

Civil Services Exam Syllabus

“CSAT”

CSAT	Comprehension; Logical reasoning and analytical ability; Decision making and problem solving; General mental ability Basic numeracy (Class X level); Data interpretation (Class X level)
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“Language”

Compulsory Indian language	(i) Comprehension of given passages. (ii) Precise writing. (iii) Usage and Vocabulary. (iv) Short Essays. (v) Interpreting English into Indian languages and vice-versa.
English	(i) Comprehension of given passages. (ii) Precise Writing. (iii) Usage and Vocabulary. (iv) Short Essays.

“History”

(A) Ancient History

Category	Subcategory
Pre-Historic Cultures in India	Sources of Pre History
	Periodization of Indian Pre History
	Stone Age
	Palaeolithic (2 million BC – 10,000 BC)
	Mesolithic (10,000 BC – 8,000 BC)
	Neolithic (8000 BC – 4000 BC)
	Chalcolithic Age (4000 BC – 1500 BC)
	Iron Age (1500 BC-200 BC)
	Impact of Iron
Pastoral & Farming Communities	Neolithic Phase
	Chalcolithic Phase
	Early Iron Phase
	Geographical Distribution and Characteristics
Indus Valley Civilization	Harappan civilization or Indus Valley Civilization

Category	Subcategory
	Major Cities Town Planning
	Harappan Internal & Foreign Trade
	Agriculture
	Domestication of animals
	Crafts
	Weights and Measures
	Script and Language
	Harappan Society
	Harappan Religion
	Harappan Economy
	Harappan Burial System
	Harappan Art & Architecture
	Decline of Harappan Culture
Vedic Society	Original Home of Aryans
	Features of Aryan Culture
	Vedic Texts & Upanishad
	Sources for Reconstructing Vedic Society and Culture
	Geography of the Rig Vedic Period & Geography of the later Vedic Phases
	Economic Conditions
	Political Organisation and Evolution of Monarchy
	Social Organisation and Varna System
	Religion and Thought
Pre Mauryan-Period	Age of 2nd Urbanisation
	Formation of states
	The Sixteen Mahajanapadas
	Gana Sangha or Republics
	Rise of urban centres
	Evolution of Coins
	Haryanka dynasty
	Shishunaga dynasty
	Nanda dynasty
Growth of Jainism & Buddhism	Jainism
	Buddhism
The Mauryan Empire	Chandragupta and Bindusara
	The Arthasastra

Category	Subcategory
	Megasthenes
	Ashoka and His Successors
	Ashoka's Inscriptions and Sites
	Ashoka's Dhamma
	Mauryan Administration, Economy, Society and Art
	Decline of Maurya
	Cultural History during the Maurya Age
Post-Mauryan India (BC 200-AD 300)	Arrival of Indo-Greeks, Shakas, Parthians & Kushana
	Commercial Contacts with the Outside World
	Satavahanas and Other Indigenous Dynasties
	Society: Evolution of Jatis
	Sangam Texts-and Society
	Schools of Art: Gandhara; Mathura; Amravati
Imperial Guptas	Sources of Gupta Rule
	Political history of Guptas
	Fa-hien Arrival
	Gupta Administration
	Development of Art & Culture
	Gupta Empire: Period of Golden Age
	Economic Conditions
	Urban centres in Gupta period
	Societal changes during Gupta Period
Harshavardana	Sources for Harsha's Period
	Early life of Harsha
	Harsha's Administration
	Important Officials of the empire
	Economy under Harsha
	Huen Tsang Arrival
	Society
	Religion
India's Contacts with Rest of Asia	Propagation of Buddhism abroad
	India's contacts with Roman empire
	Trade and Chinese silk route
	Reign of Kanishka

Category	Subcategory
	Spread of Indian culture to SE Asia
Sangam Period (South Indian Dynasties)	Sangam Literature
	South Indian Dynasties: Cholas, Cheras, Pandyas
	Sangam Polity, Society and Culture
	Economy of Sangam Period
	Foreign Dynasties
	Commercial Contacts with the Outside World
	Schools of Art

MEDIEVAL HISTORY

Category	Subcategory
Major Dynasties (750-1200) of Early Medieval India	The Pratiharas (8th to 10th Century)
	The Palas (8th to 11th Century)
	The Tripartite Conflict
	The Senas (11th to 12th Century)
	The Rajaputas
	Pallavas
	Chalukyas
	Rashtrakutas
	Indian Feudalism
	Administration
	Society and Culture
	Economy and the decline of Trade

Category	Subcategory
	Regional Kingdoms - Bengali, Kashmir, Jaunpur and Cultural History
Cholas and Other South Indian Kingdoms	Chola Rulers and Political History
	Chola Administration
	Socio-Economic Life
	Education and Literature
	The Cheras (9th to 12th Century)
	The Yadavas (12th to 13th Century)
	Contact with South-East Asia
Early Muslim Invasions	The Arab Conquest of Sindh
	Mahmud of Ghazni
	Muhammad Ghori
The Delhi Sultanate (1206-1526 AD)	Slave Dynasty
	Khalji Dynasty (1290-1320 AD)
	Tughlaq

Category	Subcategory
	Dynasty (1320-1414 AD)
	Provincial Kingdoms and Resistance by Indian Chiefs
	Sayyid Dynasty
	Lodi Dynasty
	Attacks by Mongols and other Turks
	Administration
	Economy
	Urbanization
	Society and Culture
	Scientific Knowledge and legal System
	Challenges leading to the decline of the Sultanate
Vijayanagar Empire	Sources
	Political History
	Administration
	Social and Cultural Life
	Economic Condition
	Conflicts with the Bahmani Kingdom
	Travellers of

Category	Subcategory
	the Period 1200 AD to 1600 AD
Central Asian Politics and the Advance of Babur towards India	The Timurids
	The Timurid- Uzbek
	Uzbek-Iran Conflict and Babur
	Babur's Advance towards India
Struggle for Empire in North India (Afghans, Rajputs and Mughals)	Struggle between Ibrahim Lodi and Babur, the Battle of Panipat
	Babur's problems after the Battle of Panipat
	Struggle with Rana Sanga
	Problems of the Eastern Areas and the Afghans
	Babur's Contribution and Significance of his Advent into India
Struggle for Empire in North India	Humayun and the Afghans

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	Early Activities of Humayun, and the Tussle with Bahadur Shah
	The Gujarat Campaign
	The Bengal Campaign, and Struggle with Sher Khan
The Establishment of the North Indian Empire	The Surs dynasty
	Sher Shah's Early Life
	Social and Political Background of Bihar and the Rise of Sher Shah to Power
	The Sur Empire (1540-56)
	Contributions of Sher Shah
Consolidation and Expansion of the Empire - Akbar	Conflict with the Afghans – Hemu
	Struggle with the Nobility
	Regency; Revolt of Uzbek Nobles
	Early

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	Expansion of the Empire (1560-76) - Malwa, Garh-Katanga, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Eastern India
	Relations with the Rajputs - Growth of a Composite Ruling Class
	Rebellions, and Further Expansion of the Empire in the North West
State and Government under Akbar	Akbar's Concept of Suzerainty
	Structure of Government, Central and Provincial - the Vikalat, the Central Ministries, Provincial Ministries
	Government, District and Local Government
	The Working of Government - the Ruler, Land-Revenue System, the Dahsala System and the

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	Mansabdari System and the Army
Akbar's Religious Views	Relations with the Ulama and Social Reforms
	The Early Phase (1556-73)
	The Second Phase (1573-80) - the Ibadat Khana
	Debates - the Mahzar - Breach with Orthodox Ulama - Re-organisation of Madadd-i-Maash Grants
	Third or Final Phase - Din-i-Ilahi – State Policies & Religious Toleration
The Deccan and the Mughals (Upto 1657)	The Deccani States upto 1595
	Mughal Advance towards the Deccan
	Mughal Conquest of Berar, Khandesh and Parts of Ahmadnagar
	Rise of Malik

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	Ambar, and Frustration of Mughal Attempt at Consolidation (1601-27)
	Extinction of Ahmadnagar, Acceptance of Mughal Suzerainty by Bijapur and Golconda
	Shah Jahan and the Deccan (1636-57)
	Cultural Contribution of the Deccani States
Foreign Policy of the Mughals	Akbar and the Uzbeks
	The Question of Qandahar and Relations with Iran
	Shah Jahan's Balkh Campaign
	Mughal - Persian Relations - the Last Phase
India in the First Half of the Seventeenth Century	Jahangir's Accession - his Early Difficulties
	Territorial Consolidation and

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	Expansion of the Empire - Mewar, East India and Kangra
	Nur Jahan, and the Nur Jahan 'Junta'
	The Rebellions of Shah Jahan, and the coup de main of Mahabat Khan
	Jahangir as a Ruler
	State and Religion in the First Half of the Seventeenth Century
	Shah Jahan - Consolidation and Expansion of the Empire
	Evolution of the Mughal Ruling Class and the Mansabdari System
Aurangzeb - Religious Policies, North India and the Rajputs	War of Succession
	Religious Policy: First Phase (1658-79)

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	Reforms and Puritanical Measures
	Temples, Jizyah; Second Phase (1679-1707)
	Territorial Consolidation and Expansion of Empire - North India
	Popular Revolts - Jats, Satnamis, Afghans and Sikhs
	Breach with Marwar and Mewar
Climax and Crisis of the Mughal Empire, the Marathas and the Deccan	Rise of the Marathas - Early reign of Shivaji
	Treaty of Purandar - the Agra Visit
	Shivaji's Swarajya - Administration and Achievements
	Aurangzeb and the Deccani States (1658-87)
	Marathas and the Deccan

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	(1687-1707)
	Assessment of Aurangzeb and the Jagirdari Crisis
Society-Structure and Growth	Rural Society
	Towns and Town Life
	Artisans and Master-Craftsmen
	Women
	Servants and Slaves
	Standard of Living
	The Ruling Classes - Nobility, Rural Gentry
	The Middle Strata
	The Commercial Classes
Economic Life-Patterns and Prospects	Inland Trade
	Overseas Trade - Role of Foreign Trading Companies - Position of Indian Merchants over-Land Trade
	The Mughal

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	State and Commerce
	Trend of India's Economy and Prospects during the First Half of the Eighteenth Century
Religion, Fine Arts, Science and Technology	Religion - Hindu Religion, Sikh Religion, Islam
	Fine Arts - Architecture, Painting, Language and Literature, Music
	Science and Technology

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Northern India in the First Half of the Eighteenth Century	Bahadur Shah I, and the Beginning of the Struggle
	For Wizarat - Rajput Affairs - Marathas and the Deccan - Accentuation of the Party Struggle
	Struggle for 'New' Wizarat: Zulfiqar Khan and Jahandar Shah (1712-13)
	The Sayyid Brothers' Struggle for 'New' Wizarat
	The Sayyid 'New' Wizarat
	The Wizarat of M. Amin Khan and Nizam-ul-Mulk
	Rise of Regional States, Beginning of Foreign Invasions of India (1725-48)
The Maratha Bid for Supremacy	The Marathas and their Policy of Expansion
	The Marathas and Nizam-ul-Mulk

Category	Subcategory
	The Maratha Advance into Gujarat and Malwa
	The Maratha Advance into Doab and Punjab
	First Phase (1741-52); Second Phase (1752-61)
	Third Battle of Panipat

MODERN HISTORY

Category	Subcategory
Scenario before 1857	Later Mughals & their Decline
	Regional powers in the 18th Century
	Advent of Europeans in India
	The British conquest of India
	Carnatic Wars
	Battle of Plassey & Buxar
	Anglo-Mysore War
	Anglo Punjab War
	British Administration before 1857
	British Economic Policy
Revolt of 1857	Causes for the revolt of 1857
	Leaders of the revolt of 1857
	Suppression of the revolt of 1857
	Nature of the revolt of 1857
	Consequences of the revolt of 1857
Early Nationalism	Pre-Congress Organizations
	Indian National Movement (1858-1905)
	Early Nationalists and Swadeshi Movement
	Government of India Act 1909
	Home rule league movement
The Struggle for Swaraj	Montague's statement – Aug 1917
	Emergence of Gandhi – as a mass leader
	Khilafat & Non-Cooperation Movement (NCM)
	Swaraj Party
	Revolutionary Terrorism Phase II (1920's)
	Simon Commission and Nehru Report
March towards Freedom	Civil Disobedience Movement
	Round Table Conference

Category	Subcategory
	Poona Pact
	Government of India Act 1935
	Formation of Congress Ministries
	Tripuri Session – 1939
	August Offer
	Individual Satyagraha 1940-41
Towards Achievement of Freedom	Popular struggles in the princely states
	2nd World War and Nationalist response
Partition of India	Rise of Communalism
	Wavell Plan
	Cabinet Mission Plan
	Mountbatten Plan
Trends during freedom struggle	Indian Renaissance/Socio-Religious Movement
	Civil Rebellions during British Period
	Tribal Movements during British Period
	Peasant's Movement during British Period
	Working Class Movement (1850-1900)
	Growth of communalism
	Left and Communist trends in National Movement
	Press and Education during British Period
	Role of Women in Freedom Struggle
	Governor Generals of India
	Viceroy of India
	Important Persons
	Important Newspaper/Journals
	Congress Sessions

POST INDEPENDENCE CONSOLIDATION

Category	Subcategory
Re-organisation & Integration of states	Constitutional provisions related to State formation
	Factors that lead to the merger of States
	Accession of the princely states
	Problems with J&K, Hyderabad and Junagarh

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	Accession of States under France and Portuguese
	Accession of Sikkim
	Rehabilitation of the Refugees
	Federal crisis
	Regional aspirations, insurgencies and areas of tension
	Accommodation and national integration
Linguistic Regionalism in India	Constitutional position and language policy
	Language and regionalism
	Recent controversy due to rise of Hindi language
Tribal Issue and Policy Consolidation	Tribal Issues & Present Status
	Tribal Policy consolidation
Problem of Caste and Social Consolidation	Caste practices in India
	Ambedkar Movement
	Constitutional provisions
	Recent government initiatives for emancipation of Scheduled Castes
	Issues of Manual Scavenging
Communalism & Social Consolidation	Secularism
	Causes of Communalism in India
	Consequences of the communalism and social consolidation
Issue of Linguistic Minorities	Operational Inefficiency
	Government initiatives
Overview of Economic Development Since Independence	Planning in India
Agriculture	Journey through Five Year Plans
	Land Reforms
	Post Green Revolution Agricultural Issues
	Agrarian Movements
	Achievements in Agriculture since Independence
	Recent Challenges
Industry	Industrial development since independence

Category	Subcategory
	Public sector since independence
	Sectoral Development
	Private Sector since Independence
	Industrial Policy since Independence
	Make in India
New Economic Policy	Impact of New Economic Policy
Post-Independence Policy of Science and Technology	India's Policy in the Field of Science and Technology
	Institutional Framework for Science and Technology Development
	Science and Technology in Pre-Reform Period
	Impact of Economic Reform on Science and Technology in India
	New Policy Initiatives in the S&T Agenda of Skill Training

WORLD HISTORY

Category	Subcategory
Beginning of Modern Age	Disintegration of the Feudal System
	Renaissance
	Humanism
	Art and Architecture
	Literature
	Science
	Reformation
	Explorations, Discovery, Trade
	Colonization – Rise of Nation State
	The English Revolution
French Revolution	Causes
	The revolution in France
	France under Napoleon
	Impact of revolution
	Significance of revolution
Nationalism in Europe	Rise of the nation-state system
	Unification of Italy
	Unification of Germany
Colonialism and Imperialism	Colonialism

Category	Subcategory
	The age of Imperialism (1870-1914)
	Imperialism in Asia
	Analysis of Colonialism
Emergence of USA	Foundation of American Colonies
	The Independence of United States of America
	The American Revolutionary War
	What was the impact of American Revolution?
	Political Effects of the Revolution
	How did the American Revolution influence the French Revolution?
	US Civil War
	Impact of Civil War on USA
	Global Impact of US Civil War
	Impact on India
World War-I	Major causes of the war
	Course of the war
	Analysis of major events of the war
	Consequences of World War I
	Aftermath of World War I
	League of Nations
Russian Revolution	Major events in pre-revolution Russia
	Causes
	Course of revolution
	Consequences
	Aftermath of the war
	Post-Lenin Russia
Inter-War Years (1919 To 1939)	The Great Depression- an economic perspective
	Rise of Fascism in Italy
	Rise of Nazism in Germany
	Soviet Union (USSR)
World War-II	Foundations of the war
	Course of the war
	Aftermath of war
	Analysis of the war
	Decolonization phase
Development In Middle East	Democratic reforms in Middle East

Category	Subcategory
	Arab nationalism
	Israel
Cold War	Reasons
	Development of Cold War (1945-1953)
	To what extent was there a thaw after 1953?
	Nuclear Arms Race and the Cuban Missile Crisis (1962)
Post Cold-War World	Global issues since 1991
	Integration of Europe
	European integration – a timeline
	Rise of global Islamic terrorism
	Rise of China
Communism, Socialism and Capitalism	Capitalism (concept, types, and example)
	Communism (concept, types, example)
	Relevance of capitalism in present era
	Socialism

INDIAN CULTURE

Category	Subcategory
Sculptural Art in India	Sculptures of Harappan Civilisation
	Sculptures of Mauryan Age
	Post-Mauryan Period Sculptures
	Jain Sculptures
	Buddhist Sculpture
	Gupta Sculpture
	Medieval School of Sculpture
	Modern Indian Sculpture
Architecture in Ancient India	Harappan Period Architecture
	Mauryan Architecture
	Post-Mauryan Period & Gupta Period Architecture
	Temples of Khajuraho
	Temples of Odisha
	Temples of Gwalior
	Temples of Gujarat
	Temples of Rajasthan

