

## **ONLINE & OFFLINE**

## Prelims-cum-Mains

# **GS Foundation Program for IAS 2024**

The Pre-cum-Mains Classroom based Comprehensive Foundation Program for Civil Services Preparation.

## Starts at Forum Learning Centre

**Patna** (Batch - P3): 7 June 2023

**ORIENTATION:** 5 June 2023

Batch Time - 8:30 AM | \* Limited Seats

## Successful Students of ForumIAS Academy



Shruti Sharma **AIR** 







AIR



















**Naveen Reddy** 

AIR

**IFoS 2018** 







AIR



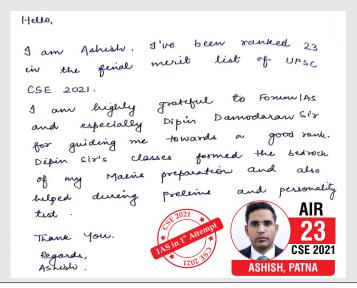
55+ students from paid programs of ForumIAS have secured ranks under 100 in CSE 2021, including Rank 1, 5, 6, 8, 9, 12, 14, 15, 17, and 19 in Top 20. Read what our toppers have to say and learn from their strategies at https://go.forumias.com/toppers

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## How does a Patna boy clear IAS in his very first attempt?

Answer Writing Practice, a lot of self study, self discipline, grinding through the Select Focus Group, waking up at 7AM and writing Prelims Test Papers, before writing his first Prelims.

But most of all because of high quality differentiated content, that forms the bedrock of ForumIAS Current Classes - the classes which have helped produce among the highest scorers in the Mains examination - year after year - be it Pratham, Varun, Sanjita, Divya or Ashish (Ranks 5, 7, 10, 28, 23 in successive years starting CSE 2018).



### Successful Students of GS Foundation



IAS RANK - 32 Jagat Sai

**CSE 2020** 

I have been a community member as well as student of GS Foundation Program at ForumIAS Academy. My association with ForumIAS started in 2016 with Prelims Test Series and MGP. SFG in ForumIAS is very unique. The USP of ForumIAS is its high quality aspirants.

On a concluding note, I would like to thank whole heartedly all the members and staff of ForumIAS.



IAS RANK -35 Minal Karanwal **CSE 2018** 

I am Minal Karanwal, AIR 35. This journey of 3 years has been arduous and yet it has culminated so beautifully. And ForumIAS has an extremely important part to play in it. Constant support by ForumIAS mentors, the most pivotal CA Classes and the entire management at Forum has been crucial inscripting this victory.



IAS RANK - 170 R.Vasanth Kumar **CSE 2020** 

I am Rallapalli Vasanth Kumar and I secured AIR 170 in UPSC CSE 2020. I was part of Focussed GS Foundation Porgam of ForumIAS and got extremely benefited from it. The daily objective & subjective tests, SFG, MGP, IGP added value to my preparation. The mentors & staff here are very helpful and continuously supported me and believed in me. ForumIAS along with my parents and brother (AIR 32) gave me guidance and were core part of my preparation. Thank you ForumIAS Institution and staff for making this happen.



AIR - 242 Preeti Kumari **CSE 2021** 

I am Preeti kumari, AIR 242, at CSE 2021. I was a GS Foundation Porgam, MGP, Current Affairs and Interview Guidance Programme Student at ForumIAS.

I would like to thank Ayush Sir for his guidance and unflinching faith in me and Dipin Sir for his Current Affairs classes which formed the foundation of my mains scores. Grateful to the faulty and non - teaching staff for their support.

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## **ABOUT THE PROGRAM**

Bihar has produced many toppers in Civil Services Exam in its glorious past. However, with the change in pattern, especially CSAT, students of Bihar think they need to go to Delhi for preparation. But, with ForumIAS in Patna, you don't need to come to Delhi. All the knowledge, experience and expertise of Delhi are now in Patna only. We know, students in Bihar are hardworking and motivated. Let ForumIAS become a part of your success journey in Civil Services exam. We have revised the strategy of preparation based on the changing pattern of exam and the needs of the students as per our first Patna batch last year. Here, we announce our first batch of GS Foundation Program for CSE 2024 for Patna Centre.

