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Mains Guidance Program 2023

Mentor Supported, Test Series Based Self Study Program for Civil Services Examination

Cohort - 6

Start Date: 10 September 2022

MGP

32 Tests : 27 Full Length Tests + 5 Open Simulator Tests

MGP +

40 Tests : 27 Full Length Tests + 8 Essay Tests + 5 Open Simulator Tests

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300+ Concept Classes & 32 Tests : 27 Full Length Tests + 5 Open Simulator Tests

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ABOUT THE PROGRAM

How can ForumIAS MGP aid in my preparation?

- The program has been designed to ensure:
 - Timely completion of syllabus.
 - Early completion of syllabus.
 Having guided students since 2012, we are aware that early preparation for Mains is the key to clearing the Civil Services Examination.
- A lot of students end up doing unguided self-study, with no clear deadlines and objectives in mind. Thus, they end up not covering the syllabus even after doing self-study for a year. MGP helps provide a **discipline and time bound routine, anchored to the syllabus**.
- It helps students with **regular evaluation of their preparation through writing timely tests and provides necessary reorientation** as and when required.
- One of the major pain points in the real examination is to **recollect what you have read and present it in a precise and time-bound manner**. Writing regular tests at MGP helps you learn the skill from DAY 1. You learn to apply what you have read.
- When doing self-study, there are many topics which **do not have comprehensive resources**. Also, there are topics which require **value addition in terms of current affairs**. MGP through its test, solutions and discussions also aids as a source of value addition and revision.
- The **concept classes (available with MGP++)** aim to help students **achieve conceptual clarity** as well as **value addition on topics lacking comprehensive resources**.
- A hassle free and constant support from Mentors ensures you are **on an optimal and guided path** throughout your preparation.
- Timely evaluation helps you **understand your mistakes and implement those feedback** before you attempt the next paper.

- At ForumIAS, we believe in continuous change and adaptation on the basis of the dynamic pattern of UPSC and are quick to implement the same to reflect in our all deliverables. With ForumIAS, you will always be ahead of the curve.

	MGP	MGP+	MGP++
	Here, we provide you a detailed and disciplined test series based comprehensive preparation plan for CSE.	Along with the detailed and disciplined test series based comprehensive preparation plan as offered in MGP, we also offer essay test series which is a crucial marks fetching paper.	Along with the detailed and disciplined test series based comprehensive preparation plan as offered in MGP, we also offer 300+ Concept Classes (CC) on micro topics of the syllabus
Mentorship	YES	YES	YES
Concept Classes	NA	NA	YES
Essay Tests	NA	YES	NA
Good copies	YES	YES	YES

What are the deliverables under ForumIAS MGP, MGP+ & MGP++?

Mentorship	Mentorship is readily available in both ONLINE as well as OFFLINE mode at ForumIAS. Once you write a paper, you can always reach out to a mentor to discuss your paper seeking suggestions on improving your answer writing. The ONLINE mentorship will have a solution provided to students within 12 – 14 hours. Offline Mentorship can be available by visiting the office center.
Concept Classes Library	With MGP++ you will get access to a video library of 300+ videos on static topics with rich content. The concept classes will be of 5 – 30 minutes duration with the objective: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To Provide conceptual clarity on terms and keyword of syllabus. For example: separation of powers or Sevottam model or doctrine of severability etc. To Provide value addition on topics that lack comprehensive sources. For example: Role of SHG in development or FCRA and NGO funding etc. To help Filer content. For example: What should I focus on French Revolution? Or What should I read under comparative constitution? Note: Concept Classes Library is not a replacement for Comprehensive Guidance Programme (CGP).
GS Test Question Paper	The GS Test Question paper is curated with idea of holistically covering the syllabus while also keeping the questions in line with the events in news. Tests have been divided as Full-length Sectional Tests (FLT-S: covering certain part of syllabus of each GS paper) and Full-Length Complete Syllabus Tests (FLT). 20 questions in every test also helps students grow into a habit of writing for 3 hours.