Category	Subcategory
	Temples of Bengal
	Temples of Assam
	Temples of Himachal Pradesh
	Temples of Jammu and Kashmir
	Pallava Period Architecture
	Chola Period Architecture
	Pandya Temples
	Vijaynagar Period Architecture
	Nayaka Temples
	Temples of Kerala
	Vesara Style Temple
	Hoysala Style
	Rashtrakuta Period Architecture
Indo-Islamic Architecture	Imperial Style Delhi Sultanate
	Provincial Style
	Mughal Style
	Sikh Style of Architecture
	Rajput Architecture
Modern Architecture	European Influence
	Indo-Saracenic Architecture
	Post-Independence Period
Indian Paintings	Tradition of Mural Paintings in India
	Tradition of Miniature Paintings in India
	Paintings in the Deccan
	Rajput School of Painting
	Pahari School of Painting
	Miniature Painting in South India
	Regional Paintings
	Modern Paintings
	Contemporary Paintings
Pottery Tradition in India	Ochre Coloured Pottery (OCP)
	Black and Red Ware (BRW)
	Painted Grey Ware (PGW)
	Northern Black Polished Ware (NBPW)
	Glazed and Unglazed Pottery
Music in India	Main Pillars of Indian Music

Category	Subcategory
	Forms of Indian Music
	Musical Instruments
	Institutions Related to Music
Dances in India	Concept of Dance in India
	Concept of Ashta Nayika
	Eight Classical Dance Forms in India
	Folk Dances
	Modern Dances
Martial Arts in India	Genesis of Martial Arts
	Forms of Traditional Martial Arts
Indian Theatre	Classical Sanskrit Theatre
	Regional Theatre
	Modern Theatre
	Renaissance of Indian Theatre
Indian Puppetry	String Puppets
	Shadow Puppets
	Rod Puppets
	Glove puppets
	Modern Puppetry
	Tribal Puppetry
Indian Cinema	Cinema in India
	History of Indian Cinema
	Classification of Indian Cinema Film
Religions in India	Pre-Vedic Religion
	Hinduism
	Buddhism
	Jainism
	Sikhism
	Islam
	Christianity
	Zoroastrianism
	Judaism
	Philosophy in India
Bhakti & Sufi Movements	Bhakti Movement
	Vaishnava Acharyas: Metaphysical Foundation
	Other Saints of Bhakti Movement

Category	Subcategory
	Maharashtra Dharma
	Sufism
Languages & Literature in India	Sanskrit Literature
	Pali Literature
	Prakrit Literature
	Tamil Literature
	Telugu Literature
	Malayalam Literature
	Kannada Literature
	Odia Literature
	Assamese Literature
	Bengali Literature
	Gujarati Literature
	Rajasthani Literature
	Punjabi Literature
	Marathi Literature
	Hindi Literature
	Persian Literature
	Urdu Literature
Miscellaneous Topics	Indian Handicrafts
	Indian Universities
	Personalities Related to Culture
	Places of Cultural Interest
	Fairs and Festivals in India
	Cultural Institutions in India
	Awards and Honours Associated with Culture
	The Calendar
	The Eras
	Science and Technology in Ancient India
	UNESCO's List of Cultural Heritage in India
	Legal Provisions Related to the Protection and Promotion of Indian Culture and Heritage

CONTEMPORARY ISSUES

Category	Subcategory
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INDIAN ART HERITAGE	Coinage of India
	The Legacy of Devadasi Tradition
	Aadi Mahotsav & Empowerment of Tribal Communities
	Preserving India's Cultural Heritage
	The City of Dwarka and Indian Ancient Maritime Heritage
	Rich Tradition of Indian Miniature Painting
	Nataraja statue: sengol
	Bronze art tradition from Indus valley to medieval times
	Socio-Cultural Patterns and Practices of Pre-Historic age - Paintings and Potteries
	Seals of Indus Valley
ARCHITECTURE	Indian Temple Architecture - Enduring Legacy of cultural heritage and architectural magnificence
	Regional Styles of architecture - Contribution of Rajputs, Kashmir, Bengal, Kalinga styles etc.
	Indo-Islamic architecture - The marvel of Medieval India 12AD-17th AD
	Revamped 'Adopt a Heritage 2.0' Programme
	National Mission for Cultural Mapping
	JATAN: Virtual Museum Builder
	Indian Antiquities
PAINTING AND OTHER FORMS OF ART	Panamalai paintings (Tamil Nadu)
	Cheriyal Scroll Painting
	Mewar school of Painting
	Gilgit Manuscripts
	OI Chiki Script
	Phanigiri artefacts
	Vajra Mushti Kalaga
	Bagh print
	Inscription and Coin as source of History and Cultural Significance
	Garba
	Cham Lama Dance
	Kolkali Dance

Category	Subcategory
	Pulikali Dance (Tiger Dance)
RELIGION AND PHILOSOPHY	Adi Shankaracharya & his Philosophy
	Upnishads - Highest Point of Indian philosophical thoughts
	Rise of heterodox Sects - Buddhism, Jainism and Ajivikas
	New elements, Cults and Tantrism
	Bhakti Movement and Saints
	Brahmo Samaj
	Ramakrishna Mission
	Socio-Religious Reform Movements in 19th Century
HISTORY through Eyes of TRAVELLERS	Ayodhya's historical narratives
	Chinese Pilgrim Travellers to India
	Arab Travelers and Cultural Encounters
Historical Sites/Places	Keeladi Excavation
	Juna Khatiya site
	Chebrolu
	Menhirs
	Thoppikkallu or Hat stones
	Sundargarh Natural Arch
	Sisupalgarh
	Chandraketugarh
	Old Fort
Important Cultural Issues/themes in News	Kuli Language
	Military Systems in Ancient India
	Indentured Labourers
	UNESCO'S 2023 Prix Versailles
	Abhilekh Patal
	Homo Naledi
	Woman Odhuvar
IMPORTANT PERSONALITIES IN NEWS	Rabindranath Tagore
	Mihir Bhoja

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	Rani Durgavati
	Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj
	Sir Syed Ahmed Khan
	Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati
	Sri Aurobindo Ghosh
	Bhagwan Birsa Munda
	Sri Alluri Sitarama Raju
	Kazi Nazrul Islam
	Raja Ravi Varma
	Srimanta Sankaradeva
	Ahilyabai Holkar (1725-1795)
	Sree Narayan Guru (1856-1928)
	Sachchidananda Sinha (1871-1950)
	Swami Sahajanand Saraswati
	Malati Mem (aka Mangri Orang)
	Rukmini Lakshmipathi (1892-1951)
	Ashfaqulla Khan (1900-1927)
	Shri Ramalinga Swamigal

“GEOGRAPHY”
PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY

Category	Subcategory
General Geography	Early Theories (The origin of the Earth)
	Modern Theories – Big Bang Theory (BBT)
	Star Formation
	Formation of Planets
	Solar System
	Layered Structure (5 layers) (The Evolution of the Earth)
	Evolution of Lithosphere
	Evolution of Atmosphere
	Evolution of Hydrosphere
	Origin of Life
	Latitude and Longitude including important Parallels and Meridians (Geological History of the Earth)
	Motions of the Earth - Rotation, Revolution and their effects
	Inclination of the Earth's Axis and its effects

	Local and Standard Time and the International Date Line, Calendar
	Eclipses - Solar, Lunar
	Geological Time Scale

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Geomorphology	Sources of Information (Interior of the Earth)
	* Direct
	* Indirect (Earthquakes, Waves and Magnetic Field)
	Seismic waves
	* Body waves
	* Surface waves
	Understanding earth's interior with help of seismic waves
	Internal Structure of earth
	* Crust
	* Lithosphere
	* Mantle
	* Asthenosphere
	* Outer core
	* Inner core
	Seismic Discontinuities
	Minerals (Geology)
	* Major Elements of the Earth's Crust
	* Minerals – Feldspar, Quartz, Pyroxene, Amphibole, Mica, Olivine
	* Physical Characteristics – Crystal Form, Cleavage, Fracture, Lusture, Color, Streak, Transparency, Structure, Hardness, Specific Gravity
	* Metallic minerals – precious, Ferrous, Non-Ferrous
	* Non-metallic Minerals – Sulphur, Phosphates, Cement
	Rocks (Aggregate of Minerals)
	Petrology
	Rocks & landforms
	Rocks & Soils

	3 Family of Rocks
	* Igneous
	* Sedimentary
	* Metamorphic
	Rock Cycle
	Waves: P, S, Body & Surface (Earthquakes)
	Shadow Zone
	Types of Earthquakes
	Causes of Earthquake
	Effects
	Frequency
	Locating an Epicentre
	Distribution of Earthquake
	Earthquake Observatories
	Types (Volcano)
	* Shield
	* Composite
	* Caldera
	* Flood Basalt
	* Mid Ocean Ridge
	Types of lava
	* Andesitic or Acidic lava
	* Basic or Basaltic lava
	Intrusive volcanic Landforms
	* Batholiths
	* Lacoliths
	* Lapoliths
	* Phacoliths
	* Sills
	* Dykes
	Extrusive Volcanic Landforms
	* Geysers and Hot springs
	* Extinct, Dormant and Active volcanoes
	Distribution of Volcanoes
	* Pacific Ring of Fire

	* Mediterranean volcanism
	* Other regions
	Effects of Volcanoes
	Mechanism of Tsunami waves (Tsunami)
	Properties of Tsunami waves
	Effects of Tsunami
	Earth's Surface (Geomorphic Processes)
	Exogenic Forces
	Endogenic Forces
	Gradation, Degradation & Aggradation
	Geomorphic Process
	Endogenic Process
	* Diastrophism
	* Orogenic
	* Epierogenic
	* Earthquakes
	* Plate movements
	* Volcanism
	Exogenic Forces
	* Denudation Processes
	* Weathering
	* Mass movements
	* Erosion: Transportation & Deposition
	Theories (Distribution of Continents & Oceans)
	* Continental Drift Theory (Alfred Wegner 1912)
	* Pangea, Panthalasa
	* Laurasia, Gondwana land
	* Evidence in support of Continental Drift Theory
	* Jigsaw Fit
	* Rocks of same age across oceans
	* Tillite
	* Placer Deposits
	* Distribution of Fossils
	* Forces of Drifting

	* Pole Fleeing Force
	* Tidal Force
	* Post Drift Studies
	* Convectional Current Theory
	* Mapping of the Ocean Floor
	Continents – Plate Tectonics
	* Lithospheric Plates
	* Major Plate
	* Minor Plates
	* Plate Boundaries
	* Divergent
	* Convergent
	* Transform
	* Rates of Plate Movements
	* Force of plate movements
	* Indian Plate: Movement from 71 million years ago till today
	Causes (Landforms and their Evolution)
	Geomorphic Processes
	Agents
	Geomorphic Agents
	* Erosional
	* Depositional
	Agents and their Impacts
	* Wind, Running Water, Ground Water, Glaciers, Waves & Currents
	Winds
	* One of the Two dominant agents in Hot deserts
	* Cause – Deflation Abrasion Impact
	* Erosional landforms
	* Pediments and Pediplains
	* Playas
	* Deflation Hollows and Caves
	* Mushroom, Table & Pedestal Rocks
	* Depositional Landforms
	* Barchans

	* Seif
	* Parabolic
	* Transverse
	* Longitudinal
	Running Water
	* Humid Regions
	* 2 Components
	* Overland Flow – Sheet
	* Linear Flow – Streams
	* Stages: Youth, Mature, Old
	* Erosional Landforms
	* Valleys (Rills, Gullies, V Shape, Gorge, Canyon)
	* Potholes & Plunge pools
	* Incised or entrenched meanders
	* River Terraces – paired & unpaired
	* Depositional Landforms
	* Alluvial Fans
	* Delta
	* Floodplains, Natural Levees, Point Bars
	* Meanders, Slip off bank, Under cut bank
	* Oxbow lake
	* Braided Channels
	Ground Water (Karst Topography)
	* Permeable Rocks, Percolation, Bedding Plains
	* Limestone and Dolomite Regions (Balkans, Adjacent to Adriatic regions)
	* Erosional Landforms
	* Polje, Swallow Hole, Valley Sinks (Uvalas), Sinkholes, Collapse sinks (Dolines), Lapies, Ridges, Limestone Pavements
	* Caves – Altering bed of Rocks (Shale sandstone quartzite), Caves and Tunnels
	* Depositional landforms

	* Stalactites
	* Stalagmites
	* Pillar Columns
	Glaciers
	* Erosional Landforms
	* Cirque of Tarn Lakes
	* Hors and Serrated Regions – Arete
	* Glacial Valleys/ Troughs – Fiords
	* Depositional Landforms
	* Glacial Tills
	* Moraines
	* Eskers
	* Outwash Planes
	* Drumlins
	Waves and Currents
	* High Rocky Coasts & Low Sedimentary Coasts
	* Erosional Landforms
	* Cliffs
	* Terraces
	* Caves
	* Stacks
	* Depositional Landforms
	* Beaches and Dunes
	* Bars Barriers Spits
	Weather over Earth Materials (Weathering)
	Factors
	* Geological
	* Climatic
	* Topographic
	* Vegetative
	Major Processes
	* Chemical (Solution, Carbonation, Hydration, etc)

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Climatology	Gases
	Water Vapour
	Dust Particles
	Exosphere
	Thermosphere
	Mesosphere
	Stratosphere
	Troposphere
	Altitude vs Temperature
	Insolation
	Aphelion and Perihelion
	Variability of Insolation at the surface of the Earth
	* Day Season Year
	* Rotation on Axis, Angle of Inclination of sun rays, Length of the day
	* Transparency of Atmosphere, configuration of land in terms of its aspect
	Heating and cooling of atmosphere
	* Conduction
	* Convection
	* Advection
	Terrestrial Radiation
	Heat Budget of the Planet Earth
	* Macro Budget
	* Albedo
	* Shortwave Radiation
	* Long wave Earth Radiation
	* Variation in the net Heat Budget at the Earth's Surface
	Factors controlling T distribution
	Distribution of T Month of January–July
	Range of T Month of January–July
	Inversion of Temperature
	Atmospheric Pressure
	* Vertical variation of pressure
	* Horizontal distribution of pressure
	* World Distribution of Sea Level Pressure
	Factors affecting the velocity and direction of the WIND
	* Pressure Gradient Force
	* Frictional Force

	* Coriolis Force
	* Pressure and Wind (Cyclonic & Anticyclone Circulation)
	Latitudinal Variation of Atmospheric Heating
	Emergence of Pressure Belts
	Migration of Belts Following apparent Path of Sun
	Distribution of continents & Oceans
	Rotation of the Earth
	Simplified Global Circulation – Hadley Cell, Ferrel Cell, Polar cell
	Seasonal Wind
	Local Wind
	* Land and Sea Breezes
	* Mountain and Valley winds
	Fronts
	Extra Tropical Cyclone
	Thunderstorms
	Tornadoes
	Water Vapour
	Precipitation
	Humidity – Absolute and Relative
	Saturation – Dew Point
	Evaporation and Condensation
	* Dew
	* Frost
	* Fog & Mist
	Clouds
	* Types – Cirrus Cumulus Stratus Nimbus
	* High – Cirrus Cirrostratus Cirrocumulus
	* Middle – Altostratus Altocumulus
	* Low – Stratocumulus Nimbostratus
	* Vertical Development – Cumulus and Cumulonimbus
	Precipitation
	* Rainfall Snowfall Sleet Hail Hailstones
	Types of Rainfall
	* Conventional
	* Orographic
	* Cyclonic
	* Frontal

	* Monsoonal
	World Distribution of Rainfall
	Conditions required for formation
	* Tropical Cyclone
	Convective cyclogenesis (Development of Tropical Cyclone)
	Path of Tropical Cyclone
	Damage associated with Cyclone
	Arabian Sea Cyclone
	Naming of Tropical Cyclone
	Early warning system for tropical Cyclone
	Features of Jet streams
	Types
	* Permanent
	* Temporary
	Influence of Jet streams on weather
	Jet streams and aviation
	Air masses
	Fronts
	Origin and development of Temperate Cyclone
	Comparison between Tropical and Temperate Cyclone
	Polar vortex details
	Polar vortex and Ozone depletion
	ENSO
	Indian Ocean dipole effect
	Effect on regional and world climate
	Effect of these events on Indian Monsoon
	The Hot, Wet Equatorial Climate
	The Tropical Monsoon and Tropical Marine Climates
	The Savanna or Sudan Climate
	The Hot Desert and Mid-Latitude Desert Climates
	The Warm Temperate Western Margin (Mediterranean) Climate
	The Temperate Continental (Steppe) Climate
	The Warm Temperate Eastern Margin (China Type) Climate
	The Cool Temperate Western Margin (British Type) Climate
	The Cool Temperate Continental (Siberian) Climate
	The Cool Temperate Eastern Margin (Laurentian) Climate
	The Arctic or Polar Climate

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Oceanography	Hydrological Cycle
	* Component
	* Processes
	Relief of the Ocean floor
	4 divisions of the ocean floor
	* Continental Shelf
	* Continental Slope
	* Deep sea plain
	* Oceanic deep and Trenches
	Minor relief features
	* Mid oceanic ridges
	* Seamount
	* Submarine canyons
	* Guy outs
	* Atoll
	Vertical
	Spatial
	Factors affecting Temperature distribution
	Horizontal & Vertical Distribution
	* Thermocline - 3 layers
	Factors affecting salinity
	Vertical Distribution of salinity
	Density of Ocean Waters
	Factors influencing Movement
	Motion – Horizontal & Vertical Currents
	Waves
	* Motion of waves and water molecules
	* Characteristics of Wave
	Relation between Gravitational Forces and Tides
	* Tidal currents
	* Types of Tides
	* Based on Frequency
	* Based on SME position
	* Importance of Tides
	Influenced by 2 forces

	Primary Force that initiates the movement
	Secondary force that influence the currents to flow
	Characteristic
	Types of ocean currents
	* Surface currents & Deep watercurrents based on Depth
	* Cold and Warm Currents based on Temperature
	Major Ocean currents of the World
	Effects of Ocean Currents
	Desert formation and Ocean currents
	Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation
	Ocean deposits
	* Terrigenous Deposits
	* Pelagic deposits
	Mineral resources on deep sea floor
	Energy resources
	Biotic resources
	Deep ocean mission
	UNCLOS
	* Territorial Waters
	* Contiguous Zone
	* Exclusive Economic Zone
	* High Seas

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Biogeography	Soil Characteristics
	Factors Responsible for Soil Formation
	Stages of Soil Formation
	Soil Forming Processes
	Soil Profiles and Horizons
	Soil Classification
	Soil Erosion and Conservation
	Types of Natural Vegetation
Forests	* Significance of forests
	* Economic significance
	* Ecological significance
	* Cultural significance

