



# MAINS GUIDANCE PROGRAM 2025

Under the guidance of Ayush Sinha, Founder, ForumIAS

# The best

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# MGP

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# *ever*

## Cohort - 14 (05 November 2024)

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MGP helped me in simulating the Mains examination. The feedback was very helpful. I thank ForumIAS for so much efficiency in paper checking and the elaborate feedback. Ayush Sir's inputs before Mains were very helpful.

Ishita Kishore,  
IAS Rank I, CSE 2022

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# How did we build an academy which has sent 2 out of every 3 students selected in Civil Services Examination 2022 – including Rank 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 with near zero Quora reviews, a dull social media presence, and a disinterested marketing plan?

**It's *simple***

**We focused on our students. And cut the *noise*.**

And they gave us Top ranks!

At ForumIAS, our USP lies in being thought leaders in Civil services Preparation, identifying what works and what does not, and make changes every year. We attract the best and the most sincere aspirants and turn them into officers without diluting our course quality to attract the masses.

## **Toppers chose ForumIAS**

ForumIAS Mains Guidance Program has been the choice of the sincere aspirant – right from first attempters [1] - to students with who are seeking continuous improvement [2] - to those seeking a rank and career improvement [3]. With more than 60 students selected in CSE 2022 in Top 100, being students of Mains Guidance program 2022, we have built an impeccable program that enables you to succeed like no other.

This year MGP is ever better, covering almost all relevant concepts of previous year questions (framed differently), handholding you from the very beginning till the end of the program.

The new MGP program is tailored in a way such that right from absolute beginners with zero answer writing experience and skills to the students who have secured ranks, but are looking for a score improvement can benefit from it.

Every year since we started MGP.

[1] Pratyush Pandey (IAS Rank 21), Chandrajyoti (IAS Rank 25), Ananya Pandey

[2] Ishita Kishore (IAS Rank 1), Shruti Sharma (IAS Rank 1),

[3] Anudeep Durishetty (IAS Rank 1), Waseem (IAS Rank 7), Varun Reddy (IAS Rank 7)

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**I was enrolled in MGP Program for General Studies and Anthropology. The analytical nature of questions asked helped me prepare for the actual examination. The ranking system helped me to track my progress constantly. I am grateful to ForumIAS.**

**- Uma Harathi, IAS Rank – 3, CSE 2022**

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# Impeccable Mentors that our students vouch for.

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I came to ForumIAS after 4 prelims failure, when I had lost all hope. It was the mentorship of Ayush Sir, Aman Sir, and the entire team that helped me get into IPS in my fifth attempt. I shall be grateful to ForumIAS forever.

Truly they say, “We Build Officers”.

Natasha Goyal  
IPS, Rank - 175, CSE 2022  
Joined Forum in 5<sup>th</sup> attempt with MGP,  
CA, SFG, selected same year Ethics+

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The best mentor you can get is an elder sibling who is in service.

The second-best mentors are at ForumIAS.

At the **core** of Mains Guidance Program is Mentorship. At ForumIAS, you have access to the best team of mentors who have the relevant experience of guiding the Crème de la crème of Civil Services aspirants.

They have the experience of handholding students who are complete beginners – who are beginning their Civil Services preparation with very little experience to students who have come after 3-4 failed attempts.

Our mentorship has enabled them to realise their true potential by securing their name in the final list.

ForumIAS boasts of the best tribe of mentors who have mentored – and continue to mentor – hundreds – if not thousands of selected candidates.

In fact, if you have heard of the term mentorship in Civil Services preparation – remember it all began with the MGP Mentorship program.

# High Quality Questions & Answers that make you think and open your mind. Period.

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I was a part of MGP at ForumIAS and also took Current Affairs classes for Mains by Dipin Damodaran Sir. The top notch quality of the content and the versatile perspective I got from the program and classes really boosted my score in GS. One on one interaction with Ayush sir helped me prepare better.

I am really grateful to ForumIAS for their valuable inputs.

Garima Lohia  
IAS Rank - 2, CSE 2022  
Joined Forum MGP + CA Classes  
470 marks in GS ( Highest Score)

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Mains Guidance Program is no *ordinary* test series. They are also not a *bunch of questions* pooled together and dumped on the students.

One of the *key* differences between the Civil Services Examination conducted by the Union Public Service Commission vis-à-vis other State Services Examinations and University Examinations is that the Civil Services Mains Examination is a *thinking* paper.

