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## ENGLISH MEDIUM

### **ALL INDIA GENERAL STUDIES MAINS TEST SERIES 2016: STARTING – 28 AUGUST, 2016**

**12 TESTS (8 Sectionwise Test + 4 Full Length Test)**

**Current Affairs (free) + Value Addition Material + Supplementary Material**

**- Team Vision IAS**

**ANSWER WRITING EVALUATION PROGRAM** (Experts Support: Telephonic Discussion / Email Interaction)

**Program Objective:**

This is a comprehensive and intensive ‘interactive’ distance learning / online / offline test series program focusing on sincere IAS Aspirants who will appear in Civil Service Exam 2016. Our experts provide step by step guidance to aspirants for understanding the concepts of the subject and prepare them for effective answer writing.

**Approach & Strategy:**

Our simple, practical and focused approach will help the aspirants to understand the demand of UPSC exam effectively. Our strategy is to constantly innovate to keep the preparation process dynamic and give personalized attention to individual aspirants based on factors like core competence, availability of time, resource and the latest requirement of Civil Service Exam. Our Interactive Learning approach will continuously improve aspirant’s performance and move their preparation in the right direction in the dynamic changing pattern of CS Mains.

**FOCUS:**

Answer writing skill development, Structure & presentation of answer, How to present facts, information & knowledge in the answer, Understanding actual requirement (key words, Context & Content) of the UPSC in the different types of questions and how the questions should be attempted for good score (strategy & approach), Understanding your current preparedness & required action plans and framing your mind towards actual pattern, toughness and timing of the actual UPSC Examination.

**PHILOSOPHY:**

The pattern of UPSC Mains exam is very dynamic and unpredictable. Therefore Mock Test papers should be designed based on latest pattern of UPSC. Our team frames the questions (F, CA, FCA, U) with different difficulty level (E, M, D, V) in the Mock test papers. So that the aspirants can simulate the UPSC exam in real sense, understand the demand of the exam and develop effective writing skills.

**Fee Structure: GS Mains Test Series 2016: 12 Tests – Plan I & Plan II**

PLAN	CONTENT	FEE STRUCTURE	Module No.
Plan I	8 Sectionwise + 4 Full Length Tests + <u>Current Affairs (free)</u>	Rs 16000 (Total Course Fee Including all taxes)	694
Plan II	8 Sectionwise + 4 Full Length Tests + <u>Current Affairs (free)</u> + Value Addition Material	Rs 18000 (Total Course Fee Including all taxes)	695

**Nature:** **Date of Mock Test:** Reschedule as per the choice of the aspirant. (POSTPONE, BUT NOT PREPONE).  
**Last date – 20<sup>th</sup> Nov 2016**

**Mode of dispatch:** Printed material (\*) via airmail/ **Download Test Papers & material from Vision IAS Online Platform**

**What you will get:**

- Login id & Password for performance analysis of aspirants (**Innovative Assessment System**)
- **Consolidated Question Paper-cum-Answer booklet (12 Tests : PDF File)**
- Evaluated Answer Booklet by experts with proper feedback, comments & guidance.
- Answer format ( Synopsis ) of Mock Test paper
- Analysis of Mock Test papers based on difficulty level & nature of questions.

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- Printed material [General Studies Value Addition material] will be dispatched to only distance learning/online students.
- Online/distance learning students can download Question cum answer booklet and approach-answer-analysis of mock test papers from Vision IAS online Platform.
- Question cum answer booklet, approach - answer – analysis of mock test papers, monthly current affairs will NOT be dispatched.
- Offline Students can collect printed material from our test centers. No material will be dispatched to students opting for writing tests at center.
- Supplementary material / Reference material / Support material will be provided in PDF format only and will not be dispatched.
- Information related test discussions will be notified on the home page of student's online platform.
- Classroom discussion will be conducted at Rajinder Nagar Centre only. Study material and Classroom discussions are available in English medium only.

