

## UPSC Civil Services Examination

### Political Science & International Relations

#### UPPSC PCS 2019-2020 Booklist/Sources

The booklist to prepare for UPPSC Prelims 2020 are given in the table below:

UPPSC Prelims 2020 Subjects	UPPSC Exam Preparation Sources
Current events of National & International importance	One newspaper will suffice
Indian History and National Movement	History should be read as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ancient - School Textbooks</li> <li>• Medieval - School Textbooks</li> <li>• Modern - Spectrum (Rajiv Ahir)</li> <li>• National Movement - IGNOU B.A. Notes</li> </ul>
Indian and World Geography	Indian geography should be read as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Physical - School Textbooks (Standard 6-12)</li> <li>• Human - School Textbooks (Standard 6-12)</li> <li>• World - Newspaper and Atlas</li> </ul>
Indian Governance and Polity	To understand the basics of Indian Polity, read school textbooks. Reference book: Laxmikanth
Social and Economic Development	To understand the basics of Indian Economics, refer to school textbooks (Standard 9-12)
Environmental Ecology, Climate Change, and Biodiversity	Reference Book - PD Sharma
General Science	School textbooks from classes 6-12 should be read

For aptitude exam, i.e. UPPSC PCS Prelims Paper-II, aspirants should practise reading comprehensions, logical reasoning and English grammar more as questions from these sections are asked in aptitude exam in the majority. Some reference books for PCS Prelims Paper-II are:

1. M.K Pandey's Analytical Reasoning
2. R.S Aggarwal's Quantitative Aptitude
3. For section, Reading Comprehensions, follow the previous year question papers.

## UPPSC Mains 2019 & 2020

The major topics given in UPPSC Syllabus are History, Geography, Polity, Economics and Current Affairs.

UPPSC Preparation books for Mains are:

- History- Bipin Chandra
- Polity- Laxmikanth
- Geography- Lexicon or Majid Hussain or G.C. Leong
- Economy- School Textbooks or Ramesh Singh
- Current Affairs- The Hindu/ Monthly Compilation of any good magazine

Apart from the books above, a few other recommended reading sources are:

1. Budget and Economic Survey
2. State Board books
3. NCERT books – Download NCERT books PDF here (only English medium)
4. To prepare for the compulsory paper number I and II where knowledge of Bengali language is significant, candidates should practice report-writing and translations from school textbooks and Bengali newspapers.