▶ NIA ▶ NDMA And other important Non- Constitutional entities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curtailing of powers of institutions • Impartiality in Appointments • Call for unified Human Rights Commission • CBI & the states |
| 34 | Non-Constitutional Institutions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co-operative Societies • Public Services • Special Provisions • Political Dynamics And other important dimensions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poverty Of Accused Is Not A Mitigating Factor While Awarding Punishment Under NDPS Act: Supreme Court • Poll body for Cooperatives |
| 35 | Constitutional Dimensions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co-operative Societies • Public Services • Special Provisions • Political Dynamics And other important dimensions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poverty Of Accused Is Not A Mitigating Factor While Awarding Punishment Under NDPS Act: Supreme Court • Poll body for Cooperatives |

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| 36 | Significant Issues and Comparison with Other Constitutions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electoral Reforms • Coalition Government • Anti-Defection Law • Concurrent List And many other issues | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electoral bonds • The anti-defection law, and how it has often failed to discourage defection • Content Regulation of Government Advertisements during election. |
| PT Special-3 | | Governor & State Executive, State Legislature, Local government, Union Territories, Scheduled and Tribal Areas, RPAs, Commissions for Backward and Vulnerable Sections, Constitutional Institutions and Non-Constitutional Institutions, etc. | |
| Revision Test: 3 | | Prelims Test + Mains Answer Writing (Session 24 to 36) | |

GOVERNANCE & SOCIAL JUSTICE

| Session | Topic | Sub Topic | Contemporary Issues |
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| 1 | Important aspects of Governance | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is Governance? • What is Good Governance? • Significance • Various Aspects • Issues, Challenges and Solutions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate Governance: Role of State- Non-State Partnership • Fostering Agri-Governance • Startups and Governance • Evolution of Governance from Food, Shelter, clothing to Ease of Living • Internet shutdowns |
| 2 | Transparency and Accountability | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is transparency? • What is Accountability? • Types • Significance • Issues • Challenges • Solutions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Faceless Assessment Scheme • Creating citizen-centric police • Citizen Centricity and Status Quoist State • Social Impact Assesment and Participative Governance • Social Accountability • Transparency and protection of honest officials • Parliamentary Logjam- Political Accountability |
| 3 | e-Governance- Applications, Models, Successes, Limitations, and Potential | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is E-governance? • Significance • Issues • Challenges • Solutions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • e-Gram Swaraj Portal • Feminist approach to technology • E- Courts and Judicial Governance • PRAGATI Platform • Geospacial Planning Portal • Digital Governance Through AI • Social Media and Governance • Twitter Governance • Digital Sovereignty • E-bill processing system |

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| 4 | RTI | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RTI • History • Origins • Development • Significance • Issues • Challenges • Solutions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RTI Amendment- Pros and Cons • RTI in digital era |
| 5 | Citizens Charters | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is a Citizen's Charter? • History • Origins • Development • Significance • Issues • Challenges • Solutions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making citizen charter citizen centric • 360 degree shift- A Citizen's Charter by Citizens • A Citizen's Charter for Panchayats • A Tech Based Citizen's Charter • A Children's Charter |
| 6 | Transparency & Accountability- Institutional and Other Measures, Corruption | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Institutions to ensure transparency and Accountability • Performance of these Institutions • Mechanisms • Laws, Rules and Regulations | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee to review guidelines on Television Rating agencies in India. • Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) and Integrity Pact • Challenges to democracy |
| 7 | Role of Civil Services in a Democracy - 1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History • Evolution • Significance | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mission Karmayogi • Lateral Entry: need and Impact |
| 8 | Role of Civil Services in a Democracy - 2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changing role (Pre, Post and Present times) • Issues and Challenges • Way forward | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Civil Services and Sanction for Probe • Amendment in IAS cadre rules • Police reforms • Civil services and cooling off period |
| 9 | Administrative Reforms | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need • History • Status of Reforms • Various Committee and Commissions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2nd ARC and Other recent reforms |

