



Prelims-cum-Mains

# Foundation

Program for CSE 2025-26

Online &  
Offline  
in **Patna**

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

Start Date

**16** | Sep.  
2024

P6 - 4:00 PM

## ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The GS Foundation Program is a **prelims-cum-mains classroom-led Guidance Program** that provides a **single and unified 360-degree preparation roadmap** to aspirants of UPSC Civil Services Examination (CSE).

The Program aims to build relevant content and develop capability in the key areas of problem solving, analytical skills and answer writing in order to be ready for all stages of the IAS examination.

This interactive and intensive program combines lectures, regular assignments/tests and mentorship to help you set a solid foundation. Each student will be tested on their knowledge and understanding of the key concepts for each subject area in order to benchmark their progress against their peers.

### Why choose GS Foundation @ForumIAS?

*We will give you four reasons:*

- **Firstly**, ForumIAS has been a preferred choice among quality students. In past 7 years over 2000 students from ForumIAS have successfully cleared the Civil Services examination including Rank 1 in 2017 (Anudeep Duraishetty), 2021 (Ms. Shruti Sharma), 2022 (Ms. Ishita Kishore) and 2023 (Aditya Srivastava).
- **Secondly**, we understand the demand of the examination and dynamism attached with civil services examination. At ForumIAS we continually learn from our successful students and keep updating ourselves to ensure relevance in all services being provided to student.
- **Thirdly**, Foundation @ ForumIAS covers all 360-degree aspect of your preparation. We understand that there are multiple factors that might affect your preparation journey, so we have prepared all the resources and content in such a way that you can learn and benefit from them to be able to crack the examination in one go.
- **Fourthly**, we understand this exam is also psychological and hence the need of student and were pioneer in brining mentorship to the student.

# Components of GS Foundation Program

## *Comprehensive Preparation In Dedicated Timeline*

The foundation program helps students do the right thing at the right time. With a focus 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

### **700+ hours of 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 from Monday to Saturday as well while making sure that sufficient preparation leave is provided before the BTs.

### **CSAT Classes**

Considering aptitude test, the Achilles' heel of everyone, we provide a riveting strategy and proper methodology for CSAT. Class will be supplemented by materials and practice questions. There will be regular discussion of Previous Years Questions to keep you in tune with the recent trend of the exam.

With the expert team of specialists in mental ability and English, we will reduce the time taken for preparing the CSAT paper by providing sound conceptual clarity and regular practice.

### **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. One class of current affairs will be conducted weekly and available in online mode only for Patna Students.

### **Essay Guidance Program**

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 will ensure that students are able to tackle unconventional, abstract and philosophical topics following the current trend.

## EVALUATIONS & REVISION

### **150+ 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. The tests are based on important topics covered in the class from an examination point of view, thus not only drawing attention on the most important aspects of a topic, but also to help a student prepare better notes for themselves with the help of model answers and references provided for the assignments.

### **Bimonthly Benchmarks Tests (BTs)**

The second step of evaluation & revision components is benchmark test. The benchmark test (comprises both objective and subjective tests), is 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. The quality of questions, solutions and evaluation of subjective questions adhere to the standards set by our MGP program.

### Select Focus Group (SFG) - 45+ Test

The third step of evaluation & revision components is SFG. The SFG begins post your completion of GS Classes. It consists of 50 Questions / 1 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.

### All India Prelims simulator

Students will get access to one of the most relevant & coveted test series for Prelims i.e. ForumIAS all India Simulators. This will comprise 8 GS full length + 6 CSAT full length along side 2 All India mock Tests.

### Answer Writing Focus Group (AWFG) - 25+ Tests

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.

### 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. Students will have the option to choose between 8 Sectional + 5 Full-Length Tests and 8 Full-Length Tests.

### Interview Guidance Program (IGP)

The sixth step of evaluation and revision component is IGP. It is a mock session-based guidance program to acquaint the candidate with the format and expectations of the Personality Test conducted by the Union Public Service Commission.

## NOTE

GSFP students will get access to the SFG and AWFG programs; however, they need to pay the registration fees and take the entrance exam.

## SUPPORT COMPONENTS

### Dedicated Teaching Assistant (TA)

A dedicated TA 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.

