UPSC IAS 2029

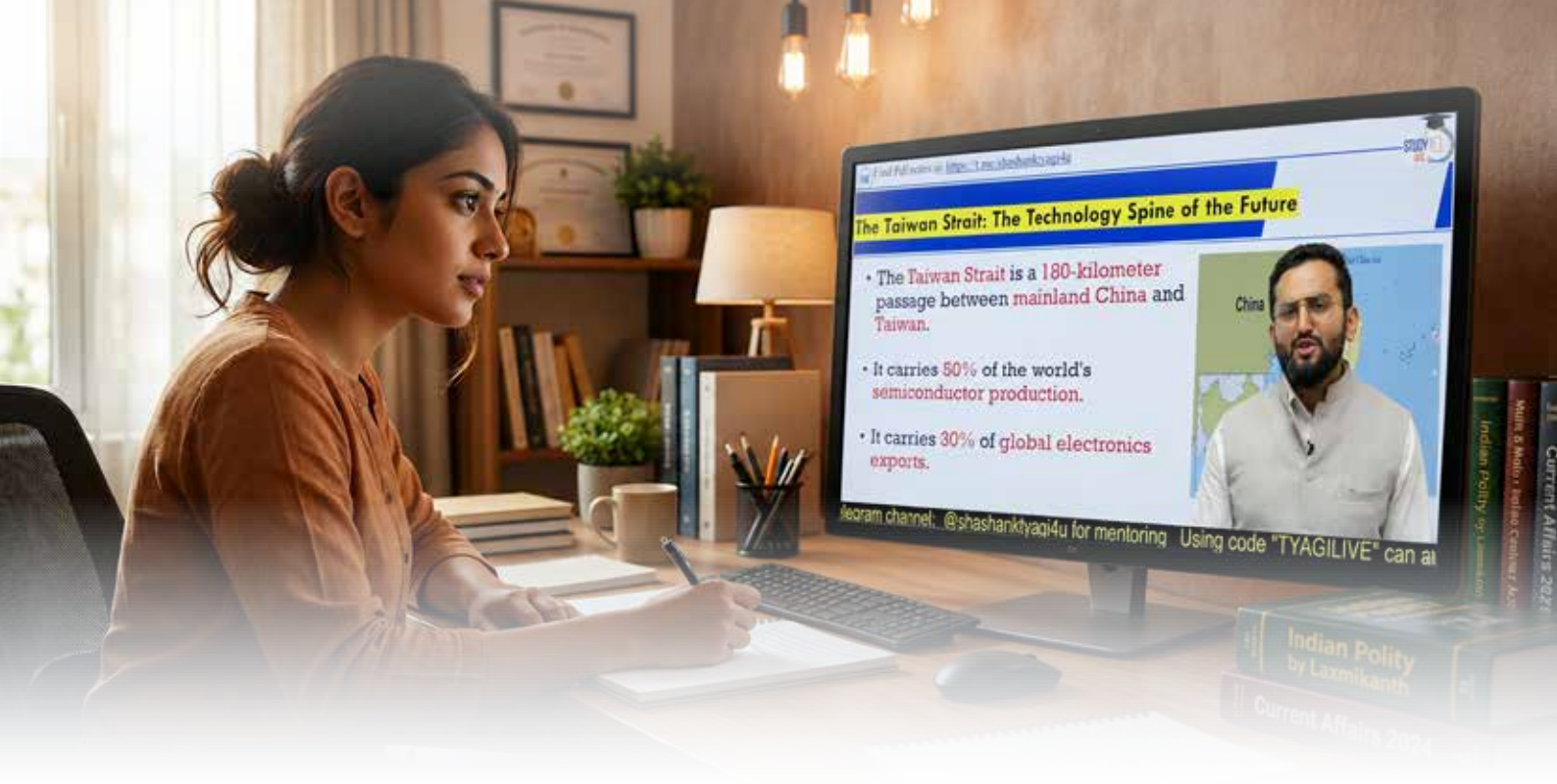
GS FOUNDATION

SAMARTH P2I BATCH

EVENING | HINGLISH

BASED ON SMART MODEL

Batch Starting On 23rd October 2026



AAPKA SELECTION, HAMARA MISSION

OUR VISION

To build India's most trusted and result oriented learning ecosystem for competitive exams, where every aspirant, regardless of background, gets the right guidance, a clear structure, and consistent support to unlock their true potential. We aim to transform preparation from confusion and uncertainty into clarity and confidence, so that learners not only prepare better but also achieve success in UPSC and beyond.

