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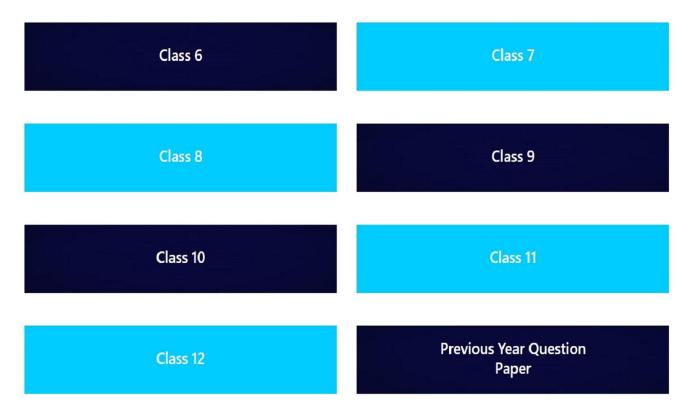
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Paper	Subject	Marks		
Paper - I	General Studies Paper I	200		
Paper - II	CSAT or General Studies Paper II	200		

General Studies paper - I

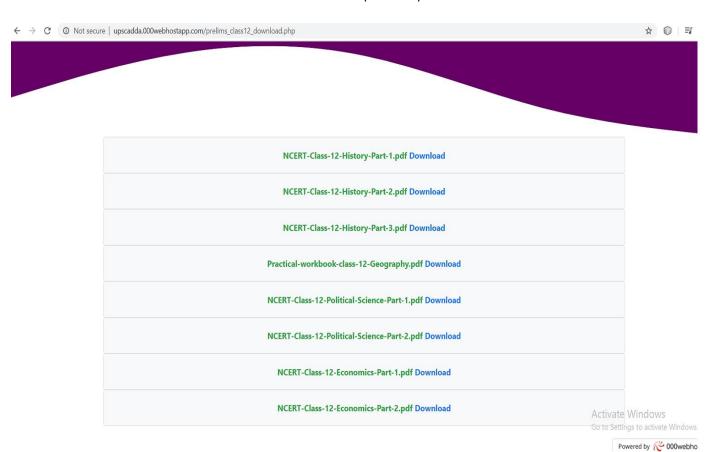
- · Current events of national and international importance.
- History of India and Indian National Movement.
- Indian and World Geography-Physical, Social, Economic Geography of India and the World.
- Indian Polity and Governance Constitution, Political System, Panchayati Raj, Public Policy, Rights Issues, etc.
- $\bullet \ \ \, \text{Economic and Social Development} \text{Sustainable Development}, \, \text{Poverty, Inclusion, Demographics, Social Sector initiatives, etc.} \\$
- · General issues on Environmental Ecology, Biodiversity and Climate Change that do not require subject specialisation
- General Science

General Studies paper - II

- Comprehension
- · Interpersonal skills including communication skills
- · Logical reasoning and analytical ability
- · Decision-making and problem solving
- · General mental ability
- Basic numeracy (numbers and their relations, orders of magnitude, etc.) Class X level)
- Data interpretation (charts, graphs, tables, data sufficiency etc. Class X level)



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This is the second phase of the UPSC exam. The candidates who successfully qualifies the prelims examination would be allowed to attempt Mains

- The Mains exam tests the candidate's academic talent in depth and his/her ability to present his/her understanding according to the requirements of the question in a time-bound manner.
- . The UPSC Mains exam consists of 9 papers, out of which two are qualifying papers of 300 marks each.
- · The two qualifying papers are:
 - · Any Indian Language
 - · English Language

The papers on Essay, General Studies and Optional Subject of only such candidates who attain 25% marks in both the language papers as a minimum qualifying standard in these qualifying papers, will be taken cognizance of, for evaluation.

Paper	Subject	Marks	
Paper - I	Essay(can be written in the medium of the candidate's choice)	250	
Paper - II	General Studies - I (Indian Heritage & Culture, History and Geography of the World & Society)	250	
Paper - III	General Studies - II (Governance, Constitution, Polity, Social Justice & International Relations	250	
Paper - IV	General Studies - III (Technology, Economic Development, Biodiversity, Security & Disaster Management)	250	
Paper - V	General Studies - IV (Ethics, Integrity & Aptitude)	250	
Paper - VI	Optional Subject - Paper I	250 Activate	Windo
Paper - VII	Optional Subject - Paper II	250° Setti	