### Post Class Completion Support

Mentorship support is available until you clear the exam. Additional courses of your interest are available at highly concessional fees.

## FEE STRUCTURE

Course	Total Fees (Online + Offline)
<b>GS Foundation – Offline Only</b> (GS Comprehensive includes - MGP Test Series, All India Simulator (Prelims) Test Series, Essay Guidance Program, AWFG, SFG and Current Affairs)	₹ 80,000 + GST (18%)
<b>GS Foundation Program 2025 – GS Comprehensive - Offline/Online</b> (GS Comprehensive includes - MGP Test Series, All India Simulator (Prelims) Test Series, Essay Guidance Program, AWFG, SFG and Current Affairs)	₹ 1,25,000/-
<b>GS Foundation Program 2025 – GS Comprehensive + CSAT</b>	₹ 1,37,000/-
<b>GS Foundation Program 2025 – GS Comprehensive + Optional</b> (*Optional Available – Anthropology, Sociology, Political Science and International Relations & Public Administration)	₹ 1,65,000/-
<b>GS Foundation Program 2025 – GS Comprehensive + CSAT + Optional</b> (*Optional Available – Anthropology, Sociology, Political Science and International Relations & Public Administration)	₹ 1,75,000/-

★ For students enrolling in online-only classes, eligibility includes access to live streaming sessions and recorded classes after the live streaming concludes. However, they will not be able to attend offline classes or tests at offline centers.

★ For students enrolling in both offline and online classes, they will have access to offline classes at the ForumIAS Patna Centre and online classes on the portal.

## 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.
- The program is non-refundable and non-transferable.
- 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 [admission.patna@forumias.academy](mailto:admission.patna@forumias.academy).
- Please create an account on <https://academy.forumias.com> before enrolling either offline or online.
- This program will be valid till Mains 2026.
- 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.

## HOW TO ENROL?

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 [admission.patna@forumias.academy](mailto:admission.patna@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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## NOTE:

- 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 subjects.
- 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 Sundays as well.
- Institute shall have discretion to take corrective measures for irregular or non-disciplinary activities of the students.

# CLASS STRUCTURE

Class Size

Restricted to 50 Students

Mode	As per the fee payment	
Class Duration	3 hours (1 class of 3 hours each, per day)	
Class Timing	Monday - Saturday (04:00 PM to 07:00 PM)	
Course Schedule	All students will be provided with tentative schedule before the classes commence.	
Course Duration	12 to 14 Months	840+ hours
Course Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Classes on GS</li> <li>● Benchmark Assignments (BAs)</li> <li>● Benchmark Tests (BTs) (Focus on Prelims + Mains Preparation Simultaneously)</li> <li>● Current Affairs Classes</li> <li>● Essay Guidance Program</li> <li>● SFG</li> <li>● AWFG</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>BAs</b> conducted regularly covering the topics taught in class that day.</li> <li>● <b>BTs</b> conducted at regular intervals comprising of Full Length Mains &amp; Full Length Prelims Test.</li> <li>● <b>Select Focus Group (SFG)</b> – Daily Prelims test series to provide comprehensive syllabus coverage.</li> <li>● <b>Answer Writing Focus Group (AWFG)</b> – Mains Oriented comprehensive test series comprising 3-4 tests/week.</li> </ul>
Curated Content to Supplement Classroom Teaching	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Crisp Handouts</b> provided after GS class</li> <li>● <b>Forum Red books</b> – study material</li> <li>● <b>Summary Books</b> based on standard books and NCERTs</li> <li>● <b>Prelims Toolkit</b> – to provide practice for Prelims exams</li> <li>● <b>Monthly Current Affairs Magazines</b> ForumIAS EPIC magazine</li> </ul>	
Doubt Clearing all along the way	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 3-4 Layers of doubt clearing mechanism to provide clarity on any confusion to the student.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Teaching Assistant (TA)</b> present in class as a friend to engage with student with their doubts.</li> <li>● Dedicated regular <b>Doubt Clearing Sessions (DCS)</b> after every 10-12 classes.</li> <li>● <b>Exclusive Mentor guidance</b> to clear academic doubts and guide students throughout their UPSC journey.</li> </ul>