#### Why choose GS Foundation @ForumIAS?

- Clear guidance is essential for success in the Civil Service Examination. At ForumIAS, you will now have the opportunity to learn from expert faculty members from Delhi in your city Patna. These experienced educators will provide you with valuable insights and guidance as you prepare for your exams.
- ForumIAS understands that students need to have conceptual clarity in the subjects. So, teaching in the class focuses on basic books like NCERTs and standard textbooks in the initial stages to have strong foundation. In the next stages, focus is on advanced concepts for better understanding by the students.
- As a highly respected and successful institute for CSE preparation, ForumIAS is committed to the success of our students and has a proven track record of producing successful results. All of these benefits are available to you right here in Patna.
- We are confident that ForumIAS is the perfect choice for you.

#### **Educational Curriculum**

#### The course will commence in two phases.

- Phase I: During this phase, our primary goal is to provide a solid foundation in core subjects such as history, polity, geography, economy, and environment. This phase will ensure coverage of NCERTs and standard textbooks. The outcome of this phase is strong foundation in the subjects, conceptual clarity and sense of confidence among the students. Students will be tested continuously in multiple choice questions based tests on the pattern of CSE Prelims exam. The goal of Phase I is to ensure success in the Prelims exam, regardless of the difficulty level.
  - **Note:** Serves two key purposes: first, it helps students mentally and physically prepare for the more in-depth Phase 2, which focuses on the Mains exam. Phase I will also help students in targeting other government jobs like BPSC, BSSC and other State PSC exams which are also objective MCQ-based exams. This will also help in boosting confidence in the students. This phase is content and practice-driven, and aims to provide students with the knowledge and skills they need to succeed in these exams.
- Phase 2: This phase ensures pinpointed coverage of Mains syllabus and saves your time from doing unnecessary research. You need to simply focus on understanding, revision and answer writing in Phase 2. There will be in-depth coverage of the syllabus for the General Studies Mains exam, including dedicated answer writing sessions, assignments, and subjective tests. Students will receive high-quality class notes and study materials covering more than 200 topics, including current affairs. This will provide students with the necessary tools to confidently tackle any question in the CSE Mains exam.

#### How ForumIAS is going to be different this time?

Based on our experiences with the previous batches, we have made some changes to our teaching approach while continuing to use proven methods that have been successful in the past. Therefore, we will be implementing the following practices:

- The lectures will be delivered in bilingual medium, with a balance of 70% English and 30% Hindi. This ratio may vary depending on
  the needs and preferences of our students and the subject matter being covered in each class. However, class notes and study
  material will be provided in English only.
- The focus of our classes will be on providing standard class notes with illustrative examples and facilitating discussion-based learning.
- We will share their scores and performance reports with their parents and guardians. This will provide both the students and their families with a clear understanding of the students' progress and allow for more effective assessment.
- For the first time, we will be introducing 'Surprise Tests' as a way to help keep our most hardworking and intelligent students focused on preparing for the Civil Services exam. Many students get diverted towards other government job exams due to social pressure. While we support students in every ways, we want students should achieve what they deserve, i.e., IAS, IPS etc.
- In the Phase 1, teaching faculty will be available for half an hour after the class for discussing extra queries of the students. In Phase 2, students should directly consult the mentors by booking such sessions on the portal.

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### **FEATURES**

- Offline access of classes will be available till Mains 2025.
- 700+ teaching hours for comprehensive coverage of syllabus.
- Designed as per the latest Syllabus and trend of Civil Services Examination.
- Monthly Current Affairs magazine, Hindu handouts and Red books for conceptual clarity.
- Dedicated 24x7 support for improving answer writing skills through evaluation of descriptive answers with improvement suggestions.

