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The difference between a successful person and others is neither the lack of genius nor the lack of resources, what differentiates a successful man from the crowd is his clarity of vision and the iron will. Nothing can stop a man who knows where he is going.

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INSIGHT TEST SERIES

GENERAL STUDIES MAINS-2023

Special Features of Programme

- The aim of this programme is to improve the Writing Skills of the students and to help them in writing **Quality Enriched Answers** within the specified time.
- This exercise will equip the students with necessary expertise to **score more than 450 marks** very easily.
- To achieve this objective **12 Self-Assessment Tests (SATs)** will be conducted.
- The first **8 tests** will cover specific topics from each paper as mentioned in the detailed plan and the last **4 tests** are comprehensive tests covering full syllabus.
- All the test papers will be strictly in accordance with the new pattern of IAS Mains Examination.
- Preparations of question papers and the video discussion will be conducted **ONLY by Expert Faculties** of each subject.
- **Not just the Model Answers but the holistic coverage of the issue** will be discussed in class and relevant study material will be provided to the students.
- **Evaluated Answer Sheets will be provided before the discussion (maximum of 7 days)** of the test for better learning.
- **Personal Attention with Mentorship support will be provided** for upgradation of learning and continuous improvement in answer writing skills.
- Students will have the **flexibility to write** the tests as per their convenience on any day of the week.

PROGRAMME DETAILS

TEST TYPE	TEST TIMING	DAY OF TEST	DISCUSSION
SECTIONAL TESTS	01:00 PM to 04:00 PM	Tuesday	Saturday 5:30PM to 7:30 PM
	04:30 PM to 07:30 PM	Wednesday to Friday	
FULL SYLLABUS	Morning & Evening Sessions	As Per Test Schedule	

14
CONTENT
ENRICHMENT
BOOKS

7
MAXIMUM
DAYS FOR
EVALUATION

1 to 1
INTERACTION
WITH THE
FACULTY

MAINS 2023 TEST SERIES SCHEDULE

DETAILS	SYLLABUS & SOURCES	
<p>MODERN INDIAN HISTORY, INDIAN HERITAGE & CULTURE, WORLD HISTORY AND INDIAN SOCIETY</p>	<p>INDIAN HERITAGE AND CULTURE, INDIAN AND WORLD HISTORY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 present- significant events, personalities, issues. The Freedom Struggle - its various stages and important contributors/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, redrawing of national boundaries, colonization, decolonization, political philosophies like communism, capitalism, socialism, etc.- their forms and effect on the society. <p>SOCIETY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Salient features of Indian Society, Diversity of India. Role of women and women's organization, population and associated issues, poverty and developmental issues, urbanization, their problems and their remedies. Effects of globalization on Indian society. Social empowerment, communalism, regionalism & secularism. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> India's struggle for Independence - Bipan Chandra A New Look at Modern Indian History - B. L. Grover India Since Independence - Bipan Chandra A Compendium on Indian Art & Culture - S. Baliyan published by Oxford University Press India & the Contemporary World-I and II (NCERT IX & X) Mastering Modern World History by Norman Lowe A Study of Modern Europe and The World by L. Mukherjee (1815-1950) Indian Society and Social Justice by S.R. Singh INSIGHT Supplementary Material (For Current Issues and Relevant Material)
<p>MTS - 1 : 27 June'23</p>		
<p>INDIAN POLITY & GOVERNANCE</p>	<p>CONSTITUTION, POLITY, AND GOVERNANCE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indian Constitution - historical underpinnings, evolution, features, amendments, significant provisions and basic structure. 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. Separation of powers between various organs disputes redressal mechanisms and institutions. Comparison of the Indian constitutional scheme with that of other countries Parliament and State Legislatures - structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers & 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 their role in the Polity. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indian Polity - M. Laxmikanth Governance in India - M. Laxmikanth: (Chap. 1-4, 7, 11-21). Introduction to the Constitution of India by D.D. Basu INSIGHT Supplementary Material (For Current Issues and Relevant Material)
<p>MTS - 2 : 04 July'23</p>		