This means that you cannot simply mug up notes and vomit them in the paper.

Questions often require deeper understanding, conceptual awareness and a thinking and open mind that can *quickly* collate *opinions* and facts to answer questions asked on the go.

With the increasing difficulty level of the Civil Services Examination, MGP makes you *think* - opens your minds to new ideas and dimensions – and prepares you for the real exam like no other.

Which is why the largest number of selected students\* and interview appeared candidates choose the Mains Guidance Program over and over again.

\*for rank improvement and mentorship guidance

**Start as a  
beginner.**

**End up like a pro  
with the year-  
long MGP.**

**Compete with  
India's best.**

**In fact, *become*  
India's best.**

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**I enrolled in ForumIAS MGP, Current Affairs and Ethics+ Classes at ForumIAS. The quality of content, professionalism in conduct and availability of mentorship right when I needed it, helped me secure Rank 4 in the Civil Services Examination.**

**Smriti Mishra  
IAS Rank - 4, CSE 2022  
Joined ForumIAS MGP Year Long,  
CA, SFG, Ethics+ 2022.**

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Do you know that IAS Toppers of both CSE 2021 and CSE 2022 Shruti and Ishita were first part of MGP Year Long program?

And IAS Rank 4 Smriti Mishra was a diligent student of Mains Guidance Program 2021 and 2022?

A lot of students think that they must join MGP after the prelims.

Some students are also misguided into thinking that they must complete the syllabus first then write answers.

Given the nature of humanities, the syllabus completion day never comes, while the exam does.

We don't blame them. A lot of noise on the Internet and for attention—in an age of attention economy—separates the serious and sincere, well-aware student from the masses.

MGP is a self-paced, flexible, self-study plan with answer writing for the sake of accountability at regular intervals, with mentorship support that has worked for thousands of students since we launched the program in 2016.

The Year Long MGP makes sure that you take the slow, but small steps to writing answers, before being thrown into the competition.

There is no substitute for answer writing.

# **Now cover all relevant questions from Previous Year Questions ( PYQs ) in MGP 2025 with brilliantly written solutions.**

With MGP 2025, rest assured that you will not only cover all well-curated, important / non-outdated\* concepts from Previous Year Questions – you will also find solutions to some of those questions.

Over the course of almost 12 to 18 months, we will make sure your minds are seeded with previous years questions, so that you not only move in the right direction – you also develop the much-needed confidence in solving previous year questions.

And you will also not waste time solving PYQs that are no longer relevant (due to change in dynamic issues, and some issues becoming dead) – nor waste time researching their solutions.

But that's not all, with MGP 2025, you will be exposed to the most cutting edge and relevant dynamic questions, that make you think, that open your minds, and train you to face the actual Civil Services Mains paper.

\*A large number of PYQs lose relevance over a period of time given the dynamic nature of current happenings and emergence of new factors. Due to lack of experience, a lot of students waste time solving questions that have lost relevance.

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**Dear ForumIAS Team, thank you for guiding me through my Mains preparation in my 3rd attempt. Particularly it helped me to excel in my Essay score (136 Marks CSE 2021) Secondly, a huge token of gratitude to Ayush Sir, for guiding me through my Interview in my 2022 attempt. This input guided me to improvise on my scores and gain 20 more marks in 2022 interview. Hope that others continue to get guided in the same manner.**

**Vishnavi Paul  
IAS Rank - 62, CSE 2022**

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# Take the Handholding Steps.

With MGP 2025, rest assured that you will be provided with handholding features that ease your academic journey as well as easy access to mentors and deliverables from the institution.

For academic journey the tests plan has been curated so that you do a) read the basic books, b) write the self-assessment test and c) finally write the evaluated MGP tests.

The syllabus has been planned in a way that at the beginning you are reading the syllabus which is foundational and common for both Prelims and Mains examination.

A new feature of SPOC (single point of contact) is being introduced which will help you seamlessly connect for mentor interactions. The SPOC will be readily available for your interactions and deliverables with the organization.

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**Dear Team ForumIAS**

I extend my sense of thanks and gratitude to ForumIAS for playing a key role in my success. I was part of MGP, interview program, Prelims Test Series and Simulator.

At all stages of this examination, I have received support from the team, esp. Newayn [Ayush Sir].

I wish the best to all the future aspirants as well.