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GS Test Solution	The solution to GS Tests is curated with a philosophy to provide adequate content for answering the question in hand. Added content is provided under Knowledge Base/Extra Information separate from the answer, as and when required.
GS Test Video Discussions	The video discussion of MGP tests ensures that the student is exposed to different ways of answer writing, which generally includes different means of presentation, addition of diagrams and flowcharts. The discussion also seeks to add more value to the content which is readily available with the student or the one he has received through solutions. Note: Discussion will be held in online mode only.
Essay Tests	Essay Test replicates the pattern of UPSC. Before prelims, tests have 2 sections with 2 choices. Keeping in mind two things (a) increased focus of UPSC on philosophical essay (b) unpredictability of the commission, both sections will have thematic as well as philosophical topics. This gives students the choice to attempt more philosophical essays.
Good Copies	Peer-to-Peer Learning is at the heart of ForumIAS philosophy. The Academy shall be providing good copies of the tests of GS and Essay so that you can learn from your peers.
Evaluation (GS and Essay)	The parameters of evaluation at ForumIAS continuously evolves to adapt to the changing demand of the examination, in consultation with our students who have cracked the exam year after year. Evaluation of submitted copies will be provided with objective inputs aimed at helping you improve your answer writing.

ForumIAS MGP- Our Track Record

Over the years, ForumIAS MGP has emerged as the most preferred guidance programme for Mains for the toppers. Our experience in the field and determination to provide mock tests as close to UPSC mains paper as possible have helped us attain very high hit rate in UPSC Mains 2021. Below is an indicative (but not exhaustive) list of 20 questions that were common in UPSC CSE Mains 2021 and our MGP test series. Apart from these, many more questions and themes covered in the MGP test series featured in the UPSC CSE Mains 2021 paper. Our students had already written and practised many questions that were asked by the commission.

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S.No.	Actual Question Asked in UPSC CSE Mains 2021	Questions Asked in Mains Guidance Programme (MGP)
1.	Evaluate the nature of the Bhakti literature and its contribution to Indian culture. (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper I, Q1.)	The contributions of Bhakti movement towards the development of a body of devotional literature in vernacular languages is as significant as its liberal social-religious teachings that had a moderating influence on medieval history. Discuss.
2.	What are the environmental implications of the reclamation of Water bodies into urban land use? Explain with examples. (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper I, Q6.)	Discuss the causes of destruction of wetlands and explain their importance in providing environmental, social and economic services.
3.	Examine the role of 'Gig Economy' in the process of empowerment of women in India. (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper, Q10.)	Gig is an integral part of innovation driven economy, yet it can create its own divide. Analyze.
4.	To what extent did the role of the Moderates prepare a base for the wider freedom movement? Comment. (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper I, Q11.)	The economic critique of Imperialism by the early nationalists laid a strong foundation to the nationalist movement. Discuss the contributions of Moderates in Indian Nationalist struggle.
5.	"There arose a serious challenge to the Democratic State System between the two World Wars." Evaluate the statement. (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper I, Q13.)	Failure of global capitalism and economic misery of the Great depression drove a retreat from democratic government in Europe and created a stage for the second world war. Discuss.

