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UPPCS Prelims Test Series 2026

Exam Pattern

- **Paper I (General Studies):** 150 Questions | 200 Marks | Duration: 2 Hours (10:00 AM – 12:00 PM)
- **Paper II (CSAT):** 100 Questions | 200 Marks | Duration: 2 Hours (02:30 PM – 04:30 PM)
- **Negative Marking:** 1/3rd (0.33%) of the marks assigned to a question will be deducted for each incorrect answer.
- Paper-II of the Preliminary Examination will be a qualifying paper with minimum qualifying marks fixed at 33%.
- It is mandatory for the Candidates to appear in both the papers of Preliminary Examination for the purpose of evaluation. Therefore a candidate will be disqualified in case he does not appear in both papers.
- The merit of the Candidates will be determined on the basis of marks obtained in Paper-I of the Preliminary Examination.

Syllabus

PAPER - 1 (General Studies)

Current events of national and international Importance:-

- On Current Events of National and International Importance, candidates will be expected to have knowledge about them.

History of India & Indian National Movement:-

- In History emphasis should be on broad understanding social, economic and political aspects of Indian History. In the Indian National Movement, the candidates are expected to have synoptic view of nature and character of the freedom movement, growth of nationalism and attainment of Independence.

India and World Geography - Physical, Social, Economic geography of India and the World:

- In World Geography only general understanding of the subject will be expected. Questions on the Geography of India will relate to Physical, Social & Economic Geography of India.

Indian Polity and Governance - Constitution, Political System, Panchayati Raj, Public Policy, Rights Issues, etc:-

- In Indian Polity, Economic and Culture, questions will test knowledge of country's political system including Panchayati Raj and Community Development, broad features of Economic policy in India and Indian Culture.

Economic and Social Development Sustainable Development, Poverty, Inclusion, Demographics, Social Sector Initiatives, etc:-

- The candidates will be tested with respect to problems and relationship between Population, Environment and Urbanisation. General Issues on Environmental ecology, Bio-diversity and Climate Change - that do not require subject specialization, General awareness of the subject is expected from candidates.

- **General Science:-** Questions on General Science will cover general appreciation and understanding of Science including matters of every day observation and experience, as may be expected of a well educated person, who has not made a special study of any scientific discipline.

Note: Candidates are expected to have general awareness of the above subjects with special reference to Uttar Pradesh.

PAPER - 2 (CSAT)

1. Comprehension.
2. Interpersonal skills including communication skills.
3. Logical reasoning and analytical ability.
4. Decision making and problem solving.
5. General mental ability
6. Elementary Mathematics upto Class X level- Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry and Statistics.
7. General English upto Class X level.
8. General Hindi upto Class X level.

Test Plan

Test No.	Date	Day	Subjects	Time
Test 1	11 October	Sunday	Paper -1 (GS)	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Test 2	18 October	Sunday	Paper -1 (GS)	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Test 3	25 October	Sunday	Paper -2 (CSAT)	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Test 4	1 November	Sunday	Paper -1 (GS)	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Test 5	15 November	Sunday	Paper -1 (GS)	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Test 6	22 November	Sunday	Paper -1 (GS)	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
& Test 7			Paper -2 (CSAT)	02:00 PM - 04:00 PM