

## **ONLINE & OFFLINE**

# **Ethics+ Classes CSE Mains 2023**

Batch - 01

## Start Date: 16 November 2022 | 11 AM

Note: The seats in the offline course are limited and shall be provided on a first come first serve basis.

## ForumIAS Students who have excelled in GS Paper IV









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#### **ABOUT ETHICS PAPER**

The Ethics Paper is one of the key determinants of cracking the UPSC Civil Services Mains Examination or for that matter even getting in the top 100 of the final lists. This paper has the potential of scores ranging from an average of 125 to a high of 160 marks, as opposed to papers such as GS Papers I where the average hovers from 100 marks to a high of around 130 marks. Thus, its effective weightage in the total score is very high

#### Challenges Faced by Students

- Firstly, the challenge with the GS IV Paper is the lack of a single source point or reference book to comprehensively cover the entire syllabus. Students often get confused with the dispersed material present in different reference
- Secondly, it also has a very capacious boundary given that anything under the sun can be asked in the Ethics Paper. While most candidates do not spend more than 15 days to prepare for the Ethics Paper, the wise utilisation of a brief period like a fortnight is also challenging due to the lack of clarity on what and how to study for this Paper.
- Thirdly, the ability to answer quote-based questions, which, to some extent, requires a wide reading base, creative thinking and conceptual understanding which may not materialize for most students immediately.
- Fourthly, we have seen that a large majority of our own students of MGP do not do justice to the paper, despite Mains experience and do poorly in GS IV Tests. This course tries to offer a solution to that.

#### **Features of Ethics+ Classes**

The Ethics+ Classes focus on the following aspects:

- Complete & Comprehensive Coverage of Ethics Terms & **Terminologies**
- Case Studies covered with scenarios of real life where a Civil Servant faces Ethical dilemma.
- o Coverage of key issues and expected questions through Questions & Answers
- Quality Note Making & Answer Writing
- Every class will be supplemented with crisp and concise handouts.

#### Why Ethics+ Classes?

We have guided hundreds of our students (like Namrata Jain-Rank 12, 125 Marks in GS IV, Karnati Varun Reddy-Rank 7, 121 Marks in GS IV, and Minal Karanwal-Rank 35, I 14 Marks in GS IV) through the MGP and Ethics classes in a manner to approach the Ethics Paper, leading to good scores.

However, we have felt that with focus on answer writing, several students end up writing "Mann ki Baat" in Ethics answers even where questions have a definite theoretical answer. Ethics+ aims to build this theoretical base which is necessary when one delves into answer writing.

#### Structure of the Program

- Class schedule: Classes will be conducted 4 Days a week i.e Monday – Tuesday – Wednesday – Thursday.
- Class duration: The duration of Classes will be 2 hours.
- There will be between 25 to 30 classes.
- Hard copy of Ethics Red Book will be provided to all students.
- Class Timings: 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday.

#### Online Live Classes & Offline Classes

- Classes are available in both Online & Offline Mode.
- o Offline Students, who miss a class can reach support by raising a ticket for video access to classes they may miss because of unavoidable reasons. Maximum 5 classes video links will be provided.
- It is recommended that students based out of Old Rajinder Nagar attend the classes in offline mode.

#### Deliverables

- Class supplemented with handouts.
- Ethics Red Book hard copy to be couriered to online
- Two sectional and one full length test GS paper 4 tests with
- Regular answer writing assignments in classes.

## **HOW TO ENROL?**

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

- By visiting the website: https://academy.forumias.com
  - (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.

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FEE STRUCTURE		
Course	Students	Total Fees
Ethics+ Module for CSE 2023	Non MGP, Non CGP Students	₹ 16,000/-
	Existing/Old MGP & CGP Students	₹ 12,000/-

#### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

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## **SAMPLE HANDOUT**

#### **Key Concepts**

## 1. Dharma 🍪

- righteousness
- does not mean religion ("panth")
- $svadharm \rightarrow one$ 's duty vs sadharan dharma  $\rightarrow$  ethics applicable to all.

#### 2. Ethics

- ethos = character or habit
- as a study branch of moral philosophy
- 2nd ARC → set of moral principles

#### 3. Morality

- individual's sense of right or wrong
- comes from within
- may not conform to societal ethics
- can be a source of ethical dilemma

## 4. Law 🛋

- codified rules of society
- needs central authority to enforce → redressal mechanism
- violation is punishable
- codification of social ethics

#### 5. Dilemma

- choice between equally desirable options
- resolution → weighing pros and cons
- reason → FOMO, lack of objectivity in assessment
- e.g. UPSC prep or IT Job;

## 6. Ethical Dilemma

- different from dilemma
- choice between two actions
- one moral value compromised
- "Dharma-sankata"
- both equally undesirable
- choosing the lesser evil
- e.g. Dashrath → Kaykeyi's boons
- Vibhishan's dilemma → Rams vs Ravana.

## 7. Values

- principles or standards → determine desirability of an action / choice
- Purushratha = Artha, Dharma, Kama, Moksha
- e.g. Value of Warriors → Courage
- Value System of Traders → Risk
- Value system middle class → stable job

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## 8. Religion 🦓

- religare → to bind
- western religion holy book/ scripture, One God, evangelist;
- identity giver to individual or group;
- debate → what is good is defined by God (God > Good) vs God does what is good = (Good > God).

## 9. Politics

- power to write the rules that govern society, including self;
- politics = compulsions of state craft → doing things that may be unethical
- Politics & ethics possible?