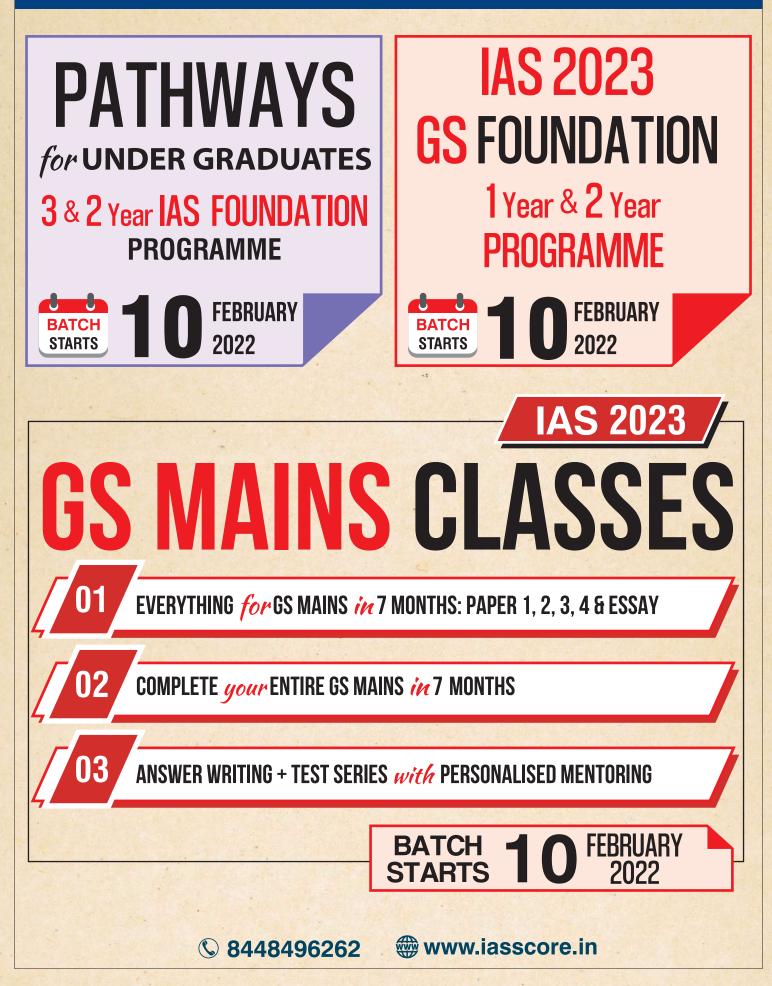


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GENERAL STUDIES: 1



Differentiate the causes of landslides in the Himalayan region and Western Ghats.

-UPSC CSE Mains 2021 -GS1



The Non-Cooperation Movement could not bring Swaraj in one year but it did give a new direction and energy to the national movement. Comment.

GS SCORE –Mock 3 Test Paper Test conducted on 27th November, 2021



Mention the global occurrence of volcanic eruptions in 2021 and their impact on regional environment.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021-GS1



"On the one hand volcanoes cause harm to life and property, displacement of people and air and water pollution, but at the same time it provides benefits to people in different ways." Elucidate.

> GS SCORE – Geography- Mains Test Paper-Test conducted on 27th November, 2021



How do the melting of the Arctic ice and glaciers of the Antarctic differently affect the weather pattern and human activities on the earth? Explain.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021-GS1



Glaciers are sensitive indicators of modern climate change. Justify the statement in the context of retreat of glaciers in Zaskar valley in India.

- GS SCORE –Mock 1 Test Paper Test conducted on 30th Oct, 2021



What is Glacial Lake Outburst Flooding (GLOF)? Evaluate the preparedness of India to deal with GLOF. Suggest measures to deal with it.

- GS SCORE –Disaster Management-Mains Test Paper

-Test conducted on 20th November, 2021





Assess the main administrative issues and socio-cultural problems in the integration process of Indian Princely states.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021-GS1



Integration of the hundreds of princely states with the Indian Union took place with a skilful combination of baits and threats under the leadership of Sardar Patel. Analyse.