	* Factors of forest development
	* Extent of forest cover
	* Classification of forests
	Grasslands
	Desert vegetation
	Tundra Vegetation
	Economic utilization of forests
Deforestation	* Deforestation in tropical forests
	* Deforestation in temperate forests
	* Rate and extent of deforestation
	* Causes and factors of deforestation: Immediate causes of deforestation
	* Indirect deforestation
	* Underlying causes of deforestation
Conservation of forests	* Forest conservation strategies
	* Reforestation
	* Monoculture plantation
	* Afforestation
Types of forestry	* Social forestry
	* Agro-forestry
	* Miyawaki Method

PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY OF INDIA

Category	Subcategory
Physiography of India	Location
	Geopolitical Significance of India
	Geological Divisions
	The Peninsular Block
	The Himalayas and other Peninsular Mountains
	Indo-Ganga-Brahmaputra Plain
	Physiographic Divisions
Drainage System	Drainage Patterns
	Drainage System of India
	Himalayan Drainage System
	River Systems of Himalayan Drainage
	Indus river system
	Ganga River System
	Brahmaputra river system

	River Systems of Peninsular Drainage
	Small Rivers Flowing Towards East and West
Climate	Factors influencing the climate of India
	Monsoon
	Mechanism of the Monsoon
	Classical Theory
	Modern theory
	Air mass theory
	Jet stream theory
	EL-NINO and LA-NINA & their impact
	The rhythm of Seasons
	The cold weather season
	The hot weather season
	The southwest monsoon season
	The retreating monsoon season
	Climatic Regions of India
Soils in India	Classification of Soils
	Soil textures
	Issue of Soil degradation & Soil Erosion
	Soil Conservation
Natural Vegetation	Types of Forests in India
	Forest Cover in India
	Forest Conservation
	Forest Problems in India

HUMAN GEOGRAPHY

Category	Subcategory
Demography	Concept of Human Resources
	Population Distribution
	Factors of Population Distribution
	* Physical factors
	* Socio-cultural factors
	* Demographic factors
	World population distribution
	Continent-wise distribution of population
	Density of population
	Pattern of population density

	Causes of rapid increase in population
	Determinants of population growth
	Characteristics of population
	Age composition
	Population pyramids
	Sex composition
	Literacy
	Theories of population growth
	* Malthusian theory
	* Marxian theory
	* Demographic transition ¹ theory
	Population problems
	* Population problems of developing countries
	* Population problems of developed countries
	Population dilemma of Europe
	Population Policies of China and India
	Various types of rural settlements
	Relationship between house types with relief, climate and building materials
	Rising Youth Population
Urbanization	Basic Feature and Pattern of India's Urbanization
	Issues of Urbanization in India
	Rural Urban Migration
	Emergence of Slums
	Urban Transport
	Waste Disposal
	Water Supply, Drainage and Sanitation
	Urban Poverty
	Real Estate (Regulation & Development) Act, 2016
	Way Forward to Tackle Issues Related to Urbanization
	Inclusive Cities/Smart cities
	Recent government programmes
	Migration & Reverse Migration
	Displacement
	Importance of the Rehabilitation Policy
	Urban settlements: types
	Urbanisation process in India
	Morphology of urban settlements

	Town planning and patterns of rural settlement
	Settlement types of the world
	Migration: Push factors and pull factors
	Emigration during colonial, post-independent and post-liberalisation period
	Internal versus world migration
	Functional classification of cities
	Difference between boundaries and frontiers, their classification
	Rural urban fringe characteristics, advantages, problems
	National urbanisation policy
	Principles of urban planning
	Land cover transformation
	Factors affecting rural settlements, their types and patterns
	Cities – hierarchical classification, morphological classification
Census	Literacy
	Sex ratio
	Family Planning
	Ageing Population
	Age Structure
	Density
	Population growth
	Census terminology
	Caste Census Issues

ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY

Category	Subcategory
Agriculture	Land-use
	Land capability classification
	Causes of Land Degradation
	Impact of Land Degradation
	Steps taken by GOI
	Sustainable Land Management
	Performance of the agriculture sector
	Types of farming in India
	Cropping seasons in India
	Cropping Pattern in India

	Agriculture regionalization
	Infrastructure factors: Seeds; Fertilizers; Irrigation
	Land use pattern in India
	Institutional Factors as land reform
	Horticulture sector in India
	Agricultural revolutions
	Agricultural labours
	Price Policy for Agriculture
	Agricultural marketing
	Agricultural Insurance
	Agricultural Census
	Major schemes in agricultural sector
	National Policy for farmers
	Impact of climate change on agriculture
	What is sustainable agriculture?
	Use of IT in agriculture
	Agriculture Issues and Challenges
	Wheat
	* Conditions of growth
	* Varieties
	* Types of cultivation
	* Production pattern
	* International trade
	Rice
	* Conditions of growth
	* Varieties
	* Methods of cultivation
	* Production pattern
	* International trade
	Maize (Corn)
	* Conditions of growth
	* Production pattern

	* International trade
	Barley
	* Conditions of growth
	* Production pattern
	* International trade
	Oats
	Rye
	Beverages
	Tea
	* Condition of growth
	* Production pattern
	* International trade
	Coffee
	* Types of coffee
	* Conditions of growth
	* Production pattern
	* International trade
	Cocoa
	* Conditions of growth
	* Production pattern
	* International trade
	Tobacco
	* Conditions of growth
	* Production pattern
	* International trade
	Fibre Crops
	* Cotton
	* Varieties of cotton
	* Conditions of growth
	* Production pattern
	* International trade
	* Jute
	* Conditions of growth
	* Production pattern
	* International trade
	* Substitutes of Jute: Flax, Hemp, Abaca, Henequeno,

	Sisal
	* Raw Silk
	* Production pattern
	* International trade
	* Natural Rubber
	* Other sources of rubber
	* Plantations in South-east Asia
	* Production pattern
	* International trade
	* Sugarcane
	* Conditions of growth
	* Production pattern
	* International trade
	* Sugarbeet
	* Conditions of growth
	* Production pattern
	* Sugar industry
	* Sugar consumption
	* International trade
Water Resource	Underground water resource
	Surface water resources
	Inland water resources: Utilization of inland water resources
	Oceanic water resources: Main features of ocean, Utilization of oceans by man
	Water consumption patterns
	Water pollution
	Conservation of water resources
	Techniques of water conservation
	River Interlinking Projects
	The problem of ageing dams
Mineral resource	Types of minerals

	Metallic minerals
	Non-metallic mineral
	Distribution of minerals and mining regions
	Distribution, production and international trade of Metallic minerals: Ferrous metals: Iron ore
	Ferro-alloys and non-ferrous
	Manganese
	Chromium
	Nickel
	Tungsten
	Antimony
	Copper
	Bauxite and Aluminium
	Zinc; Lead
	Tin
	Precious metals: Gold
	Silver
	Platinum
	Mineral chemicals
	Mica
	Potash
	Phosphate
	Nitrates
	Sulphur
	Conservation of mineral resources
Energy resources	Classification of energy
	Production of conventional energy
	General trends of energy production and consumption
	Reserves and sources of energy
	Coal
	Nature and origin of coal

	Constituents and kinds of coal
	Coal fields and coal production
	By products of coal
	Conservation of Coal
	Petroleum
	Nature and properties of petroleum
	Origin and recovery
	Exploration
	Petroleum refining
	Petroleum reserves
	Producing areas
	Consumption of petroleum
	International trade
	OPEC and its role in oil trade
	Natural gas: Reserves and Production
	Hydro-electricity
	Advantages of hydro-electricity
	Ideal conditions for generation of hydro-electricity
	Distribution of potential hydro-power
	Hydro-electric Power Generation
	Atomic (Nuclear) Energy
	Atomic: source minerals: Uranium
	World distribution of uranium
	Production of uranium
	Thorium
	Production of Atomic (Nuclear) Energy
	Nuclear Energy: the energy of future
	Alternative (non-conventional) Sources of

	energy
	Renewable Energy
	* Solar Energy
	* Wind Energy
	* Geothermal Energy
	* Tidal Energy
	* Wave Energy
	* Biomass Energy
	Alternate Energy Sources
	* Hydrogen as a Fuel for Future
	* Hydrogen as an Alternative Energy Source
	* Microbial Fuel Cell
	Energy Context with Respect to Indian Scenario
	Energy Plantation
	Energy crisis
Industry	Industrial development
	Iron And Steel Industry
	* Process of iron and steel production
	* Location of iron and steel industry
	* Early localization
	* Distribution of iron and steel industry
	* Global steel production
	* International trade
	* Growth potential of the steel industry
	Textile Industry
	* Cotton textile industry: Location of the industry
	* Recent trends in localization
	* Distribution and production of cotton textiles
	* Woollen textile industry: Location of the industry

	* Silk textile industry: Raw silk manufacture, Silk textile manufacturing
	* Synthetic (artificial) silk industry
	* Distribution of man-made fibre and fabrics
	Engineering Industries
	* Machine tools and machines: Areas of production
	* Industrial machinery: Textile machinery, Other industrial machinery, Agricultural machinery
	* Manufacturing of transport equipment
	* Automobile industry
	* Railway car and locomotive industry
	* Shipbuilding Industry
	* Aircrafts industry
	Chemical Industry
	* Classes of chemicals: Branches of chemical industry
	* Heavy chemical industry
	* Production of acids and alkalies
	* Rise of chemical industry
	* Fertilizer industry: Nitrogen fertilizers, Phosphate fertilizers, Potash fertilizers
	* Explosives

	Glass industry: Production of glass
	Agro-industries
	Synthetic rubber industry
	Pulp and paper industry: Essential Conditions for pulp production, Production of paper and paper board, International trade, Salient features of

	pulp and paper industry
	Cement industry: Distribution of cement industry, Recent trends: Main global competitors
	Petroleum refining industry: Localization, Site selection of petroleum refineries, History of oil refineries, World pattern of oil refining, Petroleum products
	Industrial Regions: Characteristics of industrial regions, Delimitation of an industrial region, Principal industrial regions of the world, Industrial regions of Anglo America, Former USSR, Eastern Asia—Japan, China, the ‘Dragons’, India, High tech patterns
Transport and Communication	Modes of Transportation
	* Land Transport: Roads, Railways
	* Water Transport
	* Air Transport
	* Sea Routes
	* Shipping Canals
	Inland Waterways
	Pipelines
	Regional Rapid Transit System 1
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	AERA Act amendment – Way to boost up Air transport

CONTEMPORARY ISSUES

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Physical Geography	Subaerial volcanic Eruption: Phenomena and Impact
	Supervolcanos: Concept and Impact
	Volcanoes of Island Arcs: Recent eruptions of Indonesia
	Fissure Volcanic Eruption: Impact and Consequences
	Geomagnetic Storm and Auroras
	Indian ocean warming and Climate Change
	Mid-oceanic Ridges and Biodiversity (Salas y Gómez)

	Pacific Weather Changing: More Multi-Year El Nino and La Nina
	Volcanic Vortex Rings
	Oceanic Nino Index
	Pacific 'Ring of Fire' and Earthquakes
	Sea swells and their impact on Human Settlements
	Rip currents: Significance for beaches
	Alpenglow Phenomenon
	Earthquakes and Ionosphere: Interrelated Geophysical Phenomena
	Impact of climate change on ocean currents
	Cryosphere and Climate change
	Atmospheric River
	Lightning in India
	Marine Heatwave and its Impacts
	The Slowdown in Overturning Circulation
	Africa's Rift Valley and the Creation of a New Ocean Basin
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Indian Geography	Cyclones of Bay of Bengal and Climate Change
	El Nino and Indian Monsoon
	Dam construction on Indus revers: Prospects and challenges
	Receding glaciers in Himalayas: Issues and Challenges
	Indian Ocean Dipole: Impact on Indian weather
	Increasing landslides in Himalayan region
	Tectonic Deformation in Northern Plains
	Land Subsidence in Chenab Valley
	Heat Waves, Anticyclones and Global Warming in India
	Expanding Glacial Lakes in the Himalayas
	Integrated River Basin Management: Prospects and Challenges
	Changing Western Disturbances
Economic Geography	Shinku La tunnel development and Regional connectivity
	Food security in Sub-Saharan region of Africa
	Mineral resources of Antarctica – A Mineral hub of Gondwanaland
	Minerals of Mid-oceanic ridges
	Exclusive economic zones and minerals deposits
	Hydrocarbon extraction: Prospects and Challenges
	Indian Ports and Economic development
	Africa's Afar Triangle
	India's mineral exploration in Sea bed (Afanasy Nikitin Seamount)
	Shrinking water in reservoirs in India
	Geopolitics of South China Sea
	Multipurpose project and Regional development
	Wind Energy in India: Potential and Challenges
	Petroleum oil production: Issues and Challenges
	Critical Minerals: Distribution, Prospects and challenges
	Eastern Maritime Corridor(EMC): Prospects and challenges
	Declining Groundwater in India: Issues and challenges
	Increased Coal demand and Net Carbon Neutrality
	Rare Earth Metals: Prospects and Challenges
Human Geography	Indian Demography: Largest, Youngest and Underdeveloped
	Urban Flooding: Issues and Challenges
	Menace of Illegal Migration in India and World
	Surge in Human Settlements in Flood-Prone Areas

	Issues with Tribal habitat in India
	Migration in India: Changing pattern and dynamics
	Low Human Development in India
	Climate change and North-South Divide in India
	Social Capital in India
	Quality of Life and Standard of Living in India: A Paradoxical case
	Population compositing of India: Changing Dynamics

INDIAN SOCIETY

Category	Details
Indian Society	(Salient features of Indian society) Features of Indian society
	Changes within Indian society and their repercussions
	Causes of changes
	Indian Society today
	(Diversity of India) What is diversity?
	Types of diversities in India
	Can diversity be equated with difference?
	The unity in diversity- a reality or a chimera
	Manner of reconciliation
	(Role of women's organizations) Women's organizations in Indian history
	Types of women's organizations
	Level of penetration
	Problems faced by women's organizations
	Is a larger vocal role possible and ways to achieve the same
	Role of SHGs, Micro finance Institutions
	(Poverty and Development Issues) Poverty
	Concept of development
	Sen vs Bhagwati model
	Crisis of development
	Certain case studies
	Government's initiatives and the five year plans
	Role of civil society organizations
	(Effects of globalization on Indian society) What is the meaning of globalization
	Kinds of impact of globalization – economic, political, developmental and socio-cultural
	Is the impact solely positive or negative
	(Social empowerment) Meaning and concept of social empowerment

	Why do we need social empowerment?
	Social empowerment through the five year plans
	Government's initiatives for empowerment
	Empowerment in reality and India's experience
	Other approaches/players/tools for social empowerment and some case studies on the same
	(Communalism) Meaning and concept of communalism
	Historicity of communalism
	Recent incidents
	Role of third parties in inciting/perpetrating communalism
	Communalism under the law
	Can communalism eradicated from the Indian society completely
	(Secularism) Meaning and concept of secularism
	Secularism through the vantage point of Indian Constitution
	Comparisons of models Indian & Western
	Gandhiji on religion
	Indian philosophy on secularism
	Threats on the secular spirit
	Is the Indian democracy mature enough to handle the gravity of secularism
	(Regionalism) Meaning and concept of regionalism
	Theories on regionalism
	Regionalism in its various manifestations
	Role of various players
	Recent incidents causing a wave of flurry
	Possible ways to tackle the same

CONTEMPORARY ISSUES

Category	Details
Marriage	Validity of Hindu Marriages
	Live-in Relationship in Indian Society
	Raising Legal Age for Marriage
	Menace of

	Girl-Child Marriage in India
Women and Related Issues	Hysterectomies in India
	Equal Participation of Women in Workforce
	Impact of Non-Participation of Married Women in the Workforce in India
	Gender Disparities in Poverty
	Women in Corporate Roles in India
	Abortion Rights
	Growth & Women's Marriage Age
	Gender Digital Divide in India
	Menstrual Hygiene in Indian Prisons
	Surrogacy Rules in India
	Women in Waste Management Sector
	Women MPs in Lok Sabha

	Surrogacy in india
	Abortion Law in India
	Marital Rape: An Indignity to Women
	Domestic Violence Against Women
	Women in Stem
	Sexual Harassment at Workplace
	Menstrual Hygiene in India
	Female Entrepreneur s in India
	NFHS 5: A Women-Centric Analysis
	Keeping Girls In School
	Ramani Judgment
	Water, Sanitation & Women's Rights
	Women Led Development Model
CHILDREN	Child Labour
	Child Adoption
	Juvenile Justice (Care and

	Protection of Children) Act,2015
	Child Trafficking in India
	Age of Consent
OTHER VULNERABLE SECTIONS	Tribal Welfare: Denotified tribes (DNTs)
	Supreme Court Judgement on LGBTQIA+Rights: Transgender Rights
	Person with Disabilities (PwDs)
	Manual Scavenging
	Marginalisation of Sexual Minorities
EDUCATION	Public Schools in India
	NIPUN Bharat Mission
	Anusandhan National Research Foundation (NRF)Act,2023
	National Curriculum Framework for school Education

	(NCF-SE)
	Performance Grading Index (PGI) for School Education System
	Higher education in india: Deemed to be Universities (DTBU)
	Foreign Higher Educational institutions in India
	National Credit Framework (NCRF)
	Accreditation of Higher Education Institutions
HEALTH	NATIONAL FAMILY HEALTH SURVEY 5 REPORT
	Renewed Healthcare System
	One Health Concept
NUTRITION AND SANITATION	GLOBAL HUNGER INDEX (GHI)
	OPEN DEFECATION FREE (ODF) STATUS

	Nutritional Security Through Food Fortification
POPULATION & ASSOCIATED ISSUES	Deaths by Suicide in India
	Great Replacement Theory
	Population Crisis in Asian Nations
	Manual Scavenging, India's "dirtiest job"
	Impact of Globalization on Indian Society
	Communalism and Its Impact on Indian Society
	Westernisation of Societal Norms
	Child Marriage
	Caste-based Violence
	Social Inequalities in Disasters
	Need For Caste Census
	Controlling Population: A Double Edged Sword
	Human