**Rahul Srivastava**  
IAS Rank - 10, CSE 2022

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## Deliverable of Mains Guidance Program:

<b>Mentorship</b>	<p>Mentorship is readily available in both ONLINE as well as OFFLINE mode at ForumIAS. Once you write a paper, you can always reach out to a mentor to discuss your paper seeking suggestions on improving your answer writing.</p> <p>Online mentorship can be accessed by visiting <a href="https://mentorship.forumias.com/">https://mentorship.forumias.com/</a>. Offline mentorship is available at the institute.</p>
<b>Concept Classes Library#</b>	<p>With MGP++ you will get access to a video library of more than 300+ videos on static topics with rich content. The concept classes will be of 5 – 30 minutes duration with below objective</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To provide <b>conceptual clarity on terms and keyword</b> of syllabus. For example: separation of powers or Sevottam model or doctrine of severability etc.</li> <li>To provide <b>value addition on topics that lack comprehensive sources</b>. For example: Role of SHG in development or FCRA and NGO funding etc.</li> <li><b>To help Filer content</b>. For example: What should I focus on French Revolution? Or What should I read under comparative constitution?</li> </ol> <p>#Concept Classes Library is not a replacement for GS Foundation Program.</p>
<b>GS Half and Full Length Tests</b>	<p>The GS Test Question paper is curated with idea of taking a <b>student from basics to advanced</b>. With that purpose the tests have been divided as Half Length Tests and Full-Length Tests.</p> <p>Also, you will be able to <b>grow from writing tests starting 1.5 hours to 3 hours eventually</b> if you follow the plan. Half-length tests will be sectional tests and will have question of basic to moderate level. Full length tests will <b>replicate the pattern and difficulty level of UPSC</b>.</p>
<b>GS Test Solution</b>	<p>The solution to GS Tests is curated with a philosophy to <b>provide adequate content</b> for answering the question in hand.</p> <p><b>Added content</b> is provided under Knowledge Base/Extra Information separate from the answer, as and when required.</p>
<b>GS Test Discussion</b>	<p>The video discussion of MGP tests ensures that student is exposed to <b>different ways of answer writing</b> which generally includes different means of presentation, addition of diagrams and flowcharts.</p> <p>The discussion also seeks to add more value to the content which is readily available with the student or the one he has received through solutions.</p> <p><b>Discussion will be held in online mode only.</b></p>
<b>Good Copies</b>	<p><b>Peer to Peer Learning</b> is at the heart of ForumIAS's philosophy. The Academy shall be providing good copies of the tests – GS and Essay so that you can learn from your peers.</p>
<b>Evaluation</b>	<p>The parameters of evaluation at ForumIAS continuously evolves to adapt to the <b>changing demand of the examination</b>, in consultation with our students who have cracked the exam year after year. Evaluation of submitted copies will be provided with objective inputs aimed at helping you improve your answer writing. Students have the opportunity to <b>provide feedback on their evaluated copies in case unsatisfied and seek objective explanation</b> on why a copy is checked in a particular manner.</p>
<b>Essay Test</b>	<p>Essay Test replicates the pattern of UPSC. Before prelims, tests have <b>2 sections with 2 choices</b>. Keeping in mind two things (a) <b>increased focus of UPSC on philosophical essay</b> (b) <b>unpredictability of the commission</b>, both sections will have <b>thematic as well as philosophical topics</b>. This gives students the choice to attempt more philosophical essays.</p>



# HOW TO ENROLL?

Students can enroll in the program by paying the fees through the below mentioned means:

Visit website:

<https://academy.forumias.com>



- Net Banking • Debit Card • Credit Card • UPI
- By Visiting the Offline Center (Credit Card / Debit Card / Cheque / DD)
- By doing a NEFT / Cash Deposit in ICICI account.

Please note that you must retain the payment proof in case of Cash deposit / NEFT and send it to [admissions@forumias.academy](mailto:admissions@forumias.academy) within 48 hours of making the payment for your course to be activated. While sharing screenshot do share your ForumIAS roll no. along with course paid for.

