



G.S. MAINS TEST SERIES – 2017

Time : 7.30 AM – 10.30 AM

DISCUSSION : 11.00 AM – 01.00 Noon

Test No.	Date	Subject	Syllabus
1.	09.07.2017 (Sunday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ World History - I➤ Concepts in Geography➤ Society	<p><u>World History</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ History of the world will include events from 18th century to World War – I <p><u>Concepts in Geography</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Salient features of world's physical geography.❖ Important Geophysical phenomena such as earthquakes, Tsunami, Volcanic activity, cyclone etc., geographical features and their location- changes in critical geographical features (including water-bodies and ice-caps) and in flora and fauna and the effects of such changes. <p><u>Society</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Salient features of Indian Society, Diversity of India.❖ Role of women and women's organization, population and associated issues, poverty and developmental issues, urbanization, their problems and their remedies.❖ Effects of globalization on Indian society .❖ Social empowerment, communalism, regionalism & secularism.
2.	16.07.2017 (Sunday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Indian Polity – I➤ International Relations-I➤ Social Justice	<p><u>Indian Polity</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Indian Constitution- historical underpinnings, evolution, features, amendments, significant provisions and basic structure.❖ Functions and responsibilities of the Union and the States, issues and challenges pertaining to the federal structure, devolution of powers and finances up to local levels and challenges therein.❖ Separation of powers between various organs dispute redressal mechanisms and institutions.❖ Comparison of the Indian constitutional scheme with that of other countries <p><u>International Relations</u></p> <p>India and its neighborhood- relations.</p> <p><u>Social Justice</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Government policies and interventions for development in various sectors and issues arising out of their design and



			<p>implementation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Development processes and the development industry- the role of NGOs, SHGs, various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional and other stakeholders ❖ Welfare schemes for vulnerable sections of the population by the Centre and States and the performance of these schemes; mechanisms, laws, institutions and Bodies constituted for the protection and betterment of these vulnerable sections. ❖ Issues relating to development and management of Social Sector/Services relating to Health, Education, Human Resources. ❖ Issues relating to poverty and hunger.
3.	23.07.2017 (Sunday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Indian Economy-I ➤ Science and Technology ➤ Disaster Management 	<p><u>Agriculture</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Major crops cropping patterns in various parts of the country, different types of irrigation and irrigation systems storage, transport and marketing of agricultural produce and issues and related constraints; e-technology in the aid of farmers Issues related to direct and indirect farm subsidies and minimum support prices; Public Distribution System- objectives, functioning, limitations, revamping; issues of buffer stocks and food security; Technology missions; economics of animal-rearing. ❖ Food processing and related industries in India- scope and significance, location, upstream and downstream requirements, supply chain management. <p><u>Science and Technology</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Science and Technology- developments and their applications and effects in everyday life (from December 2016 to June 2017) ❖ Achievements of Indians in science & technology; indigenization of technology and developing new technology. ❖ Awareness in the fields of IT, Space, Computers, robotics, nano-technology, bio-technology and issues relating to intellectual property rights. <p><u>Disaster Management</u> Disaster and disaster management.</p>
4.	30.07.2017 (Sunday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ethics, integrity and aptitude-I ➤ Case Study 	<p><u>Ethics, Integrity, and Aptitude</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Ethics and Human Interface: Essence, determinants and consequences of Ethics in human actions; dimensions of ethics; ethics in private and public relationships. Human Values - lessons from the lives and teachings of great leaders, reformers



			<p>and administrators; role of family, society and educational institutions in inculcating values.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Attitude: content, structure, function; its influence and relation with thought and behaviour; moral and political attitudes; social influence and persuasion. ❖ Aptitude and foundational values for Civil Service , integrity, impartiality and non-partisanship, objectivity, dedication to public service, empathy, tolerance and compassion towards the weaker-sections. ❖ Public/Civil service values and Ethics in Public administration: Status and problems; ethical concerns and dilemmas in government and private institutions; laws, rules, regulations and conscience as sources of ethical guidance; accountability and ethical governance; strengthening of ethical and moral values in governance; ethical issues in international relations and funding; corporate governance ❖ Case study on above issue
5.	06.08.2017 (Sunday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ World History - II ➤ Indian Geography ➤ Modern Indian History ➤ Indian Heritage and Culture 	<p><u>World History</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ History of the world will include events from World War – I <p><u>Indian Geography</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Distribution of key natural resources across the world (including South Asia and the Indian sub-continent); factors responsible for the location of primary, secondary, and tertiary sector industries in various parts of the world (including India) <p><u>Indian Heritage and Culture</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Indian culture will cover the salient aspects of Art Forms, Literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times. <p><u>Modern Indian History</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Modern Indian history from about the middle of the eighteenth century until the present- significant events, personalities, issues. ❖ The Freedom Struggle - its various stages and important contributors /contributions from different parts of the country. ❖ Post-independence consolidation and reorganization within the country.
6.	13.08.2017 (Sunday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ International Relations – II ➤ Indian Polity - II ➤ Governance 	<p><u>International Relations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Bilateral, regional and global groupings and agreements involving India and/or affecting India's interests ❖ Effect of policies and politics of developed and developing countries on India's interests, Indian diaspora. ❖ Important International institutions, agencies and fora- their structure, mandate.