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### **ONLINE - DISTANCE LEARNING / OFFLINE**

#### **(Personalized Scheduling)**

**Note:**

1. Aspirants can **reschedule** the test date based on their plan. (POSTPONE, BUT NOT PREPONE)
2. **Offline Tests (Flexible): Every day of the week, 10 AM & 2 PM (THURSDAY CLOSED)**
3. **Test Centers:**

**Dr. Mukherjee Nagar:** 103, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, B/1-2, Ansal Building, Behind UCO Bank

**Rajinder Nagar:** 75, 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor **AND** 78, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Old Rajinder Nagar Market Near Axis Bank

**Jaipur:** 119, Ground Floor, Apex Mall, Lal Kothi, Tonk Road, Jaipur

**Hyderabad:** 1-10-140/A, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Rajamani Chambers, St. No. 8, Ashok Nagar, Hyderabad, Telangana-500020

**Pune:** Office No. 403, Eiffel Squire, Near Shakti Sports, Tilak Road, Pune- 411030

**Ahmedabad:** 201, People's Plaza, Near Memnagar Fire Station, Navrangpura, Ahmedabad-380009

**Bengaluru:** No. 48E/56, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, 15<sup>th</sup> Main, Vijayanagar (Opposite Vidya Eye Clinic), (Landmark: Vijayanagar Metro Station B-Gate), Bengaluru - 560040

## TEST SCHEDULE, CONTENT & REFERENCES

TEST No. [ CODE ]	Date of Mock Test	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Topics covered</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>[Max Marks : 250, Duration of the Test : 3 Hrs]</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>£30-35% Questions will be asked from current affairs section in each mock test paper.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Primary (Essential) References</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Secondary (Additional) References</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Primary (Essential) News Paper / Magazines/ website</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Secondary (Additional) News Paper / Magazines / website</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Test 1 [766]</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>AUGUST 28, 2016</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>G. S. Paper-II: Constitution, Polity</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Indian Constitution- historical underpinnings, evolution, features, amendments, significant provisions and basic structure.</li> <li>▪ 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.</li> <li>▪ Separation of powers between various organs dispute redressal mechanisms and institutions.</li> <li>▪ Comparison of the Indian constitutional scheme with that of other countries</li> <li>▪ Parliament and State Legislatures - structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers &amp; privileges and issues arising out of these.</li> <li>▪ 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.</li> <li>▪ Salient features of the Representation of People's Act.</li> <li>▪ Appointment to various Constitutional posts, powers, functions and responsibilities of various Constitutional Bodies.</li> <li>▪ Statutory, regulatory and various quasi-judicial bodies</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>+ Current Affairs</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>11<sup>th</sup> NCERT:</b> Indian Constitution at Work</li> <li>- Indian Polity by <b>M Laxmikant</b> or</li> <li>- Introduction to the Constitution of India : <b>D D Basu</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Vision IAS</b> Comprehensive material on <i>Comparison of Constitution of India with other countries</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Constitution of India by <b>PM Bakshi</b></li> <li>- <b>Punchhi</b> Commission Report</li> <li>-- <b>2<sup>nd</sup> ARC REPORT</b> (Selective Topics)</li> <li>-14<sup>th</sup> FINANCE COMMISSION REPORT (Selective Topics)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Hindu</li> <li>- PIB : <a href="http://www.pib.nic.in">www.pib.nic.in</a></li> <li>- Yojana</li> <li>- PRS: <a href="http://www.prsindia.org">www.prsindia.org</a></li> <li>-<i>Vision IAS comprehensive Current affairs notes</i></li> <li>-<b>Value addition Material</b>(Value addition material will cover dynamic G.S. Mains material and study material on those topics which are not easily available in basic reference books )</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Indian Express</li> </ul>

<p><b>Test 2</b> <b>[824]</b></p>	<p><b>SEPTEMBER</b> <b>9, 2016</b></p>	<p><b><u>G. S. Paper -II: Governance , Social Justice</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 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.</li> <li>▪ Role of civil services in a democracy.</li> <li>▪ Development processes and the development industry- the role of NGOs, SHGs, various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional and other stakeholders</li> <li>▪ Government policies and interventions for development in various sectors and issues arising out of their design and implementation.</li> <li>▪ 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.</li> <li>▪ Issues relating to development and management of Social Sector/Services relating to Health, Education, Human Resources.</li> <li>▪ Issues relating to poverty and hunger.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>+ Current Affairs</b></p>	<p><b>-Governance in India</b> - By Laxmikant</p> <p>-8<sup>th</sup> NCERT - Law and social justice -9<sup>th</sup> NCERT – Economics -11th NCERT: Economics: Indian Economic Development (chapters related to Social Justice)</p> <p><b>-India Year Book</b> (chapters related to Social Justice)</p> <p><b>-Economic Survey</b> (chapters related to Social Justice)</p> <p><b>-Yojana</b></p>	<p><b>- 2<sup>nd</sup> ARC REPORT</b> (Relevant sections)</p> <p>Twelfth Five Year Plan 2012-17 Document (<b>Planning Commission</b>) <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Volume – Social Sector</b></p>	<p>- The Hindu - PIB : <a href="http://www.pib.nic.in">www.pib.nic.in</a> - Yojana - PRS <a href="http://www.prsindia.org">www.prsindia.org</a> - Vision IAS comprehensive Current affairs notes  -Value addition Material</p>	<p>- The Indian Express</p>
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<p><b>Test 3 [845]</b></p>	<p><b>SEPTEMBER 16, 2016</b></p>	<p><b><u>G. S. Paper - I: Geography of the World</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Salient features of world's physical geography.</li> <li>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)</li> </ul> <p><b><u>G. S. Paper-III: Bio diversity &amp; Environment</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>+ Current Affairs</b></p> <p><b><u>G. S. Paper - I: Geography of the World</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>G. S. Paper -III: Disaster Management</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disaster and disaster management.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>+ Current Affairs</b></p>	<p>-Certificate Physical and Human Geography by <b>Goh Cheng Leong</b></p> <p><b>9<sup>th</sup> &amp; 10<sup>th</sup> NCERT Contemporary India</b></p> <p>-<b>11<sup>th</sup> NCERT:</b> Physical Geography  -<b>12<sup>th</sup> NCERT:</b> Fundamentals of Human Geography</p> <p>-Around the World (Geography) : <b>ICSE Board</b> [ Class 6 , 7 &amp; 8 ] <b>or</b> <b>OLD NCERT Books</b> [ Class 6 , 7 , 8 ]  - Orient Longman Atlas</p> <p>- Our Environment – <b>NCERT (VII)</b>  - Ecology: Unit X – <b>Class 12<sup>th</sup> Biology NCERT</b>  - India Year Book – Environment chapter  - ICSE (IX-X) Environment education (Beetel Publication/Frank Publication)</p> <p><a href="http://www.ndmindia.nic.in">www.ndmindia.nic.in</a>  Crash course on disaster management  Vision IAS Value added material on Disaster Management.</p>	<p>Status of Forest Report  <b>Report :</b>  <a href="http://www.undp.org/content/dam/india/docs/disaster-management-in-india.pdf">http://www.undp.org/content/dam/india/docs/disaster-management-in-india.pdf</a></p> <p>- <b>2<sup>nd</sup> ARC REPORT</b> (Crisis Management)</p> <p>Website :-  <a href="http://www.ndma.gov.in/en/">http://www.ndma.gov.in/en/</a> (topics – Media and Public Awareness – Disaster Information)</p>	<p>- The Hindu  - PIB : <a href="http://www.pib.nic.in">www.pib.nic.in</a>  - Yojana  - Vision IAS comprehensive Current affairs notes  - <b>Value addition Material</b>  - Down to Earth <a href="http://www.downtoearth.org.in">www.downtoearth.org.in</a></p>	<p>- The Indian Express</p>
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<p><b>Test 4</b> <b>[846]</b></p>	<p><b>SEPTEMBER</b> <b>23, 2016</b></p>	<p><b><u>G. S. Paper - I: Indian Heritage and Culture, Modern Indian History and World History</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Indian culture</b> will cover the salient aspects of Art Forms, Literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times.</li> <li>▪ <b>Modern Indian history</b> from about the middle of the eighteenth century until the present-significant events, personalities, issues</li> <li>▪ <b>The Freedom Struggle</b> - its various stages and important contributors /contributions from different parts of the country.</li> <li>▪ <b>History of the world</b> 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.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>G. S. Paper - I: Post Independence India and Society</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Post-independence</b> consolidation and reorganization within the country.</li> <li>▪ Salient features of Indian Society, Diversity of India.</li> <li>▪ Role of women and women's organization, population and associated issues, poverty and developmental issues, urbanization, their problems and their remedies.</li> <li>▪ Effects of globalization on Indian society</li> <li>▪ Social empowerment, communalism, regionalism &amp; secularism.</li> </ul> <p><b>+ Current Affairs</b></p>	<p>- Introduction to Fine Arts – <b>Part I</b> -website – <a href="http://www.ccrindia.gov.in">www.ccrindia.gov.in</a> -Old NCERT: <b>Ancient India</b> by R.S Sharma -Indian Freedom Struggle of independence - <b>Bipin Chandra/</b> -“<b>A Brief History of Modern India</b>” – Spectrum Pub. - Mastering Modern World History by <b>Normal Lowe</b> - <b>9<sup>th</sup> NCERT</b>- India and the contemporary world Part I, (Last 5 chapters) - <b>10<sup>th</sup> NCERT</b> - India and the contemporary world <b>OR</b> History of the world by <b>Arjun Dev</b> <b>12<sup>th</sup> NCERT: Politics in India after Independence</b> India after Gandhi by <b>Ramachandra Guha</b> India since independence by <b>Bipin Chandra</b> <b>NCERT -12<sup>th</sup>:</b> Indian Society <b>NCERT -12<sup>th</sup>:</b> Social Change and Development In India</p>	<p>-Wonder that was India by <b>A L Basham</b> -Indian Culture Chapter of Indian Year Book -<b>Plassey to Partition – Shekhar Bandopadhyay</b> Indian Social System - <b>Ram Ahuja</b> Indian Society &amp; Culture – <b>Nadeem Hasnain</b> Social Problems In India - <b>Ram Ahuja</b></p>	<p>- The Hindu -Value addition <i>Material OF World History</i> - The Indian Express - PIB : <a href="http://www.pib.nic.in">www.pib.nic.in</a> - Yojana - Live Mint -<i>Vision IAS comprehensive Current affairs notes</i> - EPW -Value addition <i>Material</i></p>	<p>- The Indian Express - Frontline</p>
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<p><b>Test 5 [843]</b></p>	<p><b>SEPTEMBER 30, 2016</b></p>	<p><b><u>G. S. Paper-III: Economic Development</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, mobilization of resources, growth, development and employment.</li> <li>▪ Inclusive growth and issues arising from it.</li> <li>▪ Government Budgeting.</li> <li>▪ Effects of liberalization on the economy, changes in industrial policy and their effects on industrial growth.</li> <li>▪ Infrastructure: Energy, Ports, Roads, Airports, Railways etc.</li> <li>▪ Investment models.</li> <li>▪ Land reforms in India</li> <li>▪ 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</li> <li>▪ 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.</li> <li>▪ Food processing and related industries in India- scope and significance, location, upstream and downstream requirements, supply chain management.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>+ Current Affairs</b></p>	<p><b>9th NCERT – Economics</b></p> <p><b>10th NCERT-</b> Understanding Economics Development</p> <p><b>-11<sup>th</sup> NCERT:</b> Economics: Indian Economic Development</p> <p>-Economic Survey of India</p> <p>Vision IAS Value added material: Land Reforms in India, Food security</p> <p>-India since independence <b>by Bipin Chandra</b> [ Land Reform ]</p> <p><b>- 12<sup>th</sup> NCERT: Geography</b> India People and Economy</p> <p><b>-11<sup>th</sup> NCERT: Economics:</b> Indian Economic Development</p> <p>-Economic Survey of India</p> <p><b>Indian Geography - Khullar</b> (Chapter related to Agriculture)</p>	<p>- Report :Twelfth Five Year Plan 2012-17 Documents (<b>Planning Commission</b>)</p> <p>-India Year Book (related chapters)</p> <p>- Indian Economy Since Independence - <b>Uma Kapila</b></p> <p>- Indian Economy: R. <b>Dutt and Sundaram</b></p> <p>- <b>MAKE IN INDIA Website (sectors powerpoints)</b> <a href="http://www.makeinindia.com/sectors">http://www.makeinindia.com/sectors</a></p> <p>- <b>Budget – ARC 14<sup>th</sup> report (Strengthening Financial Management Systems)</b></p> <p>The Penguin Dictionary of Economics</p> <p>-India Year Book (Agriculture Chapter)</p> <p>- Report at the website of Ministry of Food Processing</p>	<p>- The Hindu</p> <p>- PIB : <a href="http://www.pib.nic.in">www.pib.nic.in</a></p> <p>- Yojana</p> <p>-<i>Vision IAS Comprehensive Current affairs notes</i></p> <p><b>-Value addition Material</b> (Value addition material will cover dynamic G.S. Mains material and study material on those topics which are not easily available in basic reference books)</p> <p>-Ministry of Agriculture website</p> <p>-Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution website</p> <p>-Ministry of Food Processing Industries website</p>	<p>- The Indian Express</p> <p>-Economic times</p> <p>- Economic Political Weekly</p> <p>- Frontline</p> <p>-Kurukshetra</p>
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<p><b>Test 6</b> <b>[747]</b></p>	<p><b>OCTOBER</b> <b>7, 2016</b></p>	<p><b><u>G. S. Paper - IV : Ethics, Integrity, and Aptitude</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 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.</li> <li>▪ 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.</li> <li>▪ 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.</li> </ul>	<p>- Vision IAS Value added material on Ethics</p>	<p>- <b>2<sup>nd</sup> ARC Report</b> (4<sup>th</sup> report)</p> <p>- Justice by Michael J. Sandel</p> <p><b>UNDP Document:</b> Civil Services Competency Dictionary, <a href="http://persmin.gov.in/otraining/competency%20dictionary%20for%20the%20civil%20services.pdf">http://persmin.gov.in/otraining/competency%20dictionary%20for%20the%20civil%20services.pdf</a></p>	<p>- The Hindu - Yojana</p>	<p>- The Indian Express - Frontline</p>
<p><b>Test 7</b> <b>[748]</b></p>	<p><b>OCTOBER</b> <b>14, 2016</b></p>	<p><b><u>G. S. Paper - IV : Ethics, Integrity, and Aptitude</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Attitude: content, structure, function; its influence and relation with thought and behaviour; moral and political attitudes; social influence and persuasion.</li> <li>▪ Emotional intelligence-concepts, and their utilities and application in administration and governance.</li> <li>▪ Contributions of moral thinkers and philosophers from India and world.</li> <li>▪ 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.</li> </ul>	<p>- <b>2<sup>nd</sup> ARC REPORT</b> (1<sup>st</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> report)</p> <p>- Vision IAS Value added material on Ethics</p>		<p>- The Hindu - Yojana</p>	<p>- The Indian Express - Frontline</p>



