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GENERAL STUDIES – MODULE I





Salient Features

- A perfect synthesis of current affairs and conventional topics in the question paper as per the latest trends
- Question papers prepared after intensive research work over standard books, authentic websites and newspapers
- PDF of detailed model answer so as to provide comprehensive information and analysis for content enrichment of candidates
- Appropriate gap between tests for adequate preparation

- Timebound evaluation of answer sheets by a dedicated team of experts only so that candidates can get suitable feedback before the next test
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| Test 17 | November 13, 2020 (Friday) | Full Syllabus of GS Paper-I |
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| Test 21 | December 23, 2020 (Wednesday) | Mock Test GS Paper-I |
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| Test 23 | December 24, 2020 (Thursday) | Mock Test GS Paper-III |
| Test 24 | December 24, 2020 (Thursday) | Mock Test GS Paper-IV |



| Test Schedule | | |
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| Test No. (Code) | Test Date | Topics Covered |
| Test 1 | November 12, 2019 | GS Paper I : World History + Indian Society |
| (GSM-2001) | (Tuesday) | World History-History of the world will include events from the 18th century such as industrial revolution, world was redrawal of national boundaries, colonization, decolonization, political philosophies like communism, capitalism, socialisetctheir forms and effect on the society. |
| | | 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. |
| Test 2 | November 26, 2019 | GS Paper II : Indian Polity & Governance |
| (GSM-2002) | (Tuesday) | Pressure groups and formal/informal associations and their role in the polity. Salient features of the Representation of People's Act. |
| | | Appointment to various Constitutional posts, powers, functions and responsibilities of various Constitutional Bodies. Statutory, regulatory and various quasi-judicial bodies. Government policies and interventions for development in various sectors and issues arising out of their design a implementation. |
| | | Development processes and the development industry- the role of NGOs, SHGs, various groups and associations, done charities, institutional and other stakeholders. |
| | | • Welfare schemes for vulnerable sections of the population by the Centre and States and the performance of these schemechanisms, laws, institutions and Bodies constituted for the protection and betterment of these vulnerable sections. |
| | | Issues relating to development and management of Social Sector/Services relating to Health, Education, Human Resource Current affairs related to these topics (issues in news in the last one year) |
| Test 3 | December 10, 2019 | GS Paper III : Internal Security + Disaster Management + Environmental Issues |
| (GSM-2003) | (Tuesday) | Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment. Disaster and disaster management. Linkages between development and spread of extremism. Role of external state and non-state actors in creating challen to internal security. |
| | | Challenges to internal security through communication networks, role of media and social networking sites in intersecurity challenges, basics of cyber security; money-laundering and its prevention. Security challenges and their management in border areas; linkages of organized crime with terrorism Various Security challenges. |
| | | forces and agencies and their mandate. • Current affairs related to these topics (issues in news in the last one year) |



| Test 4 | December 24, 2019 | GS Paper IV : Ethics |
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| (GSM-2004) | (Tuesday) | 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. Case studies |
| Test 5 | January 7, 2020 | GS Paper IV : Ethics |
| (GSM-2005) | (Tuesday) | 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. Case studies |
| Test 6 | January 21, 2020 | GS Paper III : Indian Economy + Science & Technology |
| (GSM-2006) | (Tuesday) | • Land reforms in India. |
| | | Effects of liberalization on the economy, changes in industrial policy and their effects on industrial growth. Infrastructure Energy, Ports, Roads, Airports, Railways etc. Investment models. Science and Technology- developments and their applications and effects in everyday life. Achievements of Indians in science & technology; indigenization of technology and developing new technology. Awareness in the fields of IT, Space, Computers, robotics, nano-technology, bio-technology and issues relating to intellectual property rights. Current affairs related to these topics (issues in news in the last one year) |
| Test 7 | February 4, 2020 | GS Paper IV : Ethics |
| (GSM-2007) | (Tuesday) | 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 |



| Test 8 | February 18, 2020 | GS Paper III : Indian Economy and Related Issues |
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| (GSM-2008) | (Tuesday) | • Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, mobilization of resources, growth, development and employment. |
| | | • Inclusive growth and issues arising from it. |
| | | Government Budgeting. |
| | | • 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. |
| | | • 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. |
| | | • Food processing and related industries in India- scope and significance, location, upstream and downstream requirements, |
| | | supply chain management. |
| | | Current affairs related to these topics (issues in news in the last one year) |
| Test 9 | March 3, 2020 | GS Paper I: Post Independence History + Indian Society + Physical Geography |
| (GSM-2009) | (Tuesday) | Post-independence consolidation and reorganization within the country. |
| | | Social empowerment, communalism, regionalism & secularism. |
| | | Salient features of world's physical geography. |
| | | • Distribution of key natural resources across the world (including South Asia and the Indian subcontinent); factors responsible |
| | | for the location of primary, secondary, and tertiary sector industries in various parts of the world (including India). |
| Test 10 | March 17, 2020 | GS Paper II : Social Issues + Governance + International Relations |
| (GSM-2010) | (Tuesday) | Issues relating to poverty and hunger. |
| | | • Important aspects of governance, transparency and accountability, e-governance- applications, models, successes, limitations |
| | | and potential; citizens charters, transparency & accountability and institutional and other measures. |
| | | Role of civil services in a democracy. |
| | | 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. |
| | | • Current affairs related to these topics (issues in news in the last one year) |



