

MAINS GUIDANCE PROGRAM 2025

Under the guidance of Ayush Sinha, Founder, ForumIAS

The best

MGP

ever

Cohort - 20 (Rapid) (& December 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 1, 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.

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.

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 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.

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 Halfand 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.		
GSTest Solution	The solution to GSTests 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.		
GSTest 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 FourmIAS'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.		

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 <u>admissions@forumias.academy</u> 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.

For any query you can call us at

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FEE STRUCTURE			
Course	Total Fees		
MGP 2025 Cohort - 20 (Rapid) 21 Tests: 16 Full Length Test + 5 Open Simulators	₹ 1*,199/-		
MGP Prime 2025 Cohort - 20 (Rapid) 300+ Concept Classes & 21 Tests: 16 Full Length Test + 5 Open Simulators + Yearlong Current Affairs Classes	₹ ' ',199/-		

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 Test Code	Test Name	Topic Syllabus
01.	Wed., 25 Dec, 2024 814403	MGP Full Length Test #I (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 4 / FLT Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude. (Complete Syllabus Test)
02.	Sunday, 05 Jan, 2024 813402	MGP Full Length Test #2 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 3 / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)
03.	Sunday, 12 Jan, 2025 812401	MGP Full Length Test #3 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 2 / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)
04.	Sunday, 02 Feb, 2025 811404	MGP Full Length Test #4 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper I / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)
05.	Sunday, 16 Feb, 2025 811405	MGP Full Length Test # 5 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper I / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)
06.	Sunday, 02 March, 2025 812406	MGP Full Length Test # 6 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 2 / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)
07.	Sunday, 16 March, 2025 813407	MGP Full Length Test # 7 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 3 / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)
08.	Sunday, 30 March, 2025 814408	MGP Full Length Test # 8 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 4 / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)

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 I week of Prelims.

09.	3 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2025 Test #I	GS Paper I / FLT	As Mentioned in Previous Test
10.	4 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2025 Test #2	GS Paper 2 / FLT	As Mentioned in Previous Test
11.	5 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2025 Test #3	GS Paper 3 / FLT	As Mentioned in Previous Test
12.	6 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2025 Test #4	GS Paper 4 / FLT	As Mentioned in Previous Test
13.	7 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2025 Test #5	GS Paper I / FLT	As Mentioned in Previous Test
14.		MGP 2025 Test #6	GS Paper 2 / FLT	As Mentioned in Previous Test
15.	8 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2025 Test #7	GS Paper 3 / FLT	As Mentioned in Previous Test
16.		MGP 2025 Test #8	GS Paper 4 / FLT	As Mentioned in Previous Test

All India Mains Open Simulator Tests					
17.	2 Weeks before Mains examination	Essay Open Test	Essay	Not to be evaluated	
18.	2 Weeks before	GS Paper I – Open Test	GS Paper I / FLT	Not to be evaluated	
19.	Mains examination	GS Paper 2 – Open Test	GS Paper 2 / FLT		
20.	2 Weeks before	GS Paper 3 – Open Test	GS Paper 3 / FLT	Not to be evaluated	
21.	Mains examination	GS Paper 4 – Open Test	GS Paper 4 / FLT		

Upon completion of evaluation, your MGP copies will be sent to you via mail. You may collect the hard copies of these copies within 7 days, after which they will be securely destroyed.

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