

# MAINS GUIDANCE PROGRAM

# MGP 2025

Under the guidance of Ayush Sinha, Founder, ForumIAS

Pioneer of One to One Mentorship

## Starts: 15 June 2025

## Cohort - 27

**MGP** 12 Tests: 8 Sectional Tests + 4 Full Length Tests

**MGP+** 16 Tests: 8 Sectional Tests + 4 Full Length Tests + 4 Essay Tests

I, Banna Venkatesh enrolled in Forum IAS MGP – 2023, 2024 test series for mains and got benefitted from the same. The test series pattern with good model answers and timely feedback helped me improve my mains answer writing, contributed to my success in both civil services 2023 (rank – 467, IPS) and CSE 2024 (rank 15). I thank ForumIAS for their support in my preparation.

Banna Venkatesh  
IAS Rank 15, CSE 2024

My heartfelt gratitude goes to the Forum IAS team for helping me in achieving this feat of AIR-16 in CSE 2024. I was a part of the MGP test series, Current Affairs classes as well as the Interview Guidance Program by Ayush sir. The test series is very well drafted with relevant keywords/value additions in the model answers.

Thank you once again to the whole team.

Madhav Agarwal  
IAS Rank 16, CSE 2024

I enrolled in the ForumIAS Mains Guidance Programme for CSE-2022 and CSE-2024. The well-designed tests, timely evaluation, and crisp model answers helped me improve my answer writing. Regular mentorship calls also helped clarify doubts. ForumIAS played a key role in helping me secure AIR 352 in 2023 (IDAS) and AIR 17 in 2024 (UPSC). I thank Ayush sir and his team for such quality input to my preparation and wish them best of luck for the journey ahead.

Sanskriti Trivedy  
IAS Rank 17, CSE 2024

**How did we build an academy which has sent 2 out of every 3 students selected in Civil Services Examination since 2016 – including Rank 1(5 times), 2,3,4(3 times), 5(3 times), 6(3 times), 7(3 times), 8(3 times), 9(2 times), 10 (2 times) 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. We are young & dynamic and identify what works and what does not. 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 2024 in Top 100, being students of Mains Guidance program 2024, 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 UPSC 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] Donuru Ananya Reddy (IAS Rank 3), Komal Punia (IAS Rank 6), Aayushi Bansal (IAS Rank 7), Pratyush Pandey (IAS Rank 21), Saurabh Sharma (IAS Rank 23), Chandrajyoti (IAS Rank 25)
- [2] Aditya Srivastava (IAS Rank 1), Ishita Kishore (IAS Rank 1), Shruti Sharma (IAS Rank 1), Ruhani (IAS Rank 5), Varun Reddy (IAS Rank 7)
- [3] Anudeep Durishetty (IAS Rank 1), Waseem (IAS Rank 7)

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I enrolled myself in the Forum Mains Guidance Program+ for GS and Essay Test series. The answer writing practice and written feedback from ForumIAS helped me improve my answers and get a high score in my General Studies papers.

- Shruti Sharma, IAS Rank – I, CSE 2021

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# 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.

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**Mains Guidance Program (MGP)** helped me in simulating Mains and the feedback was helpful too. Thank you for so much efficiency in paper checking and the elaborate feedback. Mentorship session by Ayush Sir was very helpful.

**Ishita Kishore**  
IAS Rank - 1, CSE 2022

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I joined MGP in my CSE 2022 attempt and got benefitted from the detailed evaluation and timely query resolution of ForumIAS. Thanks to ForumIAS.

**Aditya Srivastava**  
IAS Rank - 1, CSE 2023

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

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MGP has been extremely helpful in replicating the standard of questions asked by UPSC to a large extent. The model answers provided by the team were crucial to value addition.

I would like to express my gratitude to the entire Forum IAS team and Ayush sir for motivating and guiding me.