> - GS SCORE –Mock 1 Test Paper - Test conducted on 30th Oct, 2021



To what extent did the role of moderates prepare a base for the wider freedom movement? Comment.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021-GS1



Economic critique offered by moderate leaders influenced the economic policies of independent India. Comment.

- GS SCORE – Mock 1 Test Paper -Test conducted on 30th Oct, 2021



Evaluate the nature of the Bhakti Literature and its contribution to Indian culture.

-UPSC CSE Mains 2021- GS1



Economic critique offered by moderate leaders influenced the economic policies of independent India. Comment.

- GS SCORE- Mains Qualifier- Week 4 -Test conducted on 28th December 2021



Bring out the constructive programmes of Mahatma Gandhi during Non-Cooperation and Civil Disobedience movement.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021-GS1



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- GS SCORE –Mock1 Test Paper

-Test conducted on 30th Oct, 2021





How does Indian society maintain continuity in traditional social values? Enumerate the changes taking place in it.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021-GS1



Has Westernization impacted the Indian value system adversely? Elaborate your answer with illustrations.

- GS SCORE –Mock 5 Test Paper -Test conducted on 24th December, 2021



"The tradition of accommodation, tolerance and interdependence of Indian society has been in existence in India for long and is still present." Elaborate.

> - GS SCORE –Mock 5 Test Paper -Test conducted on 24th December, 2021



In contemporary Indian society traditional forms of marriage and family are increasingly getting replaced by more fluid arrangements. Do you agree with this view? Give arguments in favour of your answer.

> - GS SCORE –Mock1 Test Paper - Test conducted on 30th Oct, 2021



Trace the rise and growth of socio-religious movements with special reference to young Bengal and Brahmo Samaj.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021-GS1 Mains



To what extent Sri Narayan Guru and other contemporary social reformers led to the emancipation of non-Brahmins of South India? Discuss.

GS score –Mock5 test paper

-Test conducted on 24 December, 2021



The Swadeshi Movement's richness was not limited to the political sphere alone, but it also included art, literature, science, and industry. Discuss. Also, elaborate on the role played by Bengal School of Art and Abhindranath Tagore.

> - GS SCORE –History & Culture Test Paper -Test conducted on 30th Oct, 2021



Jyotiba Phule dedicated his life towards equal rights for all, women empowerment, and education. Therefore, Jyotiba Phule's legacy and effect on anti-caste campaigns and women empowerment have lasted throughout the years. Comment.

> - GS SCORE – History & Culture Test Paper - Test conducted on 30th Oct, 2021



GENERAL STUDIES: II



Constitutional morality is rooted in the Constitution itself and is founded on its essential facets. Explain the doctrine of 'Constitutional morality' with the help of relevant judicial decision.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021 -GS2



Indian Democracy is only as strong as its institutions. India's democratic institutions thrived essentially because of the respect of its leaders for ethical constitutionalism and public morality. In the light of above statement, analyze how constitutional ethics and public morality can help in making them more robust functioning institutions?

-Gs score-Ethics Test Paper Test 4, Test conducted on 5 Dec 2021



Discuss the desirability of greater representation to women in the Higher Judiciary to ensure diversity, equity and inclusiveness.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021 -GS 2



Gender sensitivity and participation of women in the judiciary still remains inadequate. Analyze. Suggest measures to improve the representation of women in the judiciary in India.

> -GS Score-Mock2 Mains Test series -Test conducted on 13th Novmeber,2021



How have the recommendations of the 14th Finance Commission of India enabled the states to improve their fiscal position?

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021-GS 2



Highlight the major differences in recommendations of the fifteenth and fourteenth finance commission. Also, briefly discuss various apprehensions about the terms of reference of the fifteenth finance commission.

- GS Score- Economy-Mains Test Series

- Test conducted on 6th November, 2021





To what extent, in your view, the Parliament is able to ensure accountability of the executive in India?

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021 - GS 2



Highlight the major differences in recommendations of the fifteenth and fourteenth finance commission. Also, briefly discuss various apprehensions about the terms of reference of the fifteenth finance commission.

- GS Score- Economy-Mains Test Series

- Test conducted on 6th November, 2021



Executive Accountability is the essence of the Parliamentary system of the government. Discuss the statement in the context of the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi (Amendment) Act 2021.

