

Civil Service Examination

Books List



GUIDANCE GROUP

Books List:

Recommended Books for UPSC Civil Service Prelims

Paper I - General Studies

1. History (Indian History and Indian National Movement)

Novice:

Class IX and X NCERT Books of Social Science

1. Class IX: Contemporary India
2. Class IX: India and Contemporary World I
3. Class X: Contemporary India
4. Class X: India and Contemporary World II Modern

India by Bipin Chandra

Spectrum modern India

Advanced:

Class XI and XII NCERT Books of Social Science

5. Class XI: Themes in World History
6. Class XII: Themes in India History I
7. Class XII: Themes in India History II
8. Class XII: Themes in India History III History of

Modern India by A.C Banerjee

2. Geography (Indian and World Geography)

Novice:

Class XI NCERT Books of Geography

1. Class XI: Fundamentals of Physical Geography
2. Class XI: India Physical Environment

Advanced:

Class XII NCERT Books of Geography

4. Class XII: Fundamentals of Human Geography
5. School Atlas: Oxford Publication or Orient Longman Publication

A Comprehensive Geography of India by D.R. Khullar Human
Geography by Majid Hussain
India: Publication Division, Government of India Certificate Course
in Geography by Goh Cheng Leong

3. Economics (Indian Economics and Economic Theory)

Novice:

Class XI and XII NCERT Books of Economics

1. Class XI: Indian Economic Development
2. Class XII: Introductory Microeconomics
3. Class XII: Macroeconomics

Advanced:

4. Indian Economy: Ruddar Dutt and K.P.M. Sundaram
5. Indian Economy: S.K. Mishra and V.K. Puri
6. Economic Survey of India: Publication Division, Government of India
7. Annual Budget: Publication Division, Government of India
8. India: Publication Division, Government of India
9. Indian Economy: Pratiyogita Darpan

4. Polity (Indian Constitution)

Novice:

Class XI and XII NCERT Books of Political Science

1. Class XI: Political Theory
2. Class XII: Indian Constitution at Work

Advanced:

3. Introduction to Indian Constitution by D.D. Basu
4. Our Constitution by Subhash C Kashyap
5. Our Parliament by Subhash C Kashyap
6. Perspectives on Indian Constitution Edited by Subash C Kashyap
7. Indian Constitution (Bare Act): P.M. Bakshi
8. Indian Polity: Pratiyogita Darpan
9. Indian Polity: Laxmi kant

5. General Science (Physics, Chemistry, Biology)

Novice:

Class IX and X NCERT Books of Science

1. Class IX: Science
2. Class X: Science

Advanced:

Class XI and XII NCERT Books of Biology

3. Class XI: Biology
4. Class XII: Biology

Science: Tata McGraw Hills

6. Environment (Ecology, Bio-diversity, Climate Change)

Biology and Geography NCERT Books plus current events on Environmental Issues

7. Current Affairs

Newspapers

1. The Hindu
2. The Economic Times
3. The Times of India

Periodicals

1. Frontline
2. Business Today
3. Business Outlook
4. Yojana: Publication Division, Government of India

Paper II – Aptitude

1. Numeracy

NCERT Mathematics VII, IX, X

Quantitative Aptitude : R.S.Agarwal

2. Data Interpretation

Data Interpretation and Data Sufficiency by Tyra and Kundan

3. English Comprehension and Communication

Objective General English by R.S. Agarwal

4. Logical Reasoning

A Modern Approach to Verbal Reasoning by R.S. Agarwal

A new Approach to Reasoning by Sijwali and Sijwali