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General Studies - II

Governance, Constitution, Polity, Social Justice and International relations

- 1. Indian Constitution- historical underpinnings, evolution, features, amendments, significant provisions and basic structure.
- 2. Functions and responsibilities of the Union and the States, issues, and challenges pertaining to the federal structure, devolution of powers and finances up to local levels and challenges therein.
- 3. Separation of powers between various organs disputes redressal mechanisms and institutions.
- 4. Comparison of the Indian constitutional scheme with that of other countries.
- 5. Parliament and State Legislatures structure, functioning, the conduct of business, powers & privileges and issues arising out of these.
- 6. Structure, organization, and functioning of the Executive and the Judiciary Ministries and Departments of the Government; pressure groups and formal/informal associations and their role in the Polity.
- 7. Salient features of the Representation of People's Act.
- 8. Appointment to various Constitutional posts, powers, functions, and responsibilities of various Constitutional Bodies.
- 9. Statutory, regulatory and various quasi-judicial bodies.
- 10. Government policies and interventions for development in various sectors and issues arising out of their design and implementation.

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General Studies - III

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

- 1. Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, mobilization of resources, growth, development, and employment.
- 2. Inclusive growth and issues arising from it.
- 3. Government Budgeting.
- 4. Major crops cropping patterns in various parts of the country, different types of irrigation and irrigation systems storage, transport and marketing of agricultural produce and issues and related constraints; e-technology in the aid of farmers.
- 5. Issues related to direct and indirect farm subsidies and minimum support prices; Public Distribution System objectives, functioning, limitations, Activate Windows revamping; issues of buffer stocks and food security; Technology missions; economics of animal-rearing.
- 6. Food processing and related industries in India- scope and significance, location, upstream and downstream requirements, supply chain management.
- 7. Land reforms in India.



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General Studies - IV

Ethics, Integrity, and Aptitude

- 1. This paper will include questions to test the candidates' attitude and approach to issues 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 utilize the case study approach to determine these aspects. The following broad areas will be covered.
- 2. Ethics and Human Interface: Essence, determinants, and consequences of Ethics in human actions; dimensions of ethics; ethics in private and public relationships.
- 3. Human Values lessons from the lives and teachings of great leaders, reformers and administrators; the role of family, society and educational institutions in inculcating values.
- 4. Attitude: content, structure, function; its influence and relation with thought and behavior; moral and political attitudes; social influence and persuasion.
- Aptitude and foundational values for Civil Service, integrity, impartiality and non-partisanship, objectivity, dedication to public service, empathy, tolerance and compassion towards the weaker sections.
- 6. Emotional intelligence-concepts, and their utilities and application in administration and governance.
- 7. Contributions of moral thinkers and philosophers from India and the world.
- 8. Public/Civil service values and Ethics in Public administration: Status and problems; ethical concerns and dilemmas in government and private institutions; laws, rules, regulations, and conscience as sources of ethical guidance; accountability and ethical governance; strengthening of ethical and moral values in governance; ethical issues in international relations and funding; corporate governance.
- 9. Probity in Governance: Concept of public service; Philosophical basis of governance and probity; Information sharing and transparency in government, Right to Information, Codes of Ethics, Codes of Conduct.
- 10. Charters, Work culture, Quality of service delivery, Utilization of public funds, challenges of corruption.
- 11. Case Studies on the above issues.

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Optional paper

History	Geography	Economics	Sociology
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Agricultural	Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Science	Anthropology	Botany
Chemistry	Civil Engineering	Commerce	Electrical Engineering
Geology	Law	Mathematics	Management
Mechanical Engineering	Medical Science	Physics	Statistics
Zoology	Assamese	Bengali	Bodo
Gujarati	Kannada	Konkani	Malayalam
Marathi	Oriya	Sanskrit	Sindhi
Telugu	English	Dogri	Hindi
Kashmiri	Maithili	Manipuri	Nepali
Punjabi	Santhali	Tamil	Urdu

"Current Affair was the first pillar of my preparation. Newspapers helped me to learn about things and understand issues deeply as they develop. It allows us to build our own opinions as we screen through contradicting viewpoints on editorial pages on different days. I preferred making my own notes as I could categorize things based on pre.. mains related etc. Mains oriented notes were divided into social, polity, economic, international relations, environment etc. Monthly magazine of Vision added final touches to my prep." -Srushti Jayant Deshmukh, AIR 5, CSE 2018

"I always reffered The hindu and Indian Express for daily news and at the end of the month I used to study with Yojana..." -Junaid Ahmed, AIR 3, CSE 2018





In Prelims exam, UPSC asks questions directly from newspaper or at times based on current issues it asks basic fundamental questions in the prelims examination. In prelims examination, most of the current affairs questions demand some factual knowledge. So students are advised to make a small note all the current affairs related for prelims exam." -Nandini K. R., AIR 1, ESF 2016



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