OUR MISSION

- To design and deliver structured, stage-wise learning pathways for exam preparation
- To enable performance-driven learning through practice, evaluation, and feedback
- To build an integrated ecosystem of expert faculty, quality content, and technology
- To provide data-backed insights and continuous assessment for measurable progress
- To strengthen conceptual clarity aligned with dynamic exam patterns
- To support students with tools that bridge learning, revision, and application
- To foster a culture of discipline, consistency, and accountability
- To continuously innovate across content, pedagogy, and student experience
- To expand access to high-quality, scalable education across India
- To guide aspirants towards achieving meaningful and sustained success

UPSC EXAM PATTERN

PRELIMS, MAINS AND INTERVIEW

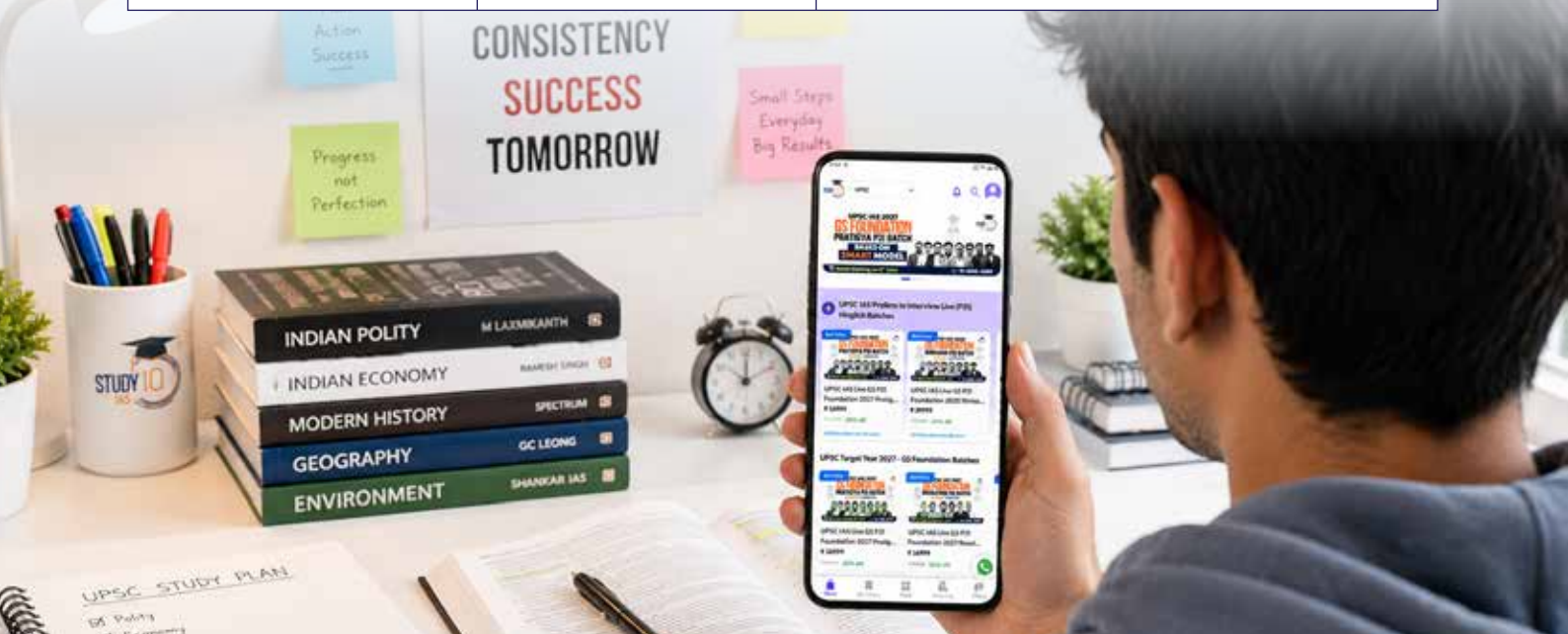
The UPSC Civil Services Examination is one of the most respected and competitive exams in the country. It is the gateway to prestigious services such as IAS, IPS, IFS, and several other Group A and Group B posts. For any aspirant starting preparation, understanding the exam pattern is the first essential step.

THE SELECTION PROCESS IS CONDUCTED IN THREE STAGES

Preliminary Examination → **Mains Examination** → **Personality Test (Interview)**

Each stage of the examination assesses distinct competencies. **The Preliminary Examination** evaluates fundamental understanding and aptitude. **The Main Examination** examines depth of knowledge, analytical ability, and answer-writing skills. **The Personality Test (Interview)** assesses candidates on personality traits, judgement, awareness, and overall suitability for a career in public service.