			<p><u>Indian Polity - II</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Parliament and State Legislatures structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers & privileges and issues arising out of these.❖ Structure, organization and functioning of the Executive and the Judiciary Ministries and Departments of the Government; pressure groups and formal/informal associations and their role in the Polity.❖ Salient features of the Representation of People's Act.❖ Appointment to various Constitutional posts, powers, functions and responsibilities of various Constitutional Bodies.❖ Statutory, regulatory and various quasi-judicial bodies <p><u>Governance</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Important aspects of governance, transparency and accountability, e-governance- applications, models, successes, limitations, and potential;❖ Citizens charters, transparency & accountability and institutional and other measures.❖ Role of civil services in a democracy.
7.	20.08.2017 (Sunday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Internal Security➤ Indian Economy-II➤ Environment and Biodiversity	<p><u>Internal Security</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Linkages between development and spread of extremism.❖ Role of external state and non-state actors in creating challenges to internal security.❖ Challenges to internal security through communication networks, role of media and social networking sites in internal security challenges, basics of cyber security; money-laundering and its prevention❖ Security challenges and their management in border areas; linkages of organized crime with terrorism❖ Various Security forces and agencies and their mandate. <p><u>Indian Economy</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, mobilization of resources, growth, development and employment.❖ Inclusive growth and issues arising from it.❖ Government Budgeting.❖ Effects of liberalization on the economy, changes in industrial policy and their effects on industrial growth.❖ Land reforms in India❖ Infrastructure: Energy, Ports, Roads, Airports, Railways etc.❖ Investment models. <p><u>Environment and Biodiversity</u></p> <p>Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment</p>



8.	27.08.2017 (Sunday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Ethics, Integrity, and Aptitude➤ Case Studies	<p><u>Ethics, Integrity, and Aptitude</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Emotional intelligence-concepts, and their utilities and application in administration and governance.❖ Contributions of moral thinkers and philosophers from India and world.❖ Probity in Governance: Concept of public service; Philosophical basis of governance and probity; Information sharing and transparency in government, Right to Information, Codes of Ethics, Codes of Conduct, Citizen's Charters, Work culture, Quality of service delivery, Utilization of public funds, challenges of corruption.❖ Case Studies on above issues.
9.	03.09.2017 (Sunday)	Paper – 1	Full Syllabus
10.	10.09.2017 (Sunday)	Paper-2	Full Syllabus
11.	16.09.2017 (Saturday)	ESSAY-1	
12.	17.09.2017 (Sunday)	Paper -3	Full Syllabus
13.	24.09.2017 (Sunday)	Paper- 4	Full Syllabus
14.	10.10.2017 (Tuesday)	ESSAY-2	
15.	12.10.2017 (Thursday)	Paper-1 (Forenoon)	Full Syllabus
16.	12.10.2017 (Thursday)	Paper – 2 (Afternoon)	Full Syllabus
17.	13.10.2017 (Friday)	Paper -3 (Forenoon)	Full Syllabus
18.	13.10.2017 (Friday)	Paper- 4 (Afternoon)	Full Syllabus



19.	14/10/2017 (Saturday)	Tamil Language	Full Syllabus
20.	14/10/2017 (Saturday)	English Language	Full Syllabus
21.	15/10/2017 (Sunday)	<u>OPTIONAL</u> Sociology History Public Admin Geography Tamil Literature	Paper – I (Full Syllabus)
22.	15/10/2017 (Sunday)	<u>OPTIONAL</u> Sociology History Public Admin Geography Tamil Literature	Paper – II (Full Syllabus)

Note:

- ❖ UPSC model Answer Sheet should be given.
- ❖ All the test will be for 3 Hours duration.
- ❖ It will be on the lines of new UPSC pattern carrying 250 marks total.
- ❖ Tests will be on Sunday.
- ❖ Discussion will be held After Every Test
- ❖ Individual paper evaluation with Discussion.