

UPSC IAS (Mains)

 **LIVE PSIR**

OPTIONAL

Batch - 4



By

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6th Jan'23



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It is also to be noted that certain questions with regards to International Relations are also asked in the UPSC– Civil Services Interview

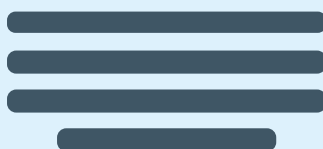
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TIMETABLE

There will be 1 Orientation session and 3 Pre Foundation Sessions at 11a.m on 6th January - 13th January. Students will be informed about the same.

DATE

TOPICS

6th Jan'23

Introduction and orientation session

13th Jan'23

PAPER 2 Section B

- 1) Indian Foreign Policy : Determinants
- 2) India's contribution to Non-Alignment movement, different phases, current role
- 3) India and South Asia
- 4) India and the Global South
- 5) India and the global centres of power
- 6) India and the UN system
- 7) India and the Nuclear Question
- 8) Recent Developments in Indian Foreign Policy

15th Feb'23

PAPER 1 SECTION A

- 1) Political Theory: meaning and approaches
- 2) Western Political Thought
- 3) Theories of the state
- 4) Justice
- 5) Equality
- 6) Rights
- 7) Democracy
- 8) Concept of power, hegemony, ideology, and legitimacy
- 9) Political Ideologies
- 10) Indian Political Thought

28th Mar'23

PAPER 1 SECTION B

- 1) Indian Nationalism
- 2) Making of the Indian Constitution

DATE

3rd May'23

TOPICS

- 3) Salient Features of the Indian Constitution
- 4) Principal Organs of the Union Government
- 5) Grassroots Democracy
- 6) Statutory Institutions/Commissions
- 7) Federalism
- 8) Planning and Economic development
- 9) Caste, religion and ethnicity in Indian Politics
- 10) Party System, Social Movements

PAPER 2 Section A

- 1) Comparative Politics State in comparative perspective
- 2) Politics of representation and participation
- 3) Globalisation
- 4) Approaches to the Study of international relations
- 5) Key concepts in International relations
- 6) Changing International Political Order
- 7) Evolution of International economic systems
- 8) United Nations
- 9) Regionalisation of world politics
- 10) Contemporary Global Concerns

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