

# Detailed Test Calendar for MGP / MGP+ 2023

#	Date   Test Code	Test Name	Topic Syllabus	Source
<i>(Essay Tests are only for MGP+ Students.)</i>				
00.	<b>Friday, Sept. 30, 2022</b>  <b>Saturday, Oct. 1, 2022</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Online Orientation for the Program</li> <li>Online Orientation of Answer Writing.</li> </ul>		
1.	<b>Sunday Oct. 9, 2022   61221</b>	<b>MGP Full Length Sectional Test #1</b> <b>(20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)</b>	<b>GS Paper 2 / Topic 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6</b> Topic 1: Indian Constitution—historical underpinnings, evolution, features, amendments, significant provisions and basic structure. Topic 2: Functions and responsibilities of the Union and the States, issues and challenges pertaining to the federal structure, devolution of powers and finances up to local levels and challenges therein. Topic 3: Separation of powers between various organs dispute redressal mechanisms and institutions. Topic 4: Comparison of the Indian constitutional scheme with that of other countries. Topic 5: Parliament and State legislatures—structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers & privileges and issues arising out of these. Topic 6: Structure, organization and functioning of the Executive and the Judiciary—Ministries and Departments of the Government; pressure groups and formal/informal associations and their role in the Polity	<b>Sources:</b> ForumIAS – A Summary of Indian Polity 11th NCERT: Indian Constitution at Work Indian Polity by M Laxmikant Subhash Kashyap - Our Constitution, Our Parliament Introduction to Constitution of India – DD Basu 2nd ARC Reports [6th Report – Local Governance, 13th Report – Organisation structure of Government of India] Punchi Commission Report ForumIAS Academy – Handouts / Booklet Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express
2.	<b>Sunday Oct. 16, 2022   61222</b>	<b>MGP Full Length Sectional Test #2</b> <b>(20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)</b>	<b>GS Paper 2 / Topic 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14</b> Topic 7: Salient features of the Representation of People's Act. Topic 8: Appointment to various Constitutional posts, powers, functions and responsibilities of various Constitutional Bodies. Topic 9: Statutory, regulatory and various quasi-judicial bodies. Topic 10: Government policies and interventions for development in various sectors and issues arising out of their design and implementation Topic 12: Welfare schemes for vulnerable sections of the population by the Centre and States and the performance of these schemes; mechanisms, laws, institutions and Bodies constituted for the protection and betterment of these vulnerable sections Topic 13: Issues relating to development and management of Social Sector/Services relating to Health, Education, Human Resources Topic 14: Issues relating to poverty and hunger	<b>Sources:</b> ForumIAS – A Summary of Indian Polity ForumIAS Redbook – Indian Society and Social Issues India Year Book for Government Schemes 11th NCERT: Indian Constitution at Work Indian Polity by M Laxmikant Introduction to Constitution of India – DD Basu 2nd ARC Reports Annual Reports of Ministries such as Women and Child Development / HRD Ministry/ Health Ministry etc. ForumIAS Academy handouts/ Booklets Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express