<p><b>Test 8</b> <b>[844]</b></p>	<p><b>OCTOBER</b> <b>21, 2016</b></p>	<p><b><u>G. S. Paper II &amp; III: International relations &amp; Security + Technology</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ India and its neighborhood- relations.</li> <li>▪ Bilateral, regional and global groupings and agreements involving India and/or affecting India's interests.</li> <li>▪ Effect of policies and politics of developed and developing countries on India's interests, Indian diaspora.</li> <li>▪ Important International institutions, agencies and fora- their structure, mandate.</li> <li>▪ Linkages between development and spread of extremism.</li> <li>▪ Role of external state and non-state actors in creating challenges to internal security.</li> <li>▪ 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</li> <li>▪ Security challenges and their management in border areas; linkages of organized crime with terrorism</li> <li>▪ Various Security forces and agencies and their mandate.</li> <li>▪ Science and Technology- developments and their applications and effects in everyday life</li> <li>▪ Achievements of Indians in science &amp; technology; indigenization of technology and developing new technology.</li> <li>▪ Awareness in the fields of IT, Space, Computers, robotics, nano-technology, bio-technology and issues relating to intellectual property rights.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>+ Current Affairs</b></p>	<p><b>NCERT Class 12: Political Science: Contemporary World Politics</b></p> <p>India's Foreign Policy by Rajiv Sikri Or India's Foreign Policy - Retrospect and Prospect – Sumit Ganguly</p> <p>Ministry of <b>External Affairs website</b>, in focus <a href="http://mea.gov.in/in-focus.htm">http://mea.gov.in/in-focus.htm</a> + annual report.</p> <p>Vision IAS Value added material: Security material</p> <p>Internal Security &amp; Disaster Management: Ashok Kumar, TMH</p> <p>Ministry of Home Affairs <a href="http://www.mha.nic.in">www.mha.nic.in</a> Annual Report</p> <p>Science &amp; Technology : <b>TMH Publication OR Spectrum Publication</b></p>	<p>India year Book (Defence chapter)</p> <p>ORF WEBSITE: <a href="http://www.orfonline.org">http://www.orfonline.org</a></p> <p>India Year Book Chapter on Science and Technology</p> <p>12<sup>th</sup> five year plan report, Volume – 1: Innovation, Science &amp; Technology Chapter</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- World Focus</li> <li>- The Hindu</li> <li>- PIB : <a href="http://www.pib.nic.in">www.pib.nic.in</a></li> <li>- Yojana</li> <li>- Vision IAS</li> <li>- comprehensive Current affairs notes</li> <li>- Value addition Material</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Indian Express</li> <li>- PIB : <a href="http://www.pib.nic.in">www.pib.nic.in</a></li> <li>- Frontline</li> <li>- RSTV – India and the World</li> <li>- Economic Political Weekly</li> </ul>
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# CIVIL SERVICES (PRELIMINARY) EXAM, 2015 : 07.08.2016 (SUNDAY)

