

MAINS GUIDANCE PROGRAM 2025

Under the guidance of Ayush Sinha, Founder, ForumIAS

The best

MGP

ever

Cohort - 7 (23 June 2024)

MGP helped me in simulating the Mains examination. The feedback was very helpful. I thank ForumIAS for so much efficiency in paper checking and the elaborate feedback. Ayush Sir's inputs before Mains were very helpful.

Ishita Kishore,
IAS Rank I, CSE 2022

How did we build an academy which has sent 2 out of every 3 students selected in Civil Services Examination 2022 – including Rank 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 with near zero Quora reviews, a dull social media presence, and a disinterested marketing plan?

It's *simple*

We focused on our students. And cut the *noise*.

And they gave us Top ranks!

At ForumIAS, our USP lies in being thought leaders in Civil services Preparation, identifying what works and what does not, and make changes every year. We attract the best and the most sincere aspirants and turn them into officers without diluting our course quality to attract the masses.

Toppers chose ForumIAS

ForumIAS Mains Guidance Program has been the choice of the sincere aspirant – right from first attempters [1] - to students with who are seeking continuous improvement [2] - to those seeking a rank and career improvement [3]. With more than 60 students selected in CSE 2022 in Top 100, being students of Mains Guidance program 2022, we have built an impeccable program that enables you to succeed like no other.

This year MGP is ever better, covering almost all relevant concepts of previous year questions (framed differently), handholding you from the very beginning till the end of the program.

The new MGP program is tailored in a way such that right from absolute beginners with zero answer writing experience and skills to the students who have secured ranks, but are looking for a score improvement can benefit from it.

Every year since we started MGP.

[1] Pratyush Pandey (IAS Rank 21), Chandrajyoti (IAS Rank 25), Ananya Pandey

[2] Ishita Kishore (IAS Rank 1), Shruti Sharma (IAS Rank 1),

[3] Anudeep Durishetty (IAS Rank 1), Waseem (IAS Rank 7), Varun Reddy (IAS Rank 7)

I was enrolled in MGP Program for General Studies and Anthropology. The analytical nature of questions asked helped me prepare for the actual examination. The ranking system helped me to track my progress constantly. I am grateful to ForumIAS.

- Uma Harathi, IAS Rank – 3, CSE 2022

Impeccable Mentors that our students vouch for.

I came to ForumIAS after 4 prelims failure, when I had lost all hope. It was the mentorship of Ayush Sir, Aman Sir, and the entire team that helped me get into IPS in my fifth attempt. I shall be grateful to ForumIAS forever.

Truly they say, “We Build Officers”.

Natasha Goyal
IPS, Rank - 175, CSE 2022
Joined Forum in 5th attempt with MGP,
CA, SFG, selected same year Ethics+

The best mentor you can get is an elder sibling who is in service.

The second-best mentors are at ForumIAS.

At the **core** of Mains Guidance Program is Mentorship. At ForumIAS, you have access to the best team of mentors who have the relevant experience of guiding the Crème de la crème of Civil Services aspirants.

They have the experience of handholding students who are complete beginners – who are beginning their Civil Services preparation with very little experience to students who have come after 3-4 failed attempts.

Our mentorship has enabled them to realise their true potential by securing their name in the final list.

ForumIAS boasts of the best tribe of mentors who have mentored – and continue to mentor – hundreds – if not thousands of selected candidates.

In fact, if you have heard of the term mentorship in Civil Services preparation – remember it all began with the MGP Mentorship program.

High Quality Questions & Answers that make you think and open your mind. Period.

I was a part of MGP at ForumIAS and also took Current Affairs classes for Mains by Dipin Damodaran Sir. The top notch quality of the content and the versatile perspective I got from the program and classes really boosted my score in GS. One on one interaction with Ayush sir helped me prepare better.

I am really grateful to ForumIAS for their valuable inputs.

Garima Lohia
IAS Rank - 2, CSE 2022
Joined Forum MGP + CA Classes
470 marks in GS (Highest Score)

Mains Guidance Program is no *ordinary* test series. They are also not a *bunch of questions* pooled together and dumped on the students.

One of the *key* differences between the Civil Services Examination conducted by the Union Public Service Commission vis-à-vis other State Services Examinations and University Examinations is that the Civil Services Mains Examination is a *thinking* paper.

