

# Important Topics for UPSC Prelims 2019 (Economy)



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## External Sector

- India and WTO Disputes Resolution Mechanism
- Policy Commission of World Customs Organization
- Global Economic Prospects 2019 – World Bank
- Ease of Doing Business Report 2019 – World Bank
- International Year of Millets – 2023 (UN Food and Agriculture Organisation)
- Sovereign Blue Bond
- World's First Block Chain Bond
- Legal Entity Identifier
- Inclusive Wealth Report- UN Environment
- Dubai Declaration to Measure Progress of SDGs
- INSTEX- Instrument in Support of Trade Exchanges
- Changes in Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA)
- World Economic Outlook – IMF
- Rupee Depreciation, Rising Oil Prices and Government Steps to Stabilise Rupee
- South Asia Economic Focus (SAFE)
- Global Findex Report- World Bank
- Mutual Agreement Procedure
- National Urban Housing Fund- NUHF
- Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunication – SWIFT
- Minimum Alternate Tax – MAT
- Insider Trading
- Generalized System of Preferences – GSP
- Special Economic Zones – SEZ
- Financial Stability and Development Council – FSDC
- National Investment Infrastructure Fund – NIIF
- National Financial Reporting Authority – NFRA
- Share Pledging
- Development Impact Bonds
- Sunset Clause
- Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code – IBC
- Google, Apple, Facebook and Amazon (GAFA) Tax
- Technical Textiles
- External Commercial Borrowings – ECBs
- Hedging
- Back Series GDP Data
- Streamlining of National Pension System
- SMART Meters
- India Urban Data Exchange (IUDX)
- Share Swap
- Corporate Social Responsibility & Corporate Environment Responsibility (CSR & CER)
- Udyam Sangam 2018
- Unified Payment Interface (UPI) 2.0

## Concepts/Organisations

- PM-AASHA- Price Deficiency Payment
- e-Way Bill
- National Productivity Council
- Government e-Marketplace (GeM)
- Food Safety and Standards Authority of India- FSSAI
- World Economic Forum – WEF

- Atal New India Challenges – NITI Aayog
- Limited Liability Partnership
- Amendment in the Definition of Petroleum
- Regional Rural Bank, Cooperative Bank, Small Finance Bank, Payments Bank
- Municipal Bonds
- Securities and Exchange Board of India – SEBI
- Census Town
- District Mineral Foundation
- Champion Services Sectors
- India- Highest Recipient of Remittances in 2018 & RBI's Liberalised Remittance Scheme
- Fixed Term Employment
- RBI Switches Back to GDP Model to Measure Economy
- Foreign Portfolio Investment (FPI)
- National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) and National Skill Development Fund (NSDF)
- Railways' CONCOR Begins Coastal Operations
- AirSewa – 2.0
- Inland Waterways
- Policy Framework for Exploration and Exploitation of Unconventional Hydrocarbons
- Non Banking Financial Corporations (NBFCs) and IL & FS Crisis
- Enabling Monetization of Public Infrastructure Assets in India
- Indian Energy Efficiency Scale-up Programme
- Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) and Infrastructure Investment Trusts (InvITs)
- Coal Mine Surveillance & Management System and Khan Prahari App
- Startup India's Academia Alliance Programme
- Eastern Rajasthan Canal Project
- India Relaxes Cabotage law
- Patratu Super Thermal Power Project
- Mega SEZs to Spur Electronics Exports
- Zojila Tunnel Project
- Mega Food Park
- Exploration of Coal Bed Methane (CBM)
- City Compost System

## Industry/Infrastructure

- Strategic Oil Reserves
- MSME Sector – Export Promotion Cell Established
- Jal Marg Vikas Project
- RBI- Industrial Outlook Survey, and Services and Infrastructure Outlook Survey
- New Rules for e-Commerce
- National Policy on Electronics – 2019
- Uranium Requirements in India
- Open Acreage Licensing Policy – OALP
- Federation of Indian Export Organisations' (FIEO's) GlobalLinker
- National Projects Construction Corporation Limited (NPCC) – Miniratna
- **Online Market Place for Weavers (re-weave.in)**
- States' Startup Ranking
- Revival of Stressed Thermal Power Plants
- TRAI Recommends the Sale of 5G Spectrum
- 'One District One Product' Summit Inaugurated

## Banking/Finance/Taxation

- RBI to Link Interest Rates to External Benchmarks Replacing MCLR
- Bharat 22 ETF (Exchange Traded Fund)
- Commercial Papers as a Source of Funds
- Prompt Corrective Action
- RBI Launches Ombudsman Scheme
- Long Term Capital Gains Tax
- North East Venture Fund
- Banning of Unregulated Deposit Schemes Bill, 2018
- Chit Funds (Amendment) Bill, 2018
- Revenue Deficit Targeting Abandoned
- Angel Tax

- Tribunal to Fast Track Benami Cases
- RBI to merge three categories of NBFCs (Non Banking Financial Companies)
- Debenture Redemption Reserve
- Export-Import(EXIM) Bank of India
- RBI-Government Tussle
- Injeti Srinivas Committee
- Capital Conservation Buffer
- Financial Stability Report- RBI
- India Post Payments Bank
- 'Time Bank' Model for Elderly
- Amalgamation of Public Sector Banks
- Inter-Creditor Agreement
- Public Credit Registry
- **GST** – Bringing Fuels Under GST, Goods and Services Tax Network (GSTN), GST Appellate Tribunal
- 16-digit Virtual Number for KYC
- Project Sashakt: Resolution of Bad Loans at Public Sector Banks
- RBI Ban on Cryptocurrency
- Framework for Bond Market Development, Integration of Commodity Spot and Derivatives Market
- Changes in Priority Sector Lending Norms by RBI

## Agriculture

- Agri-Market Infrastructure Fund
- National Agricultural Higher Education Project (NAHEP) – ICAR
- Agriculture Export Policy, 2018
- Agriculture Census
- Ashok Dalwai Committee Submits Final Report
- Integrated Development and Management of Fisheries
- Fisheries and Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund
- Operation Greens

- Integrated Farming System
- DIDF – Dairy Processing & Infrastructure Development Fund
- Hike in MSP for Kharif Crops
- Model Law for Contract Farming
- Micro Irrigation Fund
- Integrated Management of PDS
- New Agri Project – “Green-Ag”
- First All India Rural Financial Inclusion Survey by NABARD

## Economic Survey (Key Concepts)

- Preparation of Economic Survey
- Statistics of GDP Growth Rate in Last Decade
- Widening of Tax Base After GST and Demonetization
- Formalization of Economy: Challenges & Prospects
- Employees Provident Fund (EPF)/Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC)
- Export Disparity among Indian States
- Litigations in Tax Arena
- Raising Investments or Raising Savings
- Pink Colour of Economic Survey 2017-18
- Twin Balance Sheet Challenge
- 4R- Solutions
- Recapitalization of Banks
- Decoupling of Economy
- Son Meta Preference
- National Integrated Logistics Policy
- **4 Headwinds (“Horsemen”) to Economic Growth:**
  - ❖ Globalization Backlash
  - ❖ Thwarted Structural Transformation
  - ❖ Climate Change-induced Agricultural Stress
  - ❖ Human Capital Regression