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6.	To what extent, in your view, the Parliament is able to ensure accountability of the executive in India? (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper 2, Q4.)	How far do you agree with the view that the parliamentary control over government and administration in India is more theoretical than practical? Cite some recent examples to validate your answer.
7.	Can the vicious cycle of gender inequality, poverty and malnutrition be broken through microfinancing of women SHGs? Explain with examples. (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper 2, Q8.)	The participation of women in the labour force is not only desirable, but also essential because it increases the level of food availability, nutrition and creates essential demands. In the light of this statement, explain the role played by SHG in poverty alleviation and women employment.
8.	Though the Human Rights Commissions have contributed immensely to the protection of human rights in India, they have failed to assert themselves against the mighty and powerful. Analyzing their structural and practical limitations, suggest remedial measures. (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper 2, Q12.)	The National Human Rights Commission has been criticised as a 'toothless tiger'. Examine.
9.	Do Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committees keep the administrations on its toes and inspire reverence for parliamentary control? Evaluate the working of such committees with suitable examples. (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper 2, Q15.)	How does Departmental Standing Committees enhance the functioning of Parliament? Suggest measures to make them more effective.
10.	Can Civil Society and Non-Governmental Organizations present an alternative model of public service delivery to benefit the common citizen? Discuss the challenges of this alternative model. (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper 2, Q 18)	The rise of NGOs reflects the failure of Indian state and markets to usher in equitable development and economic redistribution. Examine.
11.	Do you agree that Indian economy has recently experienced V – shaped recovery? Give reasons in support of their answer. (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper 3, Q11.)	While a V shaped recovery is desirable post-pandemic, prospects of a K shaped recovery has become more likely after the second wave. Discuss the reasons and future macroeconomic implications of a K shaped recovery.
12.	Describe the various causes and the effects of landslides. Mention components of the important components of National Landslide Risk Management strategy. (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper 3, Q18.)	Examine the reasons for the rising trend in the incidences and widespread occurrences of landslides in hilly terrains of the country. Highlighting National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) Guidelines on Landslide Hazard Management, suggest ways to mitigate impact of landslides.
13.	“Investment in infrastructure is essential for more rapid and inclusive economic growth.” Discuss in the light of India’s experience. (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper 3, Q 12.)	The National Infrastructure Pipeline (NIP) seeks not only to create world class infrastructure but also promote inclusive development. Elaborate.
14.	Explain the purpose of the Green Grid Initiative launched at World Leaders Summit of the COP26 UN Climate Change Conference in Glasgow in November, 2021. When was this idea first floated in the International Solar Alliance (ISA)? (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper 3, Q6.)	One Sun, One World, One Grid (OSOWOG) gives an actionable agenda to International Solar Alliance (ISA) for attaining its goal of making solar energy available 24X7 at affordable cost for all. Elucidate. Also, discuss associated challenges and significance of OSOWOG to decarbonize the energy sector and promote green energy.
15.	Discuss how emerging technologies and globalization contribute to money laundering. Elaborate measures to tackle the problem of money laundering both at national and international levels. (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper 3, Q9.)	Money laundering is problem of global dimensions that undermines the integrity of financial institutions, undercuts social aspirations and threatens national security. Elaborate. Also, comment on adequacy of national and global mechanism to tackle this problem.

16.	What are the research and developmental achievements in applied biotechnology? How will these achievements help to uplift the poorer sections of the society? (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper 3, Q. 15)	Analyse the role of application of biotechnology in the inclusive economic development of country.
17.	"We can never obtain peace in the outer world until and unless we obtain peace within ourselves."-Dalai Lama. What does this statement mean to you? (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper 4, Q3b.)	"We can never obtain peace in the outer world until we make peace with ourselves". - Dalai Lama. What does this statement mean to you?
18.	Attitude is an important component that goes as input in the development of human being. How to build a suitable attitude needed for a public servant? (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper 4, Q4a.)	Highlighting the three components of attitude, explain what should be the attitude of a civil servant while dealing with the issues related to integrity and probity in public life.
19.	Should impartial and being non-partisan be considered as indispensable qualities to make a successful civil servant? Discuss with illustrations. (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper 4, Q5b.)	Impartiality, non-partisanship and neutrality are not mutually exclusive in life of a civil servant. Comment.
20.	An independent and empowered social audit mechanism is an absolute must in every sphere of public service, including judiciary, to ensure performance, accountability and ethical conduct. Elaborate. (UPSC CSE Mains 2021, GS paper 4, Q6a.)	Social audit is an innovative tool to ensure transparency, accountability and public participation in implementation of welfare schemes. Yet, the institution and mechanism of social audit seems to be in a nascent stage. Critically examine.

ONLINE OR OFFLINE?