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3.	Sunday Oct. 23, 2022   61223	MGP Full Length Sectional Test #3 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper 2/Topic 11,15,16,17,18,19,20</b> Topic 11: Development processes and the development industry —the role of NGOs, SHGs, various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional and other stakeholders. Topic 15: Important aspects of governance, transparency and accountability, e-governance applications, models, successes, limitations, and potential; citizen's charters, transparency & accountability and institutional and other measures. Topic 16: Role of civil services in a democracy Topic 17: India and its neighbourhood- relations. Topic 18: Bilateral, regional and global groupings and agreements involving India and/or affecting India's interests Topic 19: Effect of policies and politics of developed and developing countries on India's interests, Indian diaspora Topic 20: Important International institutions, agencies and fora- their structure, mandate	<b>Sources:</b> 2nd ARC Report [10th Report – Refurbishing of Personnel Administration, 11th Report – promoting e- governance, 12th Report – Citizen Centric Administration,] Book - Challenge and Strategy: Rethinking India's Foreign Policy by Rajiv Sikri Class 12 NCERT – Political Science: Contemporary World Politics Websites such as – Ministry of External Affairs, IDSA, ORF, Gateway House Three Year Action Agenda – 2017-18 to 2019-20 – NITI Aayog ForumIAS Academy Handouts / Booklets Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express
4.	Sunday Oct. 30, 2022   62511	Essay Test #1 (Only for MGP+ Students)	Essay Test #1 / FLT	
5.	Sunday Oct. 30, 2022   61231	MGP Full Length Test # 1 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 2 / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)	
6.	Sunday Nov. 6, 2022   61321	MGP Full Length Sectional Test #4 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper 3/Topic 1,2,3,4,5,6</b> Topic 1: Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, mobilization, of resources, growth, development and employment. Topic 2: Inclusive growth and issues arising from it. Topic 3: Government Budgeting Topic 4: Major crops-cropping patterns in various parts of the country, – different types of irrigation and irrigation systems storage, transport and marketing of agricultural produce and issues and related constraints; e-technology in the aid of farmers. Topic 5: Issues related to direct and indirect farm subsidies and minimum support prices; Public Distribution System- objectives, functioning, limitations, revamping; issues of buffer stocks and food security; Technology missions; economics of animal-rearing. Topic 6: Food processing and related industries in India- 'scope' and significance, location, upstream and downstream requirements, supply chain management.	<b>Source:</b> ForumIAS Redbook – Indian Economy ForumIAS Redbook – Agriculture Economic Survey Budget NITI Aayog reports on Agriculture Yojana and Kurukshetra 11th NCERT: Economics: Indian Economic Development 12th NCERT: Macroeconomics Economic Survey of India Selective reading of Indian Economy Since Independence - Uma Kapila 2nd ARC Report (Strengthening Financial Management Systems) Three Year Action Agenda – 2017-18 to 2019-20 – NITI Aayog ForumIAS Academy Handouts/ Booklets Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express

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7.	<b>Sunday Nov. 13, 2022   61322</b>	<b>MGP Full Length Sectional Test #5 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)</b>	<b>GS Paper 3 /Topic 7,8,9,10,11,12,13</b> Topic 7: Land reforms in India Topic 8: Effects of liberalization on the economy, changes in industrial policy and their effects on industrial growth Topic 9: Infrastructure: Energy, Ports, Roads, Airports, Railways etc. Topic 10: Investment models Topic 11: Science and Technology- developments and their applications and effects in everyday life Topic 12: Achievements of Indians in science & technology; indigenization of technology and developing new technology. Topic 13: Awareness in the fields of IT, Space, Computers, robotics, Nanotechnology, biotechnology and issues relating to intellectual property rights.	<b>Sources:</b> ForumIAS Redbook – Science & Technology The Science Reporter magazine 11th NCERT: Economics: Indian Economic Development 12th NCERT: Macroeconomics Economic Survey of India Three Year Action Agenda, -2017-18 to 2019-20 - NITI Aayog Selective reading of Indian Economy Since Independence - Uma Kapila Yojana India Since Independence by Bipin Chandra [for Land reforms] ForumIAS Academy - Handouts / Booklets Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express
8.	<b>Sunday Nov. 20, 2022   61323</b>	<b>MGP Full Length Sectional Test #6 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)</b>	<b>GS Paper 3 /Topic 14,15,16,17,18,19,20</b> Topic 14: Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment Topic 15: Disaster and disaster management Topic 16: Linkages between development and spread of extremism Topic 17: Role of external state and non-state actors in creating challenges to internal security Topic 18: Challenges to internal security through communication networks, role of media and social networking sites in internal security challenges, basics of cyber security; money-laundering and its prevention Topic 19: Security challenges and their management in border areas – linkages of organized crime with terrorism Topic 20: Various Security forces and agencies and their mandate	<b>Sources:</b> ForumIAS Redbook – Environment ForumIAS Redbook – Internal Security NCERT: Class 12 Biology (Chapter 10: Ecology) 2nd ARC Report [3rd Report – Crisis management] 2nd ARC (7th Report Capacity Building for Conflict Resolution) 2nd ARC (8th Report Combating Terrorism - Protecting by Righteousness) IDSA reports The Oxford's Handbook of India's National Security NCERT Class 12 – Contemporary World IGNOU – MPA – 018 Disaster management CBSE – XI book – Natural Hazards and Disaster Management ForumIAS Academy - Handouts / Booklets Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express Yojana
9.	<b>Sunday, Nov. 27, 2022   62512</b>	<b>Essay Test #2 (Only for MGP+ Students)</b>	<b>Essay Test #2 / FLT</b>	
10.	<b>Sunday, Nov. 27, 2022   61331</b>	<b>MGP Full Length Test # 2 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)</b>	<b>GS Paper 3 / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)</b>	