Riya Saini  
IAS Rank - 22, CSE 2024

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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

## Our Notable Topper (UPSC CSE 2024)

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This is E. Sai Shivani, secured **AIR 11 in UPSC CSE 2024**. During my preparation, I was associated with FORUM IAS. Especially during **Mains 2024**, I had enrolled in mains test series (8 FLT's). The timely evaluation of the copies, model answers helped me assess my level of preparedness. The kind of questions that were asked in the tests gave me certain inputs, which helped me in updating my notes. I take this moment to express my heartfelt gratitude to the team FORUM IAS

E. Sai Shivani  
IAS Rank - 11, CSE 2024

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**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.**

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Ayush sir always used to say one thing — “Fear kills more dreams than failure ever will.” This line has stayed with me throughout my UPSC journey and has provided me the courage to embrace failures, learn from them and improve everyday. The Forum IAS courses — Ethics, Current Affairs, MGP, AWFG have been instrumental in getting Rank 57. Special thanks to Ayush Sir for always motivating me to achieve something big! Thank you to the entire forum community for their guidance.

Lavanya Gaur  
IAS Rank - 57, CSE 2024

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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.

## **Our Notable Topper** (UPSC CSE 2024)

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**From shepherd to Civil Servant:** Kolhapur's Birdev Siddhappa cracks UPSC with AIR 551.

ForumIAS celebrate the historic success of Birdev Siddhappas, who has secured AIR 551 in UPSC CSE 2024. Birdev has successfully cleared the exam in his 3rd attempt. A student of ForumIAS MGP 2023 and MGP 2024.

Birdev Siddhappa  
IAS Rank - 551, CSE 2024

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**Now cover all  
relevant  
questions from  
Previous Year  
Questions  
( PYQs ) in MGP  
2026 with  
brilliantly  
written  
solutions.**

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**Thank you for crafting a wonderful  
Test Series (MGP) that not only has a  
high question hit rate but also an  
extensive solution and topper  
Section to add value.**

**Thanks for helping clear Mains.**

**Muditra Bansal  
IAS Rank - 44, CSE 2024**

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With MGP 2026, 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 2026, 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.

## **Our Notable Topper**

(UPSC CSE 2024)

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Abhishek Sharma

IAS Rank - 38, CSE 2024

Thank you FRC for transforming the life of my loving son Abhishek Sharma who secured UPSC AIR 38 in the year 2024.

Actually Forum is the place which guided him right from day one to the final result.

I express my sincere gratitude and thanks on behalf of my entire family.

Thank you Forum.

A.K. SHARMA  
(Father of Abhishek Sharma)

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# Impeccable Mentors that our students vouch for.

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I would like to express my sincere gratitude for the support provided by the team during my preparation.

I was part of the Mains Guidance Programme (MGP) which provides GS and Essay test series. Quality of test series with timely feedback helped me identify my weaknesses and improve my answer writing.

Shivani Mohan  
IAS Rank - 71, CSE 2024

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I'm Vaibhav Kumar, I have secured AIR 90 in UPSC Civil Services Exam 2024. I had also secured AIR 151 in CSE 2023. In 2023, I was part of MGP 2023. In 2024, I joined the Essay Guidance Program 2024. The essay guidance program was helpful as I was constantly guided by the able mentors at ForumIAS.

I'm really thankful to team ForumIAS in my journey!

Vaibhav Kumar  
IAS Rank - 90, CSE 2024

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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.

## Our Notable Topper

(UPSC CSE 2024)

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Zinnia Aurora has secured AIR-156 in the UPSC IAS Civil Services Examination 2024. She was a student of the ForumIAS Residential Coaching (FRC) 2024 Program.

Her dedication and disciplined routine at the FRC played a key role in her success.

The ForumIAS community congratulates her and wishes her the very best for her service journey.

Zinnia Aurora  
IAS Rank - 156, CSE 2024

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## Deliverable of Mains Guidance Program:

<b>Mentorship</b>	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 <a href="https://mentorship.forumias.com/">https://mentorship.forumias.com/</a> . Offline mentorship is available at the institute.
<b>GS Tests</b>	The GSTest Question paper is curated with idea of taking a <b>student from basics to advanced</b> . Also, you will be able to <b>grow from writing tests starting 1.5 hours to 3 hours eventually</b> if you follow the plan. Sectional tests will have question of basic to moderate level. Full length tests will <b>replicate the pattern and difficulty level of UPSC</b> .
<b>GS Test Solution</b>	The solution to GS Tests is curated with a philosophy to <b>provide adequate content</b> for answering the question in hand. <b>Added content</b> is provided under Knowledge Base/Extra Information separate from the answer, as and when required.
<b>GS Test Discussion</b>	The video discussion of MGP tests ensures that student is exposed to <b>different ways of answer writing</b> 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. <b>Discussion will be held in online mode only.</b>
<b>Good Copies</b>	<b>Peer to Peer Learning</b> 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.
<b>Evaluation</b>	The parameters of evaluation at ForumIAS continuously evolves to adapt to the <b>changing demand of the examination</b> , 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 <b>provide feedback on their evaluated copies in case unsatisfied and seek objective explanation</b> 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 [admissions@forumias.academy](mailto: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.

