

# HISTORY OPTIONAL 2025

## OCTOBER BATCH

**LIVE CLASSES &  
TEST SERIES**



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**21st Oct'24**



**1:00 PM**

It is said that Optional determines the destiny of UPSC journey. It is the most important weapon to conquer this exam. To get into the final list, one must ace the optionals.

StudyIQ is here with its History Course.  
Let's start with understanding the  
**Merits of History Optional.**

- 1 It tests the capability of integrating static knowledge with contemporary issues.
- 2 Convergence with mains related topics. Ex: Historical background is common theme for introducing answers in GS 1 and GS2
- 3 History Optional provides ample examples which can be utilised in Essay and case studies of GS 4.
- 4 Abundance of Sources from basic books like NCERTs to advanced books
- 5 Students opting for History optional can answer questions from Art and culture, Ancient, Medieval and Modern History easily. These in total amount to 25+ questions in Prelims.

# **What Do We Pledge to Our Students ?**

**We Strive to Get The best out of you in this UPSC Journey So If you are enrolling in Pratigya UPSC Optional Batch along with Pratigya P2I Batch and you clear your UPSC Prelims 2025 Exam, your Course fee will be refunded.**

# Features of the Course

**400+ hours of Live Lectures  
spread over 5 months.**

**1**

**Comprehensive coverage  
via PPT based Lectures.**

**2**

**High Quality Lecture  
Notes for full coverage of all  
Standard Reference Books.**

**3**

**Dedicated Mapping  
Classes**

**4**

**Live Answer Writing  
program under the  
guidance of Sainil Sir.**

**5**

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

**6**

**Doubt Clearing Sessions  
by Sainil Sir.**

**7**

**Provision of Handwritten  
Notes and Crux in English  
only**

**8**

# 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

21st Oct' 24

23rd Oct' 24

## TOPICS

Orientation

### 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



# DATE

30th Nov' 24

# TOPICS

## 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

14th Jan' 25

## 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

17th Feb' 25

### 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

**\* 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	CHAPTER
Test 1	18th November' 24	Modern History 1
Test 2	29th November' 24	Modern History 2
Test 3	20th December' 24	World History 1
Test 4	13th January' 25	World History 2
Test 5	30th January' 25	Ancient History 1
Test 6	16th February' 24	Ancient History 2

TEST NO.	DATE	PAPER
Test 7	28th February' 25	Medieval History 1
Test 8	15th March' 25	Medieval History 1
Test 9	3rd April' 25	Full Length Paper (Paper II - Ancient & Medieval History)
Test 10	3rd April' 25	Full Length Paper (Paper I - Modern & World History)
Test 11	23rd April' 25	Full Length Paper (Paper II - Ancient & Medieval History)
Test 12	3rd April' 25	Full Length Paper (Paper I - Modern & World History)

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

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