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11.	Sunday, Dec. 4, 2022   61121	<b>MGP Full Length Sectional Test #7</b> (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper I/Topic 1 and 3,4</b> Topic 1: Art & Culture: Indian culture will cover the salient aspects of Art Forms, literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times. Topic 3: Post-Independence: Post-independence consolidation and reorganization within the country. Topic 4: World History: History of the world will include events from 18th century such as industrial revolution, world wars, redrawing of national boundaries, colonization, decolonization, political philosophies like communism, capitalism, socialism etc.— their forms and effect on the society.	<b>Sources:</b> ForumIAS Redbook – World History ForumIAS Redbook – Post Independence India 11th History book of Tamil Nadu board Text Book on Fine Arts Class XI NCERT CCRT Website or compilation Indian Culture and Heritage - NIOS: www.nios.ac.in 12th NCERT – Politics in India after Independence Selective reading of India since independence by Bipin Chandra or India After Gandhi by Ramchandra Guha NCERT Arjun Dev Norman Lowe John Green Crash Course World History ForumIAS Academy - Handouts / Booklet
12.	Sunday, Dec. 11, 2022   61122	<b>MGP Full Length Sectional Test #8</b> (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper I/Topic 2,5</b> Topic 2: Modern History: Modern Indian history from about the middle of the eighteenth century until the present- significant events, personalities, issues. The Freedom Struggle — its various stages and important contributors/contributions from different parts of the country. Topic 5: Indian Society: Salient features of Indian Society, Diversity of India. Role of women and women's organization, population and associated issues, poverty and developmental issues, urbanization, their problems and their remedies. Effects of globalization on Indian society. Social empowerment, communalism, regionalism & secularism.	<b>Sources:</b> ForumIAS Redbook – Indian Society and Social Issues ForumIAS - A Summary of History of Modern India Bipin Chandra – Old NCERT “A Brief History of Modern India” – Spectrum Pub. NCERT - 12th – Indian Society NCERT - 12th – Social Change and Development in India IGNOU – ESO - 12 Society in India IGNOU – ESO - 16: Social Problems in India Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express
13.	Sunday, Dec. 18, 2022   61123	<b>MGP Full Length Sectional Test #9</b> (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper I/Topic 6,7,8</b> Topic 6: Physical Geography: Salient features of world's physical geography. Topic 7: Human and Economic Geography: Distribution of key natural resources across the world (including South Asia and the Indian sub-continent); factors responsible for the location of primary, secondary, and tertiary sector industries in various parts of the world (including India). Topic 8: Geophysical Phenomena: Important Geophysical phenomena such as earthquakes, Tsunami, Volcanic activity, cyclone etc., geographical features and their location-changes in critical geographical features (including water-bodies and ice-caps) and in flora and fauna and the effects of such changes.	<b>Sources:</b> 11th NCERT: Physical Geography 12th NCERT: Human geography. Internet for industries and resource distribution. Certificate Physical and Human Geography by Goh Cheng Leong Atlas: Orient Blackswan ForumIAS Academy - Handouts / Booklet Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express
14.	Saturday, Dec. 24, 2022   62513	<b>Essay Test #3</b> (Only for MGP+ Students)	<b>Essay Test #3 / FLT</b>	
15.	Saturday, Dec. 24, 2022   61131	<b>MGP Full Length Test # 3</b> (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper I / FLT</b> (Complete Syllabus Test)	

