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Eklavya Program 2024

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ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Why Eklavya?

Since the inception of ForumIAS in 2012, we have been meeting tens of thousands of candidates from all over the country who are involved in the preparation for Civil Services. Major problems that aspirants who choose to do self study face Aspirants who choose to do self-study face problems like:

- lack guidance
- do not know what areas to focus on and what not to
- lack a guide whom they can consult for their preparation strategy
- watch too many strategy videos and fail to finalize any ONE plan for their own preparation.

A common consequence of this is that they are in an academic wilderness with a few attempts gone, and no notes, no tests attempted, and a few years wasted.

It is said that CSE is an unpredictable examination. However, the truth is that majority of the candidates attempt the examination without comprehensive preparation.

Eklavya is designed to solve the problems that a candidate may face in their preparation journey.

What is the Eklavya Program?

We all need a Mentor. The Eklavya Program is a **Pre-cum-Mains Guidance Program** by ForumIAS. In this program, a candidate will have a **Dedicated Mentor**, who will take him through a yearlong preparation plan comprising of both Prelims & Mains, such that the candidate has the right guidance backed by ForumIAS Research & Content Team. The Program shall provide regular study targets, and a follow up to ensure accountability and correctness of the path a candidate is choosing, with the purpose of having a **rock-solid preparation** before he/she appears for the exam.

What will the candidates get?

- A **Dedicated Mentor** who will be the guide to the candidate during his/her program journey and will be responsible for making a pre-cum-Mains plan for him/her, based on their preparation level.
- **Regular Study Targets**, with assignments that focus on (a) note making (b) syllabus coverage (c) eliminating what not to study. The Study Plan of 7 days to 10 days with assignments that must be submitted. At the end of the Study Plan, a candidate must appear for objective/subjective /combined Tests, known as the **Benchmark Tests (BT)**.
- We believe that One year is the optimum time a candidate may need to finish the syllabus and have a robust preparation before he/she writes the Civil Services examination. However, depending on the time commitment, prior effort as well as the academic background of the candidate, this can be brought down to 6-8 months or about 24-32 weeks.
- The candidate will have access to Mentor Support for an entire year, even if the candidate finishes the syllabus within One year.
- Through this program, a candidate will be able to practice at least 4000+MCQs and about 600-700 questions through Tests and assignments. These will be covered through (a) 5-7 Assignment Questions, (b) Benchmark Tests (BT) conducted every 10-14 days as per the study plan. The number of tests

will vary depending on the priority of the candidate, time commitment and mentor's assessment. The goal is to not have infinite tests, but to have tests and assignments that help in coverage of Mains issues and highlights key areas that are to be studied for Prelims.

- Candidates will have regular Benchmark Tests which also will have questions curated from MGP and Prelims Test Series, plus more.
- Additionally 4 Full Length MGP Papers before Prelims curated by the Mentor + 8 Full Length MGP Papers after Prelims. (Usually Batch E/Cohort 6 of the MGP)
- Complete ForumIAS Prelims Test Series for CSE 2024.
- Regular Email Connect with Mentor, and Telephonic/Web Conference with the Mentor every 7/10 days as per the Target & Test taking by the candidate.

What are the duties and responsibilities of the Mentor?

It shall be the duty of the Mentor to

- Create Study Targets and Assignments for the candidate that are to be completed within the time frame-usually between 7 days to 10 days.
- Conduct Assessment & Guidance Sessions post the Tests to guide the student towards improvements and preparation for the next test.
- Provide necessary inputs to the student as and when required based on test performance and objective assessment.
- Work with Program coordinators to nudge / follow up with the student when the student goes astray, with the purpose of instilling discipline in the candidate
- Communicate clearly to the candidate when he/she is falling behind targets and ensure timely correction. An objective assessment of the candidate's efforts and directions for improvement from time, including a **monthly Appraisal** based on the candidate's efforts and performance, with honesty so as to timely allow the candidate to pursue the right path.
- Work with the candidate to ensure improvement in answer writing practice.

What not to expect from the Mentor?

- A Mentor is an expert who has guided a few hundred students with good ranks in the past and has complete knowledge and experience of the complete life cycle of the preparation and the likely blind spots and pitfalls. He is not expected to be a tutor, to teach subjects with dictation.
- A mentor may **provide a source** Including a video source such as a YouTube video to prepare a certain topic from but may not be expected to teach the student.
- A mentor can be a **psychological counselor** in only a limited capacity. He may try help a student with anxiety issues in a limited manner. However, a mentor specializes only with respect to the CSE Syllabus, Answer Writing and strategizing. He should not be expected to be of use in guidance with respect to private matters of the candidate.
- Candidates must seek **professional advice only** and not personal / private advice from the mentor.

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What are the expectations from the students?

- Since this is a self-study program, **discipline**, **commitment**, and a certain level of consistency is expected from the mentee.
- A mentee must be **truthful and realistic** with respect to the time investments he can make for the examination. Only then a personalized learning plan can be made.
- A Mentee must **focus on covering syllabus** instead worrying / pestering about things that do not matter in the long run.
- A Mentee must ensure that he covers the syllabus in the time once committed. This will require good time management skills, which the mentee must develop over a period of time.
- A Mentee must trust and follow the Mentor and work as per guidance provided by the Mentor.

What is the Duration of the Program?