- GS SCORE Mock 6 - Mains Test Series - Test conducted on 24th December, 2021



"Besides being a moral imperative of a welfare state, primary health structure is necessary precondition for sustainable development". Analyse.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021 -GS 2



The urgency of achieving universal healthcare is highlighted by the recent COVID-19 crisis. Critically examine the situation of India's healthcare infrastructure and enumerate the government initiatives to achieve "health for all".

- GS SCORE - Mock 2 Mains Test Series - Test conducted on 13th Novmeber,2021



"Earn while you learn' scheme needs to be strengthened to make vocational education and skill training meaningful". Examine.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021 -GS2



The advantages of demographic dividends can be reaped only if the Indian education system focuses on skill formation and vocationalisation of education to engage the young workforce in productive employment. Comment.

- GS SCORE - ITS 2022 -Governance 2

- Test conducted on 27th October, 2021





Can the vicious cycle of gender inequality, poverty and malnutrition be broken through micro financing of women SHGS? Explain.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021 -GS2



In India, Self-Help Groups (SHGs) have served as tools for providing financial access to rural women. However, it has been witnessed that they have failed to develop the collective bargaining power of women and serve its stated functions. Critically analyse.

-GS SCORE - Governance - Mains Test Series - Test conducted on 11th December, 2021



If the last few decades were of Asia's growth story, the next few are expected to be of Africa's. In the light of this statement, examine India's influence in Africa in recent years.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021 -GS2



Besides having a soft strategy towards Africa, there exists immense potential for India to ramp up its presence in the region pertaining to trade, defence, and counterterrorism amongst others. Justify the statement while highlighting the key areas for the coalition in the current regime.

> - GS SCORE ITS 2022 - IR-1 - Test conducted on 21st November 2021



Though the Human Rights Commission have contributed immensely to the protection of human rights in India, yet they have failed to assert themselves against the mighty and powerful. Analysing their structural and practical limitation, suggest remedial measures.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021 -GS2



Since the inception of the National Human Rights commission in India, many issues have been surrounding its functioning and despite its success, a lot needs to be done for better outcomes from the institution. Comment with respect to the Protection of Human Rights (Amendment) ACT, 2019.

- GS SCORE-ITS-2022 - Governance - Revision

- Test conducted on 27th ,November, 2021

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Explain the Constitutional provisions under which Legislative Councils are established. Review the working and current status of legislative councils with suitable examples.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021 -GS2



"The Legislative Council is sometimes understood as an unnecessary chamber." Critically analyse the statement. Also, discuss the process of the creation of the Legislative Councils.

> -GS SCORE - Mock 2 Mains Test Series - Test conducted on 13th Novmeber, 2021



Do Department-related parliamentary standing committees keep the administration on its toes and inspire reverence for parliamentary control? Evaluate the working of such committees with suitable examples.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021 -GS2



Political Partisanship during the proceedings of Parliament has reduced the deliberation and the ability of the government to account. Highlight the recent instances in this area, while describing the significance of the Parliamentary Committee in the Parliamentary functioning.

-GS SCORE - Mock 6- Mains Test Series - Test conducted on 24th December, 2021



Parliamentary Standing Committees allow Parliament to scrutinize the executive more effectively, making it more responsible to the people. Elaborate the statement with reference to role of Parliamentary Standing Committees in India. Also explain how they make the executive more accountable to the legislature.

– GS Score- GSIL Polity-Test conducted on 17th October,2021



"Though women in post Independent India have excelled in various fields, the social attitudes towards women and feminist movement has been patriarchal." Apart from women education and women empowerment schemes, what intervention can help change this mileu?

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021 -GS2



Do you agree that that feminist movement in India suffers from a caste and class bias? Discuss with justification. Also, list out the achievements of feminist movements in India.

- GS SCORE - Mock 5- Mains Test Series

- Test conducted on 24th December, 2021





Can civil society and Non Government organization present an alternative model of public service delivery to benefit the common citizen? Discuss the challenges to this alternative model.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021 -GS2



NGOs play a critical part in developing society, improving communities, and promoting the participation of the citizens. Discuss. Do you think that increased regulations over NGOs in India have crippled their functioning?