#### Components of Foundation @ ForumIAS

#### **Comprehensive Preparation In Dedicated Timeline**

The foundation program helps students do the right thing at the right time. Here the focus is on ensuring that the prescribed syllabus is covered well in time and that the aspirant has enough time left for evaluation of acquired knowledge and revision. The program is designed to suit the diverse learning needed to excel at the examination.

Comprehensiveness is provided by covering each aspect of examination through

#### **LEARNING COMPONENTS**

- GS Classes The classes take care of complete preparation for Prelims and Mains. The classes are conducted in offline and online mode. They are followed up with doubt sessions. These classes are supplemented with crisp handouts making revision an easier task. The classes shall be conducted 6 day a week from Monday to Saturdays.
- CSAT Classes We offer a helpful strategy and method for the aptitude test called CSAT. The class will include materials and practice questions. We will also talk about questions from previous years to help you stay up to date with the most recent trends for the exam. Our team of experts in English and mental ability will help you prepare for the CSAT paper more quickly by giving you a clear understanding of the concepts and helping you practice regularly.
- Current Affairs Classes In our Current Affairs classes, we cover entire dynamic portion of Mains as well as Prelims examination, with crisp notes, one-pager handouts for a chaos free preparation, like no other. We have helped 100+ students crack IAS with our Current Affairs classes. This program has proven to add value and improve score in Mains examination.
- Essay Classes These classes will focus on developing the critical thinking abilities to write essay in an unbiased or balanced manner. Students will be trained to write essays in coherent fashion with effective and exact expression which is rewarded by the Commission. The classes with ensure that students are able to tackle unconventional, abstract and philosophical topics following the current trend.

#### **EVALUATIONS & REVISION**

- Daily Benchmark Assignments (BAs) The first step of evaluation & revision components is daily benchmark assignments. The daily benchmark assignments will ensure assessment and feedback to aid improvement on everyday learning of the classes. In Phase I we will ensure that students prepare better notes for themselves that help in their basic understanding and conceptual clarity with daily MCQ practice. In the second phase, most important aspects of the topics will be covered and will focus on analytical note making with the help of model answers and references provided for the assignments.
- Benchmarks Tests (BTs) The second step of evaluation & revision components is benchmark test. The benchmark test will comprise objective tests in the Phase I and subjective tests in Phase 2. These are conducted at regular intervals to simulate UPSC examination pattern from the very beginning of the preparation journey. The Benchmarks Tests (BTs) are designed to help students in monthly revision. These tests are important as a student is not expected to learn the trick and trade of solving MCQs or Answer Writing on day one, but it is a gradual process, and these tests will help you incrementally learn the same.
- Select Focus Group (SFG) The third step of evaluation & revision components is SFG. The SFG begins post your completion of GS Classes. It consists of 50 Questions / I hour test written every day (except Sunday) in disciplined manner at a designated time. With multiple tests for each subject, it ensures you have completed a detailed revision of all the recommended textbooks for Prelims.
- Answer Writing Focus Group (AWFG) The fourth step of evaluation & revision components is AWFG Test. Generally held post prelims, this is SFG for Mains. It ensures detailed revision. The tests are followed up with detailed discussion which will help you understand how to approach a question as well as create niche content for the questions and topics asked in tests. Discipline is again an important part of this program.

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Mains Guidance Program (MGP) - The fifth step of evaluation & revision components is MGP Test. The Mains Guidance Program (MGP) is a mentor guided, test series-based preparation Program for Civil Services Mains Preparation.

#### SUPPORT COMPONENTS

- Dedicated Teaching Assistant (TA) ATA will be present in every class as a friend to engage with students and help them clear their doubts. TA will be acting as a link between students and the faculty.
- Mentorship Available in person, online and telephonic mode, mentors will partner with you to diagnose where you are going wrong and help you improve your content and skills required for exam. The mentor-mentee relationship is a formative one. Mentees receive feedback on their preparation, create realistic goalposts to measure their progress in achieving it.