- MGP is available in both online and offline mode. For list of offline centers visit <https://blog.forumias.com/offline>.
- About 80% of our successful students (including former IAS Rank 1), have been online students, preparing from home, they may have never visited the Offline Centre in New Delhi.
- An efficient communication system via tickets / email / phone and WhatsApp is available to discuss their copies and suggesting areas of improvement. ForumIAS caters to more than 100+ mentor calls everyday in online mode for its MGP students.
- In fact, ForumIAS does not maintain a record whether an MGP student is online or offline. Students can visit the Centre(s) and write tests, submit copies for evaluation and seek mentor guidance.
- They can also do the exact same things online – by downloading the QCA Booklet, printing it, attempting tests on it, using CamScanner to convert it into PDF, uploading it, getting it evaluated, and reach out to a mentor online by email, phone call, skype call, or other messaging apps.
- Mentorship is completely available online, and the same mentors who provide offline mentorship also provide online mentorship. You can meet them at a designated time and date at the Offline Centre in New Delhi.

HOW TO ENROL?

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FEE STRUCTURE

Course	Fees (* GST@18% Applicable Extra)	Total Fees
MGP 2023 Cohort - 6	₹ 22,500/-	₹ 26,550/-
MGP+ 2023 Cohort - 6	₹ 28,500/-	₹ 33,630/-
MGP++ 2023 Cohort - 6	₹ 37,500/-	₹ 44,250/-

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- Your test copies will be evaluated within 12 working days of copy submission.
- Copies must be submitted within three weeks of the test release for timely evaluation. We recommend that you stick to the timetable and write tests on designated days. The commitment of 12 working days evaluation is valid only for copies submitted in this time period.
- This program is non-refundable and non-transferable.
- There is no difference between the online and offline mode – candidates can come and write the test at Test Centre or remotely and send us scanned copies.
- Each program of ForumIAS is linked to a ForumIAS Account with a fixed mobile number. No sharing of any programs is allowed. If candidate is found sharing programs, ForumIAS shall be free to terminate that or all program access to the candidate without any refund to the candidate.
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Detailed Test Calendar for MGP / MGP+ 2023

#	Date Test Code	Test Name	Topic Syllabus	Source
<i>(Essay Tests are only for MGP+ Students.)</i>				
00.	Thursday, Sept. 1, 2022 Friday, Sept. 2, 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Online Orientation for the Program Online Orientation of Answer Writing. 		
1.	Saturday, Sep. 10, 2022 61221	MGP Full Length Sectional Test #1 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 2 / Topic 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 Topic 1: Indian Constitution—historical underpinnings, evolution, features, amendments, significant provisions and basic structure. Topic 2: 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. Topic 3: Separation of powers between various organs dispute redressal mechanisms and institutions. Topic 4: Comparison of the Indian constitutional scheme with that of other countries. Topic 5: Parliament and State legislatures—structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers & privileges and issues arising out of these. Topic 6: 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	Sources: ForumIAS – A Summary of Indian Polity 11th NCERT: Indian Constitution at Work Indian Polity by M Laxmikant Subhash Kashyap - Our Constitution, Our Parliament Introduction to Constitution of India – DD Basu 2nd ARC Reports [6th Report – Local Governance, 13th Report – Organisation structure of Government of India] Punchi Commission Report ForumIAS Academy – Handouts / Booklet Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express
2.	Saturday, Sep. 17, 2022 61222	MGP Full Length Sectional Test #2 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 2 / Topic 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14 Topic 7: Salient features of the Representation of People's Act. Topic 8: Appointment to various Constitutional posts, powers, functions and responsibilities of various Constitutional Bodies. Topic 9: Statutory, regulatory and various quasi-judicial bodies. Topic 10: Government policies and interventions for development in various sectors and issues arising out of their design and implementation Topic 12: 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 Topic 13: Issues relating to development and management of Social Sector/Services relating to Health, Education, Human Resources Topic 14: Issues relating to poverty and hunger	Sources: ForumIAS – A Summary of Indian Polity ForumIAS Redbook – Indian Society and Social Issues India Year Book for Government Schemes 11th NCERT: Indian Constitution at Work Indian Polity by M Laxmikant Introduction to Constitution of India – DD Basu 2nd ARC Reports Annual Reports of Ministries such as Women and Child Development / HRD Ministry/ Health Ministry etc. ForumIAS Academy handouts/ Booklets Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express