For any query you can call us at

+91 – 9311740400, 9311740900 or write to us at [admissions@forumias.academy](mailto:admissions@forumias.academy)



## IMPORTANT NOTE

Students who have taken admission in courses meant for Mains 2025 but are unsuccessful at Prelims 2025, can now migrate their course to any other course meant for Prelims/Mains 2026 by paying the balance fees if any applicable. They can also choose to continue in the course they have taken admission into. **There will be no provision of refund of fees. This is applicable only for courses purchased between Prelims Examination 2025 and declaration of its result.**

## FEE STRUCTURE

Course	Total Fees
<b>MGP 2025 Cohort - 27</b> 12 Tests: 8 Sectional Tests + 4 Full Length Tests	₹ 12,000/-
<b>MGP+ 2025 Cohort - 27</b> 16 Tests: 8 Sectional Tests + 4 Full Length Tests + 4 Essay Tests	₹ 16,000/-

### 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.
- The Course is valid till **September 2025**.

# Detailed Test Calendar for MGP / MGP+ 2025

#	Date   Test Code	Test Syllabus	Topic Syllabus	Source
<b>(Essay Tests are only for MGP+ Students.)</b>				
1.	<b>Sunday 15 June 2025   812551</b>	<b>MGP Sectional Test #1 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)</b>	<b>GS Paper 2 / Topic 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11,</b> Topic 1: Indian Constitution—historical underpinnings, evolution, features, amendments, significant provisions and basic structure. Topic 2: 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. Topic 3: Separation of powers between various organs dispute redressal mechanisms and institutions. Topic 4: Comparison of the Indian constitutional scheme with that of other countries. Topic 5: Parliament and State legislatures structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers & privileges and issues arising out of these. Topic 6: Structure, organization and functioning of the Executive and the Judiciary—Ministries and Departments of the Government; pressure groups and formal/informal associations and their role in the Polity Topic 7: Salient features of the Representation of People's Act. Topic 8: Appointment to various Constitutional posts, powers, functions and responsibilities of various Constitutional Bodies. Topic 9: Statutory, regulatory and various quasijudicial bodies. Topic 11: Development processes and the development industry —the role of NGOs, SHGs, various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional and other stakeholders.	<b>Sources:</b> 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 Subhash Kashyap – Our Constitution, Our Parliament Introduction to Constitution of India – DD Basu ForumIAS Academy – Handouts / Booklet Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Epic magazine for current affairs.

2.	Tuesday, 24 June 2025   812552	MGP Sectional Test #2 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper 2 / Topic 10, 12,13,14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20</b> Topic 10: Government policies and interventions for development in various sectors and issues arising out of their design and implementation Topic 12: 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 Topic 13: Issues relating to development and management of Social Sector/Services relating to Health, Education, Human Resources Topic 14: Issues relating to poverty and hunger Topic 15: 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. Topic 16: Role of civil services in a democracy Topic 17: India and its neighbourhood-relations. Topic 18: Bilateral, regional and global groupings and agreements involving India and/or affecting India's interests Topic 19: Effect of policies and politics of developed and developing countries on India's interests, Indian diaspora Topic 20: Important International institutions, agencies and fora- their structure, mandate	<b>Sources:</b> ForumIAS Redbook – Indian Society and Social Issues 2nd ARC Report [10th Report – Refurbishing of Personnel Administration, 11th Report – promoting e- governance, 12th Report – Citizen Centric Administration,] Three Year Action Agenda – 2017-18 to 2019-20 – NITI Aayog India Year Book for Government Schemes Annual Reports of Ministries such as Women and Child Development / HRD Ministry/ Health Ministry etc. Book – Challenge and Strategy: Rethinking India's Foreign Policy by Rajiv Sikri The Indian Way – Strategies for an uncertain world – S.Jaishankar. 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
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## GS Paper – 2 SYLLABUS COMPLETED