PARAMETER	PRELIMS	MAINS
Medium	Hindi & English	English + 22 languages (Eighth Schedule)
Nature of Questions	Objective (MCQ)	Descriptive
Number of Question	GS: 100, CSAT: 80	GS 1, 2, 3: 20 questions each GS 4: 12–13 theory + 6 case studies Essay: 2 essays
Total Marks	200 + 200	1750
Mode	Offline	Offline
Number of Papers	2	9
Duration	2 hours each	3 hours each
Negative Marking	Yes	No



UPSC PRELIMS

EXAM PATTERN

THE PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION CONSISTS OF TWO PAPERS

Paper 1: General Studies

This paper tests awareness and understanding of subjects like History, Geography, Polity, Economy, Environment, Science, and Current Affairs.

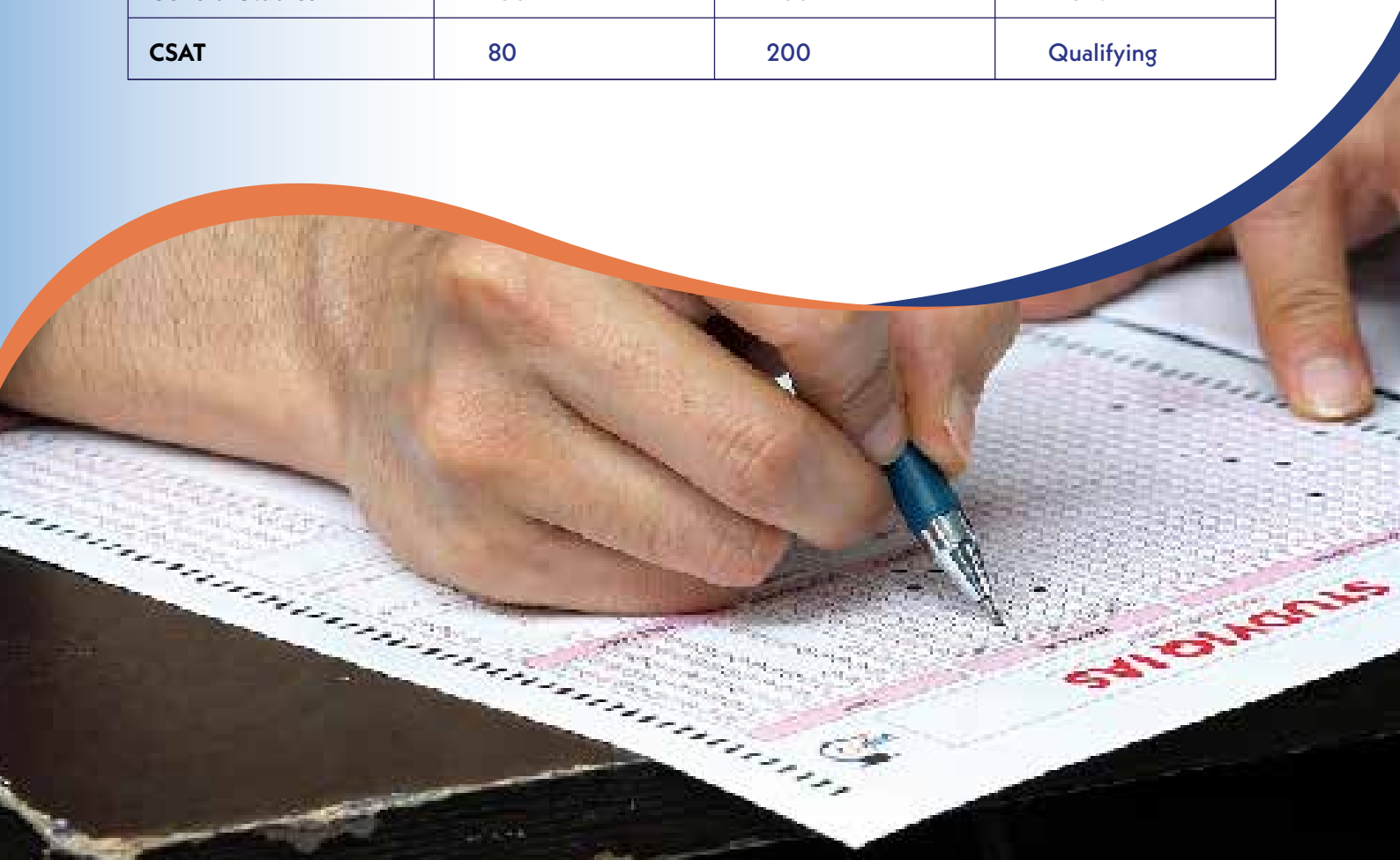
Paper 2: CSAT

This paper examines aptitude-related skills such as comprehension, reasoning, analytical ability, and decision-making.