	Migration: Reasons & Impact
	Silver Economy
	Initiatives for Elderly in India: SACRED Portal, SAGE (Seniorcare Aging Growth Engine), Elder Line, Integrated Programme for Older Persons (IPOP), Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana (RVY), Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme (IGNOAPS), The Pradhan Mantri Vaya Vandana Yojana, Vayoshreshth a Samman, Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens (MWPSC) Act, 2007
SECULARISM	Education and Secularism
	Extremism
	Consent among

	Teenagers
	Disparities in Education Outcomes in India
	Role of Religion & Patriarchy
MISCELLANEOUS	Old Age Care
	Rag-Pickers in India
	The Link between Caste and Manual Scavenging
	Occupational Safety and Health
	State of Prisons in India
	Killing Inequality
	Migrant Workers and Urban Housing
	Socio-Economic Inequality in India
	Climate Change and Food Insecurity
	MGNREGA Delay in Payments
	Policy Action Against Drug Abuse

	Social Media and Youth
	Reimagining Global Food Systems
	Disease Surveillance System
	Good' Urbanisation
	e-Shram Portal: Scope of Improvement
	Localising SDGs
	Need For Urban Social Safety
	India and Food Insecurity
	Digital Challenge For Civil Society
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	One Nation One Ration Card Scheme
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	Inequalities in Digital World
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	Unitary features
	Federal features
	Parliamentary form of government
	Presidential form of government
	Parliamentary vs. Presidential system of government
Preamble	Preamble
	Basic features
	Value premises of constitution
	Terminologies (Democratic, Sovereign, Socialist,

	Secular, Republic, Justice, Equality, Liberty, Fraternity, Integrity)
	Amendability of the Preamble
Citizenship	Basic constitutional features
	Methodology of getting citizenship
	Modes of Losing the Citizenship of India
	Concept of dual citizenship
	Citizenship provisions in J&K
	Special privileges enjoyed by citizens in India
	Overseas Citizens of India (OCI) and Persons of Indian Origin (PIOs)
Fundamenta l Rights	Significance of Fundamental Rights
	What is State?
	Right to Equality
	Right to Freedom
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	Exploitation
	Right to Freedom of Religion
	Cultural and Educational Rights
	Right to Constitutional Remedies
	Fundamental Rights and Armed Forces
	Martial Law & Fundamental Rights
	Difference between procedure established by law and due process of law
	Writs and their uses
	Restrictive limitations on fundamental rights
	Rights outside Part III of the Constitution
	Dynamic Nature of Article 32
	Need of Revitalizing Indian Reservation System
DPSP	Basic features
	Economic and Social DPSP
	Gandhian DPSP

	Administrative DPSP
	DPSP related to International Peace
	Implementation of ¹ DPSP
	Fundamental Rights and the Directive Principles of State Policy Controversy
	Directives outside Part IV of the Constitution
	Application of Uniform Civil Code in India
Fundamental Duties	Features
	Link of Fundamental Rights and Fundamental Duties
Other Principles	Process of law making in India
	Role of Constitutional and extra constitutional bodies in law making
	Basic structure: How it evolves?
	Different types of majorities required in Indian Constitution
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	Rights
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Separation of Powers	Features in American and UK Constitution
	Checks and balances provisions in Indian Constitution
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Union & States	State Reorganization Commission (brief)
	Components of Indian territory
	Process of formation of new states
	Zonal Councils
	Union territories
	Special provisions for states
	Scheduled and Tribal Areas
Functions and	Regulating functions of

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	Problems in implementation
	Recommendations for improvement
	Interrelationship between union, state and local government in implementation of roles
	Constitutional provisions related to financial devolution
	Issues of financial devolution
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	Financial relations
	Emergency Provisions and

	Misuse of Article 356
	Inter-State relations
	Issues related to Union List, State List & Concurrent List
	Issues related to appointment of Governor
	Issues related to state formation
	Poor devolution of finances
	Reserving bill for Presidential approval
	Central sponsored schemes and issues
	Special package for different states
	Issues between Centre and State after 1990 reforms
	Foreign policy and Centre and State Relations
	Inter-State border disputes
The President	Importance of President
	Qualification
	Election procedure
	Advantages

	and disadvantages of single transferable form of voting
	Presidents' Term of Office and emoluments
	Executive Powers
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	Financial Powers
	Miscellaneous powers
	Judicial powers
	Impeachment of President
	President as nominal head
	Ordinance making power
	Passage of bills
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	Pardon power
	Coalition government
Vice President	Office of the Vice-President
	Functions
	Comparison between Indian VP and American VP
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	Functions of PM
	Role of PM with respect to CoM, President, Lok Sabha, Political Party, Coalition Government
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Attorney General of India	Qualification
	Functions
	Powers with respect to Parliament
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	Composition of Lok Sabha
	Qualification and disqualification of MPs and MLAs
	Vacation of seats
	Sessions of Parliament
	Law making procedure
	Officers of Parliament and State Legislature
	Parliament

	Proceedings
	Motions and resolutions in Parliament
	Powers and Privileges
	Financial proceedings
	Comparison of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha
	Women reservation in Parliament and issues
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	Judicial activism and Parliament
	Delegated legislation and issues
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	* Independence of Supreme Court
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	* Terms and removal
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	* Powers
	Tribunal & Subordinate Courts
	The role of the Supreme Court of India as guardian of the Constitution and protector of Fundamental Rights

The Judiciary	Judicial Review
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	Judicial Activism
	Judiciary appointment
	Collegiums System
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	National Court of Appeal
	Judicial Accountability
	Issues of corruption in judiciary
	Role of Women in Judiciary
	Need for Virtual Courts
Ministries and Departments of the Government	Functioning of Ministries
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	Cabinet Secretary
	Field organizations

	Reforms needed
	International methodology
	Prime Minister's Office (PMO)
Local Government	Provisions of 73rd AA and 74th AA
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	Municipal Corporations
	Municipal Councils
	Nagar Panchayats
	The steps taken towards women's empowerment
	Role of State Election commission
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	Model Panchayat Citizens Charter Framework
Dispute redressal mechanisms and institutions	What is Dispute redressal mechanisms?
	Need of Dispute redressal mechanisms
	Administrative tribunal and issues
	Fast Track Courts and issues
	Gram Nyalayas and issues
	Parivarik Mahila Lok Adalats and issues
	Family Courts and issues
	Lok Adalat and issues
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	Dispute redressal for Weaker section
	Arbitration Mechanism
	International Arbitrary Centre
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	Functions
	Role of CAG in good governance
The Governor	Appointment, term of office, qualification, etc.
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	Powers and responsibilities
	Relationship between the Governor and the Chief Minister
	Relationship between CoM and the Chief Minister
The Advocate-General for the State	Appointment
	Functions
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	Qualifications of the Members of Legislature
	Powers and Functions of State Legislature
	Relationship between both the Houses
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	Legislative procedure
	Governor's assent to Bills
	Procedure in Financial Matters/Budget
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	Finance Commission
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	National Commission for SCs and STs
	Special Officer for Linguistic Minorities
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	National and State Human Rights Commission
	Central and State Information Commission
	Central Vigilance Commission
	Central Bureau of Investigation
	Lokpal and Lokayukta
Various Constitutional Dimensions	Co-operative Societies
	Official Languages under the Indian Constitution
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	Rise of Regional Parties in India
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	Importance of NRI votes in Indian Election System
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	Anti-Defection Law: Challenges and Reforms
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	Supreme Court and Case burden
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	Comparing Indian Secularism to French
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“GOVERNANCE & SOCIAL JUSTICE”

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	Human development and human capital formation
	Equality (interpersonal and interregional) and social justice
	Unity and integrity
	Trust between state and citizens
	Governance: Meaning and Scope
	Good Governance
	Contemporary debate around Governance and Good Governance
	Governance and emerging areas (4th Industrial revolution and related technologies, gender issues, Ethical

	Governance, Environmental Governance)
Effective Implementation	What is effective implementation? Best outcomes in view of given time, resources and constraints
	Outcome orientation in implementation
	Programme impact assessment
	Analysis of different important schemes
Government intervention	Good Governance- Role of institutions, bureaucrats and other stakeholders
	Transparency and accountability
	Optimum use of resources - Right targeting, plugging leakages and wasteful expenditure, use of available knowledge, research and innovation.
	Monitoring and evaluation – Outcome
	Budget, zero base budgeting, input-output analysis, cost-benefit analysis
	Setting up institutions and regulatory norms task forces, steering committees and review committees.
	Interventions in emerging areas - Social Media, Data, Privacy, Social Sector
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Development Processes & Industry	Growth and Development
	Main Constraints of development
	Main Stake holders in development process
	Self Help Groups (Meaning, Importance, Objectives, Institutional Structure and organization, Funding, SHGs and Women Development, Women Development and Women in Development dynamics, SHGs and poverty, SHGs and Rural Development)
	Micro Finance (Meaning and importance, Objectives, Structure and Organization, Advantages, Micro Finance in India)
	Non-Government Organizations (What are NGOs?, Difference between Non-Government Organizations (NGOs) and International Non-Government Organizations (INGOs), United Nations Criteria for INGO and NGO, NGOs and development projects, NGOs and

	Community development, NGOs involved in relief and rehabilitation, NGOs involved in disaster management, NGOs and advocacy)
Important aspects of governance, transparency and accountability	Citizen centric governance
	Features of good governance
	Legislative accountability
	Administrative accountability
	Judicial accountability
	Ombudsman
	Whistleblowers concept
	Anti corruption machinery (Role of citizens, Role of media, Social audit)
	Systematic reforms
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	Delegation
	Delegation vs decentralization
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e-Governance	Introduction
	Applications
	Models
	Successes
	Limitations
	Future prospects
	Dashboards and Portals of E-governance and E-government - Uses/Impact/Analysis
	Democracy and E-governance
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Citizens Charters	Citizens Charters
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	Models
	Features
	CC in India
	Issues in CC implementation
	Reform needed
	Sevottam Framework
	Citizens and Citizens Charters
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	Need for civil services
	Different role of civil

	services (Law making, Policy formulation, Policy implementation, Policy evaluation)
	Civil services as protector of democracy (To protect minorities (religious and linguistic), To promote Inclusive and sustainable growth)
	Civil Services – Democracy dynamics
	Civil Services in eras- Post independence/ Post-LPG/in 21st century
	Emerging challenges for Civil Services
	Reforms - Lateral Entry
	Capacity building of Civil Services (Past to Present) Autonomy
	Frequent transfers and security of tenure - concept/benefits/ analysis
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	Types
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	Differentiate between a pressure group and a political party
	Evaluation of pressure groups role
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	Politicisation of Pressure Groups
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	Powers and privileges of CAG (provided by constitution and different ACTs of Parliament.)
	Appointment of ECI (procedure of appointment) - composition of ECI
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	Appointment to UPSC (procedure of appointment)- composition of UPSC
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	Powers and privileges of UPSC (provided by Constitution and different Acts of Parliament.)
	Appointment to Finance commission (procedure of appointment)
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	Functions and responsibilities of Finance Commission
	Powers and privileges

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	National Commission for SCs and STs.
	Other bodies - NGT, NHRC etc.
	Evaluation of Each body: History/Evolution/Pros/Cons/Issues/Challenges/Way Forward
Statutory, Regulatory and various Quasi-Judicial Bodies	SEBI
	CVC
	CBI
	Planning Commission
	NDC
	PMO
	Zonal Council
	TRAI
	NCLAT
	IRDA
	National Human Rights Commission
	State Human Rights Commission
	Central Information Commission
	State Information

	Commission
	National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission
	Tribunal
	Medical Council of India
	Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority
	Biodiversity Authority of India
	Press Council of India
	Forward Markets Commission
	Inland Waterways Authority of India

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	- Powers and privileges of Finance Commission (provided by Constitution and different Acts of Parliament)
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	- Evaluation of each body: History/Evolution/Pros/Cons/Issues/Challenges/Way Forward
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	- CVC
	- CBI
	- Planning Commission
	- NDC
	- PMO
	- Zonal Council
	- TRAI

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	- IRDA
	- National Human Rights Commission
	- State Human Rights Commission
	- Central Information Commission
	- State Information Commission
	- National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission
	- Tribunal
	- Medical Council of India
	- Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority
	- Biodiversity Authority of India
	- Press Council of India
	- Forward Markets Commission
	- Inland Waterways Authority of India
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	- Evaluation of each body: History/Evolution/Pros/Cons/Issues/Challenges/Way Forward
Elections in India	- Salient features of the Representation of People Act, 1950
	- Salient features of Representation of Peoples Act, 1951
	- Electoral reforms
	- Criminalization of politics
	- Negative or neutral voting
	- State funding of Elections
	- Irregularities in polling
	- Electoral Bonds
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	- Party reforms
	- Problems in the working of parties
	- Casteism and politics
	- Reforms in Party system in India

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	- Local Government and emerging issues (Disaster Management, Technology)
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Vulnerable Sections	- SC
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Miscellaneous	- 'Concern about democracy in the digital age'
	- Indices and Rankings – Domestic and International (e.g. Global Hunger Index, NITI Aayog's, NIRF etc.)
	- Reports - Domestic/international/governmental/Independent
	- Internet shutdowns
	- Committees and Commissions (Findings/recommendations/ Analysis)
	- Co-operatives
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	- IT rules - regulating the OTT and Digital Media
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SOCIAL JUSTICE

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	- Gender technology gap
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	- OBC welfare
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	- Legislations Issues and Reforms needed
Services relating to Health, Education, Human Resources	- Education structure in India
	- Primary, secondary and higher education
	- Initiatives taken by GOI in education
	- Reforms needed
	- Recommendations of committees
	- Future prospects in education sector
	- Skill development, indicators
	- Private and Public health structure
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	- Poverty data in India
	- Causes of poverty

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	- Linkage between poverty and development
	- Rural poverty
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	- Poverty alleviation measures
	- Problems in implementation of Poverty alleviation programmes
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	- Food security programmes and issues
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	- Impact of hunger and poverty on economic development of the nation
	- Controversy related to poverty data estimation
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	- Composition of autonomous councils
	- Role and functions of councils
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	- Tribal sub plan
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	- Stand up India Scheme
	- National Student Startup Policy
	- National Skill Development Mission
	- Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana
	- Deen Dayal Antyodaya Yojana
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	- Skill Development Initiative Scheme
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	- Atal Innovation Mission

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	- Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana
	- Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana
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	- Nai Roshni Scheme
	- USTAAD Scheme (Upgrading the Skills and Training in Traditional Arts/Crafts for Development)
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	- Women and Child Development
	- Beti Bachao Beti Padhao
	- Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana
	- Digital Gudda Guddi Board
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	- Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakram
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	- Disability
	- Accessible India Campaign (Sugamya Bharat Abhiyan)
Health	- National Health Mission
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	- Mission Indradhanush
	- NFHS-5 survey
Education	- Padhe Bharat Badhe Bharat
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	- Ishan Uday
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	- Rashtriya Avishkar Abhiyan

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	- Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Rurban Mission
	- Deendayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana
	- Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana
	- Swachh Bharat Abhiyan
	- Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana- Gramin
	- Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana – Urban
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	- Smart Cities Mission
	- Hriday - National Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana
	- Amrut (Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation)
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	- Digilocker
	- Bharatnet Project (National Optical Fibre Network)
	- INSPIRE (Innovation in Science Pursuit for Inspired Research)
	- SAKAAR
	- Digital India
	- Namami Gange Project (Integrated Ganga Conservation Mission Project)
	- Ganga Gram Yojana
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	- PRAGATI (Pro-Active Governance and Timely Implementation)
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	- Government initiatives for inclusive growth
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	Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTG's)
	Manual Scavenging
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	Women in Workforce
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	Regulation of Fake News
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	Food Fortification
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	Right-Based Approach for Development
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	Start-ups in Rural India
	Living Wage and Minimum Wage
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	Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE)
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	Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (OCSEA)
	Denotified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Tribes (DNTs)
	Finances of Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs)
	Illegal Migration
	Gender-Based Violence
	Adoption Regulation
	Solar Rooftop Power
	Climate Resilient Farming
	Senior Care Reforms in India
	Ease of Doing Business Reforms
	Fertilizers Sector in India
	Anganwadi Protocol for Divyang Children
	Decentralised Autonomous Organisations (DAO)
	Self Help Group Bank Linkages (SHG-BL) Project
	Global Finance Architecture for Sustainable Growth
	Emerging Technology and Caste Identities in India
	Drone Sector in India
Policies, Programmes and Schemes	Aspirational Block Programme (ABP)
	Vehicle Scrapping Policy
	PM SVANidhi
	Jal Jeevan Mission
	Vibrant Villages Programme (VVP) Scheme
	Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban)
	Electric Vehicles (EVs) Policy
	Stand-up India
	Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC)
	FAME (Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of Hybrid and Electric Vehicle) Scheme
	PLI scheme
	One Station One Product (OSOP) Scheme
	One-stop Centres for Zero Waste
	Poshan Bhi, Padhai Bhi (PBPB) Scheme
	Nyaya Vikas Portal
	Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PMKISAN) Scheme
	Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act 2005

	(MGNREGA)
	Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY)
	Centralised Information Management System
	Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)
	Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan Dhan (PMSYM)
	Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT)
	BharatNet
	National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP)
	Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY)
	Global Initiative on Digital Health (GIDH)
	SVAMITVA Scheme)
	National Logistics Policy (NLP)
	PM Vishwakarma scheme
	Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission
	Digital Infrastructure for Knowledge Sharing (DIKSHA) Platform
	Digital Advertisement Policy 2023
	National Efficient Cooking Programme (NECP)
	Draft National Menstrual Hygiene Policy, 2023
	National Programme for Civil Services Capacity Building (NPCSCB)- Mission Karmayogi
	Fast Track Special Courts (FTSCs) Scheme
	Gram Manchitra
	Uttar Poorva Transformative Industrialization Scheme, 2024 (UNNATI 2024)
	Electric Mobility Promotion Scheme 2024
	The Holistic Progress Card (HPC)
	SWAYAM Plus platform
	Pradhan Mantri Anusuchit Jaati Abhyuday Yojna
	'SMART 2.0' for Ayurveda Teaching Professionals
	Sukanya Samridhi Yojana (SSY)
	Revamped Scheme for Administrative Reforms
	MPLADS e-SAKSHI Mobile Application
	Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana
	Payments Infrastructure Development Fund (PIDF) Scheme
	National Transit Pass System (NTPS)
	Solar Power Scheme for PVTGs Habitations
	PRITHvi Vigyan (PRITHVI) Scheme