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16.	Sunday, Jan. 1, 2023   61421	<b>MGP Full Length Sectional Test #10</b> (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper 4/Topic 1, 2,4,5,8</b> Topic 1: Ethics and Human Interface: Essence, determinants and consequences of Ethics in human actions, Dimensions of ethics, Ethics in private and public relationships, Human Values – lessons from the lives and teachings of great leaders, reformers and administrators, Role of family, society and educational institutions in inculcating values. Topic 2: Attitude: content, structure, function; its influence and relation with thought and behaviour; moral and political attitudes; social influence and persuasion. Topic 4: Emotional intelligence-concepts, and their utilities and application in administration and governance. Topic 5: Contribution of Moral Thinkers and Philosophers:Western & Indian. Topic 8: Case Studies on above issues.	<b>Sources:</b> ForumIAS Redbook – Ethics Integrity and Aptitude Selective Study from G.Subbarao 2ndARC Reports – Ethics in Governance Newspaper and internet.
17.	Sunday, Jan. 8, 2023   61422	<b>MGP Full Length Sectional Test #11</b> (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper 4/Topic 3,6,8</b> Topic 3:Aptitude and foundational values for Civil Service, integrity, impartiality and non-partisanship, objectivity, dedication to public service, empathy, tolerance and compassion towards the weaker sections Topic 6: Public/Civil Service Values and Ethics in PublicAdministration:Status and Problems;Ethical Concerns and Dilemmas in Government and Private Institutions; Laws, Rules, Regulations and Conscience as Sources of Ethical Guidance; Accountability and Ethical Governance; Strengthening of Ethical and Moral Values in Governance; Ethical Issues in International Relations and Funding;Corporate Governance. Topic 7:Probity in Governance: Concept of public service; Philosophical basis of governance and probity; Information sharing and transparency in government,Right to Information, Codes of Ethics, Codes of Conduct, Citizen's Charters, Work culture, Quality of service delivery, Utilization of public funds,challenges of corruption. Topic 8: Case Studies on above issues.	<b>Sources:</b> ForumIAS Redbook – Ethics Integrity and Aptitude 2ndARC Reports (Citizen Centric Administration, Refurbishing Personnel Administration, RTI: Master Key to Good Governance) Selective Study from G.Subbarao 2ndARC Reports – Ethics in Governance Newspaper and internet.
18.	Sunday, Jan. 15, 2023   62514	<b>Essay Test #4</b> (Only for MGP+ Students)	<b>EssayTest #4 / FLT</b>	
19.	Sunday, Jan. 15, 2023   61431	<b>MGP Full Length Test # 4</b> (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper 4 / FLT</b> <b>Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude.</b> <b>(Complete Syllabus Test)</b>	
20.	Sunday, Jan. 22, 2023   62515	<b>Essay Test #5</b> (Only for MGP+ Students)	<b>EssayTest #5 / FLT</b>	

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21.	Sunday Jan. 29, 2023   61132	MGP Full Length Test # 5 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 1 / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)	
22.	Sunday, Feb. 5, 2023   61232	MGP Full Length Test # 6 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 2 / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)	
23.	Sunday, Feb. 12, 2023   62516	Essay Test #6 (Only for MGP+ Students)	Essay Test #6 / FLT	
24.	Sunday, Feb. 19, 2023   61332	MGP Full Length Test # 7 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 3 / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)	
25.	Sunday, Feb. 26, 2023   61432	MGP Full Length Test # 8 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 4 / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)	

## PRELIMS 2023 BREAK

There are few things to keep in mind at this stage. Once MGP Tests as per schedule are over, it is expected that you (a) realign your preparation for Prelims (b) finish off any tests that you have missed (c) cover and revise optional subjects. You will need to have some self-discipline to finish off remaining Tests. We will be available to rightly orient you at this stage. You can submit all the Tests conducted till date till Prelims. There is complete flexibility.

A detailed Plan for the MGP 2023 Mains Simulator Tests will be released within 1 week of Prelims.

26.	3 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2023 Simulator Test #1	GS Paper 1 / FLT	
27.	4 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2023 Simulator Test #2	GS Paper 2 / FLT	
28.	4 weeks after Prelims	Essay Test #7 (Only for MGP+ Students)	Essay Test #7 / FLT	
29.	5 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2023 Simulator Test #3	GS Paper 3 / FLT	

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30.	6 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2023 Simulator Test #4	GS Paper 4 / FLT	
31.	6 weeks after Prelims	Essay Test #8 (Only for MGP+ Students)	Essay Test # 8 / FLT	
32.	7 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2023 Simulator Test #5	GS Paper 1 / FLT	
33.		MGP 2023 Simulator Test #6	GS Paper 2 / FLT	
34.	8 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2023 Simulator Test #7	GS Paper 3 / FLT	
35.		MGP 2023 Simulator Test #8	GS Paper 4 / FLT	

All India Mains Open Simulator Tests				
36.	2 Weeks before Mains examination	Essay Open Test	Essay	Not to be evaluated
37.	2 Weeks before Mains examination	GS Paper 1 – Open Test	GS Paper 1 / FLT	Not to be evaluated
38.		GS Paper 2 – Open Test	GS Paper 2 / FLT	
39.	2 Weeks before Mains examination	GS Paper 3 – Open Test	GS Paper 3 / FLT	Not to be evaluated
40.		GS Paper 4 – Open Test	GS Paper 4 / FLT	