-GS SCORE - Mock 6- Mains Test Series

- Test conducted on 24th December, 2021



The voluntary organisations fill the gap between development requirements of the people and government policies for development and they make the development process more participatory. Discuss.

> -GS SCORE - ITS 2022 - Governance 2 -Test conducted on 20th November, 2021



Critically examine the aims and objective of SCO. What importance does it hold for India?

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021-GS2



The SCO provides India a convenient channel for its outreach, trade, and strategic ties, to Central Asian countries. Explain.

- GS SCORE - IR- Mains Test Series - Test conducted on 4th December, 2021



Is India's simultaneous membership of both QUAD and SCO (Shanghai cooperation organization) a quest for multipolarity or a sign of ambiguity? Critically analyze.

-GS SCOREMock6- Mains Test Series -Test conducted on 24th December, 2021



The newly tri-nation partnership AUKUS is aimed at countering China's ambition in the Indo-Pacific region. Is it going to supersede the existing partnership in the region? Discuss the strength and impact of AUKUS in present scenario.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021 - GS2



Discuss the geopolitical significance of the recently concluded AUKUS agreement. Also, analyse the implications of this agreement for the Indo-Pacific region. .

- GS SCORE - Mock 6- Mains Test Series

- Test conducted on 24th December, 2021



GENERAL STUDIES: III



Distinguish between Capital Budget and Revenue Budget. Explain the components of both these Budgets.

-UPSC CSE Mains 2021- GS3



What is the difference between revenue receipts and capital receipts of the government? Which source is considered better, give reasons in support of your answer?

-GS SCORE-Integrated Test series1 -Test conducted on 5th September 2021



How did land reforms in some parts of the country help to improve the socio-economic conditions of marginal and small farmers?

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021- GS3



Seeing the magnitude of the problem of land inequality, the Indian government had initiated land reforms programmes soon after Independence. Discuss various components of land reform in India. Also, explain the challenges in its implementation.

> -GS SCORE-PIC-Integrated Test series -Test conducted on 29th May,2021



Discuss about the vulnerability of India to earthquake related hazards. Give examples including the salient features of major disasters caused by earthquakes in different parts of India during the last three decades.

-UPSC CSE Mains 2021- GS3



Examine the vulnerability of India to the earthquakes. Also, explain the pre and post disaster preventive measures in earthquakes.

– GS SCORE - Disaster mangment-Mains Test series - Mains TEST PAPER

- Test conducted on 20th November, 2021



Discuss how emerging technologies and globalisation contribute to money laundering. Elaborate measures to tackle the problem of money laundering both at national and international levels.

-GS3 UPSC Mains 2021





What is money laundering? Discuss the problem and steps taken by government to tackle the issue of money laundering in India.

- GS SCORE - Integrated Test series - Test conducted on 21st Feb,2021



Keeping in view India's internal security, analyse the impact of cross-border cyber attacks. Also discuss defensive measures against these sophisticated attacks.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021- GS3



With the advent of 5G technology and consequent increase in dependency on telecom networks, there is an increased vulnerability to cyber crime and cyber espionage. In this context discuss the significance of the National Security Directive on the Telecom Sector in India.

- GS SCORE-Internal Security - Mains Test series

-Test conducted on 20th November, 2021



"Investment in infrastructure is essential for more rapid and inclusive economic growth. "Discuss in the light of India's experience.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021- GS3



"Investment in social infrastructure is a pre-requisite for inclusive growth and employment". In this context, discuss the trends in social sector expenditure in India.

> -GS SCORE-Integrated Test series -Test conducted on 5th Sept,2021



What are the salient features of the National Food Security Act, 2013? How has the Food Security Bill helped in eliminating hunger and malnutrition in India?

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021- GS3



'National Food Security Act largely prescribes a one-formula-fits-all approach but does not do enough to ensure that its provisions cater to the special needs of women and children'. Elaborate.

> - GS SCORE- Governance- GS SCORE-ITS 2022 + GSIL - Test conducted on 30th October 2021





What are the research and developmental achievements in applied biotechnology? How will these achievements help to uplift the poorer sections of the society?