	National Clean Air Programme (NCAP)
	Pradhan Mantri Adi Adarsh Gram Yojana (PMAAGY)
	National AYUSH Mission
	GHAR PORTAL
	Support to Students for Participating in Competitions Abroad (SSPCA)
	YUva Vigyani KARYakram (YUVIKA)
	Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY)
	Menstrual Leave Policy
	NITI Aayog Launches GROW Report and Portal
	Flood Management and Border Areas Programme (FMBAP)
	Prime Minister Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (PM MITRA) Parks Scheme
	Pradhan Mantri Matsya Kisan Samridhi SahYojana
	Ayushma Raising And Accelerating MSME Productivity (RAMP) Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAYUrban) National Geoscience Data Repository Portal (NGDRP) Report on 'National Policy on Child Labour'

Category	Subcategory
Index, Reports and Rankings	Rule of Law Index
	All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) 2020-2021, 2021-2022
	Annual Status of Education Report (ASER) 2022
	Logistic Performance Index 2023
	Global Food Policy Report 2023
	Health for All Report
	Grievance Redressal Assessment and Index (GRAI)
	Panchayat Development Index (PDI)
	National Indicator Framework (NIF) for SDGs
	Gender Gap Report-2023
	2023 Gender Social Norms Index (GSNI) Report
	National Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI)
	The Paths to Equal Report
	Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Progress Report 2023
	State of Education in Rural India Report
	"Digital in Health – Unlocking Value for Everyone" report

	Global Hunger Index (GHI)
	UNESCO's "Technology on Her Terms" Report
	State of World Population - 2024 Report
	IOM released "A Decade of Documenting Migrant Deaths" Report
	Food Waste Index Report 2024
	Longevity India Initiative (LII)
	The Global Network Against Food Crises (GNAFC)
	Human Development Report (HDR) 2023-2024
	Household Consumption Expenditure Survey (HCES) 2022-23
	Gender Inequality Index (GII) 2022
	World Poverty Clock (WPC)
	National Multidimensional Poverty Index
	Future of Growth Report 2024
	LEADS Report 2023
	Annual NeSDA Report
	Corruption Perceptions Index (CPI), 2023
Laws	Multi-State Cooperative Societies (MSCS) Act, 2002
	Draft National Medical Commission (Amendment) Bill-2022
	Competition (Amendment) Bill 2022
	Digital Services Act
	Multi-State Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 2023
	Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Bill, 2023
	Digital Personal Data Protection Act 2023
	Pharmacy (Amendment) Act, 2023
	Anusandhan National Research Foundation (NRF) Act, 2023
	Medical Termination of Pregnancy (MTP) Act
	Nari Shakti Vandan [Constitution (106th Amendment)] Act, 2023
	Press and Registration of Periodicals Act, 2023
	Telecommunications Act 2023
	Post Office Act, 2023
	Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPwD) Act, 2016
	Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Act, 2014
	Surrogacy (Regulation) Amendment Rules, 2024
	The Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Amendment Act, 2024
	Epidemic Diseases Act (EDA), 1897

	Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) (POSH) Act
Institutions	Office of Lokpal
	Central Administrative Tribunal
	National Human Rights Commission (NHRC)
	National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)
	Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI)
	Social Audit Advisory Body (SAAB)
	Securities Appellate Tribunal (SAT)
	NALSA (National Legal Services Authority)
	National Startup Advisory Council (NSAC)

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Category	Subcategory	
Indian Foreign Policy	Evolution and Key Principles of Indian Foreign Policy	Determinants of India's Foreign Policy, Factors determining India's Foreign Policy, Non-Aligned Movement (NAM), NAM 2.0, Panchsheel, India's Nuclear Doctrine, Evolution of Neighbourhood Policy, Look East Policy, Act East Policy, Look West Policy, Act West Policy
	Indian Diaspora	Role played by Indian

		Diaspora, Issue of safety of Indians abroad, Schemes for Welfare of Overseas Indian
	Bilateral Relation s	
India & Neighb ours	India – Nepal Relation s	Background of Relation, Cooperation between India & Nepal, Contentions in relations between India & Nepal, The Issue of Water and Hydropower Cooperation, Recommend ations to Improve Relations, External Influences
	India and Bhutan	Economy: A Broad Overview, India, Bhutan and China: Issues
	Indo- Afghan Bilateral Relation s	A Long History of Bilateral Relations, The India- Afghanistan Developmen

		t Partnership, Strategic factors undergirding India's Partnership with Afghanistan, Afghanistan after NATO Withdrawal, Options for India is Afghanistan, Presence of Taliban
	India-Bangladesh Relations	Developmen t Partnership, India-Bangladesh Relations in line with 'Look East' policy, Boundary Agreements, Teesta River Dispute
	India-Maldives Relations	Geostrategic Importance of Maldives, Developmen t Cooperation, Security Risks
	India-Sri Lanka Relations	Commercial Relations, Developmen tal Cooperation, Fishermen Issue
	India-	Relation

	Myanmar Relations	through ages, Recent change in policy, China Role
	Indo-Pak Relations	Cooperation between India & Pakistan, Major Crisis, Water Dispute, Issue of Terrorism and Proxy Wars
	Indian–Russia	Cooperation between India and Russia, Strategic Cooperation, Major Concerns, Russia–China Impact in India
	Indo–China Relations	Economic Relation, China India Water Related Issue, “String of Pearls Strategy” Chain Diamonds, China’s Maritime Silk Route, Implications for India, Militarisation of Belt and Road Initiative

		(BRI), Confidence Building Measures (CBMs), Boarder Disputes, South China Sea Dispute, Main Disputes, Resources as a Driver of Competition, Attempts for Resolution, India and South China Dispute
	Security Challenges in the Indian Ocean Region	The Pivot to Asia – US Policy Shift, South China Sea- Issues of Mistrust, Piracy off the Coast of Somalia, Neighbourhood Issues and Terrorism, Energy Routes, Fisheries and Livelihood Issues, Environmental Security, Declaration of Indian Ocean as Zone of Peace, India and Asian Nations relations

India & Asian Nations relations	CIS Countries of Central Asia	India-Turkmenistan, India-Kazakhstan, India Tajikistan, China And Central Asia, International North-South Transport Corridor, Shanghai Cooperation Organisation
	India-Mongolia	India-Mongolia Bilateral Cooperation, Deal on Uranium Supply
	India-UAE	Political and economic relation, Oil Economic Relation
	India-Iran	Iran Nuclear Deal and India, India-Iran Relations, US-Geopolitical and Geo-Economic Consideration in Iran
	India-Israel	Israel and Palestine Conflict, India-Israel Relations
	India-Saudi Arabia	Areas of Cooperation, Challenges in

		relations
	Asia-Pacific Region	Zones of Activity, Regional Groupings, Geopolitics of Asia Pacific
	India-South East Asia	Steps in Indo-ASEAN Relations, India-ASEAN Security Co-operation
	Indo-Japan Bilateral Relationship	Economy Centric Relationship, Contemporary Perspective
	India-South Korea	India-South Korea Relations, Economic Partnership in Recent Years

Category	Subcategory	Details
India & Neighbours	India-Vietnam	Economic Cooperation, Strategic Cooperation, Geo-political Issues concerning India-Vietnam Energy Cooperation, China's Response, India's Response
India & Other Nation	India and Africa	Historical Connections, Gandhi's Role, Nehru's Role, Strengthening of Ties, South-South Engagement, Current Dynamics, Economic Cooperation, Human resources development and capacity building, Energy Cooperation, Military Security Co-operation, Trade Policy, Afro-Indian Trade, Indian investment in Africa, African investment in India, Development cooperation and

		assistance
	India–Australia	Immigration Issue and Indian Diaspora, Economic Relationship, Issue of Nuclear Cooperation
	India–France	Strategic Partnership, Prime Minister’s Recent Visit to France
	India–Germany	Indian–Germany Economic Relations
	India–United Kingdom	India & UK Relations, Brexit, India & BREXIT
	India–USA	Area of Co-operation: Strategic Consultations, Area of Co-operation: Counterterrorism and Internal Security, Area of Co-operation: Trade and Economic, Area of Co-operation: Energy and Climate Change, Area of Co-operation: Science & Technology (S & T) and Space, Area of Co-operation: People to People Ties, Area of Co-operation: Defence Cooperation, Intellectual Property Issues, India and International Organisations, Indo-Pacific Relations, Quadrilateral Security Dialogue (QUAD), India and Generalised System of Preference (GSP)
Multilateral Relations	The World Trade Organization	Representation in the WTO and Economic Groupings, How the WTO takes Decisions?, The WTO Secretariat and Budget, How Countries Join the WTO, Assisting Developing and Transition Economies Specialized Help for Export Promotion, The WTO’s Part in Global Economic Policy-making, Nairobi Package, WTO and protectionism, WTO and IPR, WTO reforms, WTO and India, WTO and Agriculture Issues of developing nations, WTO and Free Trade Agreements (FTAs)
	International Monetary Fund	International Monetary Fund (IMF), IMF Reforms
	Nuclear Security	Nuclear Security Summit, Threats of Nuclear Terrorism, Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR),

		Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG), NSG Membership for India, Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT)
	BRICS	Economic Environment in BRICS Countries, BRICS-BIMSTEC, BRICS & India
	BIMSTEC	BIMSTEC & India, Convention on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters
	IBSA	IBSA Potential, Need for Revitalizing IBSA, India's Policy Options, Technological Collaboration
	SAARC	Prospects For SAARC, Indo-Pak Conflict, Problem of Resource Development
	India-ASEAN Economic Cooperation	Singapore, Vietnam, Indonesia, India ASEAN FTA in Service
Global Institutions	United Nations & its Bodies	Structure of United Nations, United Nations General Assembly (UNGA), United Nations Security Council (UNSC), India & UNSC, Economic and Social Council, International Court of Justice (ICJ), UN Specialised Agencies
		Food & Agriculture Organization (FAO), International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), International Labour Organization (ILO), International Maritime Organization (IMO), International Telecommunication Union (ITU), United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), World Health Organization (WHO) and Question over its Credibility, World Meteorological Organisation (WMO), WIPO, World Bank, International Monetary Fund (IMF)
Important Key Concepts		New World Order, Dynamics of New World Order, New Cold War?

CONTEMPORARY ISSUES

Category	Details
CONTEMPORARY ISSUES	World Migration Report
	United Nations Global Supply Chain Forum
	Minilateralism
	Amendment of International Health Regulations
	United Nations Peace Keeping Force and India
	BIMSTEC Charter
	International Criminal Court and Israel-Hamas Dispute
	Global Anti-Terrorism efforts and India (CTTF)
	Chabahar Port
	Volatile South China Sea
	India-China Border Dispute (Arunachal Pradesh)
	Vision for Global South and Voice of Global South
	NATO (75TH Anniversary)
	China-Taiwan Dispute and India
	Bhutan-China Relations and India
	UNSC and G4
	Neighbourhood First Policy
	India-EFTA Deal
	Raisina Dialogue 2024
	INDUS X Summit
	India-Afghanistan (6th Regional Dialogue of Secretaries of Security Councils/National

	Security Advisers (NSA) on Afghanistan)
	Northern Ireland Conflict
	India-UAE relations
	Red Sea Crises
	Crises in WTO and reforms needed
	India-France relations
	BRICS
	19th NAM Summit
	India- Uganda Relations
	India-Nepal Power Pact
	India-Maldives Dispute
	India-Italy Migration and Mobility Agreement
	China's BRI (Italy's withdrawal)
	Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty
	India-Lithuania Relations
	India and 2+2 diplomacy
	India-Netherlands Relations
	Artificial Intelligence Safety Summit
	Indo-Pacific Maritime Domain Awareness
	India-Tanzania Relations
	India-Argentina Social Security Agreement
	G-20 and India
	India-Canada Relations
	India-Middle East-Europe Corridor
	India-Saudi Arabia Strategic Partnership
	India-Greece Relations
	India in Africa for

	Renewable Energy
	India in Arctic Region
	India-US Strategic Partnership (Jet Engine Deal)
	Atlantic Declaration
	Outer Space Treaty
	Neighbourhood First Policy
	Gujral Doctrine
	Act East Policy

“ECONOMY”

BASIC ECONOMY

Category	Subcategory
Indian Economy and issues relating to planning	Indian Economy in Pre-independence Period
	Economy on Eve of Independence (Challenges, Features)
	Post-Independence India (Issues)
	Agriculture and its development so far
	Industry
	Services
	Phases of Economic Development in India (Nehruvian Socialist Economy, Economic Reforms)
	Planning (Objectives,

	Planning History, Analysis of each plan)
	Growth & Development (Economic Growth in India: National Income Determination (GDP, GNP, NDP, NNP, Personal Income), Economic Growth versus Economic Development, Measures of Economic Development (Rise in real per capita income, Real gross national product, Human development index, GDP, Gender-related development index, Poverty index), Economic and Social Development in India: Millennium Development Goals, Sustainable Development Goals and India)
	Employment
Resource Mobilization	Types of resources: Physical capital and finance capital
	Need for

	resource mobilization
	Police State and Democratic Welfare State
	Sources of resource mobilization: Public Sector and Private Sector
	Savings and investment over the five year plan
	Budgetary resources: Tax and Non-tax
	Role of Public Debt in resource mobilization and effects: Market borrowing, loans, grants, etc.
	Role of fiscal and monetary policies in resource mobilization
	Role of foreign investment in resource mobilization, desirability and consequences
	Multilateral agencies and resource mobilization
Inclusive growth and issues arising from it	Meaning and concept of Inclusion
	India's experience in Inclusion

	Social sector initiatives and inclusion process
	Ground reality and working of flagship schemes
	India's growth story in this context
	Rural economy based growth
	Need of Sustainable agriculture, food security and resilience for growth
	Public distribution schemes: Way to inclusive growth
	Financial inclusion as an instrument of inclusive growth
	Poverty Alleviation and Employment Generation as a strategy for inclusive growth
	Social sector development as an instrument for inclusive growth
	Public private partnership for inclusive growth
	Industrial Integration for inclusive growth
	Sectoral and regional

	diversification as a tool for inclusive growth
	Governmental Schemes and Policies for inclusive growth (Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana, MUDRA Bank, SETU, Skill India, MGNREGA, Kisan Card, PMKSY, NAM, Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Beema Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Suraksha Yojana, Atal Pension Yojana, Digital India programme)
Government Budgeting	Budget, Economic Survey
	Budget terminology
	Types of Budget
	Features of outcome budgeting
	Merger of Railway and General Budget
	Benefits of budgeting
	Flaws in budgeting process
	Budget analysis
	Subsidy
Investment Models	Need for Investment
	Sources of

	Investment
	Measures of Investment
	Capital and investment
	Factors affecting investment
	Classification of Investment
	Types of Investment Models
	Investment Models Followed by India (Domestic Investment Models, Public Investment Model, Private Investment Model, Public Private Participation Investment Model, Foreign Investment Models (FDI, FII, etc.))
	Role of State
	PPP (Public-Private Partnership)
	Savings and Investment Trends
Fiscal policy	Fiscal Policy in India
	Important Budgetary Terms and Fiscal Concept
	Government Revenues &

	Spending
	Deficits and its financing (Revenue Deficit, Fiscal Deficit, Primary Deficit)
	Balance Sheet

Category	Subcategory	
Taxation		Taxation Meaning, Principles of Taxation, Objectives of Taxation, Taxation for Mobilization of Resources, Tax System in India, Current Taxation Policy of India, Subsidies, Tax Reforms, GST and its progress, Retrospective Taxation in India
Monetary policy in India		Instruments of Monetary Policy, Monetary

		policy in pre-reform Era (1948–1991), Monetary Policy in Post-Reform Era (Since 1991), Urjit Patel Committee Report, Monetary Policy Committee and Inflation Targeting
Financial system		Indian Financial System – An Overview, Components of Indian Financial System
	Financial Institutions	Banking Institutions or Depository Institutions, Non-Banking Institutions or Non-Depository Institutions, Others: (Regulatory, Intermedi

		ates, Non Intermediates)
	Financial Assets	Call Money, Notice Money, Term Money, Treasury Bills, Certificate of Deposits, Commercial Paper
	Financial Services	Banking Services, Insurance Services, Investment Services, Foreign Exchange Services
	Financial Markets	Capital Market, Money Market, Foreign Exchange Market, Credit Market
		Indian financial market and Pandemic
Banking		Banking in India: Definition, Structure and Functions
		Origin of

		Banking system
	Type of Banks in India	Central Bank (Reserve Bank of India), Cooperative Banks, Commercial Banks (Public Sector Banks (SBI), Private Sector Bank (HDFC), Foreign Banks (CITI)), Regional Rural Banks, Local Area Banks, Specialized Banks (SIDBI, NABARD), Small Finance Banks, Payments Banks (Airtel Payment Bank)
		Nationalization of Banks in India
		Banking Sector Reforms

		in India: Narasimha n Committe e 1&2, Nachiket Mor Committe e, P J Nayak Committe e
		Developm ent Finance Institution s: IFCI, ICICI, SIDBI, IDBI, UTI, LIC, GIC
		New Bank Licence Criteria
		Non- Banking Financial Company (NBFC)
		Financial Inclusion in India: Need and future; PMJDY; Payment Banks and Small Banks
		NPAs
		Bills related to Banking
		NEO BANK
		The

		emerging concept of Bad Banks
		Insurance sector of India
		Bank privatizati on
		Account Aggregato r System
		Domestic systemical ly important banks (D- SIBs)
Foreign Trade & Internati onal Organisat ions		Internatio nal Trade
		Trade Policy
	India's Balance of Payment s	Current Account, Capital Account, Goods and Services Account
	India's BOP Perform ance	Balance of Payment versus Balance of Trade, Current Account versus Capital Account
		Foreign Capital