3.	Wednesday, 25 June, 2025   810401	Essay Test #1 (Only for MGP+ Students)	Essay Test #1 / FLT	
4.	Tuesday, 01 July 2025   813553	MGP Sectional Test #3 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper 3/ Topic: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8,</b> Topic 1: Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, mobilization, of resources, growth, development and employment. Topic 2: Inclusive growth and issues arising from it.	<b>Sources:</b> ForumIAS Redbook – Indian Economy ForumIAS Redbook – Agriculture 11th NCERT: Economics: Indian Economic Development 12th NCERT: Macroeconomics Economic Survey of India

			<p>Topic 3: Government Budgeting</p> <p>Topic 4: 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.</p> <p>Topic 5: 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.</p> <p>Topic 6: Food processing and related industries in India- scope' and significance, location, upstream and downstream requirements, supply chain management.</p> <p>Topic 7: Land reforms in India</p> <p>Topic 8: Effects of liberalization on the economy, changes in industrial policy and their effects on industrial growth</p>	<p>Selective reading of Indian Economy Since Independence - Uma Kapila</p> <p>2nd ARC Report (Strengthening Financial Management Systems)</p> <p>Three Year Action Agenda - 2017-18 to 2019-20 -</p> <p>NITI Aayog Budget NITI Aayog reports on Agriculture Yojana and Kurukshetra</p> <p>11th NCERT: Economics: Indian Economic Development</p> <p>12th NCERT: Macroeconomics India Since Independence by</p> <p>Bipin Chandra [for Land reforms]</p> <p>ForumIAS Academy - Handouts / Booklet</p> <p>Newspapers - The Hindu/ The Indian Express</p> <p>Epic magazine for current affairs.</p>
5.	Thursday, 10 July 2025   813554	MGP Sectional Test #4 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<p><b>GS Paper 3/ Topic: 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20</b></p> <p>Topic 9: Infrastructure: Energy, Ports, Roads, Airports, Railways etc.</p> <p>Topic 10: Investment models</p> <p>Topic 11: Science and Technology- developments and their applications and effects in everyday life</p> <p>Topic 12: Achievements of Indians in science &amp; technology; indigenization of technology and developing new technology.</p> <p>Topic 13: Awareness in the fields of IT, Space, Computers, robotics, Nanotechnology, biotechnology and issues relating to intellectual property rights.</p> <p>Topic 14: Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment</p> <p>Topic 15: Disaster and disaster management</p> <p>Topic 16: Linkages between development and spread of extremism</p> <p>Topic 17: Role of external state and non-state actors in creating challenges to internal security</p>	<p><b>Sources:</b></p> <p>ForumIAS Redbook - Science &amp; Technology</p> <p>ForumIAS Redbook - Environment</p> <p>ForumIAS Redbook - Internal Security</p> <p>The Science Reporter magazine</p> <p>NCERT: Class 12 Biology (Chapter 10: Ecology)</p> <p>2nd ARC Report [3rd Report - Crisis management]</p> <p>IGNOU - MPA - 018 Disaster management Yojana</p> <p>CBSE - XI book - Natural Hazards and Disaster Management</p> <p>2nd ARC (7th Report Capacity Building for Conflict Resolution)</p> <p>2nd ARC (8th Report Combating Terrorism - Protecting by Righteousness) IDSA reports</p> <p>The Oxford's Handbook of India's National Security</p> <p>NCERT Class 12 - Contemporary World</p>

			<p>Topic 18: 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</p> <p>Topic 19: Security challenges and their management in border areas – linkages of organized crime with terrorism</p> <p>Topic 20: Various Security forces and agencies and their mandate</p>	<p>ForumIAS Academy – Handouts / Booklets</p> <p>Newspapers – The Hindu (S&amp;T section) / The Indian Express</p> <p>Epic magazine for current affairs.</p>
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## GS Paper – 3 SYLLABUS COMPLETED