This means that you cannot simply mug up notes and vomit them in the paper.

Questions often require deeper understanding, conceptual awareness and a thinking and open mind that can *quickly* collate *opinions* and facts to answer questions asked on the go.

With the increasing difficulty level of the Civil Services Examination, MGP makes you *think* - opens your minds to new ideas and dimensions – and prepares you for the real exam like no other.

Which is why the largest number of selected students* and interview appeared candidates choose the Mains Guidance Program over and over again.

*for rank improvement and mentorship guidance

**Start as a
beginner.**

**End up like a pro
with the year-
long MGP.**

**Compete with
India's best.**

**In fact, *become*
India's best.**

I enrolled in ForumIAS MGP, Current Affairs and Ethics+ Classes at ForumIAS. The quality of content, professionalism in conduct and availability of mentorship right when I needed it, helped me secure Rank 4 in the Civil Services Examination.

**Smriti Mishra
IAS Rank - 4, CSE 2022
Joined ForumIAS MGP Year Long,
CA, SFG, Ethics+ 2022.**

Do you know that IAS Toppers of both CSE 2021 and CSE 2022 Shruti and Ishita were first part of MGP Year Long program?

And IAS Rank 4 Smriti Mishra was a diligent student of Mains Guidance Program 2021 and 2022?

A lot of students think that they must join MGP after the prelims.

Some students are also misguided into thinking that they must complete the syllabus first then write answers.

Given the nature of humanities, the syllabus completion day never comes, while the exam does.

We don't blame them. A lot of noise on the Internet and for attention—in an age of attention economy—separates the serious and sincere, well-aware student from the masses.

MGP is a self-paced, flexible, self-study plan with answer writing for the sake of accountability at regular intervals, with mentorship support that has worked for thousands of students since we launched the program in 2016.

The Year Long MGP makes sure that you take the slow, but small steps to writing answers, before being thrown into the competition.

There is no substitute for answer writing.

Now cover all relevant questions from Previous Year Questions (PYQs) in MGP 2025 with brilliantly written solutions.

With MGP 2025, rest assured that you will not only cover all well-curated, important / non-outdated* concepts from Previous Year Questions – you will also find solutions to some of those questions.

Over the course of almost 12 to 18 months, we will make sure your minds are seeded with previous years questions, so that you not only move in the right direction – you also develop the much-needed confidence in solving previous year questions.

And you will also not waste time solving PYQs that are no longer relevant (due to change in dynamic issues, and some issues becoming dead) – nor waste time researching their solutions.

But that's not all, with MGP 2025, you will be exposed to the most cutting edge and relevant dynamic questions, that make you think, that open your minds, and train you to face the actual Civil Services Mains paper.

*A large number of PYQs lose relevance over a period of time given the dynamic nature of current happenings and emergence of new factors. Due to lack of experience, a lot of students waste time solving questions that have lost relevance.

Dear ForumIAS Team, thank you for guiding me through my Mains preparation in my 3rd attempt. Particularly it helped me to excel in my Essay score (136 Marks CSE 2021) Secondly, a huge token of gratitude to Ayush Sir, for guiding me through my Interview in my 2022 attempt. This input guided me to improvise on my scores and gain 20 more marks in 2022 interview. Hope that others continue to get guided in the same manner.

**Vishnavi Paul
IAS Rank - 62, CSE 2022**

Take the Handholding Steps.

With MGP 2025, rest assured that you will be provided with handholding features that ease your academic journey as well as easy access to mentors and deliverables from the institution.

For academic journey the tests plan has been curated so that you do a) read the basic books, b) write the self-assessment test and c) finally write the evaluated MGP tests.

The syllabus has been planned in a way that at the beginning you are reading the syllabus which is foundational and common for both Prelims and Mains examination.

A new feature of SPOC (single point of contact) is being introduced which will help you seamlessly connect for mentor interactions. The SPOC will be readily available for your interactions and deliverables with the organization.

Dear Team ForumIAS

I extend my sense of thanks and gratitude to ForumIAS for playing a key role in my success. I was part of MGP, interview program, Prelims Test Series and Simulator.

At all stages of this examination, I have received support from the team, esp. Newayn [Ayush Sir].

I wish the best to all the future aspirants as well.