| Test 11 | March 31, 2020 | GS Paper I : Art & Culture + Modern Indian History + Geography |
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| (GSM-2011) | (Tuesday) | • Art & Culture- Indian culture will cover the salient aspects of Art Forms, Literature and Architecture from ancient to modern |
| | | times. |
| | | • Modern Indian history from about the middle of the eighteenth century until the present- significant events, personalities, |
| | | issues. |
| | | • The Freedom Struggle - its various stages and important contributors /contributions from different parts of the country. |
| | | • 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. |
| Test 12 | April 14, 2020 | GS Paper II : Indian Polity & Governance |
| (GSM-2012) | (Tuesday) | • Indian Constitution- historical underpinnings, evolution, features, amendments, significant provisions and basic structure. |
| | | • 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. |
| | | Separation of powers between various organs dispute redressal mechanisms and institutions. |
| | | Comparison of the Indian constitutional scheme with that of other countries |
| | | Parliament and State Legislatures - structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers & privileges and issues arising our of these. |
| | | Structure, organization and functioning of the Executive and the Judiciary Ministries and Departments of the Government Current affairs related to these topics (issues in news in the last one year) |
| Test 13 | October 13, 2020 | GS Paper I : Art & Culture + Modern Indian History + World History + Post Independence History |
| | (Tuesday) | Art & Culture- Indian culture will cover the salient aspects of Art Forms, Literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times. |
| | | Modern Indian history from about the middle of the eighteenth century until the present- significant events, personalities, issues |
| | | • The Freedom Struggle - its various stages and important contributors /contributions from different parts of the country. |
| | | • World History-History of the world will include events from 18th century such as industrial revolution, world wars, redrawal |
| | | of national boundaries, colonization, decolonization, political philosophies like communism, capitalism, socialism etc their |
| | | forms and effect on the society. |
| | | Post-independence consolidation and reorganization within the country. |



| Test 14 | Ocotber 20, 2020 | GS Paper II : Indian Polity & Governance |
|---------|------------------|--|
| | (Tuesday) | • Indian Constitution- historical underpinnings, evolution, features, amendments, significant provisions and basic structure. |
| | | • 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. |
| | | Separation of powers between various organs dispute redressal mechanisms and institutions. |
| | | Comparison of the Indian constitutional scheme with that of other countries |
| | | • Parliament and State Legislatures - structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers & privileges and issues arising out of these. |
| | | • 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. |
| | | Salient features of the Representation of People's Act. |
| | | Appointment to various Constitutional posts, powers, functions and responsibilities of various Constitutional Bodies. |
| | | Statutory, regulatory and various quasi-judicial bodies. |
| | | • Government policies and interventions for development in various sectors and issues arising out of their design and implementation. |
| | | Role of civil services in a democracy. |
| | | Current affairs related to these topics (issues in news in the last one year) |
| Test 15 | Ocotber 27, 2020 | GS Paper III : Indian Economy and Related Issues |
| | (Tuesday) | Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, mobilization of resources, growth, development and employment. |
| | | Inclusive growth and issues arising from it. |
| | | Government Budgeting. |
| | | • 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. |
| | | • 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. |
| | | Food processing and related industries in India- scope and significance, location, upstream and downstream requirements, supply chain management. |
| | | Land reforms in India. |
| | | Effects of liberalization on the economy, changes in industrial policy and their effects on industrial growth. |
| | | Infrastructure: Energy, Ports, Roads, Airports, Railways etc. |
| | | Investment models. |
| | | • Current affairs related to these topics (issues in news in the last one year) |



| Test 16 | November 03, 2020 | GS Paper IV : Ethics |
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| | (Tuesday) | 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. |
| | | Case studies. |
| Test 17 | November 13, 2020 (Friday) | GS Paper I : Full Syllabus |
| Test 18 | November 23, 2020 (Monday) | GS Paper II : Full Syllabus |
| Test 19 | December 03, 2020 (Thursday) | GS Paper III : Full Syllabus |
| Test 20 | December 13, 2020 (Sunday) | GS Paper IV : Full Syllabus |
| Test 21 & 22 (GSM-2021 & 2022) | December 23, 2020 (Wednesday) | GS Paper I: Mock Test Paper (09 AM to 12 PM) GS Paper II: Mock Test Paper (02 PM to 05 PM) |
| Test 23 & 24 (GSM-2023 & 2024) | December 24, 2020 (Thursday) | GS Paper III: Mock Test Paper (09 AM to 12 PM) GS Paper IV: Mock Test Paper (02 PM to 05 PM) |