6.	Thursday, 10 July, 2025   810402	Essay Test #2 (Only for MGP+ Students)	Essay Test # 2 / FLT	
7.	Tuesday, 15 July 2025   814555	MGP Sectional Test #5 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<p><b>GS Paper 4/ Topic: 1, 2, 4, 5 + Case studies on these topics</b></p> <p>Topic 1: 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.</p> <p>Topic 2: Attitude: content, structure, function; its influence and relation with thought and behaviour; moral and political attitudes; social influence and persuasion.</p> <p>Topic 4: Emotional intelligence – concepts, and their utilities and application in administration and governance.</p> <p>Topic 5: Contribution of Moral</p>	<p><b>Source:</b></p> <p>ForumIAS Redbook – Ethics Integrity and Aptitude</p> <p>Selective Study from G.Subbarao Newspaper and internet.</p> <p>2nd ARC Reports – Ethics in Governance</p>
8.	Sunday, 20 July 2025   814556	MGP Sectional Test #6 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<p><b>GS Paper 4/ Topic 3,6,7 and case studies on these topics</b></p> <p>Topic 3: 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>Topic 6: 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.</p>	<p><b>Sources:</b></p> <p>ForumIAS Redbook – Ethics Integrity and Aptitude</p> <p>2nd ARC Reports – Ethics in Governance, (Citizen Centric Administration, Refurbishing</p> <p>Personnel Administration, RTI: Master Key to Good Governance)</p> <p>Selective Study from G.Subbarao Newspaper and internet.</p>



Topic 7: 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.

## GS Paper - 4 SYLLABUS COMPLETED

9. Wednesday, 23 July 2025 | 810403  
Essay Test #3 (Only for MGP+ Students)  
Essay Test #3 / FLT

10. Sunday, 27 July 2025 | 811557  
MGP Sectional Test #7 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)  
**GS Paper-1 / Topics 1,2,3,4**  
Topic 1: Art & Culture: Indian culture will cover the salient aspects of Art Forms, literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times.  
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.  
Topic 3: Post-Independence: Post-independence consolidation and reorganization within the country.  
Topic 4: World History: History of the world will include events from 18th century such as industrial revolution, world wars, redrawal of national boundaries, colonization, decolonization, political philosophies like communism, capitalism, socialism etc.— their forms and effect on the society.  
**Sources:**  
ForumIAS - A Summary of History of Modern India  
ForumIAS Redbook – Post Independence India  
ForumIAS Redbook – World History  
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  
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](http://www.nios.ac.in)  
12th NCERT –Politics in India after Independence  
Selective reading of India since independence by Bipin Chandra or India After Gandhi by Ramchandra Guha  
Bipin Chandra –Old NCERT “A Brief History of Modern India” –Spectrum Pub.  
NCERT Arjun Dev Norman Lowe  
John Green Crash Course World History  
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

				ForumIAS Academy –Handouts / Booklet Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Epic magazine for current affairs.
11.	Wednesday, 30 July 2025   810404	Essay Test #4 (Only for MGP+ Students)	Essay Test #4 / FLT	
12.	Sunday, 03 August 2025   811558	MGP Sectional Test #8 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper-1 / Topics 5, 6, 7, 8</b> Topic 5: Effects of globalization on Indian society. Social empowerment, communalism, regionalism & secularism. 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. Topic 6: Physical Geography: Salient features of world's physical geography. Topic 7: Human and Economic Geography: Distribution of key natural resources across the world (including South Asia and the Indian subcontinent); factors responsible for the location of primary, secondary, and tertiary sector industries in various parts of the world (including India). Topic 8: Geophysical Phenomena: Important Geophysical phenomena such as earthquakes, Tsunami, Volcanic activity, cyclone etc., geographical features and their location-changes in critical geographical features (including waterbodies and ice-caps) and in flora and fauna and the effects of such changes.	<b>Sources:</b> 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 11th NCERT: Physical Geography Certificate Physical and Human Geography by Goh Cheng Leong Atlas: Orient Blackswan 12th NCERT: Human geography. Internet for industries and resource distribution. Atlas: Orient Blackswan ForumIAS Academy –Handouts / Booklet Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Epic magazine for current affairs.

## GS Paper – 1 SYLLABUS COMPLETED

13.	Thursday, 07 August 2025   811413	MGP Full Length Test #1 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 1 Complete Syllabus all topics
14.	Thursday, 07 August 2025   812414	MGP Full Length Test #2 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 2 Complete Syllabus all topics

15.	Sunday, 10 August, 2025   813415	MGP Full Length Test #3 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 3 Complete Syllabus all topics
16.	Sunday, 10 August, 2025   814416	MGP Full Length Test #4 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 4 Complete Syllabus all topics