Rahul Srivastava
IAS Rank - 10, CSE 2022

Deliverable of Mains Guidance Program:

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. Online mentorship can be accessed by visiting https://mentorship.forumias.com/ . Offline mentorship is available at the institute.
Concept Classes Library#	With MGP++ you will get access to a video library of more than 300+ videos on static topics with rich content. The concept classes will be of 5 – 30 minutes duration with below objective a) To provide conceptual clarity on terms and keyword of syllabus. For example: separation of powers or Sevottam model or doctrine of severability etc. b) To provide value addition on topics that lack comprehensive sources . For example: Role of SHG in development or FCRA and NGO funding etc. c) To help Filer content . For example: What should I focus on French Revolution? Or What should I read under comparative constitution? *Concept Classes Library is not a replacement for GS Foundation Program.
GS Self-Assessment Micro Tests	As name suggests they are additional questions to increase the number of answer writing practise and serve the purpose of self-assessment and content building before you write the actual MGP tests on the same topics. These tests will neither be graded or evaluated.
GS Half and Full Length Tests	The GS Test Question paper is curated with idea of taking a student from basics to advanced . With that purpose the tests have been divided as Half Length Tests and Full-Length Tests. Also, you will be able to grow from writing tests starting 1.5 hours to 3 hours eventually if you follow the plan. Half-length tests will be sectional tests and will have question of basic to moderate level. Full length tests will replicate the pattern and difficulty level of UPSC .
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 Discussion	The video discussion of MGP tests ensures that 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. Discussion will be held in online mode only.
Good Copies	Peer to Peer Learning is at the heart of ForumIAS's philosophy. The Academy shall be providing good copies of the tests – GS and Essay so that you can learn from your peers.
Evaluation	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. Students have the opportunity to provide feedback on their evaluated copies in case unsatisfied and seek objective explanation on why a copy is checked in a particular manner.
Essay Test	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.

HOW TO ENROLL?

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

Visit 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.

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. While sharing screenshot do share your ForumIAS roll no. along with course paid for.

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FEE STRUCTURE

Course	Total Fees
MGP 2025 Cohort - 7 LEVEL - I : BASIC (8 GS Self-Assessment Micro Tests + 8 GS Half Length Tests) LEVEL - II : PLUS (Tests) (14 GS Micro Self-Assessment Tests + 14 GS Half Length Tests + 4 GS Full Length Tests) LEVEL - III : Revisions (4 GS Full Length Tests) LEVEL IV : (8 GS Full Length Tests)	₹ 29,000/-
MGP+ 2025 Cohort - 7 LEVEL - I : BASIC (8 GS Self-Assessment Micro Tests + 8 GS Half Length Tests) LEVEL - II : PLUS (Tests) (14 GS Micro Self-Assessment Tests + 14 GS Half Length Tests + 4 GS Full Length Tests + 4 Essay Half Length Tests) LEVEL - III : Revisions (4 GS Full Length Tests + 2 Essay Full Length Tests) LEVEL - IV : (8 GS Full Length Tests + 4 Essay Full Length Tests)	₹ 38,440/-
MGP++ 2025 Cohort - 7 LEVEL - I : BASIC (8 GS Self-Assessment Micro Tests + 8 GS Half Length Tests) LEVEL - II : PLUS (Tests) (14 GS Micro Self-Assessment Tests + 14 GS Half Length Tests + 4 GS Full Length Tests) LEVEL - III : Revisions (4 GS Full Length Tests) LEVEL - IV : (8 GS Full Length Tests) 300+ Concept classes	₹ 46,020/-
MGP++ 2025 Cohort - 7- (Including Essay Tests) LEVEL - I : BASIC (8 GS Self-Assessment Micro Tests + 8 GS Half Length Tests) LEVEL - II : PLUS (Tests) (14 GS Micro Self-Assessment Tests + 14 GS Half Length Tests + 4 GS Full Length Tests + 4 Essay Half Length Tests) LEVEL - III : Revisions (4 GS Full Length Tests + 2 Essay Full Length Tests) LEVEL - IV : (8 GS Full Length Tests + 4 Essay Full Length Tests) 300+ Concept classes	₹ 55,460/-

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- Students enrolled in any course of ForumIAS must get a physical ID card for availing services in the offline mode. A nominal fee of Rs. 30 will be payable for the same.
- 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 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.
- 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.

