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A Letter From Our Editor

Dear friends. now that the UPSC Prelims has been deferred, we think we should discuss a few things here. First, since aspirants will get extra time on their hands this year, the competition could increase significantly. Second, since the exam date has not been fixed, there is bound to be some confusion and due to this, some aspirants may not be able to fully utilize the extra time in their hands. Third, due to the lockdown, aspirants will have to prepare from online sources as a rule not as a choice.

Coming to the first point, even if the competition increases, it should not worry you because you will also get the same extra time and as a result you should also be able to compete at a better level. We will be releasing extra content and practice sets soon for you to practice and gain an advantage over the competition. Then, to remove confusion, please know that you will have at least 30 days of notice before the Prelims, so, adjust your preparation accordingly.

For the last point, what you can do is search online for courses that will serve you best. Also, start making it a habit of attending free classes on YouTube, taking down notes and preparing from those, so that when you finally enrol for any online course, you do not feel uncomfortable or disoriented.

- Best of luck, prepare well.

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SPECIAL FOCUS: PRELIMS

A short strategy for UPSC Prelims

MOTIVATE

Prelims is more of an odd ball than a tough ball. Aspirants with deep motivation seem to clear it easily while those whose motivation falter cannot. The reason seems to be that only reading is not enough and you will have to be emotionally invested on a daily basis for success in your attempt. Daily motivation as such, can be your secret weapon.

READ

Read with care. We know covering vastly helps clear Prelims but that does not mean you are reading beyond what is necessary. Stick to minimum sources for static content, but spread your wings over all things 'current affairs'. Be careful that you go through the previous years' papers every once in a while so that while reading you know what the UPSC may or may not ask.

PRACTICE

Practice a lot of mock test papers. Your typical preparation for Prelims should be composed of sets of papers from at least 2 to 3 institutes. Go through the solutions, if possible re-attempt a week before the exam. Your goal should be to cover the best and most relevant questions from the leading institutes.

REVISE

Revision is very important because the mind cannot retain content without revision. And without retention, recollection of information will be difficult. Therefore, consider revision as part of preparation and not as something extra that you will do only if you have time.

FOCUS

Learn to focus. Learn to read questions correctly. Learn to eliminate wrong statements. Learn to connect the dots in the information that you hold in your mind. The ability to focus deeply is going to save you from silly mistakes in the exam. It will improve your accuracy and will give you a fighting chance of clearing the Prelims.

BELIEVE

Start your day by motivating yourself and before going to bed, tell yourself that you are going to clear this exam. This is a type of positive reinforcement where you and your success in this exam take precedence over short-term failures and mistakes. So, never stop believing in your success and keep telling yourself this until you succeed!

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Prelims GS Subject Wise

Understand how questions are set according to topic.

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Mains Practice Questions

Practice daily for Top 100 rank!

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Mind Map

New mindmaps added.

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Important Institutions

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"SHORT CUTS MAKE LONG DELAYS."

J.R.R. Tolkien

If we are driving home, perhaps taking the shortcut can save us five minutes. True! But take this quote in the context of the UPSC CSE. Do you really want to take a shortcut and not make notes, not read the newspaper, and rely entirely on reading material from the xerox shops? I hope not.

Don't take the shortcut, at least not when you have plenty of time, now that Prelims 2020 has been officially deferred. Keep doing the basics:

- Read the newspaper daily and CA notes from any good website.
- Make short notes on topics you think are important for your attempt.
- Re-read the basic books you have collected.
- Go through the mock tests, class notes and previous years' papers.

If you keep on doing these, your 'foundation' will get stronger and your **confidence** will keep getting higher – two things that are going to be of great importance this year.



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