

# PUB AD OPTIONAL by ForumIAS for MAINS 2026

## OPTIONAL ANSWER WRITING FOCUS GROUP (O-AWFG)

- Total: 36 Tests
- 2-3 Tests Every Week
- Each Test Consist of 5 Questions
- Evaluation: All Questions
- Test Discussion With Model Answers
- One to One Mentorship
- An Ideal Student for Course:
  - Wants to Strengthen Basics
  - Need Discipline to Follow a Structured Plan
  - Willing to Discuss Topics on Micro level with a Mentor

STARTS JULY 2025

PUB AD AUGMENTED TEST SERIES (ATS)

- Total: 10 Tests
- 6 Sectional Test (3 each in Paper I and II)
- 4 Full Length Tests
- Test Discussion With Model Answers
- Evaluation: All Questions
- Crisp & Concise Handouts for Value Addition
- One to One Mentorship
- An Ideal Student for Course:
  - At least Finished Syllabus Reading Once
  - Failed to Attain a total Score of 280 Marks or above across Paper I & II

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STUDENT WHO WANTS TO PREPARE HOLISTICALLY BRICK BY BRICK CAN ENROLL IN BOTH ATS AND OAWFG



### Public Administration (Pub Ad) Optional by

#### ForumIAS for Mains 2026

## ForumIAS Pub Ad Optional Answer Writing Focus Group (O-AWFG)

32 Answer Writing Tests

Starts - 01<sup>st</sup> July, 2025 (calendar in Annexure II)

## About Optional Answer Writing Focus Group (O-AWFG)

Optional Answer Writing Focus Group is an answer writing program for Optional Subjects. It will comprise of **2 – 3 answer writing tests in a week**. Each test to contain 5 questions.

Comprehensive Evaluation for Every Question.

## The O-AWFG seeks to precisely solve four problems for the students:

- a regular committed time for preparation of Optional for mains 2026.
- to provide for incremental study plan on a day - day basis.
- to cover important and relevant PYQs as there has been trend from UPSC to repeat questions in optional.
   to solve the hurdle of answer writing practice for optional.

## ForumIAS Pub Ad Augmented Test Series (ATS)

6 Sectional Test (3 each on Paper 1 and 2) + 4 Full Length Test

Starts – 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2025 (calendar in Annexure I)

#### About Augmented Test Series (ATS)

The Test Series Program which covers whole syllabus of Pub Ad through 6 Sectional tests (**full length**) + 4 Full Syllabus (**full length**) tests. The tests will be followed by evaluation, solution document and test discussions.

#### The ATS seeks to ensure:

- The students are writing in the pattern and difficulty which simulates the examination papers.
- will have a thorough evaluation and feedback on answers written by them.
- will be provided detailed solutions and test discussion which will add value to their answers.

**Mentorship**: You will be made available dedicated mentor whom you can meet throughout the program to understand feedback as well as help with anything related to your optional. The mentorship is available seamlessly in both online as well as offline mode. Discuss your paper with the mentor to get insights on requisite presentation and content improvement. Tailor-made strategic grooming of each candidate.

\*The ForumIAS O-AWFG and ATS can be clubbed together to get the most optimal and to the point preparation for your UPSC Mains Optional 2026.

#### Fees:

**ForumIAS Pub Ad ATS:** The program fee is **Rs. 12,980/-** (inclusive of all taxes) for both online and offline students

**ForumIAS Pub Ad OAWFG:** The program fee is **Rs. 12,980/-** (inclusive of all taxes) for both online and offline students.

**ForumIAS Pub Ad OAWFG + ATS:** The program fee is **Rs. 22,420/-** (inclusive of all taxes) for both online and offline students.



#### **Concessions:**

The program is available at a concession of Rs. 3,500/- for optional foundation students and GS foundation students. The program is available at a concession of Rs. 2,000/- for ForumIAS MGP and Current Affairs students. The program is available at a concession of Rs. 1,000/- for ForumIAS students from courses other than mentioned above.

#### Fee Payment & Enrollment

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

- By visiting the website: <a href="https://academy.forumias.com">https://academy.forumias.com</a> and making payment through Net Banking / Debit / Credit Card / UPI etc.
- By doing a NEFT / Cash Deposit in HDFC bank Accounts. For this Option, please email us at <a href="mailto:admissions@forumias.academy">admissions@forumias.academy</a>
- By Visiting the Offline Guidance Center\* and making payment through Credit Card / Debit Card / Cheque / DD

For any query you can call us at +91 – 93117 40900 | + 91 – 93117 40400 or write to us at admissions@forumias.academy.

#### **Terms & Condition**

- All fees once paid are non-refundable in nature. The course is also non-transferable in nature to another person.
- The course will be valid till 30 September 2026.
- 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. The company may initiate legal proceedings against candidates found sharing and selling such content.
- 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.
- Force Majeure: Flaviant Network Pvt Ltd ("FNPL") will deliver this program on best effort and good faith basis. By subscribing to the program, you understand that in the case of a force majeure event, such as natural disaster, calamity, outbreak of a pandemic, accident, bodily harm, sickness to any persons directly involved in delivery of the program FNPL reserves right to modify, change or discontinue the program and shall not be liable for any financial obligations arising out of it. All disputes will be subject to jurisdiction of Delhi High Court.