DETAILS	SYLLABUS & SOURCES	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salient 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 issues arising out of their design and implementation. • Important aspects of governance, transparency and accountability, e-governance-applications, models, successes, limitations, and potential; citizens charters, transparency & accountability and institutional and other measures. • Development processes and the development industry- the role of NGOs, SHGs, various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional and other stakeholders. • Role of civil services in a democracy. 	
GEOGRAPHY OF THE WORLD AND BIODIVERSITY & ENVIRONMENT	GEOGRAPHY OF THE WORLD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salient features of the world's physical geography. • Distribution of key natural resources across the world (including South Asia and the Indian subcontinent); factors responsible for the location of primary, secondary, and tertiary sector industries in various parts of the world (including India). • Important Geophysical phenomena such as earthquakes, Tsunami, Volcanic activity, cyclone, etc. • Geographical features and their location- changes in critical geographical features (including water-bodies and ice-caps) and in flora and fauna and the effects of such changes. BIO DIVERSITY AND ENVIRONMENT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certificate Physical and Human Geography - G C Leong • Physical Geography - Savindra Singh • India: A Comprehensive Geography - D.R. Khullar • Environment & Ecology by R. Rajagopalan: Part – II • Ministry of Environment: Annual Report (Latest) • NIOS Environment Notes • National Initiatives at Important Funds of Climate Change, Important Organisations, & International Conventions. • Important Developments related to it. • INSIGHT Supplementary Material (For Current Issues and Relevant Material)
MTS - 3 : 11 July'23		
ETHICS TEST - I (Ethics and Human Interface, Human Values, Aptitude, Attitude, Emotional Intelligence & Moral Thinkers and Case Studies)	ETHICS, INTEGRITY, AND APTITUDE - I <p>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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ethics and Human Interface: Essence, determinants and consequences of Ethics in human actions; dimensions of ethics; ethics in private and public relationships. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude by G. Subba Rao and P.N. Roy Chowdhary • The Lexicon of Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude • Case Studies on the above issues. • INSIGHT Supplementary Material (For Current Issues and Relevant Material)
MTS - 4 : 18 July'23		

DETAILS	SYLLABUS & SOURCES	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • 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. • Emotional intelligence - concepts, and their utilities and application in administration and governance. • Contributions of moral thinkers and philosophers from India and the world. 	
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	
MTS – 5 : 25 July'23		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 systems storage, transport and marketing of agricultural produce and issues and related constraints; e-technology in the aid of farmers. • Issues related to direct and indirect farm subsidies and minimum support prices; Public Distribution. • 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 significance, location, upstream and downstream requirements, supply chain management. • Land reforms in India. • Effects of liberalization on the economy, changes in industrial policy and their effects on industrial growth. • Infrastructure: Energy, Ports, Roads, Airports, Railways, etc. • Investment models. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indian Economy by Sanjeev Verma • Indian Economy by Ramesh Singh • Economic Survey 2023 • Indian Union Budget 2023-24 • INSIGHT Supplementary Material (For Current Issues and Relevant Material)
ETHICS TEST - II (Public Service Values & Ethics in Public Administration, Probity in Governance and Case Studies)	ETHICS, INTEGRITY, AND APTITUDE - II	
MTS – 6 : 01 Aug'23		
	<p>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</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude by G. Subba Rao and P.N. Roy Chowdhary • The Lexicon of Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude

DETAILS	SYLLABUS & SOURCES	
	<p>with society. Questions may utilize the case study approach to determine these aspects. The following broad areas will be covered.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 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, Citizen's Charters, Work culture, Quality of service delivery, Utilization of public funds, challenges of corruption. Case Studies on the above issues. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Case Studies on the above issues. INSIGHT Supplementary Material (For Current Issues and Relevant Material)
<p>SOCIAL JUSTICE AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS</p>	<p>SOCIAL JUSTICE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welfare schemes for vulnerable sections of the population by the Centre and 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 the development and management of Social Sector/Services relating to Health, Education, Human Resources. Issues relating to poverty and hunger. <p>INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> India and its neighborhood- relations. Bilateral, regional and global groupings and agreements involving India and/or affecting India's interests. Effect of policies and politics of developed and developing countries on India's interests, Indian diaspora. Important International institutions, agencies, and fora- their structure, mandate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Political Science : Contemporary World Politics (NCERT XII) The Hindu, Indian Express Newspapers Challenge and Strategy: Rethinking India's Foreign Policy by Rajiv Sikri INSIGHT Supplementary Material (For Current Issues and Relevant Material)
<p>MTS - 7 : 08 Aug'23</p>		
<p>TECHNOLOGY, DISASTER MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL SECURITY</p>	<p>TECHNOLOGY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Science and Technology- developments and their applications and effects in everyday life. Achievements of Indians in science & technology; indigenization of technology and developing new technology. Awareness in the fields of IT, Space, Computers, robotics, nanotechnology, biotechnology and issues relating to intellectual property rights. 	<p>Important Websites –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ISRO: https://www.isro.gov.in/ Ministry of Science & Technology: https://dst.gov.in/ DRDO: https://www.drdo.gov.in/ Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology: https://www.meity.gov.in/
<p>MTS - 8 : 15 Aug'23</p>		