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| 10 | Devolution of Powers And Finances up to Local Levels and Challenges Therein (Functional Aspects) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issues of Fund, Functions and Functionaries • Beyond 3Fs • Challenges • Solutions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Urban Local Bodies reforms in Telangana • Green Pachayats • Local Bodies and Disaster Management • Role of Local Governments in Pandemic • Panchayat and service delivery • Urban governance |
| 11 | Development Processes and the Development Industry | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concept of Development • Development theories and Strategies • Contemporary priorities and Challenges • Evaluation of Development | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One District One Product: For Northeast economies • Governing Structure for India • Energy Modelling Forum (IEMF) • Guiding the Television Rating agencies in India • India's food processing Potential • Increasing role of OTT platforms |
| 12 | NGOs & SHGs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Origins • Development • Issues • Challenges • Solutions • Stakeholders • Significance • Evaluation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and Funding NGOs and Legitimacy of State • SHGs and Pandemic-Cushioning Rural Governance • Vested interests |
| 13 | Various Groups And Associations, Donors, Charities, Institutional and Other Stakeholders | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Origins • Development • Issues • Challenges • Solutions • Stakeholders • Significance • Evaluation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Religion and community based groups • Regulating The Foreign Contribution Foreign Funding in India |
| 14 | Government policies and Interventions for Development and Issues Arising out of their Design and Implementation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bodies like Farmer and labour organisations, Pressure Groups, Influencing entities etc. • Origins | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farm groups • Labour Organization • Contemporising Data Protection Legislation |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development • Issues • Challenges • Solutions • Stakeholders • Significance • Evaluation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marital Rape • Under trials in India • Gambling |
| 15 | Human Development and State interventions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What do you mean by Human Development? • Key features and characteristics • Significance • Issues • Challenges • Solutions • Stakeholders • Evaluation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federalism and human capital • Child marriage law in India • Paternity Leave • Federalism and human capital-A decentralized approach • Gender Discrimination • The Scheduled Castes: from Untouchable to Dalit |
| 16 | Issues relating to the development and management of Social Sector/Services-Health | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status • Evolution • Issues • Challenges • Solutions • Stakeholders • Significance • Evaluation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance panel for PPPs on Health Infra • World Bank released report titled 'Traffic Crash Injuries and Disabilities: The Burden on Indian Society' • WHO- traditional medicines in India • Women and Public Health • National Public Health Bill |
| 17 | Issues relating to the development and management of Social Sector/Services-Education | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status • Evolution • Issues • Challenges • Solutions • Stakeholders • Significance • Evaluation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact of COVID on Education • Strengthening the Online Education Ecosystem in India • Role of indigenous languages • Changing need of Education • Global education scenario • India's reservation system |
| 18 | Issues relating to poverty and hunger | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status • Evolution • Issues | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poverty and its changing meaning. |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Challenges Solutions Stakeholders Significance Evaluation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increasing divide between rich and poor. Fortified Rice Aahar Kranti Mission Biofortified food: From food security to nutrition security Women & food security Food Security and the Public Distribution System Surplus Agricultural Produce and Malnutrition |
| 19 | <p>Welfare schemes for vulnerable sections of the population by the Centre and States and the performance of these schemes,</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Status Evolution Issues Challenges Solutions Stakeholders Significance Evaluation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poshan Abhiyan 'Safaimitra Suraksha Challenge': Ending Manual Scavenging by 2021. Digital Divide for India's Children Educated vs employable Youth State of Children in India |
| 20 | <p>Vulnerable Sections: mechanisms, laws, institutions and Bodies constituted for the protection and betterment of these vulnerable sections</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Various Schemes, Plans, Programmes, SPVs related to SC, ST, OBC, Disabled, Transgenders, elderly etc; their evaluation, pros and cons | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Internal Migration in India: The Supreme Court of India has delivered its judgment in the 'migrant labourer' case One Nation One Ration Card 'Trafficking in Persons (Prevention, Care and Rehabilitation) Bill, 2021' (TIP Bill). Gender Justice Requirements of Policing Manual Scavenging Morality of Abortion Human Trafficking in India |
| 21 | <p>Statutory, regulatory and various quasi-judicial bodies.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Composition, Appointments, Powers & Functions, Mandate, and Issues related bodies like: SEBI, NGT, RBI, TRAI, etc. Composition, Appointments, Powers & Functions, Mandate, and Issues related to various Tribunals | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Changing role of regulation A law for Tribunal Appointments NCLAT Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code Domain Expertise in Quasi Judicial Bodies |