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3.	Saturday, Sep. 24, 2022 61223	MGP Full Length Sectional Test #2 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 2/Topic 11,15,16,17,18,19,20 Topic 11: Development processes and the development industry —the role of NGOs, SHGs, various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional and other stakeholders. Topic 15: Important aspects of governance, transparency and accountability, e-governance applications, models, successes, limitations, and potential; citizen's charters, transparency & accountability and institutional and other measures. Topic 16: Role of civil services in a democracy Topic 17: India and its neighbourhood- relations. Topic 18: Bilateral, regional and global groupings and agreements involving India and/or affecting India's interests Topic 19: Effect of policies and politics of developed and developing countries on India's interests, Indian diaspora Topic 20: Important International institutions, agencies and fora- their structure, mandate	Sources: 2nd ARC Report [10th Report – Refurbishing of Personnel Administration, 11th Report – promoting e- governance, 12th Report – Citizen Centric Administration,] Book - Challenge and Strategy: Rethinking India's Foreign Policy by Rajiv Sikri Class 12 NCERT – Political Science: Contemporary World Politics Websites such as – Ministry of External Affairs, IDSA, ORF, Gateway House Three Year Action Agenda – 2017-18 to 2019-20 – NITI Aayog Forum IAS Academy Handouts / Booklets Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express
4.	Saturday, Oct. 01, 2022 62511	Essay Test #1 (Only for MGP+ Students)	Essay Test #1 / FLT	
5.	Saturday, Oct. 08, 2022 61231	MGP Full Length Test # 1 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 2 / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)	
6.	Saturday, Oct. 15, 2022 61321	MGP Full Length Sectional Test #4 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 3/Topic 1,2,3,4,5,6 Topic 1: Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, mobilization, of resources, growth, development and employment. Topic 2: Inclusive growth and issues arising from it. Topic 3: Government Budgeting Topic 4: 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. Topic 5: 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. Topic 6: Food processing and related industries in India- scope' and significance, location, upstream and downstream requirements, supply chain management.	Source: Forum IAS Redbook – Indian Economy Forum IAS Redbook – Agriculture Economic Survey Budget NITI Aayog reports on Agriculture Yojana and Kurukshetra 11th NCERT: Economics: Indian Economic Development 12th NCERT: Macroeconomics Economic Survey of India Selective reading of Indian Economy Since Independence - Uma Kapila 2nd ARC Report (Strengthening Financial Management Systems) Three Year Action Agenda – 2017-18 to 2019-20 – NITI Aayog Forum IAS Academy Handouts/ Booklets Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express

