

UPSC IAS (MAINS)

# HISTORY

## Optional 2025

### BATCH 4

LIVE  Classes & Test Series



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**22nd Apr '24**

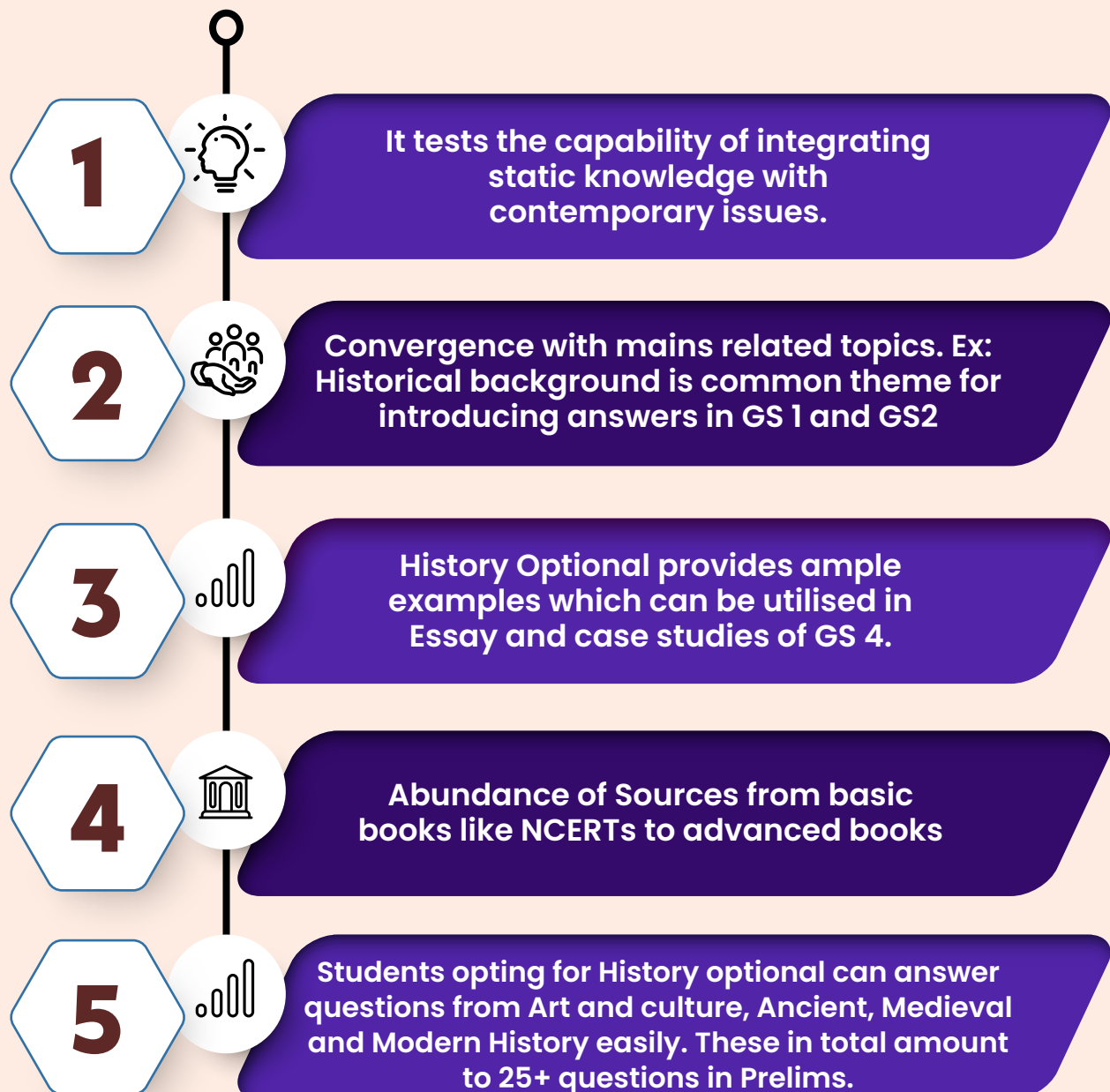


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**Previous Year Questions'  
Discussions by Sainil Sir.**

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Notes and Crux in English  
only**





# TIMETABLE

Orientation sessions are conducted at 11 AM initially after the start of the batch, for a few days. This is to make the students adapt to the subject. Candidates will be informed about the same.

## DATE

Recorded

22nd Apr' 24

## TOPICS

A Few Orientation Sessions will be Provided in Recorded Format.

### PAPER 2 SECTION B – MODERN WORLD HISTORY

- Enlightenment and Modern ideas
- Origins of Modern Politics : American Revolution and Constitution
- Origins of Modern Politics : American Civil War & British Democratic politics
- Origins of Modern Politics: French Revolution and Aftermath, 1789–1815
- French Revolution and Napoleon– Historiography and debates
- Industrial Revolution
- Nation state system–19th Century revolutions
- Nation state System–Italy
- Nation state System–Germany
- Russian Revolution
- Chinese Revolution
- World War 1
- Fascism, Interwar periods
- World War 2
- EMERGENCE OF POWER BLOCS + THIRD WORLD + NAM +
- COLD WAR + COLLAPSE OF USSR
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- COLD WAR + COLLAPSE OF USSR
- UNO AND ITS DISPUTES– Political Changes in East
- Europe 1989–2001 + US ASCENDANCY
- Imperialism and Colonialism + Liberation from
- Colonial rule
- Decolonization and Underdevelopment