The Prelims stage mainly serves as a **qualifying filter** to shortlist candidates for the Mains Examination.

PRELIMS STRUCTURE

SUBJECTS	QUESTIONS	MARKS	NATURE
General Studies	100	200	Merit
CSAT	80	200	Qualifying



UPSC MAINS

EXAM PATTERN

The Main Examination is the most important written stage of the UPSC process. It includes **9 papers,** out of which **2 are qualifying in nature.** Marks scored in the remaining **7 papers,** along with the Interview marks, determine the final merit ranking.

The Mains tests not only subject knowledge but also clarity of

- Thought
- Depth of Analysis
- Answer-Writing Skills

OVERVIEW TABLE

PAPER	DURATION	MARKS	NATURE
Paper A: Indian Language	3 hours	300	Qualifying
Part B : English	3 hours	300	Qualifying
Essay	3 hours	250	Merit
General Studies I	3 hours	250	Merit
General Studies II	3 hours	250	Merit
General Studies III	3 hours	250	Merit
General Studies IV	3 hours	250	Merit
Optional Paper I	3 hours	250	Merit
Optional Paper II	3 hours	250	Merit
TOTAL MAINS MARKS: 1750			

INTERVIEW

PERSONALITY TEST

After clearing the Mains, candidates are called for the Personality Test, commonly known as the Interview. This is the final stage of the examination process and carries **275 marks.**
The Interview is not just a test of knowledge. It is meant to assess whether the candidate possesses the right personality traits needed in civil services.

The board generally evaluates qualities such as

- **Mental Alertness**
- **Logical Expression**
- **Intellectual Depth**
- **Moral Integrity**
- **Balance of Judgement**
- **Leadership & Social Adaptability**

Usually, the number of candidates called for the Interview is around **2.5 times the number of vacancies.**

Interview Highlights

Duration:
Usually 20 to 30 minutes

Panel:
Senior experts, bureaucrats, academicians, and specialists

Venue:
Dholpur House, New Delhi

Total Marks in UPSC CSE

Mains Written Exam:
1750 Marks

Interview:
275 marks

Final Total:
2025 marks

SERVICES RECRUITED

THROUGH UPSC CSE

Through the Civil Services Examination, candidates are selected for some of the most prestigious administrative and allied services in India. These services are broadly classified into Group 'A' and Group 'B', offering diverse roles in governance, policy implementation, and public administration across the country.

Group 'A' Services

- Indian Administrative Service (IAS)
- Indian Foreign Service (IFS)
- Indian Police Service (IPS)
- Indian Audit and Accounts Service
- Indian Civil Accounts Service
- Indian Corporate Law Service
- Indian Defence Accounts Service
- Indian Defence Estates Service
- Indian Information Service
- Indian Postal Service
- Indian Post & Telecommunication Accounts and Finance Service
- Indian Railway Management Services
- Indian Railway Protection Force Service
- Indian Revenue Service (Customs & Indirect Taxes)
- Indian Revenue Service (Income Tax)
- Indian Trade Service
- Armed Forces Headquarters Civil Service

Group 'B' Services

- DANICS (Delhi, Andaman & Nicobar Islands Civil Service)
- DANIPS (Delhi, Andaman & Nicobar Islands Police Service)
- Pondicherry Civil Service
- Pondicherry Police Service

SOME FACTS

ABOUT UPSC

CATEGORY	DATA / FACTS	KEY INSIGHT
Real Competition	10–12 lakh apply, but only ~1.5–2 lakh serious, ~10,000 highly competitive	You compete with the best, not the crowd
Selection Funnel	Prelims: 2–3% → Mains: 20% → Interview: 40–50%	Prelims = elimination, Mains = differentiation
Final Success Rate	~0.08%–0.1%	~1 in 1000 serious aspirants succeed
Attempts Trend	2nd–3rd attempt highest success probability	Consistency > talent
Cognitive Load	25+ subjects, 4000–5000 pages, 3–4 years CA	Smart strategy > covering everything
Retention Data	1 week: ~20%, 1 month: <10% (without revision)	Multiple revisions are mandatory
Prelims Trend	Static ↓, conceptual & statement-based ↑	Elimination skills matter more than knowledge
Cutoff Trend	Earlier ~105 → Now ~75–85	Paper difficulty ↑, uncertainty ↑
Mains Focus	Structure + examples + clarity	Content alone is not enough
Optional Strategy	Short syllabus + GS overlap + predictability	Optional = rank deciding factor
Popular Optionals	Sociology, Anthropology, PSIR, History, Geography	Trend toward scoring subjects
Test Series Impact	<10 tests low success, 30+ tests high success	Practice builds pattern recognition