-UPSC CSE Mains 2021- GS3



Biotechnology is recognized as the sunrise sector- a key driver for contributing to India's USD 5 Trillion economy target by 2025. Examine.

- GS SCORE - S&T - Integrated test series - Test conducted on 21st March,2021



Describe the various causes and the effects of landslides. Mention the important components of the National Landslide Risk Management Strategy.

-UPSC CSE Mains 2021- GS3



Landslides are common in Western Ghats and the Himalayan region. Discuss the reasons for common occurrences of landslides and measures taken by the government to deal with this hazard.

> GS SCORE- GS1- Mock1-Mains test series 2021 -Test conducted on 30th Oct, 2021



Analyse the multidimensional challenges posed by external state and non-state actors, to the internal security of India. Also discuss measures required to be taken to combat these threats.

- UPSC CSE Mains 2021- GS3



In the recent past external state and non-state actors have created a lot of problems to India's internal security. Elaborate.

-GS SCORE - Integrated Test Series

- Test conducted on 21st Feb 2021



Non-state actors have played a major role in destabilizing the internal security in India. Discuss specially with respect to north east region of India.

-GS SCORE-Integrated test series

-Test conducted on 7th March, 2021





Analyse the complexity and intensity of terrorism, its causes, linkages and obnoxious nexus. Also suggest measures required to be taken to eradicate the menace of terrorism.

-UPSC CSE Mains 2021- GS3



Discuss how organized crime in India is helping terrorism to spread its roots and its linkages with respect to terror funding.

-GS SCORE-Internal Security - Mains test series

-Test conducted on 20th November, 2021



The problem of terrorism has been haunting India since long time. Elaborate on institutional and legal framework adopted by India to tackle the persisting problem.

-GS SCORE-Internal security-Mains test series -Test conducted on 20th November, 2021



GENERAL STUDIES: IV



Identify ten essential values that are needed to be an effective public servant. Describe the ways and means to prevent non-ethical behavior in the public servants.

-UPSC CSE Mains 2021- GS4



Mention any three foundational values for civil service. How should these values be tested in real life?

- GS SCORETest Series – 2022, Test – 09 Test conducted on 4th Dec 2021



Besides domain knowledge, a public official needs innovativeness and creativity of a high order as well, while resolving ethical dilemmas. Discuss with suitable example.

-UPSC CSE Mains 2021- GS4



What is ethical dilemmas and how Utilitarianism can help while dealing with ethical dilemmas?

GS SCORETest Series – 2022 -Test 4, Test conducted on Oct 2021



What should be the process to resolve the situation of Ethical dilemmas in Public Administration.

-GS SCOREMock Tests ,Test 3, Test conducted on 21 November,2021



Attitude is an important component that goes as input in the development of human being. How to build a suitable attitude needed for a public servant?

-UPSC CSE Mains 2021- GS4



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Explain the importance of following attributes with respect to the Civil Services.

(a) Moral attitude

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(b) Double effect principle

GS SCOREMock Tests ,Test -5 Test conducted on 19 Dec 2021 GS SCORE QUESTION An attitude of contentment is an antidote to the tendency of consumerism. Do you agree with this idea of contentment? Substantiate.

-GS SCOREMock Tests, Test -5, Test conducted on 19 Dec 2021



Discuss how Attitudes are formed and also discuss how attitude changes and shapes behaviours.

-GS SCOREMock Tests - Test -5 Test conducted on 19 Dec 2021



An independent and empowered social audit mechanism is an absolute must in every sphere of public service, including judiciary, to ensure performance, accountability and ethical conduct. Elaborate.

-UPSC CSE Mains 2021- GS4



What is social audit? Discuss how it improves governance and accountability in social sector.

-GS SCORETest Series, Test -5 Test conducted on 19 Dec 2021



"Integrity is a value that empowers the human being." Justify with suitable illustration.

-UPSC CSE Mains 2021- GS4



"Integrity means having a consistent character, even when there is pressure to Compromise". Illustrate.

> -GS SCOREEthic Test Series, Test -5 Test conducted on 19 Dec 2021