Detailed Test Calendar for MGP / MGP+ 2025

#	Date Code	Test Name	Duration No. of Ques.	Syllabus	References
Level I : BASIC (8 GS Self Assessment Micro Tests + 8 GS Half Length Tests)					
*The Self Assessment Micro Tests are neither evaluated nor graded.					
1.	Sunday 23 June 2024 (812101)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #1	7 Questions 1 Hour	GS Paper 2 / Topic 1, 2 Indian Constitution—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.	Sources: ForumIAS – A Summary of Indian Polity 11th NCERT: Indian Constitution at Work 12th NCERT – Politics in India after Independence Indian Polity by M Laxmikant
2.	Thursday 27 June 2024 (812201)	MGP Half Length Test #1	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	GS Paper 2 / Topic 1, 2, 3 Indian Constitution—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.	Sources: ForumIAS – A Summary of Indian Polity 11th NCERT: Indian Constitution at Work Indian Polity by M Laxmikant Introduction to Constitution of India – DD Basu 2nd ARC Reports Punchi Commission Report ForumIAS Academy –Handouts / Booklet Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Forum IAS EPIC Magazine
3.	Monday 01 July 2024 (812102)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #2	7 Questions 1 Hour	GS Paper 2 / Topic 5, 6 Parliament and State legislatures—structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers & privileges and issues arising out of these. Structure, organization and functioning of the Executive and the Judiciary—Ministries and Departments of the Government	Sources: ForumIAS – A Summary of Indian Polity 11th NCERT: Indian Constitution at Work 12th NCERT – Politics in India after Independence Indian Polity by M Laxmikant
4.	Friday 05 July 2024 (812202)	MGP Half Length Test #2	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	GS Paper 2 / Topic 4, 5, 6 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, organization and functioning of the Executive and the Judiciary—Ministries and Departments of the Government	Sources: ForumIAS – A Summary of Indian Polity 11th NCERT: Indian Constitution at Work Indian Polity by M Laxmikant 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 Forum IAS EPIC Magazine

5.	Tuesday 09 July 2024 (812103)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #3	7 Questions 1 Hour	GS Paper 2 / Topic 6, 8, 9 pressure groups and formal/informal associations and their role in the Polity Appointment to various Constitutional posts, powers, functions and responsibilities of various Constitutional Bodies Statutory, regulatory and various quasi-judicial bodies	Sources: ForumIAS – A Summary of Indian Polity 11th NCERT: Indian Constitution at Work 12th NCERT – Politics in India after Independence Indian Polity by M Laxmikant
6.	Saturday 13 July 2024 (812203)	MGP Half Length Test #3	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	GS Paper 2 / Topic 6, 8, 9 Pressure groups and formal/informal associations and their role in the Polity Appointment to various Constitutional posts, powers, functions and responsibilities of various Constitutional Bodies Statutory, regulatory and various quasi-judicial bodies	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 ForumIAS Academy – Handouts / Booklets Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Forum IAS EPIC Magazine
7.	Friday 19 July 2024 (813104)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #4	7 Questions 1 Hour	GS Paper 3 / Topic 1 Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, mobilization, of resources, growth, development and employment. (National income accounting, poverty and inequality, unemployment, human capital formation in India, inflation, fiscal policy)	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Indian Economy 11th NCERT: Economics: Indian Economic Development 12th NCERT: Macroeconomics
8.	Tuesday 23 July 2024 (813204)	MGP Half Length Test #4	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	GS Paper 3 / Topic 1 Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, mobilization, of resources, growth, development and employment. (National income accounting, poverty and inequality, unemployment and jobs, human capital formation in India, inflation, fiscal policy)	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Indian Economy 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) ForumIAS Academy Handouts/ Booklets Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Forum IAS EPIC Magazine
9.	Saturday 27 July 2024 (813105)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #5	7 Questions 1 Hour	GS Paper 3 / Topic 1 Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, mobilization, of resources, growth, development and employment. (economic reforms, planning, public finance in India, Monetary Policy, Money and Banking, External Sector)	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Indian Economy 11th NCERT: Economics: Indian Economic Development 12th NCERT: Macroeconomics
10.	Wednesday 31 July 2024 (813205)	MGP Half Length Test #5	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	GS Paper 3 / Topic 1 Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, mobilization, of resources, growth, development and employment. (economic reforms, planning, public finance in India, Monetary Policy, Money and Banking, External Sector)	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Indian Economy 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) ForumIAS Academy Handouts/ Booklets Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Forum IAS EPIC Magazine

