

List of IAS Subjects

IAS Subjects for Prelims Exam

The UPSC Prelims exam comprises two papers:

- 1. General Studies Paper-I
- 2. General Studies Paper-II (CSAT)

Given below is the IAS subject list for the two papers which are objective type each. Both are conducted on the same day and the total marks for the two papers are 400 (200 marks each).

Subjects in IAS Prelims GS-I Paper

- Latest Current Affairs
- Static GK
- History of India and Indian National Movement
- Indian and World Geography
 - o Physical Geography
 - Social Geography
 - Economic Geography
- Indian Polity and Governance
 - Constitution
 - o Public Policy Rights
 - Political System
 - Rights Issues
 - o Panchayati Raj
- Economic and Social Development
 - Sustainable Development
 - Poverty
 - Inclusion
 - Demographics
 - Social Sector Initiatives
- Environment and Ecology
 - Biodiversity
 - o Climate Change
- Science and Technology

Subjects in IAS Prelims CSAT

This paper is set to test an applicant's logical reasoning and analyse their interpersonal and communication skills. Following topics are included in the syllabus for the prelims GS-II paper:

- Comprehension
- Interpersonal Skills Including Communication Skills



- Logical Reasoning and Analytical Ability
- Decision Making and Problem Solving
- General Mental Ability
- Basic Numeracy
- Data Interpretation
- English Language Comprehension Skills

IAS Subject List for UPSC Mains

Given below first is the list of Indian Languages for Paper A that can be selected by the candidates along with scripts to be used:

Language	Script
Assamese	Assamese
Bengali	Bengali
Gujarati	Gujarati
Hindi	Devanagari
Kannada	Kannada
Santhali	Devanagari or Olchiki
Maithilli	Devanagari
Dogri	Devanagari
Bodo	Devanagari
Urdu	Persian
Telugu	Telugu
Tamil	Tamil
Sindhi	Devanagari or Arabic
Sanskrit	Devanagari
Punjabi	Gurumukhi
Odia	Odia
Nepali	Devanagari
Marathi	Devanagari



Manipuri	Bengali
Malayalam	Malayalam
Konkani	Devanagari
Kashmiri	Persian

IAS Optional Subject List for UPSC CSE Mains

There are two compulsory papers for optional subjects in the UPSC Mains exam. Given below is the list of optional subjects for the civil services mains examination along with the syllabus for each of the given IAS subjects:

- 1. Agriculture
- 2. Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Science
- 3. Anthropology
- 4. Botany
- 5. Chemistry
- 6. Civil Engineering
- 7. Commerce and Accountancy
- 8. Economics
- Electrical Engineering
- 10. Geography
- 11. Geology
- 12. History
- 13. Law
- 14. Management
- 15. Mathematics
- 16. Mechanical Engineering
- 17. Medical Science
- 18. Philosophy
- 19. Physics
- 20. Political Science and International Relations
- 21. Psychology
- 22. Public Administration
- 23. Sociology
- 24. Statistics
- 25. Zoology
- 26. Literature of any one of the following languages: Assamese, Bengali, Bodo, Dogri, Gujarati, Hindi, Kannada, Kashmiri, Konkani, Maithili, Malayalam, Manipuri, Marathi, Nepali, Odia, Punjabi, Sanskrit, Santhali, Sindhi, Tamil, Telugu, Urdu and English



IAS Subject List for UPSC Mains General Studies Papers

UPSC Mains GS Subjects		
General Studies Paper	Subjects	
GS Paper I	 History Modern World History Art & Culture Indian Heritage and Culture Geography Human Geography World Physical Geography Society Salient Features of Indian Society 	
GS Paper II	 Polity Indian Constitution & its features, amendments, provisions and bodies Governance Social Justice International Relations 	
GS Paper III	 Technology Economic Development Biodiversity Environment Security Disaster Management 	
GS Paper IV	EthicsIntegrityAptitude	