## DATE

19th May '24

29th Mayt' 24

## TOPICS

### PAPER 1 SECTION A – ANCIENT HISTORY

- Sources
- Pre History – Paleolithic and Mesolithic
- Indus Valley Civilisation
- Vedic Age
- Mahajanpada
- Emergence of Magadha
- Mauryans
- Post Mauryans
- Guptas
- Vakatakas and Vardhanas
- Regional State
- Themes in Early Indian Cultural History

### PAPER 1 SECTION B – MEDIEVAL HISTORY

- Early Medieval India, 750-1200
- The Thirteenth Century
- The Fourteenth Century
- 13th and 14th Century – Society, Culture and Economy
- Regional Kingdoms of 15th Century
- 16th Century – Mughals
- 17th Century – Mughals
- 17th Century – Marathas and Ahoms
- 15th to 17th Century – Economy, Society and Culture –
- 15th to 17th Century – Culture
- 18th century

## DATE

20th Jun' 24

## TOPICS

### PAPER 2 SECTION A – MODERN INDIA

- 18th century background + European Penetration into India
- British Expansion in India
- Economic Impact of British Colonial Rule
- Socio – Reform Movements
- Indian Response to British Rule – Peasant and Tribal Uprising in 18th and 19th century
- Revolt OF 1857
- Early Structure of the British Raj (Regulating Act 1773 to CA 1853)
- Misc topics – British Company Raj
- INC Before Gandhi – Pre INC Parties to Home Rule League Movement
- Gandhi Phase 1 – Champaran Satyagraha to Swarajist
- Gandhi Phase 2 – Swarajist to Retirement of Gandhi
- Gandhi Phase 3 – 1939 to 1947
- Constitutional Developments in the Colonial India between 1858 and 1935
- Other strands in the National Movement – The
- Revolutionary Extremism & Leftist Developments in India
- Politics of Separatism: Development of Communalism and Nationalism
- Post Independence

**\* Please note that this is a tentative plan for the batch and the dates may vary**

# History Test Series

## Features

01

The language style and nature of the questions are in line with the questions asked by the Union Public Service Commission and based on deep understanding and knowledge.

02

There will be a total of 12 tests. (8 sectional tests and 4 Full Length tests). Medium of the language used will be English.

03

The evaluation of papers will be done in 4-5 days after the student uploads the paper.

04

Discussion of each paper would be done thoroughly.

05

Synopsis of each test will be provided after the student attempts the paper.

06

Previous Year Questions and high-yielding topics would be covered comprehensively.

# Time Table

| TEST NO. | DATE         | PAPER                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|----------|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Test 1   | 11th May'24  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First phase of indian nationalism</li> <li>• Second phase of indian nationalism</li> <li>• Constitutional developments in the colonial india between 1858 and 1935               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Other strands in the national movement</li> <li>- Separatist strands in the national movement</li> <li>- Consolidation as a nation</li> <li>- Caste and ethnicity after 1947</li> <li>- Economic development and political change</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| Test 2   | 18th May'24  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enlightenment and modern ideas</li> <li>• Origins of modern politics</li> <li>• Industrialization</li> <li>• Nation – state system</li> <li>• Revolution and counter – revolution</li> <li>• World wars</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Test 3   | 23rd May '24 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The world after world war II</li> <li>• Imperialism and colonialism</li> <li>• Liberation from colonial rule</li> <li>• Unification of europe</li> <li>• Disintegration of soviet union and the rise of the unipolar world</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Test 4   | 30th May '24 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sources</li> <li>• Pre–history and proto – history</li> <li>• Indus valley civilization</li> <li>• Aryans and vedic period</li> <li>• Period of mahajanapadas or post vedic age</li> <li>• Iranian and macedonian invasions and heir impact</li> <li>• Mauryan empire</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Test 5   | 26th July'24 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Post – Mauryan period</li> <li>• Early state and society in eastern india, deccan and south india</li> <li>• Guptas, Vakatakas and Vardhans age</li> <li>• Regional states during Gupta era</li> <li>• Early medieval india, 750 – 1200</li> <li>• Themes in early indian cultural history</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                              |



| TEST NO. | DATE           | PAPER                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| Test 6   | 2nd August'24  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Delhi sultanate</li> <li>• Political developments and economy During 15th and early 16th century</li> <li>• Thirteenth and fourteenth centuries</li> <li>• The fifteenth and early sixteenth century Society and culture</li> </ul>                                                                                                                  |
| Test 7   | 9th August'24  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mughal period</li> <li>• Economy and society in the 16th and 17th centuries</li> <li>• The eighteenth century</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Test 8   | 16th August'24 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• European penetration into india</li> <li>• British expansion in india</li> <li>• Early structure of the British raj</li> <li>• Economic impact of British colonial rule</li> <li>• Social and cultural developments</li> <li>• Social and religious reform movements in Bengal and other areas</li> <li>• Indian response to British rule</li> </ul> |
| Test 9   | 23rd August'24 | Full Length Paper (Paper I - Ancient & Medieval History)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Test 10  | 23 August'24   | Full Length Paper (Paper II - Modern & World History)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Test 11  | 30th August'24 | Full Length Paper (Paper I - Ancient & Medieval History)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Test 12  | 30th August'24 | Full Length Paper (Paper II - Modern & World History)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

\* Please note that the test dates and discussion dates are subjective and may vary.

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