UPSC CSE 2025

DATA TO DECISION

The Real Selection Intelligence

STAGE	KEY DATA (2025)	STRATEGIC INSIGHT
Applications	9,37,876 candidates applied	High intent, low seriousness — form filling ≠ preparation
Actual Appeared	5,76,793 appeared (~61%)	~3.6 lakh dropped before exam → discipline is first filter
Prelims Qualified	14,161 candidates (~2.4%)	97% eliminated → Prelims is mass filtration stage
Mains → Interview	2,736 candidates (~19%)	Only answer-writing capable candidates survive
Final Selection	958 candidates (~35%)	Personality & clarity decide final outcome
Gender Split	659 men, 299 women (~31% women)	Female success rising steadily
Test Series Impact	High test exposure = higher success	Pattern recognition builds selection instinct
Core Insight	UPSC is not a knowledge exam	It is a structured performance exam

Closing Insight

"From 9.3 lakh to 958 — UPSC selects not the most informed, but the most optimized."

COMMON CHALLENGES

FACED BY UPSC ASPIRANTS

Every year, many aspirants begin their UPSC journey with strong motivation, but soon face confusion and inconsistency due to lack of direction. More than hard work, UPSC demands a clear roadmap and a structured approach.

Here are the common challenges faced by aspirants:

Scattered Preparation
Studying from multiple books, YouTube channels, and notes but still feeling directionless.

Lack of Clear Roadmap
Not knowing what to study, when to study, and how to move from basics to advanced level.

Information Overload
Endless resources and strategies create confusion instead of clarity.

Inconsistent Preparation
Starting with high motivation but struggling to maintain discipline over months.

Weak Conceptual Foundation
Skipping basics leads to poor understanding and difficulty in advanced topics.

No Mentorship or Guidance
Preparing alone without someone to guide, correct mistakes, or track progress.

Answer Writing Struggle
Knowing the content but unable to present it effectively in the Mains exam.

Poor Revision Strategy
Studied a lot, but unable to retain and revise at the right time.

Test Anxiety & Low Confidence
Fear of mock tests and lack of exam temperament under pressure.

Disconnected Preparation
Preparing Prelims, Mains, and Interview separately instead of as one integrated journey.

WHAT IS THE
SMART MODEL

UPSC is not cleared by studying more, but by preparing in a structured, guided and test driven way.

The SMART MODEL Ensures Your Preparation Is

Planned | Mentored | Revised | Evaluated

At Every Stage - Not Random

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STRUCTURED CLASSES

A Clear Academic Roadmap from Day 1 to Final Selection

NCERT → Foundation → Prelims → Mains → Interview

Includes : Daily Current Affairs Classes, CSAT, Theme Based Learning

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MENTORSHIP

1:1 Personalised Mentorship throughout your Journey.

Learners can call dedicated Mentors during office hours (10 AM - 8 PM), Daily Task Planning and Monitoring, Academic + Mental Guidance to maintain consistency.

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ASSESSMENT

SMART Dashboard : Track your performance with Data driven Analysis

Overall Performance Analysis, Subject wise Strengths and Weakness, Syllabus Completion tracking, Detailed test analysis, Peer Comparison and Rankings, Progress Report for Continuous Improvement

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REVISION

3 Levels of Revisions for Better Retention

1) 15 mins Revision before every class, 2) One-Page Revision notes, 3) Mentor Led Revision post every subject completion

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TEST PRACTICE

Comprehensive Test for Prelims and Mains

1) Daily, Weekly, Monthly Tests, **2)** 75+ Prelims Tests, **3)** 30 Mains Evaluated Test Series - 10 full-length + 20 sectional with detailed feedback and model answers, evaluated within 48 hours.

WHY THE
SMART MODEL WORKS

It doesn't treat UPSC preparation as content delivery
It treats it as a system of selection.

It helps you:

- Build strong fundamentals
- Stay disciplined and consistent
- Revise effectively
- Improve through continuous feedback
- Perform better in tests
- Prepare for Prelims, Mains & Interview in an integrated way

In short, your preparation is not scattered — it is structured, guided, and outcome-driven.

Prepare for **Prelims**, **Mains** & **Interview** in an integrated way

Your Journey from Prelims to Interview — the SMART Way

SMART DASHBOARD

YOUR ROADMAP FOR CLEARING UPSC CSE 2029

Interview Guidance Program
(2 Months)

Mains Residential Program
(2.5 Months)

Success In Prelims
(3 Months)

Foundation Phase
(12 Months)

NCERT Phase
(3 Months)

FEATURES OF P2I PROGRAM

Academic Learning & Classroom Support

1500+ Hours of Live Classes

Comprehensive live teaching covering **GS (Prelims + Mains), Essay, Ethics, and Current Affairs.** Classes are interactive, concept-driven, and aligned with the **latest UPSC pattern.**

Handwritten Notes

Faculty-prepared **handwritten notes** focusing on exam-relevant content, crisp explanations, diagrams, and value-add points for better retention and revision.

