

MAINS GUIDANCE PROGRAM MGP 2026

Under the guidance of Ayush Sinha, Founder, ForumIAS

Pioneer of One to One Mentorship

Starts: 14 December 2025 Cohort - 30

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)

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

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

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

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

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)

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 FORUMIAS.

E. Sai Shivani
IAS Rank - 11, CSE 2024

**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.**

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

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)

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

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

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

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

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)

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)

Impeccable Mentors that our students vouch for.

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

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

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)

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

Deliverable of Mains Guidance Program:

Mentorship	<p>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.</p> <p>Online mentorship can be accessed by visiting https://mentorship.forumias.com/. Offline mentorship is available at the institute.</p>
Concept Classes Library & Current Affairs Online Classes	<p>With MGP Prime and Prime+ you will get access to a video library of more than 300+ videos on static topics with rich content.</p> <p>The concept classes will be of 5 – 30 minutes duration with below objective</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To provide conceptual clarity on terms and keyword of syllabus. For example: separation of powers or Sevottam model or doctrine of severability etc. To provide value addition on topics that lack comprehensive sources. For example: Role of SHG in development or FCRA and NGO funding etc. To help Filer content. For example: What should I focus on French Revolution? Or What should I read under comparative constitution? <p>[#]Concept Classes Library is not a replacement for GS Foundation Program.</p> <p>Yearlong program of Current Affairs Online classes 2026 will be provided to all MGP Prime & Prime+ enrolled students.</p>
GS Half and Full Length Tests	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Full length tests will replicate the pattern and difficulty level of UPSC.</p>
GS TEST Solution	<p>The solution to GS Tests is curated with a philosophy to provide adequate content for answering the question in hand.</p> <p>Added content is provided under Knowledge Base/Extra Information separate from the answer, as and when required.</p>
GS TEST Discussion	<p>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.</p> <p>Discussion will be held in online mode only.</p>
Good Copies	<p>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.</p>
Evaluation	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
Essay Guidance Program	<p>MGP+ and MGP Prime+ students will be provided the Essay Guidance Program, which contains 9 Sectional Tests (HLT) (1 Essay and 1.5 Hours), 4 Full Length Tests (FLT), Test Discussions, 9 Thematic classes, & 2 Mentor's Townhall which will assist the student in a) better understanding of the complexities and core demand of the topic, b) build reusable content including value added content and expand your available knowledge base, and c) practice and evaluate your essay writing skills.</p>

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.

For any query you can call us at

+91 - 9311740400, 9311740404 or write to us at admissions@forumias.academy

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 2026**.

FEE STRUCTURE

Course	Total Fees
MGP 2026 Cohort - 30 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 16 Half Length Test ● 8 Full Length Test ● 5 Simulator Open Test 	₹ 18,880/-
MGP+ 2026 Cohort - 30 Includes MGP 2026 & Essay Guidance Program 2026 (EGP)*	₹ 28,880/-
MGP Prime 2026 Cohort - 30 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● MGP 2026 ● Online Yearlong Pre-Cum Mains Current Affairs Classes. ● 300+ Concept Classes. 	₹ 35,460/-
MGP Prime+ 2026 Cohort - 30 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● MGP 2026 ● Online Yearlong Pre-Cum Mains Current Affairs Classes. ● 300+ Concept Classes. ● Essay Guidance Program 2026 	₹ 44,900/-
*Students will get Online EGP access <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 9 Sectional Tests (HLT) (1 Essay and 1.5 Hours) ● 4 Full Length Tests (FLT) ● Test Discussions ● 9 Thematic classes ● 2 Mentor's Townhall <p>EGP 2026 started in November 2025 all enrolled students will be provided the program schedule before the commencement.</p>	

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.**

Detailed Test Calendar for MGP / MGP+ 2026

#	Date Test Code	Test Name	Topic Syllabus	Source
1.	Sunday, 14 Dec., 2025 912224	MGP Half Length Test #1 (10 Questions / 1.5 Hour)	GS paper 2/Topic: 1,2,3,4,5 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.	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 MGP Essential EPIC
2.	Friday, 19 Dec, 2025 912225	MGP Half Length Test #2 (10 Questions / 1.5 Hour)	GS paper 2/Topic: 6,7,8,9,16 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 quasi-judicial bodies. Topic 16: Role of civil services in a democracy	Sources: Mastering Indian Governance by ForumIAS 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 MGP Essential EPIC
3.	Wednesday, 24 Dec, 2025 912226	MGP Half Length Test #3 (10 Questions / 1.5 Hour)	GS paper 2/Topic: 10,11,12,13,14,15 Topic 10: Government policies and interventions for development in various sectors and issues arising out of their design and implementation Topic 11: Development processes and the development industry—the role of NGOs, SHGs, various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional and other stakeholders. 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.	Sources: 2nd ARC Report [10th Report – Refurbishing of Personnel Administration, 11th Report – promoting e- governance, 12th Report – Citizen Centric Administration,] ForumIAS Academy Handouts / Booklets Three Year Action Agenda – 2017-18 to 2019-20 – NITI Aayog 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 Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Forum IAS MGP Essential EPIC

4.	Monday, 29 Dec, 2025 912227	MGP Half Length Test #4 (10 Questions / 1.5 Hour)	GS Paper 2/Topic 17,18,19,20 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	Source: 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 ForumIASAcademy –Handouts / Booklet Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian express Forum IAS MGP Essential EPIC
5.	Saturday 3 Jan, 2026 913228	MGP Half Length Test #5 (10 Questions / 1.5 Hour)	GS paper 3/Topic: 1,2,3,8,9,10 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. Topic 3: Government Budgeting Topic 8: Effects of liberalization on the economy, changes in industrial policy and their effects on industrial growth Topic 9: Infrastructure: Energy, Ports, Roads, Airports, Railways etc. Topic 10: 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 Yojana India Since Independence by Bipin Chandra [for Land reforms] 2nd ARC Report (Strengthening Financial Management Systems) Three Year Action Agenda – 2017-18 to 2019-20 – NITI Aayog ForumIASAcademy –Handouts / Booklet Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian express Forum IAS MGP Essential EPIC
6.	Thursday, 08 Jan, 2026 913229	MGP Half Length Test #6 (10 Questions / 1.5 Hour)	GS paper 3/Topic: 4,5,6,7 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. 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. Topic 6: Food processing and related industries in India- scope' and significance, location, upstream and downstream requirements, supply chain management. Topic 7: Land reforms in India	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 ForumIASAcademy –Handouts / Booklet Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian express Forum IAS MGP Essential EPIC
7.	Tuesday, 13 Jan 2026 913230	MGP Half Length Test #7 (10 Questions / 1.5 Hour)	GS paper 3/Topic: 11,12,13,14,15 Topic 11: Science and Technology- developments and their applications and effects in everyday life Topic 12: Achievements of Indians in science & technology; indigenization of technology and developing new technology. Topic 13: Awareness in the fields of IT, Space, Computers, robotics, Nanotechnology, biotechnology and issues relating to intellectual property rights. Topic 14: Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment Topic 15: Disaster and disaster management	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Science & Technology The Science Reporter magazine Newspapers – The Hindu (S&T section) / The Indian Express ForumIASAcademy –Handouts / Booklet Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian express Forum IAS MGP Essential EPIC
8.	Sunday, 18 Jan, 2026 913231	MGP Half Length Test #8 (10 Questions / 1.5 Hour)	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	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Internal Security 2nd ARC (7th Report Capacity Building for Conflict Resolution)

			<p>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>Security challenges and their management in border areas – linkages of organized crime with terrorism Various Security forces and agencies and their mandate</p>	<p>2nd ARC (8th Report Combating Terrorism - Protecting by Righteousness)</p> <p>IDSAs reports</p> <p>The Oxford's Handbook of India's National Security</p> <p>NCERT Class 12 – Contemporary World Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express</p> <p>Forum IAS MGP Essential EPIC</p>
9.	Friday, 23 Jan 2026 911232	MGP Half Length Test # 9 (10 Questions / 1.5 Hour)	<p>GS Paper I /Topic 2,3</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Topic 3: Post-Independence: Post-independence consolidation and reorganization within the country.</p>	<p>Sources:</p> <p>ForumIAS Redbook – Modern Indian History</p> <p>ForumIAS - A Summary of History of Modern India</p> <p>Bipin Chandra –Old NCERT</p> <p>“A Brief History of Modern India” –Spectrum Pub.</p> <p>ForumIASAcademy–Handouts / Booklet</p> <p>Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian express</p> <p>Forum IAS MGP Essential EPIC</p>
10.	Wednesday, 28 Jan, 2026 911233	MGP Half Length Test # 10 (10 Questions / 1.5 Hour)	<p>GS Paper I /Topic 1,4</p> <p>Topic 1: Art & Culture: Indian culture will cover the salient aspects of Art Forms, literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times.</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>Sources:</p> <p>ForumIAS Redbook – World History</p> <p>ForumIAS Redbook – Art & Culture</p> <p>Indian Culture and Heritage -NIOS: www.nios.ac.in</p> <p>NCERT Arjun Dev</p> <p>Norman Lowe John Green Crash Course World History</p> <p>ForumIASAcademy–Handouts / Booklet</p> <p>Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian express</p> <p>Forum IAS MGP Essential EPIC</p>
11.	Monday, 2 Feb, 2026 911234	MGP Half Length Test # 11 (10 Questions / 1.5 Hour)	<p>GS Paper I /Topic 5:</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>Sources:</p> <p>ForumIAS Redbook – Indian Society and Social Issues</p> <p>NCERT -12th–Indian Society NCERT - 12th-Social Change and Development in India</p> <p>IGNOU –ESO -12 Society in India IGNOU –ESO -16: Social Problems in India</p> <p>Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express</p> <p>Forum IAS MGP Essential EPIC</p>
12.	Saturday, 7 Feb, 2026 911235	MGP Half Length Test # 12 (10 Questions / 1.5 Hour)	<p>GS Paper I /Topic 6,7,8</p> <p>Topic 6: Physical Geography: Salient features of world's physical geography.</p> <p>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).</p> <p>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 water-bodies and ice-caps) and in flora and fauna and the effects of such changes.</p>	<p>Sources:</p> <p>ForumIAS Redbook – Geography</p> <p>11th NCERT: Physical Geography</p> <p>Certificate Physical and Human Geography by Goh Cheng Leong</p> <p>12th NCERT: Human geography.</p> <p>Internet for industries and resource distribution.</p> <p>Atlas: Orient Blackswan</p> <p>ForumIASAcademy–Handouts / Booklet</p> <p>Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian express</p> <p>Forum IAS MGP Essential EPIC</p>
13.	Thursday, 12 Feb, 2026 914236	MGP Half Length Test # 13 (10 Questions / 1.5 Hour)	<p>GS Paper 4/Topic 1,5,8</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>Sources:</p> <p>ForumIAS Redbook – Ethics Integrity and Aptitude</p> <p>Selective Study from G. Subbarao Newspaper and internet.</p> <p>2ndARC Reports – Ethics in Governance</p> <p>ForumIAS MGP Essential EPIC</p>

			Topic 5: Contribution of Moral Thinkers and Philosophers: Western & Indian. Topic 8: Case Studies on above issues.	
14.	Tuesday, 17 Feb, 2026 914237	MGP Half Length Test # 14 (10 Questions / 1.5 Hour)	GS Paper 4/Topic 2,4,8 Topic 2: Attitude: content, structure, function; its influence and relation with thought and behaviour; moral and political attitudes; social influence and persuasion. Topic 4: Emotional intelligence-concepts, and their utilities and application in administration and governance. Topic 8: Case Studies on above issues.	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Ethics Integrity and Aptitude Selective Study from G.Subbarao Newspaper and internet. 2ndARC Reports – Ethics in Governance ForumIAS MGP Essential EPIC
15.	Sunday, 22 Feb, 2026 914238	MGP Half Length Test # 15 (10 Questions / 1.5 Hour)	GS Paper 4/Topic 3,6,8 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 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. Topic 8: Case Studies on above issues.	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Ethics Integrity and Aptitude 2ndARC Reports (Citizen Centric Administration, Refurbishing Personnel Administration, RTI: Master Key to Good Governance) Selective Study from G.Subbarao Newspaper and internet. 2ndARC Reports – Ethics in Governance ForumIAS MGP Essential EPIC
16.	Friday, 27 Feb, 2026 914239	MGP Half Length Test # 16 (10 Questions / 1.5 Hour)	GS Paper 4/Topic 6,7,8 Topic 6: Ethical issues in international relations and funding; corporate governance. 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. Topic 8: Case Studies on above issues.	Sources: ForumIAS Redbook – Ethics Integrity and Aptitude 2ndARC Reports (Citizen Centric Administration, Refurbishing Personnel Administration, RTI: Master Key to Good Governance) Selective Study from G.Subbarao Newspaper and internet. 2ndARC Reports – Ethics in Governance

Level 2 : Simulators (8 GS Full Length Tests)

17.	3 - 7 weeks after prelims	MGP Full Length Test # 13 20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks	
18.	3 - 7 weeks after prelims	MGP Full Length Test # 14 20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks	
19.	3 - 7 weeks after prelims	MGP Full Length Test # 15 20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks	
20.	3 - 7 weeks after prelims	MGP Full Length Test # 16 20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks	
21.	8 - 12 weeks after prelims	MGP Full Length Test # 17 20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks	
22.	8 - 12 weeks after prelims	MGP Full Length Test # 18 20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks	
23.	8 - 12 weeks after prelims	MGP Full Length Test # 19 20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks	
24.	8 - 12 weeks after prelims	MGP Full Length Test # 20 20 Questions 3 Hours 250 Marks	

Level 3 : Open SIMULATORS (5 GS Full Length Tests)

25.	2 Weeks before Mains examination	Essay Open Test	Essay	Not to be evaluated
26.	2 Weeks before Mains examination	GS Paper 1 – Open Test	GS Paper 1 / FLT	Not to be evaluated
27.		GS Paper 2 – Open Test	GS Paper 2 / FLT	
28.	2 Weeks before Mains examination	GS Paper 3 – Open Test	GS Paper 3 / FLT	Not to be evaluated
29.		GS Paper 4 – Open Test	GS Paper 4 / FLT	