11.	Monday 05 August 2024 (811106)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #6	7 Questions 1 Hour	GS Paper I / 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. Modern Indian history from about 1905 until independence	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Modern Indian History ForumIAS - A Summary of History of Modern India Bipin Chandra –Old NCERT “A Brief History of Modern India” –Spectrum Pub.
12.	Friday 09 August 2024 (811206)	MGP Half Length Test #6	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	GS Paper I / 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. Modern Indian history from about 1905 until independence	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Modern Indian History ForumIAS - A Summary of History of Modern India Bipin Chandra –Old NCERT “A Brief History of Modern India” –Spectrum Pub. Forum IAS EPIC Magazine
13.	Tuesday 13 August 2024 (811107)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #7	7 Questions 1 Hour	GS Paper I / Topic 6 Physical Geography: Salient features of world’s physical geography.	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Geography 11th NCERT: Physical Geography Atlas: Orient Blackswan
14.	Saturday 17 August 2024 (811207)	MGP Half Length Test #7	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	GS Paper I / Topic 6 Physical Geography: Salient features of world’s physical geography. Geomorphology and Oceanography + Climatology and Biogeography.	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Geography 11th NCERT: Physical Geography Certificate Physical and Human Geography by Goh Cheng Leong Atlas: Orient Blackswan ForumIAS Academy - Handouts / Booklet Forum IAS EPIC Magazine
15.	Wednesday 21 August 2024 (811108)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #8	7 Questions 1 Hour	GS paper I / Topic 1, 8 Art & Culture: Indian culture will cover the salient aspects of Art Forms, literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times. 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: ForumIAS Redbook – Art & Culture A summary of: History of Ancient and Medieval India 11th History book of Tamil Nadu board Text Book on Fine Arts Class XI NCERT ForumIAS Redbook – Geography 11th NCERT: Physical Geography Atlas: Orient Blackswan
16.	Sunday 25 August 2024 (811208)	MGP Half Length Test #8	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	GS paper I / Topic 1, 8 Art & Culture: Indian culture will cover the salient aspects of Art Forms, literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times. 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: ForumIAS Redbook – Art & Culture A summary of: History of Ancient and Medieval 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 ForumIAS Redbook – Geography 11th NCERT: Physical Geography Certificate Physical and Human Geography by Goh Cheng Leong Atlas: Orient Blackswan ForumIAS Academy - Handouts / Booklet Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Forum IAS EPIC Magazine

**Level II : PLUS (Tests) (14 GS Micro Self Assessment Tests + 14 GS Half Length Tests
+ 4 GS Full Length Tests + 4 Essay Half Length Tests)**

17.	Tuesday 03 September 2024 (812109)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #9	7 Questions 1 Hour	<p>GS Paper 2 / Topic 7, 11, 15 Salient features of the Representation of People's Act</p> <p>Development processes and the development industry —the role of NGOs, SHGs, various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional and other stakeholders.</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>Sources: Sources: ForumIAS – A Summary of Indian Polity 11th NCERT: Indian Constitution at Work Indian Polity by M Laxmikant</p>
18.	Saturday 07 September 2024 (812209)	MGP Half Length Test #9	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	<p>GS Paper 2 / Topic 7, 11, 15, 16 Salient features of the Representation of People's Act</p> <p>Development processes and the development industry —the role of NGOs, SHGs, various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional and other stakeholders.</p> <p>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. Role of civil services in a democracy.</p>	<p>Sources: ForumIAS – A Summary of Indian Polity 11th NCERT: Indian Constitution at Work Indian Polity by M Laxmikant Introduction to Constitution of India – DD Basu 2nd ARC Reports ForumIAS Academy handouts/ Booklets Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian express Forum IAS EPIC Magazine</p>
19.	Wednesday 11 September 2024 (812110)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #10	7 Questions 1 Hour	<p>GS Paper 2 / Topic 10, 13, 14 Government policies and interventions for development in various sectors and issues arising out of their design and implementation</p> <p>Issues relating to development and management of Social Sector/Services relating to Health, Education, Human Resources Issues relating to poverty and hunger</p>	<p>Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Indian Society and Social Issues India Year Book for Government Schemes</p>
20.	Sunday 15 September 2024 (812210)	MGP Half Length Test #10	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	<p>GS Paper 2 / Topic 10, 12, 13, 14 Government policies and interventions for development in various sectors and issues arising out of their design and implementation</p> <p>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</p> <p>Issues relating to development and management of Social Sector/Services relating to Health, Education, Human Resources Issues relating to poverty and hunger</p>	<p>Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Indian Society and Social Issues India Year Book for Government Schemes Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Annual Reports of Ministries such as Women and Child Development / HRD Ministry/ Health Ministry etc. ForumIAS Academy Handouts / Booklets Forum IAS EPIC Magazine</p>