		Impact of Globalization on Indian Economy
		FDI and FPI in India, External Commercial Borrowings
		Foreign Exchange Rate Determination in India
		Types of Exchange Rate
		Capital and Current Account Convertibility in India
	The Bretton Woods Twins	World Bank, International Monetary Fund
		World Bank Group
		World Trade Organisation (WTO) and India
		ADB, NDB, BRICS

		Bank, AIIB
		Bilateral, Regional and Global Groupings and Agreements involving India
		Important report and forecasts

AGRICULTURE

Category	Subcategory	
Role of Agriculture in Indian Economy	Situation of Indian Agriculture	Historical background and current status
	Cropping Patterns	Types of Cropping Systems: Mono-cropping; Crop Rotation; Sequential Cropping; Inter Cropping; Relay Cropping
	Issues related to direct and indirect farm subsidies and minimum support	Farm Subsidies in India: Definition; Working; Need; Negative Impacts, Types of

	prices	Farm Subsidies in Indian Agriculture: Irrigation and Power Subsidies; Fertilizer Subsidy; Seed Subsidy; Credit Subsidy, Government Intervention in Indian Agriculture, Minimum Support Prices in Indian Agriculture: MSP definition; Working; Issues; Drawbacks ; Way Ahead; Buffer Stocks, Public Distribution System in India: Definition; Issues; Working; Needs; Disadvantages, Targeted PDS in
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		India, Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY), Alternative to the PDS, Direct Benefit Transfers, National Food Security Act
	Agriculture Marketing	
	Major crops	Major cropping patterns in different parts of the country, different types of irrigation, transport and marketing of agricultural produce and issues and associated constraints; e-technology for farmers
		Conclusive Land Titling
		Biotech-

		KISAN Program
Land resource	Land-use	
	Land capability classification	
	Causes of Land Degradation	
	Impact of Land Degradation	
	Steps taken by GOI	
	Sustainable Land Management	
Land Reforms	Land ownership patterns under the British rule	Zamindari System (Permanent settlement of Bengal), Ryotwari System, Mahalwari System
	Land reforms since independence	
	Objectives of land reforms in India	

	Progress of Land Reforms in India	
	Progress of Ceiling Legislation	
	NITI Aayog Report on Land Leasing	
	SVAMITVA (Survey of Villages and Mapping with Improved Technology in Village Areas)	
Agriculture Finance		Features of Agricultural Finance
		Criteria for Agricultural Credit
		Need for Agricultural Finance
		Sources of Agricultural Finance
		Problems of Agricultural Finance
		Measures taken to improve

		credit flow to agriculture
		Co-operative Credit Societies in India
		Derivate Trade in Agriculture Commodities
Important Schemes		Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maandhan Yojana
		PM-Kisan Scheme Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY)
		Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY)
		Rythu Bandhu Scheme
Agricultural Credit Institutions		Commercial Bank
		Lead Bank Scheme
		Multi Agency Approach

		Regional Rural Banks
		National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)
		Reserve Bank of India
		Kisan Credit Card Scheme
		Self Help Group (SHG) Bank Linkage Programme
		Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF)
		Government Policy For Agricultural Credit
		Farmers Service Societies (FSS)
Crop Insurance in India		Historical Background
		Issues

		Related to Crop Insurance
		Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana
		Comparison with Earlier Crop Insurance Schemes
		Challenges
Important Schemes		Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)
		Kisan Credit Card (KCC) Scheme
		Soil Health Card Scheme
		National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA)
Agriculture Marketing		Process of Agricultural Marketing in India
		Structure of Agricultural Marketing in India

		Importance of Proper Agriculture Marketing
		Government Measures to Improve Agricultural Marketing in India
		Analysis of APMC Act
		National Agriculture Market (e-NAM)
Subsidies	Subsidy in India	Farm Subsidies, Fertiliser subsidies, Subsidy on power, Subsidy on irrigation
		Issues related to direct and indirect farm subsidies and minimum support prices
		Objectives of subsidies
		Transfer of resources

		from gainers from economic policies to losers from economic policies
		Issues of buffer stocks and food security
		Technolog y missions
		Economics of animal- rearing
		Public Distributio n System: Objectives , functionin g, limitations , revamping , evolution from universal PDS to targeted PDS, Targeted PDS, a critical analysis of cost and benefit of PDS
		Buffer Stock policy and governme

		nt's interventi on in food market to keep prices under reasonabl e limits to help consumers
		Food Security bill, questions of resource mobilizati on for the FSB, criticism of the FSB
		Important questions on the future of subsidies
Agricult ural Revoluti ons in India		Green Revolution
		White Revolution – Operation Flood
		Yellow Revolution
		Blue Revolution
		Golden Fiber Revolution : Jute

		The future of Indian agriculture
		Data revolution in Indian agriculture
		Artificial Intelligence & Agriculture
		Social Security Schemes for Farmers
Food Processing		Food processing and related industries: Scope and significance, location, upstream and downstream requirements, supply chain management.
		Processed Foods Scenario with respect to Specific Sectors
		Policy Initiatives
		Infrastruct

		ure Developm ent in Food Processing Sector
		Issues in Food Processing Sector
		FDI Policy in Food Processing
		Notable Trends in the Indian Food Processing Sector
		Strategies Adopted in Budget
		New foreign and domestic investmen t
		Sector- specific governme nt policies

INDUSTRY

Category	Subcategory	
Industrial Policy and Industrial Development: Main Issues	Mahalanobis strategy and India's industrial policy	Discussing Industrial policy resolution 1948 and 1956 critically

		New Economic Policy and Industrial policy under the policy of Liberaliza- tion, Privatiza- tion, Globaliza- tion
	Phases of Industrial develop- ment	
	Effects of liberaliza- tion on the economy	
	Changes in industrial policy and their effects on industrial growth	
	Impact on Different Sectors of the Economy	
Main features of Industrial develop- ment in	Roles of private sector and public sector	Investment in the industrial sector, employe- ment, productiv- ity

India		y, profit etc.
	Strategies for disinvestment and privatization	
	Role of Small, Medium and Micro enterprises	Government Policy, main problems, effects of globalization
		New Manufacturing Policy
	Industrial disbursal and Industrial corridors	
	SEZs	Main issues like land use, relocation of same industries that exist, exports earnings vs loss of tax income
	Industrial sickness	Institutional mechanism to support the sick industries, exit policy issues

	Main constraints in the industrial development of India	
	Effects of globalization on industries	
	Sub-prime crisis and sovereign debt crisis on Industry in India	
	Industrial Finance in India	Role of development banking, commercial banking, venture capital, angel capital in industrialization and promotion of entrepreneurship
		Make in India achievements
		Transformation of MSME sector and impact on India

INFRASTRUCTURE

Category	Subcategory	
Impact of Infrastructure		Economic Impacts, impact on social development, Environmental impacts
Transport	Ports	Ocean transport routes, Inland waterways, Main regions of inland waterways
	Roads	Importance, Government push towards Road Infrastructure, National Infrastructure pipeline, Bharatmala Pariyojana
	Airports	Air routes & Significance, Factors influencing air transport
	Railways	Railways: Factors affecting the railroads, Distribution of railroads in the world

	Energy (Pipeline)	Energy Pipeline Transport, Petroleum (oil) Pipelines, Gas Pipelines
		Importance and developme nt of transport
		Means of transport
		Transport costs and economic distance
		Operating costs in transport
		Governmen t's transport policy
		Transport patterns in the world
		Transport costs and specializatio n
		Transport and trade in the modern era
		Transport costs and scale economies
		Falling transport costs increase

		trade between neighbours
		Failing transport costs lead to concentrati on within countries
		Negative externalities of transport
		Important issues
		Ownership and financing
		Pricing of Public utilities
		Infrastructu re as avenues for investment
		Project delays- reasons and measures to overcome Public Private Partnership and related issues
		Operation and Maintenanc e of roads, railways, irrigation and power projects - Main problems

		and solutions
Important Schemes		PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan
		Mega Investment Textiles Parks (MITRA) Scheme
		National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID) to fund infrastructure projects in India
		National Industrial Corridor Development Programme (NICDP)
Recent Development		Pulses for Food Security and Sustainable Future
		General Insurance Amendment Bill
		Pandora's papers
		National Urban Digital Mission

		'One District One Product: A Potential Game changer'
		Proposition 22: The Future of the Gig Economy
		Central Bank Digital Currency
		Industrial Finance in India: Role of development banking, commercial banking, venture capital, angel capital in industrialization and promotion of entrepreneurship
		Make in India achievements
		Transformation of MSME sector and impact on India
		Virtual Currencies
		Taxing

		Virtual Currencies
		G-SAP 1.0: Securities acquisition plan to boost the market
		G7 Corporate Tax Deal
		Major reforms in Natural Gas Marketing
		National Monetisation Pipeline
		National Mission on Edible Oil
		Zero defect zero effect scheme
		World Hunger Index 2021
		World Inequality Report
		India's telecom sector and issues
		Shifting towards Green Energy
		Gig Economy and India
		The State of Food and Agriculture

		2021
		Fertiliser Shortage in India
		World Employment and Social Outlook – Trends 2022 report
		e-Gram Swaraj e-Financial Management System

CONTEMPORARY ISSUES

Category	Subcategory	Details
CONTEMPORARY ISSUES	Growth & Development	Inequality & Growth, India's Manufacturing Landscape, Economic Redistribution in India, Low Wages and impact on Indian Economy, Unequal India (Gap in wealth and income), Minimum Wage vs Living Wage,

		Digital Public Infrastruc ture, Universal Basic Economy and India's Poverty, Link between GDP Growth & Employment, El Nino and India's Climate Risks, India's Ageing Workforc e, Greedflat ion, Critical Mineral and Economic Significan ce, India's Increasing Power Demand, India's demograp hic advantag e, India's Energy Security
	Sectors of Economi y	Coastal Economy of India, India's Gaming

		Sector, Overhaul of Indian Railways, India's Steel Imports, Pink Economy, Gig Economy, India's Evolving Space Economy, Fintech Sector, India's Lithium Industry, Blue Food Economy, Cyber Security and India's financial sector, India's Unorganised Sector
	Money & Banking	RBI's Surplus Transfer, RBI's Gold Reserve, Cryptocurrency Regulation, Surplus Liquidity in banking system, Disinvestment, The problem of Bad

		Loans, RBI's Liquidity Managem ent System
	Agriculture	India's Agricultur al Subsidies, Climate Change and impact on agricultur al output, Punjab and Haryana's Role in National Food Security, Innovatio n in Traditiona l Practices of Agricultur e, Agricultur e's Labour Depende ncy, Green Revolutio n, MSP & required revision, India's sugar productio n and impact on groundwa ter, Primary

		Agricultural Societies, E-technology in Agriculture
	Investment	Decline in Foreign Investment, India's Stock Market & Influencing Factors, Clean Energy Investment
	External Economy	De-dollarisation, Trading in Indian Currency, Global Debt Crisis, Social Protection in Low-Income Nations, India's Forex Reserve, US-China Trade War and India, Middle-East Conflict and Impact on Indian

		Economy, India- Japan Free Trade Deal, India- Eurasian Economic Union (EaEu) FTA, Recession (case of UK & Japan), Red Sea Crisis, Climate Change and impact on Global Sea Trade, India's Foreign Trade Policy, BRICS Expansion , Global Layoffs and impact on India
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"SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY"

CHEMISTRY

Category
Elements and Molecules
States of Matter
Atomic Structure
Chemical Bonding
Metals and Non-metals

Metallurgy
Polymers and Biopolymers
Carbon and its Allotropes
Acid and Base
Applications of Electro-chemistry
Properties of Solutions
Chemicals in Everyday Life
Chemistry of Pharmaceuticals
Hydrocarbons and their Derivatives
Biomolecules
Vitamins and Enzymes

PHYSICS

Category
Properties of Fundamental Particles
Fundamental Forces
Energy and its Various Types
Laws and Theories in Physics
Electromagnetism
Heat and Thermodynamics
Waves
Optics
Electromagnetic Spectrum
Universe
Planets, Stars, and Galaxies
Big-Bang Theory and Singularity
Dark Matter and Energy
Black Holes
Neutrino Observatory
Gravitational Waves
Sunspot
Magnetars and Neutron Stars
Sub-atomic Particles

BIOLOGY

Category	Subcategory
Chemical Building Blocks of Life	

Category	Subcategory
History and Origin of Life	
Diversity of Living Things	Classification and Domains of Life
	Viruses
	Prokaryotes
	Eukaryotes
	Protists
	Plants
Fungi	
Animals	
Evolution	Evolution of Life
	Human Evolution
Genetics	Inheritance
	DNA and RNA
	Gene Expression
	Gene Regulation
	Mutation
Cells	Cell Structure
	Membranes
	Cell-Cell Interactions
	Respiration
	Energy and Metabolism
	Cells Division
	Tissues
	Epithelial tissue
	Connective tissue
	Muscle tissue
	Nervous
	Myocardial
	Hepatic
Organ System and Human Physiology	Endocrine System
	Respiratory system
	Circulatory system
	Skeletal and Muscular Systems
	Reproduction

Category	Subcategory
	Excretion, Osmoregulation and Thermoregulation
	The Digestive System
	Immune system
Nutrition	Classification by Source of Energy and Carbon
	Plant Nutrition
	Animal Nutrition
	Human Diet
Plant Physiology	Photosynthesis
	Respiration
	Plant-water balance
	Reproduction
Economic Zoology	Microbes in Human Welfare
	Beneficial animals
	Beneficial insects
Economic Botany	Family of angiosperms
	Tissue culture
	Grafting
	Horticulture
Imaging Techniques	CT scan
	Magnetic resonance imaging
	Positron emission tomography (PET)
Biological Fuel Generation	Generation and significance of fossil fuels
	Biofuels from biomass
	Biodiesel
	Natural gas and petroleum
	Hydrogen

BIOTECHNOLOGY

Category	Subcategory
Genetic Engineering	Process and Application
	Genomics
	Proteomics
	RNA Types & Technology
	Genome sequencing and Its Applications
Application of Biotechnology	in Environment

Category	Subcategory
	Bio composting
	Bioremediation
	Microbial remediation
	Carbon capture Technology
Plant Biotechnology	Transgenic plants
	Methods and application of Plant biotechnology
Animal Biotechnology	Transgenic animals
	Methods and application of Animal biotechnology
Application of Biotechnology in Food and Beverage Industry	
	Bioprocessing
	Bioreactors
	Manipulation of Enzymes
	Food processing
	Single cell protein
	Food fortification
Application of Biotechnology in Agriculture	
	GM technology
	GM crops
	Pest Resistant Plants
Biotechnology and Medicine	Gene Editing
	Gene therapy
	Molecular Diagnosis
	PCR
	ELISA
	Antibody-Antigen interactions and detections
	Embryo transfer technology
	Stem cells and their engineering
	Biopharmaceuticals/therapeutic proteins
	Brain fingerprinting technology
Bioethics and Biopiracy	
Biosafety Protocols	
IPR in Biotechnology	
Recent Trends in Biotechnology and Applied Biotechnology	

HUMAN HEALTH & DISEASES

Category	Subcategory
Human Diseases	Common diseases in human and their causative agents
	Diseases due to nutrient deficiency
	Molecular biology and human disease
	Chromosomal inheritance and disease
	Extra chromosomal inheritance and disease
	Vector borne diseases
	Water borne diseases
	Lifestyle diseases
Immunity	Immunity and its types
Vaccination and Immunisation	
	Vaccination program of India
Medicines	Antibiotics
	Antiviral and antifungal drugs
	Monoclonal antibodies therapy
	Antimicrobial drug resistance
	Drug formulations
	Drug pricing in India
	Pharmacogenetics
Immunity	Immunity and its types

SPACE

Category	Subcategory
Types of Orbits	
Types of Launch Vehicles and its applications	
Space Missions of Key Space Agencies	NASA
	ISRO
	ESA
	ROSCOSMOS
	JAXA
	CNSA
ISRO and Its Role in National Development	
Private Sector in Space	

Category	Subcategory
Public-Private Partnership in Space Sector	
Space Technology	Cryogenics
	Nanosatellites
	Electric Propulsion
	Aviation Internet, Starlink communication
	Satellite communications
	Remote sensing and its applications
	Ground Segment-As-A-Service
	Green Propellant
	Deep Space Atomic Clock
Strategic Dimensions	Space weapons
	A-SAT technology
	Laser technology
	HGV technology
International Space Collaboration	
Various Space Observatories	
Various Telemetry	
Navigation	Global Positioning System
	Galileo
	GLONASS
	IRNSS
	Geopolitics of outer space

DEFENCE

Category	Subcategory
Missile System & Classification	
Ballistics And Cruise Missile	
India's Missile System	
Integrated Guided Missile Program	
Missile Defence Programmes	Defence Technology
	Application of robotics in defence sector
	Application of AI in defence
	Internet of Military Things (IoMT)
	Cyber Warfare and preparedness
Drone Technology	Unmanned Aerial Vehicle

Category	Subcategory
	Stealth technology
	Advanced Defence Equipment
	Air Defence system
	3-D printing missiles
	Lethal Autonomous Weapons
Hypersonic Technology	Hypersonic glide vehicles
	Hypersonic cruise missiles
Weapon System	Classical weapons
	Weapon of mass destruction
	Fission and fusion bombs
	Chemical Weapons
	Biological Weapons
	Directed Energy Weapons
Defence Reforms	CDS
	Various committees and recommendations
Domains of Warfare	
Defence Platforms	Submarine
	Aircraft carrier
	Combat aircraft
Defence Organizations and Laboratories	
Defence Exercises	

NUCLEAR ENERGY

Category	Subcategory
Types of Nuclear Reactions	
Nuclear Energy and Its Application	Civil and military applications of Nuclear Energy
Nuclear Fuels and Centrifugation	
Nuclear Reactor	
Nuclear Policy of India	
Nuclear Radiation and Its Impact	
Radioactive Waste	
Nuclear & Radiological Disasters	
Institutions Involved in Nuclear Energy Development	Department of Atomic Energy
	Atomic Energy Regulatory Board

Category	Subcategory
	Bhabha Atomic Research Centre
	Indira Gandhi Centre for Atomic Research