DETAILS		SYLLABUS & SOURCES	
		DISASTER MANAGEMENT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disaster and disaster management. SECURITY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Linkages between development and spread of extremism. Role of external state and non-state actors in creating challenges to internal security. Challenges to internal security through communication networks, the role of media and social networking sites in internal security challenges, basics of cyber security; money-laundering and its prevention. Security challenges and their management in border areas; linkages of organized crime with terrorism Various Security forces and agencies and their mandate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hindu and the Indian Express, TOIS & T section Disaster Management by Savinder Singh Internal Security by Lohit Matani INSIGHT Supplementary Material (For Current Issues and Relevant Material)
MTS - 9	22 Aug'23	FULL SYLLABUS PAPER - I OF GENERAL STUDIES (Indian Heritage & Culture, History and Geography of the World and Society)	Same Syllabus as MTS - 1 & MTS - 3
	9 AM to 12 PM		
MTS - 10	22 Aug'23	FULL SYLLABUS PAPER - II OF GENERAL STUDIES (Governance, Constitution, Polity, Social Justice and International Relations)	Same Syllabus as MTS - 2 & MTS - 7
	2 PM to 5 PM		
MTS - 11	29 Aug'23	FULL SYLLABUS PAPER - III OF GENERAL STUDIES (Technology, Economic Development, Bio diversity, Environment, Security and Disaster Management)	Same Syllabus as MTS - 3, MTS - 5 & MTS - 8
	9 AM to 12 PM		
MTS - 12	29 Aug'23	FULL SYLLABUS PAPER - IV OF GENERAL STUDIES (Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude)	Same Syllabus as MTS - 4 & MTS - 6
	2 PM to 5 PM		

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	IAS-2018	 Rank 20 CHITRA MISHRA	 Rank 37 ANKUR KAUSHIK	 Rank 45 LAKSHMI N.	 Rank 56 DILEEP MISHRA	 Rank 81 JAY SHIVANI	 Rank 82 APARAJITA S. SINSINWAR	Atul Kr. Bansal 115 Smriti Mishra 116 Mahajan Manoj Satyawan 125 Lodha Shrenik Dilip 133 Vikas Ahlawat 146 More than 167 Selections			
		IAS-2017	 Rank 13 SAGAR KUMAR	 Rank 35 SHISHIR GEMAWAT	 Rank 40 APARAJITA	 Rank 57 JAGDISH CHELANI	 Rank 59 P. BHUVANESH DEVIDAS	 Rank 60 H. ADITYA VIKRAM MOHAN	Abinash Mishra 65 Vinod Dushn 74 Deshal Dan 82 Manish Kumar 84 Arpit Upadhyaya 94 More than 157 Selections		
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				IAS-2015	 Rank 18 ANSHUL GUPTA	 Rank 21 SHALINI DUHAN	 Rank 40 GAZAL BHARADWAJ	 Rank 42 JATIN LAL	 Rank 50 ZENDAGE HANUMANT K.	 Rank 54 RAVI PRAKASH	Ankur 77 Vinay Goyal 79 Trilok Bansal 97 Amarpreet K. Sandhu 102 Vinit Agrawal 128 More than 147 Selections
					IAS-2014	 Rank 19 ADITYA UPPAL	 Rank 51 PAMELA SATPATHY	 Rank 89 SHANTANU SHARMA	 Rank 99 ADITYA RANJAN	 Rank 100 SHALINI DUHAN	 Rank 114 SHRUTI PANDEY



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