In this article you will get explained about UPSC syllabus and UPSC exam pattern. This post will cover subjects and schemes of UPSC syllabus for the Civil Services Preliminary Examinations Syllabus and Civil Services Main Examinations Syllabus.

**UPCSC Syllabus**

Preliminary Examinations consist of two papers and both of them are compulsory and each comprise of 200 marks.

These two papers are termed as General Studies Paper-I and General Studies Paper-II.

Both the question papers will be of multiple choice questions (objective type). This paper will be in two sets English and Hindi. Duration of each paper will be of two hours. In exceptional cases of blind, disability and cerebral palsy, you will get 20 minutes extra per hour in each paper.

In Preliminary Examinations of General Studies Paper-II you have to qualify the exam with minimum qualifying marks fixed at 33%.

> **UPSC Syllabus for Preliminary Examination Paper I – (200 marks)**

- Current affairs and current events of international and national importance.
- General science
• General issues on Climate Change, Environmental Ecology and Bio-diversity (It don’t require subject specialization)
• Indian National Movement and History of India.
• World and Indian Geography - It contains Rights Issues, Physical Geography of India and the world, Economic Geography of India and the world, Social Geography of India and the world.
• Indian Polity and Governance – Constitution, Public Policy, Political System, Panchayati Raj, etc.
• Social Development and Economic – It contains Social Sector initiatives, Sustainable Development, Inclusion, Demographics, and Poverty etc.

>UPSC Syllabus for Preliminary Examination Paper II – (200 marks). Duration two hours.

• Problem solving and Decision making
• General mental ability
• Comprehension
• Data interpretation (charts, graphs, tables, data sufficiency etc. – Class X level), Basic numeracy (numbers and their relations, orders of magnitude, etc.) (Class X level). To download free NCERT Books from Class 5 to Class 12th Click here.
• Analytical ability and Logical reasoning.
• Interpersonal skills including communication skills
• **UPSC Syllabus for Main Examinations**

Your rank in UPSC CSE will only be depended on Main Examinations and your Interview (Personality Test). Your UPSC CSE Main consists of 1750 marks and Interview (Personality Test) section consists of 275 marks.

Your UPSC syllabus for main examination contains nine papers but only seven papers are considered for final ranking. In the remaining two papers, you have to secure minimum marks which is declared by UPSC every year and

Main Exam of UPSC Civil Services is totally written examination and it consists of following papers which are mentioned below.

- **Two papers which only qualifying papers and not counted for your final ranking.**

**Paper-A**

(You have to select any one Indian Language from the Languages included in the Eighth Schedule to the Indian Constitution). Total Marks 300.

**Note: - If you belong to Sikkim, Nagaland, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Manipur, and Arunachal Pradesh, these papers are not necessary for you.**

**Paper-B**

English language. Total Marks 300.
UPSC syllabus and papers which are counted for final merits.

Paper-I, Marks 250.
Essay

Paper-II, Marks 250.
General Studies-I
(Culture and Indian Heritage, History and Geography of the World and Society)

Paper-III, Marks 250.
General Studies –II
(Constitution, Governance, Social Justice, Polity, and International relations)

Paper-IV, Marks 250.
General Studies –III
(Economic Development, Technology, Environment, Bio-diversity, Disaster Management and Security)

Paper-V, Marks 250.
General Studies –IV
(Aptitude, Integrity, and Ethics)

Paper-VI, Marks 250.

Optional Subject – Paper 1

Paper-VII, Marks 250.

Optional Subject – Paper 2

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Important Notes regarding UPSC syllabus:-

1. Your Paper A and Paper B which will be Indian languages and English paper respectively will be of matriculation level or equivalent standard to its level. Whatever marks you will obtain in this exam will not be counted for your ranking.

2. Evaluation of the papers, namely, ‘Essay’, General Studies and Optional Subject of all the candidates would be done simultaneously along with evaluation of their qualifying papers on 'Indian Languages' and 'English' but the papers on ‘Essay’, General
Studies and Optional Subject of only such candidates will be taken cognizance who attain **25% marks in ‘Indian Language and 25% marks in English as minimum qualifying standards in these qualifying papers.**

3. It is mandatory for you to appear in both the Papers of Civil Services (Prelim) Examination for the purpose of evaluation. You will be disqualified in case you did not appear in both the papers of Civil Services (Prelim) Examination.

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**UPSC Syllabus for Interview test**

- Qualified candidates from UPSC Main examination will be only eligible for interview test or personality test.
- You will be interviewed by Board members will have before them a record of your career. You will be asked questions on matters of general interest.
- The objective of this interview is to assess your personal suitability for your further career in public service. This test will judge your mental caliber.
- This interview test will reveal not only your intellectual qualities but also social traits and your interest in current affairs.
- Some of your qualities will be judged like intellectual and moral integrity, mental alertness, ability for social cohesion and
leadership, critical powers of assimilation, balance of judgment, clear and logical exposition, variety and depth of interest.

- The technique of the interview is not that of a strict cross-examination but of a natural, though directed and purposive conversation which is intended to reveal the mental qualities of the candidate.
- Your interview test is not intended to be a test either of the specialized or general knowledge which has been already tested through their written papers. You are expected to have taken an intelligent interest not only in your special subjects of academic study but also in the events which are happening around you both within and outside your own state or country as well as in modern currents of thought and in new discoveries which should rouse the curiosity of well-educated youth.