ELECTRONICS & TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Category	Subcategory
Computers	Generation of computers
	Computer terminologies
	Supercomputer and its applications
	Cloud computing
Information Technology	Components of IT
	IT enabled services
	Application of IT
Display Technologies	Cathode ray
	LCD
	LED
	Plasma Monitors
	OLED
	AMOLED
Mobile Generations	
Smartphones	
Net Neutrality	
Internet of Things	
Big Data Initiative and Privacy	
Cyber-crime and Security	
Government Initiatives	

NANO SCIENCE & NANO TECHNOLOGIES

Category	Subcategory
Basics of Nano Science and Nano Technology	
Nanomaterial	
Applications of Nano Technology	Nano medicine
	Semiconductors and computing
	Food
	Textiles
	Sustainable energy

Category	Subcategory
	Environment
	Transport
	Space
	Agriculture
Impacts of Nano Technology	Adverse Health and Environmental
	Social and Ethical Impacts
Nano Science & Nano Technology in India	

ROBOTICS & AI

Category	Subcategory
Robotics	Machine vs Computer vs Robots
	Parts of a Robot
	Classification of Robots
	Advantages and Disadvantages of Robots
	Applications of Robotics in Agriculture, industry, defence, etc.
AI	Neural networks
	Machine Learning and Deep learning
	Application of AI
	Artificial Intelligence and Robotics

IPR

Category	Subcategory
IPR	What are Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)?
	Types of Intellectual Property Rights
	International Agreements and Institutions on IPR
	IPR Regime in India
	National Intellectual Property Rights Policy

INSTITUTIONS & POLICY

Category	Subcategory
Institutions & Policy	India's policy in the field of the science and technology
	Various policies for S&T
	Institutional structure
	Department of Science & Technology
	CSIR

Category	Subcategory
	Science and Engineering Research Board
	Technology Development Board
	National Accreditation Board For Testing And Calibration Laboratories
	Science and technology as a source of Human Resource Development
	Awards related to Science
	India and global collaboration in science projects
	Technology Vision Document 2035

CONTEMPORARY ISSUES

Category	Subcategory
SPACE	
	Modified Newtonian Dynamics (MOND)
	PRATUSH - India's Moon based Telescope
	Soft Landing on Moon
	India's First Indigenous Space Mission
	NISAR Mission
	Another eye in sky, on ground: India is now part of world's largest radio telescope project
	ISRO to launch XPoSat and 10 other payloads
	Japan's Slim lander on Moon
	Indian researchers detect X-Ray Polarization in Extragalactic black hole
	Aditya L1 Mission
	Applications of NavIC

Category	Subcategory
	Chandrayaan-3: Mission to Moon
	Peace & security in outer space
	Indian Space Policy – 2023
	EOS-06 satellite: Application and Technological Edge
	ISRO launches new rocket SSLV-D2
	NASA's Artemis mission
	The search for Dark Matter- LUX-ZEPLIN (LZ)
	International Liquid- Mirror Telescope (ILMT)
	POEM-3 Mission and Space Debris
	LIGO Project
IT, TELECOM & ELECTRONICS	
	The Dark Web
	Europe's AI Convention
	US-UK Partnership on AI
	Cyber Slavery
	Digital Divide And India
	World's first AI Law
	End-to-End Encryption
	Threats to Net neutrality in India
	IndiaAI 2023
	Personalised Adaptive Learning

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	(PAL) with AI
	Dark Patterns
	Gaps in AePS abused by cybercriminals
	Generative artificial intelligence (GAI)
	“Organoid Intelligence” – Revolutionary Biocomputers
	Bluebugging and hacking Bluetooth-enabled devices
	5G Technology launched in its full pace in India
	Facial Recognition Technology
	Deepfakes: Challenges and Mitigation
DEFENCE	
	China’s Offensive Air Capabilities along LAC
	LVM3 Commercialisation
	Development of Electric Propulsion System For Indian Warships
	Kavach system
	Exercise TARKASH: Chemical and biological warfare
	Interpol launches Metaverse for global law enforcement
NANO-SCIENCE & NANO-	

Category	Subcategory
TECHNOLOGY	
	National Quantum Mission (NQM)
	Nanoparticle and Cancer treatment
	Room temperature superconductivity
	Quantum Computing: New era computers
	Graphene: Application and Properties
	Nano Urea
	Brainoware
	Carbon Nanoflorets
ROBOTICS	
	Drones to monitor worksites
	HAL to provide MRO for MQ-9B drone engines in India
	New Autonomous Flying Wing Technology Demonstrator
NUCLEAR ENERGY	
	Role of Nuclear Technology in Global Food Safety
	50 years of Pokhran-I
	India's beaches and a nuclear-powered future
	Nuclear Power and Waste Management: Issues and Challenges
	Radiocarbon dating

Category	Subcategory
	Breakthrough in nuclear fusion energy
	MIRV Technology: Application and Challenges
BIOTECHNOLOGY	
	The evolution of Neuroscience
	'10,000 genome' project completed
	Navigating the Ethical Frontiers of CRISPR
	The untapped potential of stem cells
	mRNA, the Next Frontier for Personalized Medicine
	The future of healthcare is in our genes
	Population-level genome sequencing: Benefits
	India fight against cancer and Cancer care
	NICED and detection of drug-resistant H. pylori possible
	Pink Bollworm Threat for Bt Cotton
	Metagenome Sequencing
	Understanding a Human Pan-genome Map
	Mitochondrial Donation Treatment

Category	Subcategory
	(MDT) and Inherited Diseases
	The Auto-Immune Inflammation of Blood Vessels: Vasculitis
	Side-Effects of Covid-19 Vaccine
	CAR T-Cell Therapy
	Gene Therapy for Hemophilia A
	Global Trans Fat Elimination: WHO Report
RENEWABLE ENERGY	
	Flex-fuel prototype
	Hydrogen Fuel Cell
	Electric Batteries and Electrochemical Cells
	Green Hydrogen - Substitute to Fossil Fuel
ACHIEVEMENTS OF INDIANS IN SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY	
	Chemistry Nobel 2023
	Nobel Prize in Medicine 2023
	Nobel Prize in Physics 2023
	Shrinivas R Kulkarni Awarded Shaw Prize
	Blavatnik Awards in UK
	Rahul R Nair - Physical Sciences & Engineering for

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	developing novel membranes based on two-dimensional (2D) materials
	Mehul Malik - Techniques that harness high-dimensional entanglement, a complex quantum physics phenomenon
	Tanmay Bharat - Developing cutting-edge techniques in electron cryotomography (cryo-ET) to create atomic-level pictures of cell-surface molecules produced by microscopic bacteria and archaea
	Subra Suresh – National Medal of Science

ENVIRONMENT & ECOLOGY

Category	Subcategory
Ecology	Types of Ecology
	Ecological Hierarchy
	Scope of Ecology
	Habitat & Ecological Niche
	Deep vs Shallow Ecology
	Ecological Principles
	Ecological Community
	Structure and Characteristics of a Community
	Stratification
	Ecotones
	Ecological Dominance

Category	Subcategory
	Seasonal and Diurnal Fluctuation
	Periodicity
	Turnover
	Interdependence
	Ecological Succession
	Types and Process of Succession
	Climax Community
	Range of Tolerance, Maximum Range
	Difference between Ecology, Environment and Ecosystem
Ecosystem and its Dynamics	Ecosystem Definitions
	Functions and Properties of Ecosystem
	The Structure/Components of Ecosystem
	Abiotic Components
	Biotic Components
	Ecosystem Dynamics
	Flow of Energy in Ecosystem
	Trophic Levels
	Food Chain
	Types & Significance of Food Chain
	Food Web
	Models for Energy Flow
	Ecological Productivity
	Ecological Pyramid
	Biomagnifications
	Biological Control
	Organic Farming
Biogeochemical Cycles	Types of Biogeochemical Cycle
	Carbon Cycle
	Nitrogen Cycle
	Phosphorus Cycle
	Sulphur Cycle
Biomes: Forest, Grassland, Mountain, and Desert Ecosystems	
	Biome
	Grasslands

Category	Subcategory
	Tundra
	Deserts
	Thar desert
	Mountain biome
Aquatic Life Zones: Ocean, Rivers, Lakes, and Wetlands	
	Aquatic ecosystems
	Basic facts about the ocean
	Importance of the ocean
	Zones of the ocean
	Marine life
	Coral reefs
	Coral reefs in India
	Conserving coral reefs
	Mangroves
	Mangroves in India
	Freshwater in India
	Importance of lakes
	National Lake Conservation Plan
	Wetlands and their importance
	Ramsar Convention
	Ramsar Sites
	Montreux Record
	Extent and distribution of wetlands in India
	Conserving the wetlands of India
Biodiversity Basics	Biodiversity
	Important kinds of biodiversity
	Degree of diversity in an ecosystem
	Endemic species
	Keystone species
	Indicator species
	Invasive species
	Allopatric and sympatric speciation
	Bioinformatics
	Biodiversity distribution
	Megadiverse Countries

Category	Subcategory
	Uses and values of biodiversity
	State of global biodiversity
	Threats to biodiversity
	Biodiversity Hotspots
	Eco-regions
	Role of traditional knowledge in biodiversity
	Biopiracy
	Extinction of species
	Mass extinction
	IUCN's classification scheme
	IUCN Red-List of Threatened Species
	Level of biodiversity in India
	Biogeographical classification of India
Biodiversity Conservation	Ex-situ and in-situ conservation
	Seed banks
	Zoos in biodiversity conservation
	Botanical gardens
	Protected areas
	State of protected areas in the world
	UNESCO Man and the Biosphere Program (MAB)
	Characteristics of biosphere reserves
	International agreements for biodiversity conservation
	Convention on Biological Diversity
	Cartagena Protocol
	Nagoya Protocol
	Aichi Biodiversity Targets
	Important Coastal and Marine Biodiversity Areas of India
	Important Bird Areas (IBAs) of India
	Global Tiger Initiative
	Project Tiger
	Project Elephant
	Indian Rhino Vision
	Recovery Programme for Critically Endangered Species
	Use of indigenous knowledge for conserving biodiversity
	Seed village
Effect of Human Activities on	

Category	Subcategory
Environment	
	Effect of Modern Agriculture on Environment
	Effect of Housing on Environment
	Effect of Power Generation on Environment
	Effect of River Valley Projects (Water Resource Projects) on Environment
	Effect of Mining on Environment
	Effect of Transportation Activities on Environment
	Effect of Tourism on Environment
Water Resource Degradation	Water Cycle (Hydrological Cycle)
	Availability and Quality Aspects (groundwater depletion)
	Water-borne and Water-induced Diseases
	Fluoride Problem in Drinking Water
	Arsenic Problem in Drinking Water

Category	Subcategory
Minerals & Environmental Degradation	Mining and Environment
	Sensitivity of Select Ecosystems to Mining
	Impact of Mining
	Indirect Impact of Mining
	International Laws on Mining
	Main Act or Statute to regulate the impact of Indian Mining Sector
	Sustainable Mining
Deforestation	Causes of Deforestation
	Implications of Deforestation for Climate Change
	Consequences of Deforestation on the Wildlife of India
	Impact of Deforestation on Indian Monsoon
	Impact of Deforestation on People
	Deforestation Leads to Water and Soil Resources Loss and Flooding
	Economical Impacts
	Strategies for Reducing Deforestation
	Government Programmes for Conservation of Forests

Category	Subcategory
	Legislations for Conservation of Forests using People Participation
	Steps for Improving People Participation in Forest Resource Management
	Use of Local Traditional Methods
Waste Management	Solid Waste
	Hazardous Waste
	E-Waste
	Bio Medical Waste
	Plastic Waste
	Methods for Waste Management
	Effects of Poor Waste Disposal
	Landfill
Sustainable Development	Principles of sustainability
	Measurement of Sustainability or Sustainable Ethics or Equitable Utilisation of Natural Resource
	Sustainable Lifestyle (Role of an individual in sustainable development)
	Challenges to Sustainable Development
	International Efforts to Achieve Sustainability
Environmental Pollution	Air Pollution
	Sources of Air Pollution
	Effects of Air Pollution
	Classification of Air Pollutant
	Control Measures of Air Pollution
	Air Pollution Disasters
	Persistent Organic Pollutants (Long Range Transport of Gaseous Air Pollutants)
	National Ambient Air Quality Standards
	Water Pollution
	Sources of Water Pollution
	Types of Water Pollutants
	Effects of Water Pollution
	Water Quality Standards
	Control of Water Pollution
	Thermal Pollution
	Sources of Thermal Pollution

Category	Subcategory
	Effects of Thermal Pollution
	Control of Thermal Pollution
	Soil Pollution or Land Degradation
	Sources of Soil Pollution
	Effects of Soil Pollution
	Control Measures
	Noise Pollution
	Air-borne Diseases
	Toxic Substances: Toxicant, Toxicity and Toxicology
	Factors affecting toxicity
	Carcinogens
Solid Waste Management	Sources of Solid Waste
	Effect of Solid Waste
	Control Measures of Solid Waste
	Solid Waste Management Rules
	Hazardous Waste Management (HWM)
Coastal Ecosystem Management	Mangroves
	Salient features of Mangroves
	Importance of Mangroves
	Mangroves in India
	Mangroves under threats
	Legal and Regulatory Approaches for Protection
	Estuaries
	Importance of estuaries
	Threats to estuaries
	Coral Reefs
	Geographical Conditions Required
	Uses of coral reefs
	Conservation of coral reef
	Steps for Coastal Ecosystem
	Management of Coastal Ecosystem
Recent Developments	Air Pollution
	Report on Air Pollution
	Bharat Stage Emission Standards
	Polluters Pay Model

Category	Subcategory
	Household Air Pollution
	Open Waste Burning and its Impact
	Graded Response Action Plan on Pollution
	UN Sets Limits on Global Airline Emissions
	Waste Management
	Biodegradable Plastics
	Green Train Corridors
	Oil Spill
	Solid Waste Management-Buffer Zone
	Other News
	Report of Parliamentary Committee on Forest Fires
	Urban Forestry Scheme
	Draft Notification to Regulate Pet Shops
	Ban on Import of Animal Skin
	River linking Project and Impact on Environment
	Algal Bloom Issue
	Illegal Salt Mining and its Impact
	India's Wetland Report, 2023
	Deep Sea Mining
	Mass Coral Bleaching
	Ganga River Pollution
Environmental Impact Assessment	Government Body which Executes EIA
	Environmental Effects Analysed under EIA
	Process of EIA
	EIA Ruling 1984
Environmental Laws	Environmental Laws: Provisions in the Indian Constitution towards Environmental Protection
	Salient Features of Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981
	Salient Features of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974
	Salient features of Forest Conservation Act, 1980
	Salient Features of Wildlife Protection Act, 1972
	Salient Features of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986
	Role of Government in Environmental Protection

Category	Subcategory
Environment related Institutions and Organizations	
	Pollution Control Boards
	National Green Tribunal
	Forest Survey of India
	National Board for Wildlife
Schemes	Ecomark Scheme
	National Afforestation Program
	National River Conservation Plan
	National Mission for Clean Ganga
	National Air Quality Index (AQI)
	National Action Programme to Combat Desertification
	UJALA Scheme
	Bharat Stage Norms
	FAME III
International Environmental Governance	UNEP
	UNDP, UNFCCC, UNCCD
	Centre for Biological Diversity
	WWF for Nature
	IUCN - Red List
	Birdlife International
	International Conventions/Protocols & their Objectives
Basics of Climate Change	Green House Effect and Global Warming
	Global Climate Change: International Efforts to Control Global Warming or Global Climate Change
	Ozone Layer Depletion or Ozone Hole
	Acid Rain
	El Nino
	La Nina
Urbanization and Climate	Pollution in metros and climate change
	Real estate boom and environment degradation
	Urban Heat Island

Category	Subcategory
	Polythene bags and pollution
	Methane generation from waste
Impact of Agriculture on Climate	Agriculture increases Carbon Dioxide Emissions
	Monoculture practice impacts biodiversity
	Pollution due to use of chemical fertilizers
	Soil-related effects
	Fertilizer's Effect on the Environment
	Impact of livestock on environment
	Impact of use of pesticides on environment
	Impact of GM crop on environment
	Emission of Methane from agricultural practices
	Sustainable Agriculture Techniques
Global Warming & Health	Health impacts of global warming
	Mosquito-borne diseases
	Ozone depletion and human health

CONTEMPORARY ISSUES

Category	Subcategory
Ecosystem and Ecology	IUCN Report on Mangrove Ecosystems
	Coral Bleaching in Great Barrier Reef
	Marine Heatwaves in Arctic Ocean
	Coastal Erosion impacting ecosystem
	Deoxygenation in Riverine Ecosystems
Biodiversity	Impact of El Nino on the lakes of World
	Turtle conservation
	Tiger conservation
	Artificial reefs
	Sundarbans: Becoming a Fragile ecosystem
	Market-Based Approaches to Forest Conservation
	Constructed Wetlands: Benefits and Challenges
	Vultures at Risk in India
	Great Indian Bustards: Conservation and challenges
	Threat of Invasive Alien Species
	India's Soil Erosion Crisis
	Forest Fires in India

Category	Subcategory
	Status of Leopards in India 2022
	IUCN Assessment of the Himalayan Wolf
	One Year of Project Cheetah
Pollution	Rising pollution in Indian Rivers
	Pest attack and its impact on crop production
	Air Pollution Control in India
	Groundwater Contamination in India
	Plastic Waste Crisis in the Indian Himalayan Region
	India's Battle Against Single-Use Plastics
	Nitrogen Pollution: Issues and Challenges
	Radioactive Discharges from Indian Nuclear Plants
	Acid Rain: Impact on Environment
	India's Coal Plants: SO2 Emission Control
	8-Point Plan in NCR and Nearby Regions under GRAP Stage-IV
	Metal Mining Pollution
Waste Management	Microplastics: Impact on Land and water
	Issue of Solid Waste Management
	Solar Waste Management: New Challenges
	E-Waste Management in India
	Converting Plastic Waste into Fuel
Environmental Conservation	Anthropocene
	Declining green cover in Cauvery river basin
	Green Industrialisation Initiative
	Manufactured Sand
	Rising Global Temperatures
	Amazon Forest Fire: Global Impact
	Desertification: Issues and Challenges
	Harnessing Biomass Cultivation on Degraded Land
	Mining in Aravalli Range
	Ensuring Safety and Health at Work in a Changing Climate
	Carbon Farming: A Path to Sustainable Agriculture
	Electric Mobility: A new paradigm in India
	Water Crisis in Urban India: Impact on Environment
	Used Heavy Duty Vehicles and the Environment
	Land Management for Sustainable Development
	India's Green Energy Transition in times of climate change

