

TEST: 3**POLICY &
REFORMS IN
INDIAN ECONOMY****07 SEPTEMBER, 2019****UPSC Syllabus**

- Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, growth, development and unemployment
- Mobilization of resources
- Government Budgeting.
- Investment models.
- Financial and Money Market
- Inflation
- Direct and Indirect taxes
- Inclusive growth & issues arising from it.

Sub-Topic Listing**(1) Indian Economy and issues relating to Planning**

- Role and objectives of Indian Planning
- Planning Experience at the Centre and State level.
- Regulatory Role of the State
- Development Strategy in India's Five Year Plan
- Mahalanobis' Four-Sector Growth Model and Employment Generation
- Tackling the Problems of Poverty and Unemployment
- Vital Role of the Public Sector
- Analysis of India's Economic Performance in Development Planning
- Trends in Saving and Capital Formation since Independence
- Role of NITI Aayog in Cooperative federalism

(2) Resource Mobilization

- Types of Resources: Physical and Financial
- Need for Resource Mobilization- Police State and Democratic Welfare State policies
- Sources of Resource Mobilization: Public Sector and Private Sector
- Taxation and Mobilization of Resources for Economic Growth
 - ▶ Direct Taxes and Mobilisation of Resources
 - ▶ Agricultural Taxation & Resource Mobilisation
 - ▶ Role of Indirect Taxes in Resource Mobilisation
- Mobilization of financial resources through Government Revenues
- Role of Public Debt in resource mobilization and effects: Market borrowing, loans, grants, etc.

- Role of Fiscal and Monetary policies in resource mobilization
- Role of Foreign investment in resource mobilization: Desirability and Consequences
- Multi-lateral agencies and resource mobilization
- Challenges to Resource Mobilization

(3) Inclusive Growth and issues arising from it

- Meaning and concept of Inclusion
- India's experience of Inclusion
- Why India's growth is not inclusive?: Rural economy based growth, Need of Sustainable agriculture, food security and resilience for growth
- What are the solutions?
- Inclusion process through Social sector flagship schemes and Ground realities
- Public distribution schemes: Can it be the way to inclusive growth
- Financial inclusion as an instrument of inclusive growth
- Poverty Alleviation and Employment Generation as a strategy for inclusive growth
- Social sector development as an instrument for inclusive growth
- Public private partnership for inclusive growth
- Industrial Integration for inclusive growth
- Sectoral and regional diversification as a tool for inclusive growth

(4) Government Budgeting

- Budget terminology
- Types of budget

- Features of Outcome budgeting , Gender Budgeting
- Benefits of budgeting
- Flaws in budgeting process
- Merger of Railway and General Budget
- Budget analysis

(5) Investment models

- Measures of Investment
- Factors affecting investment
- Classification of Investments : FDI
- Angel Investors and Start-ups
- Investment Models
- Role of State
- PPP (Public-Private Partnership)
- Savings and Investment Trends

(6) Fiscal policy

- Fiscal Concept and Fiscal Policy in India
- Government Revenues & Spending Trends
- Impact of deficits on economic growth
- Twin Balance Sheet syndrome

(7) Taxation

- Objectives and Principles of Taxation
- Taxation for Mobilization of Resources
- Taxation System in India
- Tax Reforms
- GST and its impact on different sectors
- Subsidies and its Impact

(8) Monetary policy in India

- Instruments of Monetary Policy
- Monetary policy in Pre-Reform Era (1948 – 1991)
- Monetary Policy in Post-Reform Era (Since – 1991)

- Urjit Patel Committee Report
- Monetary Policy Committee and Inflation Targeting

(9) Financial system

- Money Market and Capital Market in India
- Regulatory Framework in Indian Capital Market
- Primary Market Reforms in India
- Secondary Market Reforms in India

(10) Banking

- Indian Banking System
- Terminologies/Concepts Related to Banking in India
- Nationalization of Banks in India
- Functions of Commercial Banks
- Challenges Faced by Commercial Banks in India
- Banking Reforms in India
- New Bank License Criteria
- Small Finance Banks and Payment Banks Criteria
- Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC)
- Financial Inclusion
- Issue of NPAs
- Bills related to Banking

(11) Foreign trade & International Organizations

- Trends in International Trade
- Foreign Trade Policy
- Balance of Payments and Foreign Capital
- Impact of Globalization on Indian Economy
- International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- World Trade Organisation (WTO)
- World Bank Group
- AIIB and NDB

CONTEMPORARY ISSUES

(1) Budget & Taxation

- Low Tax to GDP Ratio: Reasons and Suggestions
- Public Debt Management Cell
- IBBI and Insolvency Rules
- Ponzi Scheme and Issues
- Fat tax: Concept Analysis
- Concept of Municipal Bonds
- Lower Taxes, Higher Compliance: Implication
- on Economy
- How Shell Companies are used in Black Money?
- Offshore Investments in Tax Havens
- Concept of Google Tax and its Implications
- Sunset Clause and its Significance in Policies
- Government Rule on Capital Gains Tax
- Credit Rating Agencies and their Implications
- Fugitive Economic Offenders Bill

(2) Banking & Finance

- Concept of Willful Defaulter
- Concept of Shadow Banking
- Non Performing Assets
- Marginal Cost of Funds based Lending Rate
- Unified Payment Interface
- India Post Payments Bank
- Differentiated Bank Licenses
- Digital Payments Scenario
- Monetary Policy Committee
- Report of Working Group on Development of Corporate Bond Market in India
- IL & FS issue and Corporate Governance in India
- SEBI reforms on Corporate Governance – Uday Kotak Committee
- SEBI and Commodity markets in India
- Concept of Crypto-Currencies
- Crypto Currencies Come Under SEBI Lens
- Corporate Governance: Role of SEBI
- Peer to Peer Lending Firms
- Bank Recapitalization Program
- Lessons on NPA from Global Banks
- Need of Regulatory Regime for Alternative Investment Fund
- Name and Shame Willful Defaulters

(3) Schemes & Policies

- Sustainable Development Goals
- Ease of Doing Business
- Critical Analysis of PM Crop Insurance Scheme
- Bhavantar Bhugtan Yojana
- Operation Greens
- Critical Analysis of Banks Board Bureau
- Critical Analysis of Draft Energy Policy
- Critical Analysis of Stand up India Scheme
- New PPP Policy

- Sagarmala Project
- Critical Analysis of Bharatmala Project
- GST ANALYSIS
- How GST has Affected Small Business

(4) External Sector

- FDI Status and Issues in India
- Permanent Residency Status for Foreign Investors
- WTO Reforms and India's Stance
- Dispute Settlement Mechanism at WTO
- Gist of Foreign Trade Policy (FTP) 2015-2020
- Reforms in IMF Quota
- Rising New Form of Protectionism
- BIT Dispute Management Strategy
- Broad Based Trade and Investment Agreement (India-EU FTA Talks)
- Nachiket Mor Committee
- P J Nayak Committee
- Vijay Kelkar Committee on PPP Reforms
- Parthasarathi Shome Committee on GAAR
- Urjit Patel Committee Report on Monetary Policy
- Mahapatra Committee (NBFC Loan Restructuring)
- Usha Thorat Committee (2012)
- Bibek Debroy Committee (Railways)
- N K Singh Panel Report on FRBM Act
- Shanta Kumar Committee
- Watal Committee on Digital Payments
- HR Khan Committee on Foreign Portfolio Investment
- Strategic Partnership Policy to Boost Defence Manufacturing: Dharendra Singh Committee

(5) Etc.
