

ACE IAS MAINS INTENSIVE BOOTCAMP

ETHICS & ESSAY **ANSWER WRITING**

OFFLINE & LIVE ONLINE + ACTIVITY BASED BOOTCAMP

4 DAYS

(2-DAY ETHICS & 2-DAY ESSAY)

For Registration, Scan QR Code



BOOTCAMP FEE Rs. 99/-(including GST)

ETHICS

ESSAY

Timing: 10:30 AM to 12:00 Noon







Ethics & Essay together make of 500 Marks

These 500 Marks if we see are equivalent to 2 GS Papers. Scoring in these papers can become a key to success in the UPSC CSE.

The Ethics & Essay bootcamp aims to equip the UPSC aspirants with essential skills and strategies to master Ethics and Essay. It will focus on keys skills such as tackling Open-Ended Questions, exploring Solution-Seeking, Applied Ethics and mastering Case Studies. For Essay, hacks of critical techniques like understanding, brainstorming, dimension exploration etc. will be dealt in a result oriented manner. These effective study techniques will empower participants to approach self-study with confidence.

Spanning 4 days (3 hours each), the workshop will feature dedicated Skill-building Sessions & Activities.





4 Intensive Sessions:

Focused skillbuilding for UPSC aspirants.



Solution-Seeking Questions:

Develop skills to address questions that focus on solutions to ethical dilemmas.



Learn a systematic approach to solving ethics case studies





Mastering Open-Ended Questions:

Learn skills to approach and answer openended questions in the Ethics paper.



Applied Ethics in Real-Life Scenarios:

Understand the application of ethics to everyday issues in public service.

Decode Essay:

Understanding the Meaning & Brainstorming along with Dimension and Scope Setting.



Essentials for Essay:

Context for Dimensions. Order of Points and Analysis. Examples and Paragraphing.



Expression in Essay:

Connect, Flow, Conclusion, and Way Forward.







JOIN THE BOOTCAMP IF YOU...

01

NEED A CLEAR STRATEGY FOR ETHICS & ESSAY

Lack a definitive plan to prepare GS Paper 4 & Essay effectively for the UPSC CSE.

02

LACK STRATEGY

Lack a definitive plan to prepare GS Paper 4 & Essay effectively for the UPSC CSE.

03

STRUGGLE WITH CASE STUDIES & ESSAY

Find it challenging to optimize your time for higher completion rates.

04

HAVE
ENTHUSIASM BUT
NO ROADMAP

Possess a strong desire to become a civil servant but lack a clear path to achieve your goal.



DAY: 01 - ETHICS

Open-Ended Questions, Solution-Seeking, & Applied Ethics

	Mastering Open-Ended Questions (90 mins)		
	Put the highlighted content on the front and the content below on click slide. (Read More). Similar pattern for all days. (Day 1 & 2 for Ethics and Day 3 and 4 for Essay		
SESSION A1	OBJECTIVE	Learn how to approach and answer open-ended questions in the Ethics paper.	
	ACTIVITIES	Explanation of what open-ended questions entail and their importance in ethics.	
		Discussion on framing balanced and well-rounded answers, addressing multiple dimensions.	
		Exercise: Practice answering open-ended questions using various ethical perspectives and frameworks.	
		Outcome: You will gain confidence in answering questions that require broad analysis and thought.	
	Solution-Seeking Questions (60 mins)		
SESSION A2	OBJECTIVE	Develop skills to address questions that focus on solutions to ethical dilemmas.	
	ACTIVITIES	How to identify the problem in an ethical question and structure viable, pragmatic solutions.	
		 Discussion on linking ethical theories with real-life solutions. 	
		Exercise: Practice questions where students identify solutions to ethical issues.	
		• Outcome: You will learn how to provide ethical yet practical solutions in their answers.	
Applied Ethics in Real-Life Scenarios (60 mins)		s in Real-Life Scenarios (60 mins)	
SESSION A3	OBJECTIVE	Understand the application of ethics to everyday issues in public service.	
	ACTIVITIES	Explanation of applied ethics, focusing on real-world situations in governance, policy, and administration.	
		Examples of ethical issues in public service like governance failures, environmental justice, and social equity etc.	
		Exercise: Writing responses to questions that demand the application of ethical principles to specific situations.	
		• Outcome: aspirants become adept at applying ethical principles to real-life scenarios questions.	