21.	Thursday 19 September 2024 (812111)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #11	7 Questions 1 Hour	GS Paper 2 / Topic 17,18,19 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	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – International Relation Class 12 NCERT – Political Science: Contemporary World Politics
22.	Monday 23 September 2024 (812211)	MGP Half Length Test #11	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	GS Paper 2 / Topic 17,18,19, 20 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	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – International Relation 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 ForumIAS Academy Handouts/ Booklets Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Forum IAS EPIC Magazine
23.	Monday 30 September 2024 (812401)	MGP Full Length Test #1	20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks	GS Paper 2 FLT	
	Monday 30 September 2024 (810101)	Essay Test #1 (2:00 PM - 3:30 PM (only for MGP + students))		Essay Test #1 HLT	
24.	Friday 04 October 2024 (813112)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #12	7 Questions 1 Hour	GS Paper 3 / Topic 3, 8, 9 Government Budgeting Effects of liberalization on the economy, changes in industrial policy and their effects on industrial growth. Infrastructure: Energy, Ports, Roads, Airports, Railways etc.	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Indian Economy 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) ForumIAS Academy Handouts/ Booklets Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Forum IAS EPIC Magazine
25.	Tuesday 08 October 2024 (813212)	MGP Half Length Test #12	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	GS Paper 3 / Topic 2, 3, 8, 9, 10 Inclusive growth and issues arising from it. Government Budgeting Effects of liberalization on the economy, changes in industrial policy and their effects on industrial growth. Infrastructure: Energy, Ports, Roads, Airports, Railways etc. Investment Models	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Indian Economy 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 ForumIAS Academy Handouts/ Booklets Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Forum IAS EPIC Magazine

26.	Saturday 12 October 2024 (813113)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #13	7 Questions 1 Hour	GS Paper 3 / Topic 4, 5 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. 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.	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Agriculture Economic Survey Budget NITI Aayog reports on Agriculture Three Year Action Agenda, -2017-18 to 2019-20 - NITI Aayog Yojana and Kurukshetra Selective reading of Book – Indian Economy Since Independence by Uma Kapila Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express ForumIAS Academy Handouts/ Booklet
27.	Wednesday 16 October 2024 (813213)	MGP Half Length Test #13	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	GS Paper 3 / Topic 4, 5, 6, 7 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. 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	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Agriculture Economic Survey Budget NITI Aayog reports on Agriculture Yojana and Kurukshetra Selective reading of Book – Indian Economy Since Independence by Uma Kapila Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express ForumIAS Academy Handouts/ Booklet Forum IAS EPIC Magazine
28.	Sunday 20 October 2024 (813114)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #14	7 Questions 1 Hour	GS Paper 3 / Topic 11, 12 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.	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Science & Technology The Science Reporter magazine Newspapers – The Hindu (S&T section) / The Indian Express ForumIAS Academy – Handouts / Booklets Forum IAS EPIC Magazine
29.	Thursday 24 October 2024 (813214)	MGP Half Length Test #14	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	GS Paper 3 / Topic 11, 12, 13 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, Nanotechnology, biotechnology and issues relating to intellectual property rights.	Sources: Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Science & Technology The Science Reporter magazine Newspapers – The Hindu (S&T section) / The Indian Express ForumIAS Academy – Handouts / Booklets Forum IAS EPIC Magazine