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7.	Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022 61322	MGP Full Length Sectional Test #5 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 3 /Topic 7,8,9,10,11,12,13 Topic 7: Land reforms in India Topic 8: Effects of liberalization on the economy, changes in industrial policy and their effects on industrial growth Topic 9: Infrastructure: Energy, Ports, Roads, Airports, Railways etc. Topic 10: Investment models Topic 11: Science and Technology- developments and their applications and effects in everyday life Topic 12: Achievements of Indians in science & technology; indigenization of technology and developing new technology. Topic 13: Awareness in the fields of IT, Space, Computers, robotics, Nanotechnology, biotechnology and issues relating to intellectual property rights.	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Science & Technology The Science Reporter magazine 11th NCERT: Economics: Indian Economic Development 12th NCERT: Macroeconomics Economic Survey of India Three Year Action Agenda, -2017-18 to 2019-20 - NITI Aayog Selective reading of Indian Economy Since Independence - Uma Kapila Yojana India Since Independence by Bipin Chandra [for Land reforms] ForumIAS Academy - Handouts / Booklets Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express
8.	Saturday, Oct. 29, 2022 61323	MGP Full Length Sectional Test #6 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 3 /Topic 14,15,16,17,18,19,20 Topic 14: Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment Topic 15: Disaster and disaster management Topic 16: Linkages between development and spread of extremism Topic 17: Role of external state and non-state actors in creating challenges to internal security Topic 18: 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 Topic 19: Security challenges and their management in border areas – linkages of organized crime with terrorism Topic 20: Various Security forces and agencies and their mandate	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Environment ForumIAS Redbook – Internal Security NCERT: Class 12 Biology (Chapter 10: Ecology) 2nd ARC Report [3rd Report – Crisis management] 2nd ARC (7th Report Capacity Building for Conflict Resolution) 2nd ARC (8th Report Combating Terrorism - Protecting by Righteousness) IDSA reports The Oxford's Handbook of India's National Security NCERT Class 12 – Contemporary World IGNOU – MPA – 018 Disaster management CBSE – XI book – Natural Hazards and Disaster Management ForumIAS Academy - Handouts / Booklets Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Yojana
9.	Saturday, Nov. 05, 2022 62512	Essay Test #2 (Only for MGP+ Students)	Essay Test #2 / FLT	
10.	Saturday, Nov. 12, 2022 61331	MGP Full Length Test # 2 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 3 / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)	

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11.	Saturday, Nov. 19, 2022 61121	MGP Full Length Sectional Test #7 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper I/Topic 1 and 3,4 Topic 1: Art & Culture: Indian culture will cover the salient aspects of Art Forms, literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times. Topic 3: Post-Independence: Post-independence consolidation and reorganization within the country. Topic 4: World History: History of the world will include events from 18th century such as industrial revolution, world wars, redrawing of national boundaries, colonization, decolonization, political philosophies like communism, capitalism, socialism etc.— their forms and effect on the society.	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – World History ForumIAS Redbook – Post Independence India 11th History book of Tamil Nadu board Text Book on Fine Arts Class XI NCERT CCRT Website or compilation Indian Culture and Heritage - NIOS: www.nios.ac.in 12th NCERT – Politics in India after Independence Selective reading of India since independence by Bipin Chandra or India After Gandhi by Ramchandra Guha NCERT Arjun Dev Norman Lowe John Green Crash Course World History ForumIAS Academy - Handouts / Booklet
12.	Saturday, Nov. 26, 2022 61122	MGP Full Length Sectional Test #8 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper I/Topic 2,5 Topic 2: Modern History: 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. Topic 5: Indian Society: 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.	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Indian Society and Social Issues ForumIAS - A Summary of History of Modern India Bipin Chandra – Old NCERT “A Brief History of Modern India” – Spectrum Pub. NCERT - 12th – Indian Society NCERT - 12th – Social Change and Development in India IGNOU – ESO - 12 Society in India IGNOU – ESO - 16: Social Problems in India Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express
13.	Saturday, Dec. 03, 2022 61123	MGP Full Length Sectional Test #9 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper I/Topic 6,7,8 Topic 6: Physical Geography: Salient features of world's physical geography. Topic 7: Human and Economic Geography: 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). Topic 8: Geophysical Phenomena: 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.	Sources: 11th NCERT: Physical Geography 12th NCERT: Human geography. Internet for industries and resource distribution. Certificate Physical and Human Geography by Goh Cheng Leong Atlas: Orient Blackswan ForumIAS Academy - Handouts / Booklet Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express
14.	Saturday, Dec. 10, 2022 62513	Essay Test #3 (Only for MGP+ Students)	Essay Test #3 / FLT	
15.	Saturday, Dec. 17, 2022 61131	MGP Full Length Test # 3 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper I / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)	