DAY: 02 - ETHICS

Case Study Approach

	Framework for Solving Case Studies (90 mins)			
SESSION B1	OBJECTIVE	Learn a systematic approach to solving ethics case studies.		
	ACTIVITIES	 Step-by-step breakdown of how to approach case studies: identifying ethical dilemmas, stakeholders, values in conflict, and possible solutions. Discussion on balancing ideal ethical values with practical realities. Exercise: Solving a complex case study, highlighting each step of the approach. 		
		• Outcome: Students gain a structured method for solving ethics case studies.		
	Real-Life Case Study Examples (60 mins)			
SESSION B2	OBJECTIVE	Analyse real-life case studies with a focus on ethical decision-making.		
	ACTIVITIES	 Discussion of prominent case studies in administration and contemporary problems, focusing on ethical dilemmas faced by civil servants. Case studies related to corruption, resource allocation, and governance failures. Exercise: Group work analysing a specific case study, followed by presentations on possible solutions. Outcome: Aspirants enhance their critical thinking and decision-making skills in real-world ethical situations. 		
	Writing Ethics Answers with Case Studies (90 mins)			
SESSION B3	OBJECTIVE	Master the art of writing well-structured case study-based answers.		
	ACTIVITIES	 Teaching how to effectively present solutions in case study answers, focusing on structure, flow, and clarity. Analysis of previous years' case study questions and model answers. Exercise: Writing full-length answers to case study questions under timed conditions. Outcome: You will develop the ability to write clear, structured, and insightful answers to case study questions. 		



DAY: 03 - ESSAY

Case Study Approach

SESSION 01	Understanding the Meaning & Brainstorming (90 mins)	
	OBJECTIVE	Understand how to derive the core meaning of a topic and brainstorm ideas effectively.
	ACTIVITIES	 Introduction to topic analysis: Breaking down essay topics into keywords and understanding the demand. Exercise: Group activity where students brainstorm for an essay topic, identifying main themes, sub-themes, and keywords. Outcome: you will learn how to extract the essence of a topic for better focus.
	Dimension and Scope Setting (60 mins)	
SESSION 02	OBJECTIVE	Learn how to set the scope of an essay and cover multiple dimensions.
	ACTIVITIES	 Explanation on how to identify various dimensions. Exercise: Individual practice setting dimensions for a given topic. Outcome: Students understand how to expand the scope to include multiple perspectives while remaining relevant.
SESSION 03	Context for Dimensions (60 mins)	
	OBJECTIVE	Master contextualizing each dimension.
	ACTIVITIES	 Discussion on how to maintain relevance in each dimension through context-building. Exercise: Writing short contextual paragraphs for specific dimensions of a topic. Outcome: you can frame relevant and complete arguments for different dimensions.



DAY: 04 - ESSAY

Structuring, Flow, and Depth

SESSION B1	Order of Points and Analysis (90 mins)		
	OBJECTIVE	How to sequence their arguments and analyse deeply.	
	ACTIVITIES	 Detailed explanation of how to prioritise points logically and write a step-by-step analysis. Exercise: Rearranging jumbled points into a logical flow for an essay. Outcome: Students gain clarity in structuring points in a cohesive order with proper analysis. 	
SESSION B2	Examples and Paragraphing (60 mins)		
	OBJECTIVE	Ensure effective use of examples and learn the art of paragraphing.	
	ACTIVITIES	 Discussion on selecting impactful examples and integrating them naturally into paragraphs. Exercise: Writing short paragraphs with well-placed examples. Outcome: you will learn to improve paragraph structuring and example usage for better coherence. 	
SESSION B3	Connect, Flow, Conclusion, and Way Forward (90 mins)		
	OBJECTIVE	Build flow between paragraphs and write strong conclusions.	
	ACTIVITIES	 Techniques for transitioning between ideas and concluding with impact. Exercise: Writing a concluding paragraph for a provided essay topic. Outcome: you can write fluid, well-connected essays with clear conclusions and a solid way forward. 	