

MENTOR STUDY POINT

Paper 1 (G.S.) (200 marks)

Duration : 2 Hours

- Current events of national and international importance.
- History of India and Indian National Movement.
- Indian and World Geography – Physical, Social, Economic Geography of India and the world.
- Indian Polity & Governance Constitution, Political System, Panchayati Raj, Public Policy, Right Issues etc.
- Economic and Social Development Sustainable Development, Poverty, Inclusion, Demographics, Social Sector Initiatives etc.
- General issue on Environmental economy, Bio-diversity and Climate Change that do not require subject specialization.
- General Science.

Paper 2 (CSAT) (200 Marks)

Duration : 2 Hours

- Comprehension
- Interpersonal skills including communication skills.
- Logical reasoning and analytical ability.
- Decision making and problem solving.
- General mental ability.
- Basic numeracy (number and their relations, orders of magnitude etc.) (Class X level), Data Interpretation (Charts, Graphs, Tables, Data Sufficiency etc.) (Class X level).
- English Language Comprehension skills (Class X Level).

Main Examination : Syllabus

Paper	Subject/Content	Marks
Paper A	(One of the India language to be selected by the candidate from the language included in the English Schedule to the Constitution)	300 Marks
Paper B	English	300 Marks
Paper to be Counted for Merit		
Paper I	Essay	250 Marks
Paper II	General Studies I (Indian Heritage and Culture, History and Geography of the World and Society)	250 Marks
Paper III	General Studies II (Governance, Constitution, Polity, Social Justice and International Relations)	250 Marks
Paper IV	General Studies III (Technology, Economic Development, Biodiversity, Environmental, Security and Disaster Management)	250 Marks

Paper V	General Studies IV (Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude)	250 Marks
Paper VI	Optional Subject Paper I	250 Marks
Paper VII	Optional Subject Paper	250 Marks
Sub Total(Written Test) 1750 Marks Personality Test 275 Marks Grand Total 2025 Marks		

Main Examination : Syllabus

The main Examination is intended to access the overall intellectual traits and depth of understating of candidate rather than merely the range of their information and memory.

The nature and standard of Questions in the General Studies papers (Paper II and Paper V) will be such that a well educated person will be able to answer them without any specialized study. The questions will be such as test a candidate's general awareness of a variety of subject, which have the relevance for a career in the Civil Service. The questions are likely to test the candidate's basic understanding of relevant issues and ability to analyse and take a view on conflicting socio-economic goals, objectives and demands. The candidates must give relevant meaningful and succinct answers.

The score of the syllabus for optional subjects papers(paper VI and Paper VII) for the examination is broadly of the honours degree level i.e. a level higher than the bachelors degree and lower than the master's degree. In the case of Engineering, Medical Science and Law, the level corresponds to the bachelors degree. Syllabus of the papers included in the scheme of Civil Services (Main) Examination and given as follows :

Qualifying Papers on Indian Language and English

The aim of the paper is to test the candidate's ability to read and understand serious discursive prose, and to express his ideas clearly and correctly, in English and Indian Language concerned.

The pattern of the questions would be broadly as follows:

- I. Comprehension of given passages
- II. Usage and Vocabulary
- III. Precise Writing
- IV. Short Essay

Indian Language

- V. Comprehension of given passages
- VI. Usage and Vocabulary
- VII. Precise Writing
- VIII. Short Essay

Note 1 : The Papers on Indian Languages and English will be Matriculation or equivalent standard and will be of qualifying nature only. The marks obtained in these papers will not be counted for ranking.

Note 2 : The Candidates will have to answer the English and Indian Language papers in English and the respective language(except where translation is involved).

Paper - I

(Essay)

Candidates will be required to write an essay on specific topic. The Choice of subjects will be given. They will be expected to keep closely to subject of the essay to arrange their ideas in orderly fashion and to write concisely. Credit will be given effectively and exact expression deleted.

PAPER-IV

General Studies-III

Technology, Economic Development, Bio diversity, Environment, Security and Disaster Management.

- Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, mobilization of resources, growth, development and employment.
- Inclusive growth and issues arising from it.
- Government Budgeting.
- Major crops cropping patterns in various parts of the country, different types of irrigation and irrigation system storage, transport and marketing of agricultural produce and issue and related constraints; e-technology in the aid of farmers.
- Issue related to direct and indirect farm subsidies and minimum support prices; public Distributions System objectives, functioning, limitations, revamping; issues of buffer stocks and food security; Technology missions; economics of animal-rearing .
- Food processing and related industries in India-scope and food security; Technology missions; economics of animal-rearing.
- Food processing and related industries in India-scope and significance, location, upstream and downstream requirements, supply chain management.
- Land reforms in India.
- Effects of liberalization on the economy, change in industrial policy and their effects in everyday life.
- Achievements of Indians in science & technology; indigenization's of technology and developing new technology.
- Awareness in the fields of IT, Space, C, Computer, robotics, nano-technology, bio-technology and issue relating to intellectual property rights.
- Conservation, Environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment.
- Disaster and disaster management.
- Linkage between development and spread of extremism.
- Role of external state and non-state actors in creating challenges to internal security.
- Challenges to internet security through communication networks, role of media and social networking sites in internet security challenges, basics of cyber security; money laundering and its prevention.
- Security challenges and their management in border areas; linkage of organized crime

- with terrorism.
- Various Security forces and agencies and their mandate.

