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Day & Date	10 AM - 1 PM	2 PM - 5 PM
16th AUGUST	Essay Full Length Paper	WORLD HISTORY, ART & CULTURE, MODERN HISTORY Syllabus: • Indian culture will cover the salient aspects of Art Forms, literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times. • 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. History of the world will include events from the 18th century such as industrial revolution, world wars, redrawal of national boundaries, colonisation, decolonization, political philosophies like communism, capitalism, socialism etc.— their forms and effect on the society.



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Day & Date	10AM - 1 PM	2PM - 5PM
30th AUGUST	POST INDEPENDENCE, INDIAN SOCIETY Post-Independence India - Integration of princely states (Sardar Patel) - State reorganization (1956), Linguistic politics - Land reforms, Green Revolution, Emergency, Liberalization - Internal insurgencies and national consolidation Indian Society - Features of Indian society: caste, family, regional diversity - Role of women and women's organizations - Social empowerment: SC/ST/OBC/Minorities, transgender rights - Urbanization: slums, housing, transport, social conflict - Population issues: Demographics, ageing, migration Social Challenges - Communalism, regionalism, secularism - Globalization and its impact on Indian society - Poverty, inequality, developmental challenges	GEOGRAPHY - INDIA & WORLD Physical Geography - Geophysical phenomena: Earthquakes, volcanoes, tsunamis, cyclones - Plate tectonics, Continental drift, Ocean currents - Climate zones, major landforms, rivers, deserts Economic Geography - Natural resource distribution (coal, minerals, oil, forests, water) - Agricultural regions, cropping patterns - Irrigation, soil types, monsoon systems Human & Industrial Geography - Population and settlements - Migration trends - Factors influencing location of industries - Urban planning and development Environmental Geography - Environmental degradation, pollution - Impact of climate change on flora, fauna, glaciers, rivers - Water stress, desertification, deforestation



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13th SEPTEMBER	POLITY & CONSTITUTION Syllabus: Constitution of India - 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. • Parliament and State Legislatures - structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers & privileges and issues arising out of these. • Structure, organisation and functioning of the Executive and the Judiciary Ministries & Departments of the Government; pressure groups & 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.	GOVERNANCE & SOCIAL JUSTICE Syllabus: Government policies and interventions for development in various sectors and issues arising out of their design and implementation. • 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. • 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.



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Day & Date	10AM - 1 PM	2PM - 5PM
27th SEPTEMBER	Essay Full Length Paper	ECONOMY + AGRICULTURE Syllabus: • Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, mobilisation of resources, growth, development and employment. • Inclusive growth and issues arising from it. • Government Budgeting. • Major crops-cropping patterns in various parts of the country, – different types of irrigation and irrigation systems storage, transport and marketing of agricultural produce 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. • Land reforms in India. • Effects of liberalisation on the economy, changes in industrial policy and their effects on industrial growth. • Infrastructure: Energy, Ports, Roads, Airports, Railways etc. • Investment models.



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Day & Date	10AM-1PM	2PM-5PM
11th OCTOBER	INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS Syllabus: India and its neighbourhood relations. • 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.	ENVIRONMENT + SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY + INTERNAL SECURITY + DISASTER MANAGEMENT Syllabus: • Science and Technology developments and their applications and effects in everyday life. • 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. • Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment. • Disaster and disaster management. • 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.



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Day & Date	10 AM - 1 PM	2 PM - 5 PM
25th OCTOBER	ETHICS, ATTITUDE, HUMAN INTERFERENCE AND CASE STUDIES Syllabus: Ethics and Human Interface: Essence, determinants and consequences of Ethics in-human actions; dimensions of ethics; ethics - in private and public relationships. Human Values lessons from the lives and teachings of great leaders, reformers and administrators; role of family society and educational institutions in inculcating values. • Attitude: content, structure, function; its influence and relation with thought and behaviour; moral and political attitudes; social influence and persuasion. • Emotional intelligence-concepts, and their utilities and application in administration and governance. • Contributions of moral thinkers and philosophers from India and the world. • Case Studies on the above issues.	APTITUDE, INTEGRITY, CASE STUDIES Syllabus: 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. • 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, Utilisation of public funds, challenges of Corruption. • Case Studies on the above issues.



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Day & Date	10 AM - 1 PM	2 PM - 5 PM
8th NOVEMBER	GS 1 - FLT	GS 2 - FLT
22nd NOVEMBER	GS 3 - FLT	GS 4 - FLT



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