

UPSC CSE 2027 – Today's Learning (Day 1)

Date: 03 February 2026 (Tuesday)

Subject: GS Paper I (Prelims)

Topic: Current Events of National & International Importance

1. Core Teaching (Exam-Oriented)

Current events are recent developments (last 12–18 months) affecting governance, economy, environment, science, and international relations.

UPSC does not ask news directly. It focuses on background, why in news, constitutional or institutional angle, impact, and linkage with static syllabus.

Key areas tested include government policies and schemes, international organizations, reports and indices, environmental conventions, and science & technology applications.

Focus is always on issue-based understanding rather than headlines.

2. MCQs (30 Questions with Answers & Explanations)

Q1. Current affairs questions in UPSC mainly focus on?

Answer: Issues with long-term relevance

Explanation: UPSC emphasizes governance, economic, and social relevance rather than daily news.

Q2. MOST reliable source for UPSC current affairs?

Answer: Government websites & reports

Explanation: Official government sources provide authentic and exam-relevant data.

Q3. UPSC generally links current events with?

Answer: Static syllabus topics

Explanation: Current affairs are integrated with polity, economy, environment, etc.

Q4. MOST relevant time span for UPSC current affairs?

Answer: Last 1–1.5 years

Explanation: UPSC usually covers developments of the last 12–18 months.

Q5. Why is 'Why in news' important?

Answer: Context and relevance

Explanation: It explains background and exam relevance.

Q6. Importance of G20?

Answer: Global governance role

Explanation: G20 influences global economic decisions.

Q7. Common Prelims question type?

Answer: Statement-based

Explanation: UPSC frequently asks multi-statement MCQs.

Q8. Govt schemes are asked mainly about?

Answer: Objectives and beneficiaries

Explanation: Focus is on purpose and coverage.

Q9. Human Development Report publisher?

Answer: UNDP

Explanation: HDR is released by UNDP.

Q10. Environment current affairs focus on?

Answer: International conventions

Explanation: Treaties and climate agreements are emphasized.

Q11. MOST important aspect while studying CA?

Answer: Understanding implications

Explanation: Helps in Prelims and Mains.

Q12. Nature of UPSC CA questions?

Answer: Analytical + factual

Explanation: Both aspects are tested.

Q13. LEAST covered area?

Answer: Astrological events

Explanation: No relevance to UPSC syllabus.

Q14. Sci & Tech CA focus?

Answer: Applications & use cases

Explanation: Practical application is tested.

Q15. When does a CA become important?

Answer: Policy or constitutional relevance

Explanation: Such linkage makes it exam-worthy.

Q16. Economic Survey released by?

Answer: Finance Ministry

Explanation: It is published annually by MoF.

Q17. CA helps most in which stage?

Answer: All three stages

Explanation: Relevant for Prelims, Mains & Interview.

Q18. Reliable international bodies?

Answer: All of the above

Explanation: UN, G7, BRICS all matter.

Q19. UPSC prefers testing?

Answer: Conceptual clarity

Explanation: Helps in elimination.

Q20. Most useful newspaper section?

Answer: Editorial

Explanation: Provides issue-based analysis.

Q21. IR questions relate to?

Answer: Diplomatic engagements

Explanation: Focus on foreign policy.

Q22. Economy CA includes?

Answer: Government budgets

Explanation: Policy decisions matter.

Q23. Best CA approach?

Answer: Selective syllabus-linked study

Explanation: Ensures efficiency.

Q24. Prelims tests ability of?

Answer: Elimination

Explanation: Key skill in MCQs.

Q25. Environment CA connects with?

Answer: Multiple GS areas

Explanation: Interdisciplinary nature.

Q26. Best scheme source?

Answer: PIB releases

Explanation: Official govt info.

Q27. CA helps in answer enrichment?

Answer: All of the above

Explanation: Examples help everywhere.

Q28. UPSC avoids?

Answer: Trivial news

Explanation: No sensationalism.

Q29. Most important CA skill?

Answer: Analytical thinking

Explanation: Links issues with syllabus.

Q30. Primary aim of CA prep?

Answer: Issue-based understanding

Explanation: Builds holistic understanding.