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

| SESSION | TOPICS | SUB TOPIC | CONTEMPORARY ISSUES |
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| 1 | Evolution and key principles of IFP | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determinants of IFP • Panchasheel • NAM • Nuclear doctrine | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relevance of NAM • NAM 2.0 • Relevance of No First Use policy |
| 2 | India & Neighbours-1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Big Brother Syndrome • External influences • High politics vs Low politics | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relevance of SAARC • Revisiting Indus Water Treaty? |
| 3 | India & Neighbours-2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • India-Pakistan relations • India- Afghanistan relations | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taliban 2.0 and ramifications at regional and national level • Changing strategy of countering proxy war in Jammu & Kashmir • Gilgit-Baltistan Issue • The phantasmagoric peace process • India – Pakistan changing dynamics due to Taliban’s Afghanistan |
| 4 | India & Neighbours-3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Himalayan neighbours- Nepal and Bhutan | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • China as elephant in the room • Is there any Himalayan QUAD? • Political Crisis in Nepal and its impact on India • India- Nepal Moving beyond the hurdles • Neighbourhood FAST policy |
| 5 | India and neighbours-4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maritime security partners- Sri Lanka, Maldives and Bangladesh | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • String of Pearl theory • Geo strategic importance of Indian ocean for India • Teesta Dispute and India-Bangladesh Relations • Rising Islamist threat in Bangladesh • Rohingya Crisis: Bangladesh’s tilt towards Russia • Relevancy of India’s Act Policy • India’s maritime security partners |

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| 6 | India and neighbours-5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> India- Myanmar Relations: Gateway To ASEAN | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> From Look East to Act East policy Domestic political crisis in Myanmar |
| 7 | Bilateral relations-1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New world order Multipolarity to Multiplex Order From G7 to G20 Rise of China | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New cold war Great game of Indo-Pacific QUAD AUKUS Regulation of Multinational Tech companies |
| 8 | Bilateral relations-2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> INDO-US relations: dancing democracies | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strategic convergence Nuclear deal Functional relations Question of strategic autonomy of India I2U2 Initiative |
| 9 | Bilateral relations-3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> India- China relations | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuing active frontier Balancing Himalayan paradox with Indian ocean Military dimension of BRI Implications of growing trade imbalance Cooperation on certain regional and global issues |
| 10 | Bilateral relations-4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> India- Russia relations: Balancing perceptions with reality | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nature of defense partnership Managing CAATSA Missing economic partnership Iran- Russia relations |
| 11 | Bilateral relations-5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> India- Japan Relations: Axis of Asia India- South Korea Relations: From Hyundai to Hallyu | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CEPA 70 Years of India- japan Relations |
| Revision Test-6 | | Prelims Test + Mains Answer Writing (Session 1 to 11) | |
| 12 | Multilateral/ Group relations-1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> India- EU relations with special focus on strategic relations with France | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BREXIT Proposed free trade agreement Convergence on global issues |

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| | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nord stream-2 and Europe • Harnessing new opportunities of multilateralism • EU's role in Indo-pacific |
| 13 | Multilateral/ Group relations-2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • India- Central Asia relations • Leveraging SCO | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connect Central Asia Policy • Energy diplomacy • RATS • Third India- Central Asia Dialogue |
| 14 | Multilateral/ Group relations-3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • India- Middle East relations with special focus on Israel and UAE • Israel- Palestine conflict | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abraham accord • Dilemma of Chabahar port in Iran • India-UAE Trade agreement • Multiple diplomatic challenges for India |
| 15 | Multilateral/ Group relations-4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • India- ASEAN relations • India-Vietnam defense partnership | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EAS • ADMM+ • Kra canal and Malacca dilemma • Revisiting free trade agreement • RCEP |
| 16 | Multilateral/ Group relations-5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • India- Africa relations: Rainbow relations | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • e- Africa • Showcasing soft power through development partnership • Vaccine diplomacy |
| 17 | Indian diaspora | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quality and quantity of diaspora • USIBC: Diaspora as pressure group • Foreign policy initiatives for Indian diaspora | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nitaqat law |
| 18 | Global institutions/ platforms-1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • India and climate change negotiations | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paris climate deal • OSOWOG • COP-26, Glasgow • Net zero emission • India's arctic ambitions • Green development in pacific islands |

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| 19 | Global institutions/ platforms-2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> India in WTO: Opportunities and challenges | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decline of WTO? Controversy on Indian food subsidy Special and differential treatment Mode-4 services Role of UNHCR Global security initiative |
| 20 | Global institutions/ platforms- | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the United Nations and specialized organs Special mandate of Security Council | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNSC reforms Restoring credibility of WHO Roles and functions of UNESCO, ILO and UNICEF Bill to Ban weapons of mass destruction WHO's pandemic treaty |
| PT Special | | International Organisations and their Reports and Indices, Regional Organisations, Conventions, Treaties and Important Agreements, etc. | |
| Revision Test-7 | | Prelims Test + Mains Answer Writing (Session 12 to 20) | |

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