Recorded Lectures

All live classes are available as **recorded lectures,** allowing students to revise concepts or catch up on missed sessions anytime.

Doubt Sessions by Educators

Regular doubt-clearing sessions where students can directly interact with educators to resolve **conceptual, factual, and application-based doubts.**

CSAT

To master the CSAT portion of the prelims syllabus, CSAT classes will be conducted by our expert faculties every alternative Sunday.

Current Affairs & Core Resources

PYQs (Previous Year Questions)

Topic-wise and subject-wise analysis of **UPSC Prelims and Mains PYQs** to understand exam trends, recurring themes, and question framing.

Current Affairs Program & Monthly Magazine

Daily current affairs classes combined with a **comprehensive monthly magazine,** covering Prelims facts, Mains analysis, and Interview perspectives.

Testing, Evaluation & Practice

Daily / Weekly / Monthly Prelims Tests

Regular MCQ tests designed as per **UPSC difficulty and syllabus,** helping improve accuracy, time management, and elimination techniques.

Mains Evaluated Test Series

Answer sheets are **checked by experienced evaluators** with detailed remarks, model answers, and improvement suggestions.

Answer Writing Practice

Structured answer writing practice for **GS, Ethics, and Essay,** focusing on content depth, structure, and presentation.

Essay Writing & News Mapping

Guided essay preparation covering **introduction, body, conclusion, quotes, examples,** and mapping daily news with syllabus topics for Mains answers.

Mentorship & Guidance Support

1:1 Mentorship

Personal mentor assigned to each **student for study planning, performance review, motivation, and strategy correction.**

Samvad – Group Mentorship by Top Faculty

Monthly group sessions where senior faculty guide students on **exam strategy, stress management, and preparation challenges.**

Pahel – Offline Mentorship

Personalized mentorship and guidance at the **nearest offline center,** ideal for students seeking face-to-face support.

Pahel – Quarterly Test Series

Offline quarterly tests conducted at **100+ centers across India,** simulating real exam conditions and peer competition.

Scholarships, Rewards & Assurance

Safalta – 100% Full Fee Refund

Complete **fee refund if the student clears UPSC Prelims,** demonstrating strong confidence in the program's effectiveness.

Vijeta – Monthly Cash Award

₹11,000 **monthly cash reward** for top-performing students to encourage consistency and excellence.

Udaan – Scholarship Program

15% scholarship for EWS and Differently-Abled candidates, promoting equal access to quality education.

Study Material & Value Add-ons

Set of 18 E-Books

A curated collection of **18 essential e-books** covering GS, and Current Affairs—designed as a one-stop solution for UPSC preparation.

Specialized Preparation Programs

SIP – Success in Prelims

A focused Prelims Crash Course including **75 full-length tests,** rapid revision modules, PYQ-based learning, and smart elimination strategies.

SIM – Success in Mains

Dedicated Mains-oriented program emphasizing **content enrichment, answer writing, ethics case studies, and value addition.**

MRP – Mains Residential Program

An intensive **residential Mains program** offering disciplined study, daily answer writing, continuous evaluation, and close mentor monitoring.

IGP – Interview Guidance Program

Complete **Personality Test preparation** including DAF analysis, mock interviews with expert panels, and personalized feedback.

Batch Allocation Policy:

SIP+ batches are allocated based on the aspirant's current enrolled batch. For example, a student enrolled in the 2027 batch will be allocated the November 2026 SIP+ batch, ensuring perfect alignment with their exam cycle and preparation timeline.

SIM batches are allocated based on the aspirant's current enrolled batch. For instance, a student enrolled in the 2027 batch will be allocated the 2027 June SIM batch, ensuring seamless alignment with their Mains preparation timeline.

P2I

PACKAGE COMPARISION

Features	Elite
1500+Hrs of Live Classes	✓
NCERT Courses	✓
Handwritten Notes	✓
Recorded Lectures	✓
Doubt Sessions by Educators	✓
PYQs	✓
Current Affairs Program & Monthly Magazine	✓
CSAT	✓
Daily/Weekly/Monthly Test	✓
Essay Writing, News Mapping,	✓
30 Mains Evaluated Test Series Full Length = 10 Sectional = 20	✓
1:1 Mentorship	✓
Answer Writing Practice	✓
MRP (Mains Residential Program)	✓
IGP (Interview Guidance Program)	✓
SIP - Prelims Crash Course + 75 Tests	✓
Safalta - 100% Full Fee Refund for prelims cleared	✓
SIM (Success in Mains)	✓
Set of 18 E-Books	✓
Samvad (Group Mentorship by Top Faculty)	✓
Pahel - Mentorship at nearest Offline centre	✓
Pahel - Quarterly Test Series at 100+ Offline Centre	✓
Vijeta - Monthly cash award of 11k to top performer	✓
UPSC Plan B Courses (EPFO, IB, RBI Grade B, CDS, CAPF etc.)	✓
Udaan - Scholarship for EWS, Differently abled - 15%	✓
Validity	48 Months

P2I FEATURE COMPARISION WITH OTHER INSTITUTE OFFERINGS

Comparison of Features

Features	StudyIQ IAS	Other	Why Choose StudyIQ
Gyan Kosh E-Books & Content	• Set of 18 e-books (comprehensive, colorful, updated). • SIP+ books (PDF) for Prelims (Static + Current).	• Only PDFs of Books.	• Handwritten notes ensure students focus on learning. • Developed with input from toppers. • High hit rate in PYQs.
Abhyaas Prelims Test Series	• 75+ discipline-based tests. • Monthly Current Affairs MCQs. • 8 GS + 8 CSAT full-length tests (6000+ questions).	• Limited Set Of Question Papers.	• Largest number of tests. • Monthly current affairs integration. • Strong emphasis on both static and dynamic themes.
Abhyaas Mains Mains Test Series	• Module-based tests. - Daily answer writing with a 48-hour evaluation TAT	• TAT of 5-7 days for answer evaluation.	• Fastest evaluation TAT (48 hours). - Unlimited answer writing and evaluations available.
Scholarships	• Udaan: For poor and differently-abled students. - Safalta: Full fee refunds for Prelims qualified candidates. - Vijeta: Monthly cash rewards for top scorers in Monthly Tests.	• Limited or no Scholarships available.	• Multiple scholarship programs to support aspirants financially and encourage excellence.
Gurukul Program	• MRP: Mains Residential Program with full boarding, lodging, and mentorship.	• No structured residential programs.	• Exclusive MRP program to provide holistic preparation with immersive learning environments
Interview Guidance Program (IGP)	• Includes DAF analysis, mock interviews, and expert insights.	• General or no structured interview preparation.	• Complete personality grooming and preparation for the final UPSC stage.
Mentorship Features	• Margdarshan: By top faculties. - Sarathi: By mentors team.	• Generic mentorship without personalized guidance.	• Structured mentorship programs ensuring strategic preparation for every aspirant.

SCHEDULE

Start Date	End Date	Subject	Time
23-Oct-2026		Orientation & GS Paper Syllabus Discussion	6pm
26-Oct-2026	20-Nov-2026	Sci & Tech NCERT	6 pm - 8:30 pm
23-Nov-2026	18-Dec-2026	Economy NCERT	6 pm - 8:30 pm
21-Dec-2026	8-Jan-2027	Polity NCERT	6 pm - 8:30 pm
11-Jan-2027	5-Feb-2027	History NCERT	6 pm - 8:30 pm
8-Feb-2027	5-Mar-2027	Geography NCERT	6 pm - 8:30 pm
18-Mar-2027	01-Apr-2028	GS Foundation	5:30 pm
03-Apr-2028	10-Jun-2028	Live CSAT	3:30 pm
12-Jun-2028	15-Dec-2028	P2I Advance	6pm
18-Dec-2028	17-Mar-2029	SIP	8am

*The schedule is tentative and subject to change.
*1–2 days' break after each subject for revision.

OUR FACULTIES

Ancient, Medieval and Art and Culture

Rashid Yasin

Alok Ojha

Abhishek Rathore

Modern India, World History & Post Independence

Rashid Yasin

Chandan Sharma

Alok Ojha

Abhishek Rathore

Polity & Governance

Shashank Tyagi

Shailendra Upadhayay

Society social justice governance IR security

Mangal Sing

Geography, Environment and Ecology

Bhuvan Jha

Randheer

Disaster Management

Bhuvan Jha

Randheer

Mayank Barua

Economy

Vasu Katara

Arpit Verma

Ankit Singh

Essay & Ethics

Arpit Verma

Society and Social Justice

Mangal Sing

Science and Tech

Shailendra Upadhayay

Internal Security &Internal Security

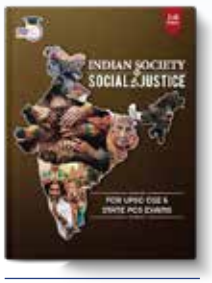
Mayank Barua

OUR E-BOOKS SECTION

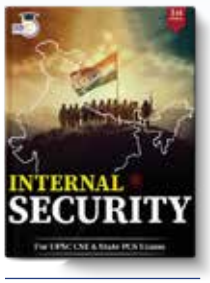
LIST OF 18 GS E-BOOKS

GOVERNANCE IN INDIA

FUNDAMENTALS OF GEOGRAPHY



INDIAN SOCIETY & SOCIAL JUSTICE



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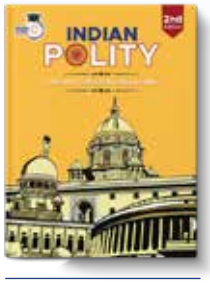
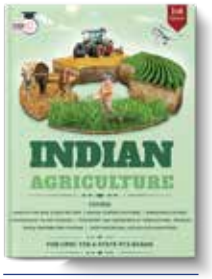


INDIAN POLITY

PRINCIPLES OF INDIAN GEOGRAPHY



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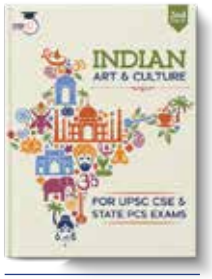
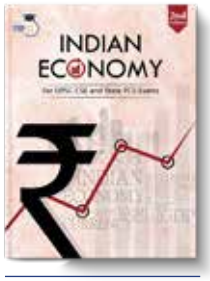
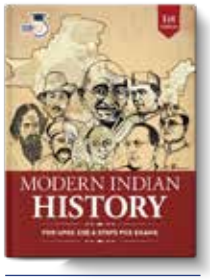


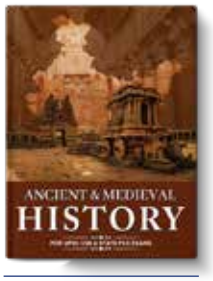
INDIAN ART & CULTURE



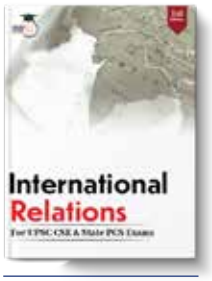
INDIAN ECONOMY



MODERN INDIAN HISTORY



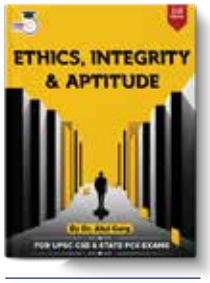
ANCIENT & MEDIEVAL HISTORY



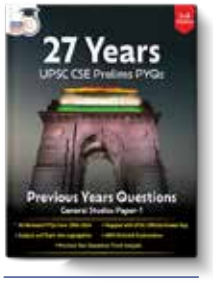
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

DISASTER MANAGEMENT

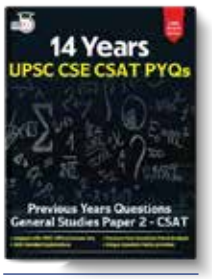
SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY



ETHICS, INTEGRITY & APTITUDE



27 YEARS UPSC CSE PRELIMS PYQS



14 YEARS UPSC CSE CSAT PYQS

ENVIRONMENT & ECOLOGY

OUR MENTORS

Guidance from the Best Panelists

Interact with experienced bureaucrats, academicians, and domain experts who bring real-world insights and UPSC board-level perspectives.

S. Y. Quraishi

Former Chief Election Commissioner

Alok Ranjan

Former Chief Secretary, UP

Anil Swarup

Former Coal Secretary, GOI

Ashok Khemka

Former Add. Chief Secretary, GOI

Deepak Vohra

Retd. IFS, Special Advisor to GOI

Vijendra Chauhan

Associate Professor, DU

Rakesh Asthana

Former CBI Director

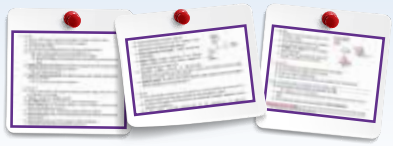
Mahesh Sachdev

Retired IFS Officer

JK Sharma

Retired IFS Officer

STUDY MATERIAL SECTION



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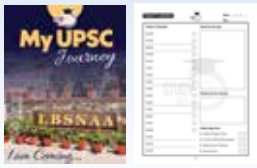

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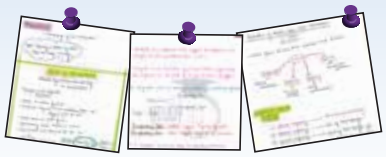

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