PAPER-II

(General Studies-I)

Indian Heritage and Culture, History and Geography of the World and Society

- Indian culture will cover the salient aspects of Art Forms, Literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times.
- Modern Indian history from about the middle of the eighteenth century until the presents significant events, personalities, issues.
- The Freedom Struggle-its various stages and important contributions from different parts of the country.
- Post-independence consolidation and reorganization within the country.
- History of the world will include events from 18th century such as Industrial revolution, World Wars, Re-drawal of national boundaries, colonization, decolonization, political philosophies like communism, capitalism, socialism etc. their forms and effect on the society.
- Salient features of Indian Society, Diversity of India.
- Role of women and women's organization, population and associates issues, Poverty and developmental issues, urbanization, their problems and their remedies.
- Effects of globalization on Indian society.
- Social empowerment, communalism, regionalism & secularism.
- salient features of world's physical geography.
- Distribution of key natural resources across the world (including South Asia and the Indian sub-continent); factors responsible for the location of primary, secondary and tertiary sector industries in various parts of the world (including India).
- Important Geography phenomena such as earthquake, Tsunami, Volcanic activity, cyclone etc., geographical features and their location. Changes in critical geographical features and their location. Changes in critical geography features (including water - bodies and ice-caps) and in flora and fauna and the effects of such changes.

PAPER-III

General Studies-II

Governance, Constitution, Polity, Social justice and International Relations.

- Indian constitution-historical underpinnings, evolution, features, amendments, significance provision and basic structure.
- Functions and responsibilities of the union and the states, issues and challenges pertaining to the federal structure, devolution of power and finances upto local levels and challenges therein.
- Separation of powers between various organs dispute redressal mechanism and institutions.
- Comparison of the Indian Constitutional scheme with that of other countries.
- Parliament and State Legislature-structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers and privileges and issues arising out of these.
- Structure, organization and functioning of the executive and the judiciary ministries and departments of the Government; pressure groups and formal/informal associations and role in the polity.
- Silent features of the representation of people's act.
- Appointment to various Constitutional posts, powers, functions and responsibilities of various Constitutional bodies.
- Statutory, regulatory and various quasi-judicial bodies.
- Government policies and interventions for development in various sectors and arising out of their designs and implementation.
- Development processes and the development industry the role of NGOs, SHGs various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional, and other stakeholders.
- Welfare schemes for vulnerable sections of the population by the Centre, states and the performance of these schemes; Mechanisms, Laws, Institutions and Bodies constituted for the protection and betterment of these vulnerable sections.
- Issues relating to poverty and hunger.
- Important aspects of governance, transparency and accountability, e-governance applications, models, successes, limitations and potential; citizens charters, transparency & accountability and institutional and other measures.
- Role of civil services in a democracy.
- India and its neighborhood relations.
- Bilateral, regional and global groupings and agreements involving India and/or affecting India's interests.
- Effects of policies and politics of developed and developing countries on India on India's Interests, Indian Diaspora.
- Important International institutions, agencies and for their structure, mandate.

Paper – V

General Studies - IV

Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude. This Paper will include questions to test the candidates attitude and approach to issue relating to integrity, probity in public life and his problem solving approach to various issues and conflicts faced by him in dealing with society. Questions may utilise the case study approach these aspects. The following broad areas will be covered.

- Ethics and Human Interface: Essence, determinants and consequences of the Ethics in human actions; dimensions of ethics; ethics in private and public relationships. Human Values, lessons from the life and teachings of the great leaders, reformers and administrators ; role of family, society and educational institutions in inculcating values.
- Attitude: Content, Structure, Function; its influence and relation with thought and behaviour; moral and political attitudes; social influence and persuasion.
- Aptitude and foundational values for Civil Service, integrity and impartially and non-partisanship, objectivity, dedication to public service, empathy, tolerance and compassion towards the weaker sections.
- Emotional intelligence concepts, and their utilities and application in administration and governance.
- Contributions of moral thinkers and philosophers from India and World.
- Public/Civil service values and Ethics in Public administration: Status and Problems; ethical concerns and dilemmas in government and private institution; laws, rules, ethical governance; strengthening of ethical and moral values in governance; ethical issue in international relations and funding; corporate governance.
- Probity in Governance: Concept of public service, Philosophical basic of governance and priority; Information sharing and transparency in government, Right to Information, Codes of Ethics, Codes of Conduct, Citizen's Charters, Work culture, Quality of service delivery, Utilization of public funds, Challenges of corruption.
- Case Studies on above issues.

Paper – VI & Paper VII (Optional Subject Paper I and II)