Category	Subcategory
	Green Hydrogen: Enabling Measures Roadmap for Adoption in India
	India's Green Future through BioCNG
	Ethical, Social and Cultural Risks of Climate Engineering
	CCUS Policy Framework: NITI Ayog
	Ammonia: Potential Automotive Fuel
Environmental Governance	SC stand on projects in Kumaon Himalayas
	Laws for flora and fauna rescue from smuggling
	Illegal Sand Mining in Indian river basins
	Climate Migration
	Regenerative Blue Economy
	NABARD's Climate Strategy 2030
	Plastic Waste Management (Amendment) Rules, 2024
	Human-Animal Conflict
	Wild Life Licensing Rules 2024
	EU's Carbon Border Tax Impact
	Greenwashing
	Climate Change Performance Index 2024
	International Energy Agency's Coal 2023 Report
	Battery Waste Management Rules, 2022
	EIA For Himalayan Region
	Biological Diversity (Amendment) Bill, 2021
Environmental Laws, Conventions and Protocols	Brazzaville Declaration
	Recovery of Ozone Layer
	KAZA Summit 2024 and Wildlife Product Trade
	Paris Agreement Climate Finance Target for 2022
	19th Session of United Nations Forum on Forest
	World Wildlife Crime Report 2024
	The State of the Climate in Asia 2023
	Green Credit Program
	Human Rights and Environment
	Kunming-Montreal GBF Implications for India's Indigenous Tribes
	Climate Finance Road to COP29
	Global E-waste Monitor 2024
	Global Methane Tracker 2024
	State of the Global Climate 2023: WMO

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	World Air Quality Report 2023
	IPCC Reports and Equity in Climate Change Mitigation
	The Unjust Climate: FAO
	CMS COP14
	Emissions Gap Report 2023: UNEP
	Bonn Climate Meet

INTERNAL SECURITY

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Internal Security Challenges	Social Diversity as Issues of Security
	Challenges from within Neighbours as Issue of Security Threat
	Non-State Actors as Issue of Security Threat
	Global Indices and Measurement of Vulnerability of a State Towards such Non-State Actors
	Law and Order vs. Internal Security
Terrorism Threat to India	Changing face of Terrorism
	Terror Threats Faced by India
	Broader Framework to Deal with Terrorism
	Drawbacks in Intelligence Infrastructure
Organized Crime	Types of Organized Crime
	Problems in controlling organized crimes
	Drug trafficking in India
	Combating organized crimes
	Linkage of Terrorism and Organized Crime in India
Linkage between Development and Spread of Extremism	Stated Purpose of the Naxal Movement
	Covid 19 and Naxalism
	Why naxalism got huge support from common man?
	Why naxalism is biggest threat to internal security?
Insurgency in North-East	Issues & Conflicts
	Assam Insurgency
	Resolving the Bodo Issue
Security Challenges in Border Areas	Challenges to Border Management

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	Issues Faced in Border Management
	Community Participation for Border Management
Basics of Cyber Security	Types of Cyber Crimes
	Impact and Steps needed
	Recent Incident: Ransomware
	India's Cyber Security Infrastructure
	The National Cyber Security Policy of India 2013
Cyber Warfare	Factors Contributing/Aggravating Rise of Cyber Attack
	Recent Initiatives for Tackling Cyber Warfare
Social Media and Internal Security Threat	Regulation of Social Media in India for Internal Security
	Artificial Intelligence
	Challenges in Monitoring Social Media
	Steps Needed
Money Laundering	Meaning of Money Laundering
	Harmful Effects of Money Laundering
	Steps taken by the Government
Black Money in India	Parallel Economy in India
	What are the various measures taken by Government to curb Black Money?
	Impact of demonetisation on black money
	Criticisms
Police Reforms in India	The Organisational Structure
	Duties and Responsibilities of the Police
	Centre's Role in Policing
	Traditional Security Challenges
	Non-Traditional Security Challenges (NTS)
	Recommendations for Police Reforms
	Police we Want in 21st Century
Various Security Forces and their Mandate	Assam Rifles
	Border Security Force (BSF)
	Indo-Tibetan Border Police
	Central Industrial Security Force (CISF)
	Central Reserve Police Force
	National Security Guard

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	Integrated theatre commands
	National Maritime Security Coordinator
	Issues with Paramilitary Forces

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Border Security and Territorial Integrity	India-China Border Tensions in Ladakh (Galwan Valley standoff continuation)
	India-Pakistan ceasefire agreement along the Line of Control (LoC) (February 2021)
	Developments in the Indo-Pacific region and Quad Summit discussions
	Demographic inversion in border areas due to illegal immigration
Internal Security	Naxal-Maoist Insurgency and major encounters (e.g., Bijapur attack in Chhattisgarh, April 2021)
	Developments in Jammu & Kashmir, post-Article 370 abrogation, increasing terrorist attacks eg. Reasi attack
	Rising communal tensions and measures to address them
	Nexus between drug smuggling and terrorist organizations
	Geospatial data and internal security
	Anti-maritime piracy act
Cybersecurity	Rising cyberattacks on Indian infrastructure and enterprises
	Government initiatives on cybersecurity, including the National Cyber Security Strategy 2021
	Pegasus spyware controversy and its implications
	Ransomware-Akira
	Threats posed by deepfakes to social trust
Terrorism	Counter-terrorism measures and policies
	Recent terrorist attacks and India's responses
	Role of international organizations like FATF in curbing terrorism financing

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Defense Technology and Modernization	Indigenization of defense production and Atmanirbhar Bharat in defense
	Development and induction of new defense systems like the S-400 Triumph, Tejas Mk1A, and various indigenous missiles
	Maritime security and commissioning of new naval assets
Maritime Security	Strategic developments in the Indian Ocean Region (IOR)
	India's engagements in Indo-Pacific and Quad security dialogues
	Piracy incidents and India's anti-piracy operations
	India's deployment of naval ships in the Arabian Sea amid rising attacks on merchant vessels highlights the strategic importance of maritime security
	Drone Attacks on Merchant Vessels
Space Security	Advancements in India's space capabilities (e.g., Gaganyaan mission updates, satellite launches)
	India's participation in global space security dialogues
Biological and Chemical Threats	Preparedness against biological warfare in the context of COVID-19
	Chemical weapon threats and India's compliance with international conventions
Intelligence and Surveillance	Enhancements in intelligence capabilities
	Role of agencies like RAW, IB, and NIA in national security
Legislative and Policy Developments	National Security Act (NSA) and its recent applications
	Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) and its amendments
	Personal Data Protection Bill and its implications on national security

DISASTER MANAGEMENT

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Natural & Man-Made Disasters	Types of disasters
	India's vulnerability profile
	Earthquakes
	Tsunamis
	Landslides
	Flood
	Drought
	Epidemics
	Nuclear Reactor explosion
	Dam collapse
	Gas Leakage
	Oil Spill
	Volcanic Eruption
	Forest fires
Man-made Disasters	Chemical Spills
	Hazardous Material Spills
	Explosives
	Chemical or Biological Attacks
	Nuclear Blasts
	Rail Accident, Airline Crash
	Ground Water Poisoning
Disaster Management, Preparedness & Mitigation	
	Management of disasters
	Community management
	Government initiatives to tackle disasters
	National disaster management act, 2005
	Global framework for disaster risk reduction
	Disaster Insurance
	Role of media in disaster management
	Gender implications of disasters
	Disaster management cycle
	Role of NGOs in disaster management
	Pre disaster preparation

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Disaster Management, Preparedness & Mitigation	Update and implementation of the National Disaster Management Plan (NDMP)
	Launch of the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) App
	Improvements in the Early Warning Systems for disasters
	Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Geographic Information Systems (GIS) in disaster prediction and management
	Satellite-based monitoring for natural disasters
	Role of Science and Technology in Disaster Management
	Pandemic preparedness fund
	Disaster Induced Displacement
	Urban Flood Management (to tackle frequent floods)
	Disaster Risk Financing (G20)
	India's increasing climate vulnerability demands urgent disaster preparedness
	India achieving Atmanirbharta in Disaster Management
	India's Disaster Management Model through Turkiye's case study
	India's Disaster Management: Joshimath Crisis
	Prime Minister's Ten Point Agenda on Disaster Risk Reduction
	The Sendai Framework For Disaster Risk Reduction
	Disaster Resilience- CDRI
	National Policy on disaster management

ETHICS, INTEGRITY & APTITUDE

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Ethics Basic Introduction	Dimensions of Ethics
	Essence of Ethics
	Approaches of Ethical Study as Indian Perspective and Western

Category	Subcategory
	Perspective
	Basic concept of ethics morality and value
	Ethics in public life
	Ethics in Economic Life
	Freedom and Discipline
	Duties and Rights
	Virtue Ethics
	Consequences of Ethics in Human Actions
	Values and Ethics in Government
	Contribution of Family in Value Education
Human Values	Human value & Socialization
	Individual Personality and Value
	Values and Skill
	Fundamental and Instrumental Values
	Democratic values
	Role of ethical value in governance and society
	Significance of value in Civil Services
	Contribution of Society in Inculcating Values
	Role of Educational Institutions in Inculcating Values
	Aesthetic values
	Values in work life and professional ethics
Aptitude and Foundational Values of Civil Services	Essential Aptitude for civil servants
	Foundational Values of Civil Services
	Neutrality
	Anonymity
	Civil Services Accountability
	Integrity
	Humility
	Adaptability
	Magnanimity
	Perseverance
	Impartiality and Non-Partisanship
	Tolerance and compassion for the weaker section
	Contribution to society
India & World	Mahatma Gandhi

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Thinkers/Leaders/Administrators	
	Dr. S. Radhakrishnan
	Rabindranath Tagore
	Swami Dayanand Saraswati
	Mahadeva Govinda Ranade
	Sri Aurobindo
	Swami Vivekananda
	Sardar Patel
	Buddha Bhim Rao Ambedkar
	Raja Ram Mohan Roy
	Chhatrapati Shahu Maharaj
	Mother Teresa
	Amitabha Chowdhury
	Aruna Roy

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India & World Thinkers/Leaders/Administrators	T. N. Seshan
	E. Sreedharan
Administrative Thinkers	Max Weber
	Elton Mayo
	Peter Drucker
	Chester Barnard
	Mary Parker Follet
Philosophers	Plato
	Aristotle
	Socrates
	Jeremy Bentham
	JS Mill
	Thomas Hobbes
	John Locke
	Jean Jacques Rousseau
	John Rawls
	Immanuel Kant
	Carol Gilligan
	Jean Paul Sartre

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	Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel
	Confucius
	René Descartes
	Karl Marx
	Adam Smith
	Thomas Aquinas
	David Hume
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	Friedrich Nietzsche
	Montesquieu
	Voltaire
	Thomas Jefferson
	Benjamin Franklin
	Martin Luther King
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Attitude	Components of Attitude
	Affective component
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	Functions of Attitude
	Adjustive Function
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	Value-Expressive Function
	Knowledge Function
	Attitude Formation Model
	Impact of Beliefs and Values
	Group Influences
	Social Influence
	Persuasion Tactics
	Tools of Persuasion
	Moral Attitude formation
	Political Attitude formation
Emotional Intelligence	Theories Associated with Emotional Intelligence
	Can Emotional Intelligence be

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Emotional Intelligence	Components of Emotional Competencies
	The Self-Awareness Cluster: Understanding Feelings and Accurate Self-Assessment
	The Self-Management Cluster: Managing Internal States, Impulses, and Resources
	The Social Awareness Cluster: Reading People and Groups Accurately
	The Relationship Management Cluster: Inducing Desirable Responses in Others
	Importance of Emotional Intelligence at Workplace
	Importance of Emotional Intelligence in Civil Services
Values & Ethics in Public Administration	Ethical Concerns in Public Institution
	Ethical Concerns in Private Institutions
	Ethical Dilemmas in Public and Private Institutions

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	Laws, Rules and Regulations as Source of Ethical Guidance
	Accountability and Ethical Governance
	Strengthening of Ethical and Moral Values in Governance
	Moral Judgements in International Relations
	Ethical Relation in Funding International Relations and concept of Moral Responsibility
	Ethics in working of international organizations
	What is Corporate Governance?
	Models of Corporate Social Responsibility
	Steps taken by World Bank for Good Corporate Governance
	Norms for Corporate Government in India
	Concept of business ethics
Probity in Governance	Concept of Public Service
	Philosophical basis of Governance and Probity
	Information Sharing, Transparency and Right to Information
	Flaws in RTI and recommendations for improvement
	Importance of vigilant citizens
	Information sharing and participation
	Importance of Code of ethics
	Code of Ethics in Professions
	Code of Conduct for Ministers; for Legislators; for Civil Servants; for Regulators and for the Judiciary
	Components of a Citizen Charter
	Steps in formulation of a Citizen's Charter
	Concept of Work Culture
	The Indian Approach to Work
	Methods of improving Work Culture
	Quality of Service Delivery
	Utilisation of Public Funds
	Problems in Fund Release and Utilization
	Parliamentary Control on Expenditure
	Corruption in India: extent, dimension, and response
	Corruption as a Social Evil
	Probity in public life Corrupt practice among civil servants and official misconduct
	Exposing corruption: Civil Society initiatives and role of

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	Tackling corruption: Role of government and institutions of governance
	Controlling corruption: Various approaches and efficacy
Applied Ethics	Euthanasia Issue
	Social and Ethical Angle
	Different arguments related to Euthanasia
	Conclusion
	Surrogacy
	Case study
	Issues
	Ethical Issues
	Concept of ethical surrogacy
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	Ethics & Sports
	Importance of sports
	Ethical Issue: Need for sportsmanship
	Ethical Issue: Doping
	Ethical Issue: Discrimination and Sexual Harassment
	Ethical Issue: Sports as a Business
	Steps needed
	Media Ethics
	Role of Media
	Ethical Issues faced by Reporters
	Trial by Media
	Media Prejudice
	Ethical Dilemma faced by Photo Journalists
	Digital Media Ethics
	Paid News
	Business Ethics
	Principles of Business Ethics
	Dimensions related to Business Ethics in Organisation
	Business Ethics and Corporate Governance
	Journey from Philanthropy to Corporate Social Responsibility
	Issues related to Corporate Social Responsibility

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	Ethics Related to Economic Sanctions
	Why Economic Sanctions placed?
	Ethics in Economic Sanctions
	Conclusion
	Refugees & Ethics
	Why Migration occurs?
	Case study of Syria
	Dilemmas related to Refugee crisis
	Steps needed
	Ethical Dilemmas of Globalization
	What is Globalization
	Free trade in Globalized world
	Issues with Newly developed trade patterns
	Criticism against global regime
	Way forward
	Ethics of War
	Ethics and War theories
	Evils of war
	Environmental Ethics
	Linkage between Ethics and Environment
	Theories related to Environmental ethics
	Role of individual
	Ethical Issues in Biotechnology
	Issues related to Stem Cell
	Issues related to cloning
	Issues related to designer babies
	Animal Ethics
	Introduction
	Issues of conducting research on animals
	Issue of keeping animals as pets
	Issue of Cruelty against animals
	Conclusion
	Food Adulteration and Ethics
	Ethical dimension
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	Abortion: Ethical or Unethical
	Law of abortion in India
	Recent Supreme Court verdict
	Ethical Issue: Health of Women vs fetus
	Justification for abortion
	Argument against abortion
	Abortion and women rights
	Abortion and father rights
	Honour Killing
	Honour killing is unethical
	Role of khap pachayat
	Marital Rape
	Why Marital Rape should not be criminalized?
	Why Marital Rape should be criminalized?
	What are the hurdles?
	Ethical Issue Involved in Child Labour
	Rights of children
	Child labour and company
	Solution
	Role of consumer
	Ethical Issue Involved in Treating Juvenile as Adult
	Juvenile justice system
	Negative implications
	Ethics and Old Age
	Ethical issues
	Issues faced
	Importance of autonomy
	Ethics in Public and Private Relationships
	Ethical values in Private Relationships
	Ethical principles in Public relationships
	Linkage between Private relationships and Public Relationships

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	Ethics and Artificial Intelligence
	Euthanasia
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	Parliamentary Privileges and Ethics
	Judicial Ethics- Judicial Majoritarianism
	Internet Shutdowns and Ethics
	Ethics in IR: Trade and War
	Ethics in IR: Climate Change and Climate Finance
	Societal Ethics: Manual Scavenging
	Medical Ethics: Organ Transplant
	Ethics of War
	Ethics of Arbitration
	AI Ethics in Healthcare
	Ethics of Animal Rights
	Ethics of Gig Economy
	Weaponisation of Space
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	Prisons and Ethics
	Judicial Ethics: Recusal by Judges
	Technological Ethics: Facial Recognition Technology
	Technological Ethics: Crypto Mining
	Clinical Trials
	Child Artists and Ethics
	Ethics and Law on Sedition
	Ethics and Universal Declaration of Human Rights
	Environmental Ethics: Cloud Seeding
	Environmental Ethics: Climate Change and Food Choices
	Modern Slavery
	Patronage Appointments
	Ethics and Cattle Management
	Science Without Humanity
	Ethical Conduct of Controlled Human Infection Studies (CHIS)
	Ethics and Credit Rating Agencies
	Student Suicides

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	Ethics for Legislators
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	Ethics and Climate Equality
	Ethics in Sports
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	Individual Social Responsibility (ISR)
	Online Gaming
	Ethics and Mining
	Ethical Considerations in Stray Dog Control
	Ethics and Grey-zone Warfare
	Ethics and Brain-computer Interface (BCI)
	Ethics and Paper Leaks
	Use of Unfair Means (Cheating) in Examination
	AI and Creativity
	Ethics and Live-In Relationships
	Ethics and Organ Transplantation
	Ethics of Food Service and Safety
	Political Ethics and Conflict of Interest
	Freedom of Speech on Social Media
	Moral Policing
	Identity Politics and Gender Justice
	Sex Workers' Rights
	LGBTQIA+ Rights
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