30.	Monday 28 October 2024 (813115)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #15	7 Questions 1 Hour	GS Paper 3 / Topic 14, 15 Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment Disaster and disaster management	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Environment ForumIAS Redbook – Disaster Management NCERT: Class 12 Biology (Chapter 10: Ecology) 2nd ARC Report [3rd Report – Crisis management] IGNOU – MPA – 018 Disaster management ForumIAS Academy - Handouts / Booklets Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Yojana CBSE – XI book – Natural Hazards and Disaster Management. Forum IAS EPIC Magazine
31.	Thursday 31 October 2024 (813215)	MGP Half Length Test #15	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	GS Paper 3 / Topic 14, 15 Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment Disaster and disaster management	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Environment ForumIAS Redbook – Disaster Management NCERT: Class 12 Biology (Chapter 10: Ecology) 2nd ARC Report [3rd Report – Crisis management] IGNOU – MPA – 018 Disaster management ForumIAS Academy - Handouts / Booklets Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Yojana CBSE – XI book – Natural Hazards and Disaster Management Forum IAS EPIC Magazine
32.	Tuesday 05 November 2024 (813116)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #16	7 Questions 1 Hour	GS Paper 3 / Topic 16,17,18 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	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Internal Security 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 Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Forum IAS EPIC Magazine
33.	Saturday 09 November 2024 (813216)	MGP Half Length Test #16	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	GS Paper 3 / Topic 16,17,18,19, 20 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	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Internal Security 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 Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Forum IAS EPIC Magazine

34.	Saturday 16 November 2024 (813402)	MGP Full Length Test #2	20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks	GS Paper 3 FLT	
	Saturday 16 November 2024 (810102)	Essay Test #2 (2:00 PM - 3:30 PM (only for MGP + students)		Essay Test #2 HLT	
35.	Wednesday 20 November 2024 (814117)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #17	7 Questions 1 Hour	GS Paper 4 / Topic 1, 8 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 Case Studies on above issues.	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Ethics Integrity and Aptitude Selective Study from G. Subbarao
36.	Sunday 24 November 2024 (814217)	MGP Half Length Test #17	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	GS Paper 4 / Topic 1, 5, 8 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. Contribution of Moral Thinkers and Philosophers: Western & Indian. Case Studies on above issues.	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Ethics Integrity and Aptitude 2nd ARC Reports (Citizen Centric Administration, Refurbishing Personnel Administration, RTI: Master Key to Good Governance) Selective Study from G. Subbarao Newspaper and internet. 2nd ARC Reports – Ethics in Governance Forum IAS EPIC Magazine
37.	Thursday 28 November 2024 (814118)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #18	7 Questions 1 Hour	GS Paper 4 / Topic 2, 8 Attitude: content, structure, function; its influence and relation with thought and behaviour; moral and political attitudes; social influence and persuasion. Case Studies on above issues.	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Ethics Integrity and Aptitude Selective Study from G. Subbarao
38.	Sunday 01 December 2024 (814218)	MGP Half Length Test #18	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	GS Paper 4 / Topic 2, 4, 8 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. Case Studies on above issues.	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Ethics Integrity and Aptitude 2nd ARC Reports Selective Study from G. Subbarao Newspaper and internet. Forum IAS EPIC Magazine
39.	Thursday 05 December 2024 (814119)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #19	7 Questions 1 Hour	GS Paper 4 / Topic 3, 6, 8 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	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Ethics Integrity and Aptitude Selective Study from G. Subbarao

				<p>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.</p> <p>Case Studies on above issues.</p>	
40.	Monday 09 December 2024 (814219)	MGP Half Length Test #19	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	<p>GS Paper 4 / Topic 3, 6, 7, 8 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</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Case Studies on above issues.</p>	<p>Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Ethics Integrity and Aptitude 2nd ARC Reports (Citizen Centric Administration, Refurbishing Personnel Administration, RTI: Master Key to Good Governance) Selective Study from G. Subbarao Newspaper and internet. 2nd ARC Reports – Ethics in Governance Forum IAS EPIC Magazine</p>
41.	Monday 16 December 2024 (814403)	MGP Full Length Test #3	20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks	GS Paper 4 FLT	
	Monday 16 December 2024 (810103)	Essay Test #3 (2:00 PM - 3:30 PM (only for MGP + students)		Essay Test #3 HLT	
42.	Friday 20 December 2024 (811120)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #20	7 Questions 1 Hour	<p>GS Paper I / 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. World History: Topics in earlier test + events from world war I and onwards.</p>	<p>Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – World History NCERT Arjun Dev Norman Lowe John Green Crash Course: World History</p>

