

# UPSC Civils Prelims Cum Mains Test Series 2023

**42 Prelims Paper 1 Tests – 27 GS Tests, 15 Prelims Paper 2 CSAT**

**50 Mains Tests – Sectional Tests 19, GS Full Length Tests 16, Essay 15**

Test No	Test Date	Subject	Topics
Prelims Paper 1 Test 1	11 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	Modern Indian History  GS 1	Modern Indian History from about the middle of the eighteenth century -- significant events, personalities, issues. The Freedom Struggle — its various stages and important contributors/contributions from different parts of the country.
Mains Test 1	18 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	Modern India upto 1909  GS 1	Modern Indian History from about the middle of the eighteenth century -- significant events, personalities, issues. The Freedom Struggle — its various stages and important contributors/contributions from different parts of the country.
Prelims Paper 1  Test 2	25 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	Polity GS 2	<p>Parliament and State Legislatures—Structure, Functioning, Conduct of Business, Powers &amp; Privileges and Issues Arising out of these.</p> <p>Salient Features of the Representation of People's Act.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Appointment to various Constitutional Posts, Powers, Functions and Responsibilities of various Constitutional Bodies.</p> <p>Statutory, Regulatory and various Quasi-judicial Bodies.</p>
Mains Test 2	1 <sup>st</sup> August 2022	Polity GS 2	<p>Parliament and State Legislatures—Structure, Functioning, Conduct of Business, Powers &amp; Privileges and Issues Arising out of these.</p> <p>Salient Features of the Representation of People's Act.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Appointment to various Constitutional Posts, Powers,</p>

			<p>Functions and Responsibilities of various Constitutional Bodies.</p> <p>Statutory, Regulatory and various Quasi-judicial Bodies.</p>
<b>Prelims</b> <b>Paper 1</b> <b>Test 3</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> August</b> <b>2022</b>	<b>Economy GS 3</b>	<p>Indian Economy and issues relating to Planning, Mobilization of Resources, Growth, Development and Employment.</p> <p>Inclusive Growth and issues arising from it. Government Budgeting.</p> <p>Infrastructure: Energy, Ports, Roads, Airports, Railways etc.</p> <p>Investment Models.</p>
<b>Mains Test 3</b>	<b>15<sup>th</sup> August</b> <b>2022</b>	<b>Economy GS 3</b>	<p>Indian Economy and issues relating to Planning, Mobilization of Resources, Growth, Development and Employment.</p> <p>Inclusive Growth and issues arising from it. Government Budgeting.</p> <p>Infrastructure: Energy, Ports, Roads, Airports, Railways etc.</p> <p>Investment Models.</p>
<b>Prelims Paper 2</b> <b>CSAT Test 1</b> <b>Essay Test 1</b>	<b>19<sup>th</sup> August</b> <b>2022</b>		
<b>Prelims</b> <b>Paper 1</b> <b>Test 4</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup> August</b> <b>2022</b>	<b>Ancient and Medieval History</b> <b>GS 1</b>	<b>Ancient &amp; Medieval History</b> <b>Art &amp; Culture</b>
<b>Mains Test 4</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> September</b> <b>2022</b>	<b>Art &amp; Culture</b> <b>GS 1</b>	<b>Indian Culture - Salient aspects of Art Forms, Literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times.</b>
<b>Prelims Paper 2</b> <b>CSAT Test 2</b> <b>Essay Test 2</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> September</b> <b>2022</b>		
<b>Prelims</b> <b>Paper 1</b> <b>Test 5</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup> September</b> <b>2022</b>	<b>Polity</b> <b>GS 2</b>	<p>Indian Constitution—Historical Underpinnings, Evolution, Features, Amendments, Significant Provisions and Basic Structure.</p> <p>Comparison of the Indian Constitutional Scheme with that of Other Countries.</p> <p>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</p>

			<p>Challenges Therein.</p> <p>Separation of Powers between various organs Dispute Redressal Mechanisms and Institutions</p>
Mains Test 5	19 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	Polity GS 2	<p>Indian Constitution—Historical Underpinnings, Evolution, Features, Amendments, Significant Provisions and Basic Structure.</p> <p>Comparison of the Indian Constitutional Scheme with that of Other Countries.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Separation of Powers between various organs Dispute Redressal Mechanisms and Institutions</p>
Prelims Paper 2 CSAT Test 3 Essay Test 3	23 <sup>rd</sup> September 2022		
Prelims Paper 1 Test 6	30 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	Economy Agriculture GS 3	<p>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 offarmers.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Food Processing and Related Industries in India- Scope' and Significance, Location, Upstream and Downstream Requirements, Supply Chain Management.</p> <p>Land Reforms in India.</p> <p>Effects of Liberalization on the Economy, Changes in Industrial Policy and their Effects on Industrial Growth.</p>
Mains Test 6	7 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	Economy Agriculture GS 3	<p>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 offarmers.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Food Processing and Related Industries in India- Scope' and Significance, Location, Upstream and Downstream</p>

			<p>Requirements, Supply Chain Management.</p> <p>Land Reforms in India.</p> <p>Effects of Liberalization on the Economy, Changes in Industrial Policy and their Effects on Industrial Growth.</p>
Prelims Paper 2 CSAT Test 4 Essay Test 4	10 <sup>th</sup> October 2022		
Prelims Paper 7	17 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	<p>Science and technology</p> <p>Disaster and disaster management</p> <p>GS 3</p>	<p>Science and Technology- Developments and their Applications and Effects in Everyday Life.</p> <p>Achievements of Indians in Science &amp; Technology; Indigenization of Technology and Developing New Technology.</p> <p>Awareness in the fields of IT, Space, Computers, Robotics, Nano-technology, Bio-technology and issues relating to Intellectual Property Rights.</p> <p>Disaster and Disaster Management.</p>
Mains Test 7	24 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	<p>Science and technology</p> <p>Disaster and disaster management</p> <p>GS 3</p>	<p>Science and Technology- Developments and their Applications and Effects in Everyday Life.</p> <p>Achievements of Indians in Science &amp; Technology; Indigenization of Technology and Developing New Technology.</p> <p>Awareness in the fields of IT, Space, Computers, Robotics, Nano-technology, Bio-technology and issues relating to Intellectual Property Rights.</p> <p>Disaster and Disaster Management.</p>
Prelims Paper 2 CSAT Test 5 Essay Test 5	28 <sup>th</sup> October 2022		
Prelims Paper 1 Test 8	4 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	<p>World Physical geography</p> <p>GS 1</p>	<p>Salient features of World's Physical Geography.</p> <p>Important Geophysical Phenomena such as earthquakes, Tsunami, Volcanic activity, cyclone etc., geographical features and their location-changes in critical</p>

			geographical features (including water-bodies and ice-caps) and in flora and fauna and the effects of such changes.
<b>Mains Test 8</b>	<b>11<sup>th</sup> November 2022</b>	<b>World Physical geography GS 1</b>	<b>Salient features of World's Physical Geography.</b>  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.
<b>Prelims Paper 2 CSAT Test 6 Essay Test 6</b>	<b>14<sup>th</sup> November 2022</b>		
<b>Prelims Paper 1 Test 9</b>	<b>21<sup>st</sup> November 2022</b>	<b>International Relations GS 2</b>	<b>International Institutions UN, World Bank, IMF, WIPO, ADB, BRICS etc.</b> <b>Government Schemes</b>
<b>Mains Test 9</b>	<b>28<sup>th</sup> November 2022</b>	<b>International Relations GS 2</b>	<b>India and its Neighborhood- Relations.</b>  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.
<b>Prelims Paper 2 CSAT Test 7 Essay Test 7</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022</b>		
<b>Prelims Paper 1 Test 10</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup> December 2022</b>	<b>Environment and Ecology GS 3</b>	<b>Conservation, Environmental Pollution and Degradation, Environmental Impact Assessment</b>
<b>Mains Test 10</b>	<b>16<sup>th</sup> December 2022</b>	<b>Environment and Ecology GS 3</b>	<b>Conservation, Environmental Pollution and Degradation, Environmental Impact Assessment</b>
<b>Prelims Paper 2 CSAT Test 8 Essay Test 8</b>	<b>18<sup>th</sup> December 2022</b>		
<b>Prelims Paper 1 Test 11</b>	<b>22<sup>nd</sup> December 2022</b>	<b>Indian &amp; Human Geography GS 1</b>	<b>Distribution of Key Natural Resources across the world (including South Asia and the Indian sub-continent); factors responsible for the location of primary, secondary, and tertiary sector industries in various parts of the world (including India).</b>
<b>Mains Test 11</b>	<b>27<sup>th</sup> December 2022</b>	<b>Indian &amp; Human Geography GS 1</b>	<b>Distribution of Key Natural Resources across the world (including South Asia and the Indian sub-continent); factors responsible for the location of primary, secondary, and</b>

			tertiary sector industries in various parts of the world (including India).
Prelims Paper 2 CSAT Test 9 Essay Test 9	2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2023		
Prelims Paper 1 Test 12	8 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Full test GS 1	
Mains Test 12	14 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Ethics GS 4	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. Case studies on above issues
Prelims Paper 1 Test 13	20 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Full test GS 2	
Mains Test 13	26 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Social issues GS 1	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.
Prelims Paper 2 CSAT Test 10 Essay Test 10	1 <sup>st</sup> February 2023		
Prelims Paper 1 Test 14	6 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	Full test GS 3	
Mains Test 14	11 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	Ethics GS 4	Attitude: Content, Structure, Function; its Influence and Relation with Thought and Behavior; Moral and Political Attitudes; Social Influence and Persuasion.  Contributions of Moral Thinkers and Philosophers from India and World.  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 Case studies on above issues

<b>Prelims Paper 1 Test 15</b>	<b>16<sup>th</sup> February 2023</b>	<b>Full test GS 1 &amp; GS 2</b>	
<b>Mains Test 15</b>	<b>22<sup>nd</sup> February 2023</b>	<b>Internal security GS 3</b>	<p><b>Linkages between Development and Spread of Extremism.</b></p> <p><b>Role of External State and Non-state Actors in creating challenges to Internal Security.</b></p> <p><b>Challenges to Internal Security through Communication Networks, Role of Media and Social Networking Sites in Internal Security Challenges, Basics of Cyber Security; Money-Laundering and its prevention.</b></p> <p><b>Security Challenges and their Management in Border Areas - Linkages of Organized Crime with Terrorism.</b></p> <p><b>Various Security Forces and Agencies and their Mandate.</b></p>
<b>Prelims Paper 1 Test 16</b>	<b>28<sup>th</sup> February 2023</b>	<b>Full test GS 2 &amp; GS 3</b>	
<b>Mains Test 16</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> March 2023</b>	<b>Ethics GS 4</b>	<p><b>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.</b></p> <p><b>Case studies on above issues</b></p>
<b>Prelims Test 17</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup> march 2023</b>	<b>Full test GS 3 &amp; GS 1</b>	
<b>Mains Test 17</b>	<b>14<sup>th</sup> March 2023</b>	<b>Governance Social Justice GS 2</b>	<p><b>Government Policies and Interventions for Development in various sectors and Issues arising out of their Design and Implementation.</b></p> <p><b>Development Processes and the Development Industry —the Role of NGOs, SHGs, various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional and other stakeholders.</b></p> <p><b>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.</b></p> <p><b>Issues Relating to Development and Management of Social Sector/Services relating to Health, Education, Human Resources.</b></p>

			<p>Issues relating to Poverty and Hunger.</p> <p>Important Aspects of Governance, Transparency and Accountability, E-governance- applications, models, successes, limitations, and potential; Citizens Charters, Transparency &amp; Accountability and institutional and other measures.</p> <p>Role of Civil Services in a Democracy.</p>
Mains Test 18	19 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Ethics GS 4	<p>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.</p> <p>Case studies on above issues</p>
Mains Test 19	24 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Post-Independence World History GS 1	<p>Post-independence Consolidation and Reorganization within the country.</p> <p>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>
Prelims Paper 1 Test 18	29 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Full test	
Prelims Paper 1 Test 19	2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2023	Full Test	
Prelims Paper 2 CSAT Test 11	6 <sup>th</sup> April 2023		
Prelims Paper 1 Test 18	10 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	Full test	
Prelims Paper 1 Test 19	14 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	Full Test	
Prelims Paper 2 CSAT Test 12	18 <sup>th</sup> April 2023		
Prelims Paper 1 Test 20	22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2023	Full test	
Prelims Paper 1 Test 21	26 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	Full Test	
Prelims Paper 2 CSAT Test 13	30 <sup>th</sup> April 2023		



Prelims Paper 1 Test 22	4 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Full test	
Prelims Paper 1 Test 23	8 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Full Test	
Prelims Paper 2 CSAT Test 14	12 <sup>th</sup> May 2023		
Prelims Paper 1 Test 24	16 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Full test	
Prelims Paper 1 Test 25	20 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Full Test	
Prelims Paper 2 CSAT Test 15	23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2023		
Prelims Paper 1 Test 26	26 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Full test	
Prelims Paper 1 Test 27	29 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Full Test	
Essay Test 11	26 <sup>th</sup> June 2023		
Mains Test 20	6 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	GS 1	
Mains Test 21	1 <sup>st</sup> July 2023	GS 2	
Mains Test 22	6 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	GS 3	
Mains Test 23	11 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	GS 4	
Essay Test 12	16 <sup>th</sup> July 2023		
Mains Test 24	20 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	GS 1	
Mains Test 25	22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2023	GS 2	
Mains Test 26	25 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	GS 3	
Mains Test 27	28 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	GS 4	
Essay Test 13	1 <sup>st</sup> August 2023		
Mains Test 28	3 <sup>rd</sup> August 2023	GS 1	
Mains Test 29	6 <sup>th</sup> August 2023	GS 2	
Mains Test 30	9 <sup>th</sup> August 2023	GS 3	
Mains Test 31	12 <sup>th</sup> August 2023	GS 4	
Essay Test 14	15 <sup>th</sup> August 2023		

Mains Test 32	21 <sup>st</sup> August 2023	GS 1	
Mains Test 33	24 <sup>th</sup> August 2023	GS 2	
Mains Test 34	27 <sup>th</sup> August 2023	GS 3	
Mains Test 35	30 <sup>th</sup> August 2023	GS 4	
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## About the Director



### Sarat Chandra

He pursued B. Tech from **IIT Madras**. As an experienced faculty of Civil Services, he guided several students. He scored **195** Marks in UPSC Interview. For Civil Services exam, he teaches Current affairs, Geography optional, Essay writing, Ethics, World History, Internal Security etc. with focus on answer writing skills. He got highest marks in UPSC General Studies.

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