Mentor Support will be available for 52 weeks from the commencement of the Program. Syllabus completion will depend on the effort put by the candidate. A tentative plan for syllabus completion is as follows

#. Subject/Paper	Tentative Duration (This will vary from candidate to candidate)	
I. Indian Polity	6 weeks	
2. Governance	1.5 weeks	
3. International Relations	3 weeks	
4. Social Justice	1.5 weeks	
5. Modern History	4 weeks	
6. Ancient India & Medieval India	2 weeks	
7. Art and Culture	2 weeks	
8. World History	2 weeks	
9. Post-Independence	l week	
10. Indian Society	3 weeks	
II. Physical Geography	6 weeks	
12. Human and Eco. Geo	2 weeks	
13. Economy	5 weeks	
14. Science and Technology	2 weeks	
15. Internal Security	1.5 weeks	
16. Environmental and Disaster Management	3 weeks	
17. Ethics Integrity and Aptitude	4 weeks	
18. Case Studies	2 weeks	

Why does the subject preparation duration vary from candidate to candidate?

This is because the amount of efforts need to put for the exam, depends a lot on our backgrounds, and the effort we have already put. For example, a complete fresher may take upto 8 weeks to finish Indian Polity by M Laxmikant, but a law graduate, or someone who has written the prelims before may finish it in 4 weeks.

Similarly, we have observed that a candidate with engineering / sciences/ medicine background hardly needs a week or two to do Science & Tech, but core humanities students may take up to 3-4 weeks to cover the basics of Science & Tech.

What is the difference between MGP and Eklavya? Which one should I choose?

MGP provides a Mentor supported Test Series based program for Mains. You can discuss your paper after every test and make improvements in your answer writing with subsequent tests. A pre-set standard plan is followed for everyone which can be postponed.

The Eklavya program is a Pre-cum-Mains Guidance Program where the study plan and assignment itself is made by the Mentor and the Eklavya Team. Candidates who only need answer writing practice and improvement in answer writing must go for Mains Guidance Program. Candidates who are looking for the **comprehensive preparation suite** may go for Eklavya.

What is the difference between CGP and Eklavya? Which one should I choose?

CGP is a classroom-based foundation program where the onus on the content / notes is with the faculty.We do not recommend CGP over the Eklavya program, as a classroom program ensures that proper notes are made – which are crucial for the exam. The Eklavya Program on the other hand will provide a student with a Mentor, who will require the him/her to make notes (through curated assignments) by doing self-study, research and reading reference material suggested by the Mentor. The notes in CGP will be dictated / provided by the faculty, whereas in Eklavya the notes have to be made by the student himself.

Is the program available in offline mode?

The program is available **completely in online mode**. However, candidate can visit the offline center (Karol Bagh, New Delhi) by prior information and write the Tests and submit the copies there itself.

Who will be my mentor?

A Mentor will be someone who understands the demands of the examination, the requirements of answer writing and strategies for clearing Prelims.

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- Candidates must register for the program by paying a fully refundable, fully adjustable fee of Rs. 1000 for the program by visiting this link and filling up his / her details.
- Upon Successful registration, candidate shall be invited for a e-Meet where he will be oriented by the EklavyaTeam.
- The candidate will be required to pay the full fee if he wants to go ahead with the program.
- After payment confirmation, Eklavya Team will reach out to the candidate and set up a call with the Mentor who will discuss the preparation level and whet the candidate's preparedness or the starting point (We all have different starting points, depending on our previous efforts for the exam and schooling/ graduation background).
- A broad Plan will be made by the Mentor for the candidate, followed by 7 days /10 days target which the candidate must follow. Candidates will be required to complete the assignment and submit them to program coordinator by doing self-study and research / sources recommended by the Mentor.
- To set the accountability, program coordinator will follow up with the student and set up the Assessment & Guidance session (AGS) for the candidate.

HOW TO ENROL?

Students can enroll in the program by paying the fees through the below mentioned means:

 By visiting the website: <u>https://academy.forumias.com</u> (Net Banking / Debit Card / Credit Card / UPI)



- By Visiting the Offline Center (Credit Card / Debit Card / Cheque / DD)
- By doing a NEFT / Cash Deposit in ICICI account.

Please note that you must retain the payment proof in case of Cash deposit / NEFT and send it to

<u>admissions@forumias.academy</u> within 48 hours of making the payment for your course to be activated.

For any query you can call us at +91 – 9821711605,9311740900 or write to us at <u>admissions@forumias.academy</u>

FEE STRUCTURE

Course	Fees (* GST@18% Applicable Extra)	Total Fees
Eklavya Program 2024	₹ 70,000/-	₹ 82,600/-

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- The program is non-refundable and non-transferable.
- Candidates can enroll by dropping an email to admissions@forumias.academy.
- Each program of ForumIAS is linked to ForumIAS Account with a fixed mobile number. No sharing of any programs is allowed. If candidates are found sharing programs, ForumIAS shall be free to terminate that or all program access to the candidate without any refund to the candidate.
- ForumIAS shall have full rights to close admissions as per its capacity. ForumIAS shall be free to amend its schedule in case of any exigencies that may arise.
- You can make the payment online at https://academy.forumias.com (recommended) or by writing to us at admissions@forumias.academy.
- Please create an account on <u>https://academy.forumias.com</u> before enrolling either offline or online.
- This program will be valid till Mains 2024.
- All fees once paid are non-refundable in nature. The course is also non-transferable in nature to another person. By subscribing to the course, you agree to the terms and conditions mentioned above.

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