

PRELIMS CUM MAINS SYLLABUS (GENERAL STUDIES)

ANCIENT INDIA

The syllabus covered is from Stone age till the Pallavas and the Chalukyas in the south.

Number of question asked from this subject in UPSC Preliminary stage is 1-4 questions. Total no of question asked in Ancient India from 2015-2019 is 8 questions where in the questions are simple and focused on core areas.

For mains examination this subject comes under General Studies-1 where in the question are asked related to the contemporary issues with Ancient India.

MEDIEVAL INDIA

The syllabus covered is from Chola Empire (9th-12th century) till the Rise of Marathas.

Number of question asked from this subject in UPSC Preliminary stage is 1-5 questions.

Total no of question asked in Medieval India from 2015-2019 is 12 questions where in the questions are simple, 2 statement based, 3 statement based and factual based which focuses on core areas.

For mains examination, this subject comes under General Studies-1 where in the question are of static part.

MODERN INDIA

The syllabus covered is from Advent of Europeans till India - Post Independence .

Number of question asked from this subject in UPSC Preliminary stage is 6-13 questions. Total no of question asked in Modern India from 2015-2019 is 41 questions where in the questions are simple, 2 statement based, 3 statement based, well distributed and and more of factual based which focuses on core areas.

For mains examination, this subject comes under General Studies-1 where in the question are more of static part.

GEOGRAPHY

The syllabus covered in this is Geomorphology, Climatology, Oceanography, Biogeography, Economic Geography (updated data's can be referred through official websites) Social Geography, Indian Physical geography.

Number of question asked from this subject in UPSC Preliminary stage is 1-8 questions. Total no of question asked in Modern India from 2015-2019 is 20 questions where in the questions are simple, 2 statement based , 3 statement based, Little change in the trend in these 5 years is that they are moving towards applied areas.

For mains examination , this subject comes under General Studies-I where in the question are asked related to the contemporary issues with Geography.

ECONOMICS - PART I

The syllabus covered is from National Income to the Money Market. Number of question asked from this subject in UPSC Preliminary stage is 6-12 questions.

Total no of question asked in Economics from 2015-2019 is 44 questions where in the questions are simple, 2 statement based , 3 statement based, 4 statement based.

For mains examination, this subject comes under General Studies-III where in the questions are more of conceptual based.

ECONOMICS - PART II

The syllabus covered is from the External Sector till the contemporary Economic Issues. Number of question asked from this subject in UPSC Preliminary stage is 3-7 questions.

Total no of question asked in Modern India from 2015-2019 is 20 questions where in the questions are simple, 2 statement based, 3 statement based, well distributed and more of factual based which focuses on core areas.

For mains examination, this subject comes under General Studies-III where in the questions are more of conceptual based.

INDIA YEAR BOOK

This books covers detailed explanation about our county, which is been updated yearly, the question from this subject is mostly prelims based and the question are more of factual ones.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

The syllabus covered from space, defence, electronics and green tech, IT, nuclear particle (nano tech), Bio tech, and health.

Number of question asked from this subject in UPSC Preliminary stage is 3-10 questions. Total no of question asked in Modern India from 2015-2019 is 51 questions where in the questions are mostly from applied areas.

For mains examination, this subject comes under General Studies-III where in the questions are more form contemporary related issues.

POLITY

The syllabus covered is from Constitutional Framework till the recent Public policy and Rights and Issue.

Number of question asked from this subject in UPSC Preliminary stage is 5-22 questions. Total no of question asked in Modern India from 2015-2019 is 48 questions where in the questions are simple, 2 statement based, 3 statement based, well distributed and and more of factual based which focuses on core areas.

For mains examination, this subject comes under General Studies-II where in the questions are more of static part.

ENVIRONMENT

The syllabus covered is from the topics related to :-

- Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment.
- Disaster and disaster management.

For mains examination this subject comes under General Studies-III where in the question are asked related to the current issues of environment.

ART & CULTURE

The syllabus covered is from Indian Art and Architecture till the Indian Literature.

Number of question asked from this subject in UPSC Preliminary stage is 1-10 questions. Total no of question asked in Modern India from 2015-2019 is 25 questions where no Particular type question is dominated, and question come mostly from core areas.

For mains examination, this subject comes under General Studies-I where in the questions are framed related to the contemporary issues.

AGRICULTURE

Agriculture- Ramsar Wetlands, Project Tiger Reserves, Biosphere Reserves, Mangrove Sites are important)

Number of question asked from this subject in UPSC Preliminary stage is 1-6 questions. Total no of question asked in Modern India from 2015-2019 is 22 questions ,where no Particular type question is dominated, and question come mostly from core areas and applied areas which mainly focus on Acts and policies.

For mains examination , this subject comes under General Studies-III and where in the questions are framed related to the contemporary issues.

POST INDEPENDENCE CONSOLIDATION

This subject is purely for mains examination, this includes the Post Independence Consolidation and reorganization within the country. This subject comes under General studies -1 where in the question are related on core and static areas.

SOCIETY IN INDIA

Society in India- This subject is purely for mains examination, includes the salient features of the Indian Society, Role of women, poverty, Globalization, social empowerment, communalism, regionalism, and secularism.

This subject comes under General studies -1 where in the question are related on core and static areas.

INTERNAL SECURITY

Internal Security- This subject is purely for mains examination, includes the Linkages between development and spread of extremism, role of external state and non state actors, cyber security, money laundering and its prevention, security challenges in border areas, various security forced and agencies and the mandate.

This subject comes under General studies-III where in the question are related to the contemporary issues.

ETHICS & PHILOSOPHY

This subject will include questions to test the candidate 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/her in dealing with society.

- Ethics and Human Interface: Essence, determinants and consequences of Ethics in human actions; dimensions of ethics; ethics in private and public relationships. Human Values – lessons from the lives and teachings of 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, 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 world.
- 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 above issues.

WORLD HISTORY

This subject is purely for mains examination, includes events from 18th century such as Industrial Revolution, world wars, redrawing of national boundaries, colonization, decolonization, political philosophies like communism, capitalism, socialism etc. their form and effect on the society. This subject comes under General studies -I where in the question are related on core and static areas.

GOVERNANCE

Governance- This subject is purely for mains examination, includes the basic of governance, government policies, development in various sectors, role of NGOs, SHGs, Role of civil services in a democracy etc. This subject comes under General studies -II where in the question are related to contemporary issues.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

This subject is purely for mains examination which includes all International Organisations till the important reports which is seen in news recently.

- 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.