## **FEE STRUCTURE - OFFLINE & ONLINE (HYBRID)**

Course	Total Fees	
Course	OFFLINE	
GS Foundation Program 2024 – <b>GS Comprehensive</b> - Offline/Online (GS Comprehensive includes - MGP Test Series, All India Simulator (Prelims) Test Series, Essay Guidance Program, AWFG, SFG and Current Affairs)	₹ 1,45,000/-	
GS Foundation Program 2024 – GS Comprehensive + CSAT	₹ 1,57,000/-	
GS Foundation Program 2024 – GS Comprehensive + Optional (*Optional Available – Anthropology, Sociology, Political Science and International Relations & Public Administration)	₹ 1,80,000/-	
GS Foundation Program 2024 – GS Comprehensive + CSAT + Optional (*Optional Available – Anthropology, Sociology, Political Science and International Relations & Public Administration)	₹ 1,92,000/-	

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## **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.
- EMI Option Available\*

Please note that you must retain the payment proof in case of Cash deposit / NEFT and send it to admissions@forumias.academy within 48 hours of making the payment for your course to be activated. For any query you can call us at +91 - 9311740400, 9311740900 or write to us at admissions@forumias.academy

### NOTE:

- The course is non-transferable in nature.
- Any request for fee refund will be entertained only for 15 days from the commencement date of the program.
- Offline classes may be moved to Online mode, subject to government regulation or exceptional circumstances.
- Timings of additional modules such as MGP test discussions, Current Affairs classes etc. may sometimes coincide with regular classes. Recordings of such classes would be made available to students.
- Different batches may have classes together for some
- Extra classes, apart from regular batch timings can be scheduled for a few subjects to ensure timely and comprehensive coverage of the syllabus. Classes may be held on Saturdays and Sundays as well.
- Institute shall have discretion to take corrective measures for irregular or non-disciplinary activities of the students.

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CLASS STRUCTURE		
Class Size	Restricted to 100 Students	
Mode	Offline classes with video on demand of missed lectures	Hybrid nature to accommodate missed classes and provide choice of online classes
Class Duration	3 hours (I class of 3 hours, per day)	
Class Timing	Monday to Saturday (8:30 AM to 11:30 AM)	
Course Schedule	All students will be provided with tentative schedule before the classes commence.	
Course Duration	9 Months	Approx.360+ lectures
Course Structure	<ul> <li>Classes on GS</li> <li>Daily Benchmark Assignments (BAs)</li> <li>Benchmark Tests (BTs) (Focus on Prelims + Mains Preparation Simultaneously)</li> <li>SFG</li> <li>AWFG</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>BAs conducted everyday covering the topics taught in class that day.</li> <li>BTs will be conducted in two phases. In phase I, students will be giving full length objective test while in phase 2, full length Subjective tests are to be given</li> <li>Select Focus Group (SFG) – Daily Prelims test series to provide comprehensive syllabus coverage.</li> <li>Answer Writing Focus Group (AWFG) – Mains Oriented comprehensive test series comprising 3-4 tests/week.</li> </ul>
Curated Content to Supplement Classroom Teaching	<ul> <li>Crisp Handouts provided after GS class</li> <li>Forum Red books – study material</li> <li>Summary Books based on standard books and NCERTs</li> <li>Workbooks – to provide practice for Prelims exams</li> <li>Monthly Current Affairs Magazines ForumIAS EPIC magazine</li> </ul>	Students will receive an introductory kit that included a bag, coffee mug, and pen.
Doubt Clearing all along the way	3-4 Layers of doubt clearing mechanism to provide clarity on any confusion to the student.	<ul> <li>Teaching Assistant (TA) present in class as a friend to engage with student with their doubts.</li> <li>Dedicated regular Doubt Clearing Sessions (DCS) after every 10-12 classes.</li> <li>Exclusive Mentor guidance to clear academic doubts and guide students throughout their UPSC journey.</li> </ul>

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