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16.	Saturday, Dec. 24, 2022 61421	MGP Full Length Sectional Test #10 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 4/Topic 1, 2,4,5,8 Topic 1: 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. Topic 2: Attitude: content, structure, function; its influence and relation with thought and behaviour; moral and political attitudes; social influence and persuasion. Topic 4: Emotional intelligence-concepts, and their utilities and application in administration and governance. Topic 5: Contribution of Moral Thinkers and Philosophers:Western & Indian. Topic 8: Case Studies on above issues.	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Ethics Integrity and Aptitude Selective Study from G.Subbarao 2ndARC Reports – Ethics in Governance Newspaper and internet.
17.	Saturday, Dec. 31, 2022 61422	MGP Full Length Sectional Test #11 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 4/Topic 3,6,8 Topic 3: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 Topic 6: Public/Civil Service Values and Ethics in PublicAdministration: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. Topic 7: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. Topic 8: Case Studies on above issues.	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Ethics Integrity and Aptitude 2ndARC Reports (Citizen Centric Administration, Refurbishing Personnel Administration, RTI: Master Key to Good Governance) Selective Study from G.Subbarao 2ndARC Reports – Ethics in Governance Newspaper and internet.
18.	Saturday, Jan. 07, 2023 62514	Essay Test #4 (Only for MGP+ Students)	EssayTest #4 / FLT	
19.	Saturday, Jan. 14, 2023 61431	MGP Full Length Test # 4 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 4 / FLT Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude. (Complete Syllabus Test)	
20.	Saturday, Jan. 21, 2023 62515	Essay Test #5 (Only for MGP+ Students)	EssayTest #5 / FLT	

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21.	Saturday Jan. 28, 2023 61132	MGP Full Length Test # 5 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 1 / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)	
22.	Saturday, Feb. 04, 2023 61232	MGP Full Length Test # 6 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 2 / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)	
23.	Saturday, Feb. 11, 2023 62516	Essay Test #6 (Only for MGP+ Students)	Essay Test #6 / FLT	
24.	Saturday, Feb. 18, 2023 61332	MGP Full Length Test # 7 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 3 / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)	
25.	Saturday, Feb. 25, 2023 61432	MGP Full Length Test # 8 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 4 / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)	

PRELIMS 2023 BREAK

There are few things to keep in mind at this stage. Once MGP Tests as per schedule are over, it is expected that you (a) realign your preparation for Prelims (b) finish off any tests that you have missed (c) cover and revise optional subjects. You will need to have some self-discipline to finish off remaining Tests. We will be available to rightly orient you at this stage. You can submit all the Tests conducted till date till Prelims. There is complete flexibility.

A detailed Plan for the MGP 2023 Mains Simulator Tests will be released within 1 week of Prelims.

26.	3 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2023 Simulator Test #1	GS Paper 1 / FLT	
27.	4 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2023 Simulator Test #2	GS Paper 2 / FLT	
28.	4 weeks after Prelims	Essay Test #7 (Only for MGP+ Students)	Essay Test #7 / FLT	
29.	5 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2023 Simulator Test #3	GS Paper 3 / FLT	

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30.	6 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2023 Simulator Test #4	GS Paper 4 / FLT	
31.	6 weeks after Prelims	Essay Test #8 (Only for MGP+ Students)	Essay Test # 8 / FLT	
32.	7 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2023 Simulator Test #5	GS Paper 1 / FLT	
33.		MGP 2023 Simulator Test #6	GS Paper 2 / FLT	
34.	8 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2023 Simulator Test #7	GS Paper 3 / FLT	
35.		MGP 2023 Simulator Test #8	GS Paper 4 / FLT	

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36.	2 Weeks before Mains examination	Essay Open Test	Essay	Not to be evaluated
37.	2 Weeks before Mains examination	GS Paper 1 – Open Test	GS Paper 1 / FLT	Not to be evaluated
38.		GS Paper 2 – Open Test	GS Paper 2 / FLT	
39.	2 Weeks before Mains examination	GS Paper 3 – Open Test	GS Paper 3 / FLT	Not to be evaluated
40.		GS Paper 4 – Open Test	GS Paper 4 / FLT	