43.	Tuesday 24 December 2024 (811220)	MGP Half Length Test #20	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	GS Paper I / 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. World History: Topics in earlier test + events from world war I and onwards.	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – World History NCERT Arjun Dev Norman Lowe John Green Crash Course World History Forum IAS EPIC Magazine
44.	Saturday 28 December 2024 (81121)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #21	7 Questions 1 Hour	GS Paper I / 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 NCERT - 12th–Indian Society NCERT - 12th–Social Change and Development in India
45.	Thursday 02 January 2025 (811221)	MGP Half Length Test #21	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	GS Paper I / 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 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 Forum IAS EPIC Magazine
46.	Monday 06 January 2025 (81122)	*MGP Self Assessment Micro Test #22	7 Questions 1 Hour	GS Paper I / 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).	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Geography 11th NCERT: Physical Geography 12th NCERT: Human geography. Atlas: Orient Blackswan
47.	Friday 10 January 2025 (811222)	MGP Half Length Test #22	10 Questions 1.5 Hours	GS Paper I / Topic 7, 3 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 3: Post-Independence: Post-independence consolidation and reorganization within the country.	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Geography 11th NCERT: Physical Geography Certificate Physical and Human Geography by Goh Cheng Leong 12th NCERT: Human geography. Internet for industries and resource distribution Atlas: Orient Blackswan ForumIAS Redbook – Post Independence India 12th NCERT –Politics in India after Independence ForumIAS Academy - Handouts / Booklet Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Forum IAS EPIC Magazine
48.	Friday 17 January 2025 (811404)	MGP Full Length Test #4	20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks	GS Paper I FLT	
	Friday 17 January 2025 (810104)	Essay Test #4 (2:00 PM - 3:30 PM (only for MGP + students))		Essay Test #4 HLT	

**Level III : Revisions (4 GS Full Length Tests +
2 Essay Full Length Tests)**

49.	Friday 31 January 2025 (810105)	Essay Test #5 2:00 PM - 5 PM (Only for MGP+ Students)	2 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks	Essay Test #5 FLT	
50.	Saturday 01 February 2025 (811405)	MGP Full Length Test # 5	20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks	GS Paper 1 / FLT	
51.	Saturday 01 February 2025 (812406)	MGP Full Length Test # 6	20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks	GS Paper 2 / FLT	
52.	Sunday 02 February 2025 (813407)	MGP Full Length Test # 7	20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks	GS Paper 3 FLT	
53.	Sunday 02 February 2025 (814408)	MGP Full Length Test # 8	20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks	GS Paper 4 / FLT	
54.	Sunday 09 February 2025 (810106)	Essay Test #6 2:00 PM - 5 PM (Only for MGP+ Students)	2 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks	Essay Test #6 FLT	

PRELIMS 2025 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 2025 Mains Simulator Tests will be released within 1 week of Prelims.

Level IV : SIMULATORS (8 GS Full Length Tests + 4 Essay Full Length Tests)

55.	3 - 7 weeks after prelims	MGP Full Length Test # 9	20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks
56.	3 - 7 weeks after prelims	MGP Full Length Test # 10	20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks
57.	3 - 7 weeks after prelims	Essay Full Length Test # 3	2 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks
58.	3 - 7 weeks after prelims	MGP Full Length Test # 11	20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks
59.	3 - 7 weeks after prelims	MGP Full Length Test # 12	20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks
60.	3 - 7 weeks after prelims	Essay Full Length Test # 4	2 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks

61.	8 - 12 weeks after prelims	MGP Full Length Test # 13	20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks
62.	8 - 12 weeks after prelims	MGP Full Length Test # 14	20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks
63.	8 - 12 weeks after prelims	Essay Full Length Test # 5	2 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks
64.	8 - 12 weeks after prelims	MGP Full Length Test # 15	20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks
65.	8 - 12 weeks after prelims	MGP Full Length Test # 16	20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks
66.	8 - 12 weeks after prelims	Essay Full Length Test # 6	2 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks