

Mains Test series schedule for UPSC Civil Services

From 16th October 2021 – 13th August 2022

General Studies, Ethics, Essay, Current Affairs

6 Essay Tests, 37 GS Tests (29 Part tests, 8 Full tests)

ONLINE/OFFLINE

Test No	Date	Subject	Topics	References
Test 1	16 th October 2021		Essay	
Test 2	23 rd October 2021	Polity GS 2	Parliament and State Legislatures— Structure, Functioning, Conduct of Business, Powers & Privileges and Issues Arising out of these. Salient Features of the Representation of People’s Act.	Indian Constitution at Work- Class 11 th NCERT Polity Laxmikanth 6 th Edition Chapter 22,33
Test 3	30 th October 2021	Economy GS 3	Indian Economy and issues relating to Planning, Mobilization of Resources, Growth, Development and Employment. Inclusive Growth and issues arising from it. Government Budgeting.	INDIAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT- 11 th NCERT, Any other relevant Material Current Affairs
Test 4	6 th November 2021	Modern India upto 1909 GS 1	Modern Indian History from about the middle of the eighteenth century -- significant events, personalities, issues.	NCERTs and Selective topics from India’s struggle for independence – Bipin Chandra

			The Freedom Struggle — its various stages and important contributors/contributions from different parts of the country.	Or Spectrum
Test 5	13 th November 2021	Polity GS 2	<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>	<p>Indian Constitution at Work- Class 11th NCERT</p> <p>Polity Laxmikanth 6th Edition Chapter 26-29,34-37,77 And</p> <p>Part VII,VIII</p> <p>Recent current affairs</p>
Test 6	20 th November 2021	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 of farmers.</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;</p>	<p>INDIAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT- 11th NCERT</p> <p>Any Institute Material And Current Affairs</p>

			<p>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>	
Test 7	27 th November 2021	<p>Modern India 1909-1947 GS 1</p>	<p>Modern Indian History from about the middle of the eighteenth century -- significant events, personalities, issues.</p> <p>The Freedom Struggle — its various stages and important contributors/contributions from different parts of the country.</p>	<p>NCERTs and Selective topics from India's struggle for independence – Bipin Chandra</p> <p>Spectrum</p>
Test 8	4 th December 2021	<p>Ethics GS 4</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>Case studies on above issues</p>	<p>Any standard reference book 2ndARC</p> <p>4thReport- ethics in Governance</p> <p>10thReport Refurbishing of Personnel Administration.</p> <p>Political Theory – Class 11 NCERT</p>
Test 9	11 th December 2021	<p>Polity GS 2</p>	<p>Indian Constitution—Historical Underpinnings, Evolution, Features,</p>	<p>Indian Constitution at Work- Class 11th NCERT</p>

			<p>Amendments, Significant Provisions and Basic Structure.</p> <p>Comparison of the Indian Constitutional Scheme with that of Other Countries.</p>	<p>Polity Laxmikanth 6th Edition Part I</p>
Test 10	18 th December 2021	Economy GS 3	<p>Land Reforms in India.</p> <p>Effects of Liberalization on the Economy, Changes in Industrial Policy and their Effects on Industrial Growth.</p>	<p>INDIAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT- 11th NCERT</p> <p>Any Institute Material</p> <p>Current Affairs</p>
Test 11	25 th December 2021	Ancient and Medieval history GS 1	<p>Indian Culture - Salient aspects of Art Forms, Literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times.</p>	<p>Ancient history – RS Sharma,</p> <p>Medieval Indian History – Satish Chandra – Old NCERT</p> <p>Art and Culture Nitin Singhania</p>
Test 12	1 st January 2022	Polity GS 2	<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>	<p>Indian Constitution at Work- Class 11th NCERT</p> <p>Polity Laxmikanth 6th Edition Part II</p>

Test 13	8 th January 2022	Economy GS 3	Infrastructure: Energy, Ports, Roads, Airports, Railways etc. Investment Models.	INDIAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT- 11 th NCERT, Current Affairs
Test 14	15 th January 2022	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.	Current Affairs Other relevant sources like PIB, Current affairs etc
Test 15	22 nd January 2022	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,	Any standard reference book 2 nd ARC Report 4 th Report- ethics in Governance 10 th Report on refurbishing of Personnel Administration. Political Theory – Class 11 NCERT

			and their Utilities and Application in Administration and Governance	
Test 16	29 th January 2022	Governance GS 2	<p>Government Policies and Interventions for Development in various sectors and Issues arising out of their Design and Implementation.</p> <p>Development Processes and the Development Industry – the Role of NGOs, SHGs, various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional and other stakeholders.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Issues Relating to Development and Management of Social Sector/Services relating to Health, Education, Human Resources.</p> <p>Issues relating to Poverty and Hunger.</p>	<p>PIB, Yojana</p> <p>Current Affairs</p> <p>Web resources</p>
Test 17	5 th February 2022	Science and technology GS 3	Science and Technology- Developments and their Applications and Effects in Everyday Life.	<p>Any relevant Material</p> <p>Current Affairs</p>

			<p>Achievements of Indians in Science & 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>	
Test 18	12 th February 2022	Post-independence GS 1	Post-independence Consolidation and Reorganization within the country.	Selective topics from India since independence – Bipin Chandra, NCERT (Politics of India since Independence)
Test 19	19 th February 2022	World history GS 1	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.	Any Standard Book for World History
Test 20	26 th February 2022	Governance GS 2	Important Aspects of Governance, Transparency and Accountability, E-governance- applications, models, successes, limitations, and potential; Citizens Charters, Transparency & Accountability and institutional and other measures.	<p>PIB, Yojana</p> <p>Current Affairs</p> <p>Web resources</p>

			Role of Civil Services in a Democracy.	
Test 21	5th March 2022	Disaster and disaster management GS 3	Disaster and Disaster Management.	Web sources Current Affairs
Test 22	12th March 2022	World physical geography Climatology, oceanography GS 1	Salient features of World's Physical Geography.	Selective Chapters from Geography NCERT class 7-12 Certificate Physical and Human Geography -- Goh Cheng Leong
Test 23	19th March 2022	Essay		
Test 24	26th March 2022	World physical geography Geomorphology GS 1	Salient features of World's Physical Geography. 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	Selective Chapters from Geography NCERT class 7-12 Certificate Physical and Human Geography -- Goh Cheng Leong

			such changes.	
Test 25	2 nd April 2022	Environment and Ecology GS 3	Conservation, Environmental Pollution and Degradation, Environmental Impact Assessment	Shankar IAS Revised Edition
Test 26	9 th April 2022	Ethics GS 4	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.	Any standard reference book 2 nd ARC report 4 th Report- ethics in Governance 10th Report Refurbishing of Personnel Administration. Political Theory – Class 11 NCERT
Test 27	16 th April 2022	World and Indian Geography GS 1	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).	Selective Chapters from Geography NCERT class 7-12 Certificate Physical and Human Geography -- Goh Cheng Leong
Test 28	23 rd April 2022	International	India and its Neighborhood-Relations.	Various Web sources and

		relations GS 2	<p>Bilateral, Regional and Global Groupings and Agreements involving India and/or affecting India's interests.</p> <p>Effect of Policies and Politics of Developed and Developing Countries on India's interests, Indian Diaspora.</p> <p>Important International Institutions, agencies and fora - their Structure, Mandate.</p>	Current Affairs
Test 29	30 th April 2022	Internal security GS 3	<p>Linkages between Development and Spread of Extremism.</p> <p>Role of External State and Non-state Actors in creating challenges to Internal Security.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Security Challenges and their Management in Border Areas - Linkages of Organized Crime with Terrorism.</p> <p>Various Security Forces and Agencies and their Mandate.</p>	Various Web sources and Current Affairs

Test 30	7 th May 2022	Ethics GS 4	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.	Any standard reference book 2 nd ARC report 4 th Report- ethics in Governance 10 th Report Refurbishing of Personnel Administration. Political Theory – Class 11 NCERT
Test 31	14 th May 2022	Social issues GS 1	Effects of Globalization on Indian society. Social Empowerment, Communalism, Regionalism & Secularism.	
Test 32	16 th May 2022		Essay	
Test 33	21 st May 2022		Essay	
Full Syllabus tests for mains after prelims				
Test 34	11 th June 2022	Full test - 1	ESSAY	
Test 35	18 th June 2022	Full test –2	GS – Paper 1	
Test 36	25 th June 2022	Full test –3	GS – Paper 2	

Test 37	2 nd July 2022	Full test –4	GS – Paper 3	
Test 38	9 th July 2022	Full test –5	Ethics	
Test 39	16 th July 2022	Full test –6	ESSAY	
Test 40	23 rd July 2022	Full test –7	GS – Paper 1	
Test 41	30 th July 2022	Full test –8	GS – Paper 2	
Test 42	6 th August 2022	Full test –9	GS – Paper 3	
Test 43	13 th August 2022	Full test – 10	Ethics	