Test 9 [757]	OCTOBER 28, 2016	<b>Complete syllabus of <u>G.S. Paper I</u> ( Full Length Test )</b> <i>Indian Heritage and Culture, History and Geography of the World and Society</i>
Test 10 [758]	NOVEMBER 4, 2016	<b>Complete syllabus of <u>G.S. Paper II</u> ( Full Length Test )</b> <i>Governance, Constitution, Polity, Social Justice and International relations</i>
Test 11 [759]	NOVEMBER 9, 2016	<b>Complete syllabus of <u>G.S. Paper III</u> ( Full Length Test )</b> <i>Technology , Economic Development , Bio diversity -Environment , Security and Disaster Management</i>
Test 12 [760]	NOVEMBER 12, 2016	<b>Complete Syllabus of <u>G.S. Paper IV</u> ( Full Length Test )</b> <i>Ethics, Integrity, and Aptitude</i>

## INNOVATIVE ASSESSMENT SYSTEM:

Static & dynamic Potential of Mock test papers (Scoring Potential), Macro & Micro performance Analysis of aspirants, Section wise analysis, Difficulty Analysis, All India Rank, comparison with toppers, Geographical Analysis, Integrated Score Card, Analysis of Mock Test papers based on difficulty level & nature of questions etc.

### **Difficulty Level (DL):**

Easy (E), Medium (M), Difficult (D), Very Difficult (V)

### **Nature of Question (Nature):**

Fundamental /Conceptual /Conventional (F), Current Affairs ( CA ), Fundamental + Current Affairs ( FCA) and Unconventional ( U)

### **UPSC CRITERIA:**

**Criteria for assessment of candidate performance in the written IAS exam as per UPSC instruction:**

*"The main Examination is intended to assess the overall intellectual traits and depth of understanding of candidates rather than merely the range of their information and memory". -Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)*

### **METHODOLOGY:**

**Methodology for evaluation of Answer sheet:** Our expert will evaluate aspirant's answer sheet on following indicators using their experience in the field of UPSC.

EVALUATION INDICATORS
1. Alignment Competence
2. Context Competence
3. Content Competence :
4. Language Competence
5. Introduction Competence
6. Structure – Presentations Competence
7. Conclusion Competence
MARKS

**Score: Scale: 1- 5** 5 – Outstanding 4 – Excellent 3 – Good 2 – Average 1 - Poor

- Total Marks in the question has been given on proper consideration of weightage of every evaluation indicators based on nature of the questions and UPSC experience of the expert.
- The score of every indicator for any question will highlight candidate's competence performance (for understanding of the level of quality of the question and required action plans).

**BASIC UNDERSTANDING OF FOLLOWING DESIGNED COMPETENCES:**

◆ **Alignment Competence:**

- Writing the answer according to the actual requirement of the questions
- Focus on Key words & Tail words effectively (*Elucidate – Explain, Comment, Examine, Critically examine, Discuss, Analyze, Illustrate, Review, Argue, Justify etc.*)

◆ **Context Competence:**

- Contextual understanding of the Questions
- formation , choice of words and proper statement

◆ **Content Competence :**

- Content of the answer in the contextual framework

◆ **Language Competence :**

- Optional Subject Specific Language not used general words in the optional paper ( but In General Studies language should be simple and clear )
- Appropriate words at proper place , Word limits

◆ **Structure – Presentation Competence:**

- Proper systematization in the structure of the answer, Proper consideration of priority and focus of given ideas.
- Logical structure of sentence and their connectivity.
- Proper visibility of idea through facts, data, diagram, figure, illustration according to the requirement of the question.

◆ **Introduction – Conclusion Competence:**

- Impressive beginning and Ending of the answer. Give your opinion only when asked for it.
- Incorporate your opinion from different perspective in a balance manner.

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