#### Annexure - I (ATS Calendar)

S.no	DAY and DATE	TOPICS				
	PAPER 1					
1	10 July 2025 Thursday (935201)	SECTIONAL TEST 1				
2	17 July 2025 Thursday (935202)	SECTIONAL TEST 2				
3	24 July 2025 Thursday (935203)	SECTIONAL TEST 3				
4	31 July 2025 Thursday (935204)	FULL LENGTH TEST 1 (PAPER 1)				
		PAPER 2				
5	07 August 2025 Thursday (935205)	SECTIONAL TEST 4				
6	14 August 2025 Thursday (935206)	SECTIONAL TEST 5				
7	21 August 2025 Thursday (935207)	SECTIONAL TEST 6				
8	28 August 2025 Thursday (935208)	FULL LENGTH TEST 2 (PAPER 2)				
9	Post Prelims	FULL LENGTH TEST 3 (PAPER 1)				
10	Post Prelims	FULL LENGTH TEST 4 (PAPER 2)				

<sup>\*</sup> For topics details please refer to OAWFG calendar in Annexure II

#### Annexure - II (OAWFG Calendar)

ATS tests are denoted in coloured columns for students' opting for ATS + OAWFG

S.no	DAY   DATE	TEST TYPE	TOPICS		
	PAPER - I				
1	01 July, 2025   Tuesday	DAWT ( <b>985301</b> )	<b>Civilisation and Public Administration</b> - The Administrative Management Approach, The Bureaucratic theory of Max Weber		
2	03 July, 2025   Thursday	DAWT ( <b>985302</b> )	Administrative Thought - Elton Mayo		
3	05 July, 2025   Saturday	DAWT ( <b>985303</b> )	Administrative Thought and Administrative Behaviour : Chester Bernard, Herbert Simon		
4	08 July, 2025   Tuesday	DAWT ( <b>985304</b> )	<b>New Public Administration</b> , Leadership, Motivation and Morale		
5	10 July, 2025   Thursday	DAWT ( <b>985305</b> )	Public Choice approach : The impact on the Discipline		
6	12 July, 2025   Saturday	DAWT ( <b>985306</b> )	The Concept of Comparative Public Administration		
	15 July 2025  Tuesday	SECTIONAL TEST 1 (935201)	Topics from TEST 1 - 6		
7	17 July, 2025  Thursday	DAWT ( <b>985307</b> )	Method and Level of CPA, Riggsian models and their critique.		
8	19 July, 2025  Saturday	DAWT ( <b>985308</b> )	The Concept and Significance of <b>Administrative Law</b>		
9	22 July, 2025  Tuesday	DAWT ( <b>985309</b> )	<b>Changing profile of development</b> and Anti- development thesis		



10	24 July, 2025  Thursday	DAWT ( <b>985310</b> )	<b>Strong state versus the market debate</b> ; Impact of liberalization on administration in developing countries.
11	26 July, 2025  Saturday	DAWT ( <b>985311</b> )	<b>Models of policy-making</b> and their critique, Planning, implementation, monitoring, State theories and public policy formulation.
12	29 July, 2025  Tuesday	DAWT ( <b>985312</b> )	<b>Personnel Administration</b> :: Recruitment, training, career advancement, position classification, discipline
	31 July, 2025  Thursday	SECTIONAL TEST 2 (935202)	Topics from TEST 7 - 12
13	02 August, 2025  Saturday	DAWT (985313)	Employer-employee relations, grievance redressal mechanism, Administrative ethics.
14	05 August, 2025  Tuesday	DAWT	Monetary and fiscal policies, Budgets types and
15	07 August, 2025  Thursday	( <b>985314</b> ) DAWT	forms Accounts and Audit, Techniques of <b>Administrative</b>
13	07 August, 2025 Illursuay	( <b>985315</b> ) DAWT	Improvement  Post-Weberian Developments - The rise of
16	09 August, 2025  Saturday	(985316)	Postmodern Concepts
17	12 August, 2025  Tuesday	DAWT ( <b>985317</b> )	<b>Organizations</b> - Systems, Structure and forms of Organization
	14 August, 2025  Thursday	SECTIONAL TEST 3 (935203)	Topics from TEST 13 - 17
		PAPER - I	I
18	16 August, 2025  Saturday	DAWT ( <b>985318</b> )	<b>Kautilya Arthashastra</b> and Mughal administration, <b>Legacy of British rule</b> in politics and administration Indianization of Public services
19	19 August 2025   Tuesday	DAWT ( <b>985319</b> )	Constitutionalism and Political culture, Bureaucracy democracy and development,
20	21 August, 2025  Thursday	DAWT ( <b>985320</b> )	Public sector in modern India
21	23 August, 2025  Saturday	DAWT ( <b>985321</b> )	Union Government and Administration
22	26 August, 2025  Tuesday	DAWT (985322)	<b>Machinery of planning</b> for economic development and social justice
	28 August, 2025  Thursday	SECTIONAL TEST 4 (935205)	Topics from TEST 18 - TEST 22
23	30 August, 2025  Saturday	DAWT ( <b>985323</b> )	State Government and Administration
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32	23 September, 2025  Tuesday	DAWT ( <b>985332</b> )	Significant <b>Issues</b> in Indian Administration - Polity, Constitution and Governance, Environment and Technology
33	25 September, 2025  Thursday	SECTIONAL TEST 6 (935207)	Topics from TEST 28 - 32
	27 September, 2025  Saturday	FLT 1	
34		(935204)	Full Syllabus Test Paper 1
	30 September, 2025 Tuesday	FLT 2	
35		(935208)	Full Syllabus Test Paper 2
	Post Prelims	FLT 3	Full Syllabus Test Paper 1
	Post Prelims	FLT 4	Full Syllabus Test Paper 2