For any query you can call us at

+91 – 9311740400, 9311740900 or write to us at [admissions@forumias.academy](mailto:admissions@forumias.academy)



## FEE STRUCTURE

Course	Total Fees
<b>MGP 2025 Cohort-14</b> 29 Tests: 24 Full Length Test +5 Open Simulators	₹ 25,000/-
<b>MGP+ 2025 Cohort-14</b> 37 Tests: 24 Full Length Test +8 Essay Tests + 5 Open Simulators	₹ 34,500/-
<b>MGP Prime 2025 Cohort-14</b> 300+ Concept Classes & 29 Tests: 24 Full Length Test +5 Open Simulators + Yearlong Current Affairs Classes	₹ 42,760/-
<b>MGP Prime + 2025 Cohort-14</b> 300+ Concept Classes & 37 Tests: 24 Full Length Test + 8 Essay Tests + 5 Open Simulators + Yearlong Current Affairs Classes	₹ 52,200/-

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- Students enrolled in any course of ForumIAS must get a physical ID card for availing services in the offline mode. A nominal fee of Rs. 30 will be payable for the same.
- Your test copies will be evaluated within 12 working days of copy submission.
- Copies must be submitted within three weeks of the Test Release for timely evaluation. We recommend that you stick to the timetable and write tests on designated days. The commitment of 12 working days evaluation is valid only for copies submitted in this time period.
- This program is non-refundable and non-transferable. There is no difference between the online and offline mode – candidates can come and write the test at Test Centre or remotely and send us scanned copies.
- Each program of ForumIAS is linked to a ForumIAS Account with a fixed mobile number. No sharing of any programs is allowed. If candidates are found sharing programs, ForumIAS shall be free to terminate that or all program access to the candidate without any refund to the candidate.
- ForumIAS shall have full rights to close admissions as per its capacity. ForumIAS shall be free to amend its schedule in case of any exigencies that may arise.
- All fees once paid are non-refundable in nature. The course is also non-transferable in nature to another person. By subscribing to the course, you agree to the terms and conditions mentioned above.

# Detailed Test Calendar for MGP / MGP+ 2025

#	Date   Test Code	Test Name	Topic Syllabus	Source
<b>(Essay Tests are only for MGP+ Students)</b>				
01.	Tuesday, 05 Nov, 2024   812521	<b>MGP Full Length Sectional Test #1</b> (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper 2 / Topic 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11</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 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 quasijudicial bodies. Topic 11: Development processes and the development industry —the role of NGOs, SHGs, various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional and other stakeholders.	<b>Sources:</b> ForumIAS –A Summary of Indian Polity 11th NCERT: Indian Constitution at Work Indian Polity by M Laxmikant 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 Subhash Kashyap - Our Constitution, Our Parliament Introduction to Constitution of India – DD Basu ForumIAS Academy – Handouts / Booklet Newspapers – The Hindu / The Indian Express Epic magazine for current affairs.
02.	Tuesday, 12 Nov, 2024   812522	<b>MGP Full Length Sectional Test #2</b> (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper 2 / Topic 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20</b> 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 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.	<b>Sources:</b> ForumIAS Redbook – Indian Society and Social Issues 2nd ARC Report [10th Report – Refurbishing of Personnel Administration, 11th Report – promoting e- governance, 12th Report – Citizen Centric Administration,] Three Year Action Agenda – 2017-18 to 2019-20 – NITI Aayog India Year Book for Government Schemes Annual Reports of Ministries such as Women and Child Development / HRD Ministry/ Health Ministry etc. Book - Challenge and Strategy: Rethinking India's Foreign Policy by Rajiv Sikri The Indian Way - Strategies for an uncertain world - S. Jaishankar. ForumIAS Redbook – International Relation Book - Challenge and Strategy: Rethinking India's Foreign Policy by Rajiv Sikri

			<p>Topic 16: Role of civil services in a democracy</p> <p>Topic 17: India and its neighbourhood- relations.</p> <p>Topic 18: Bilateral, regional and global groupings and agreements involving India and/or affecting India's interests</p> <p>Topic 19: Effect of policies and politics of developed and developing countries on India's interests, Indian diaspora</p> <p>Topic 20: Important International institutions, agencies and fora- their structure, mandate</p>	<p>Class 12 NCERT – Political Science: Contemporary World Politics</p> <p>Websites such as – Ministry of External Affairs, IDSA, ORF, Gateway House</p> <p>Forum IAS Academy Handouts/ Booklets</p> <p>Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express</p>
03.	Sunday, 17 Nov, 2024   821301	Essay Test #1 (Only for MGP+ Students)	Essay Test #1 / FLT	
04.	Tuesday, 19 Nov, 2024   812401	MGP Full Length Test #1 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 2 / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)	
05.	Tuesday, 26 Nov, 2024   813523	MGP Full Length Sectional Test #3 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<p><b>GS Paper 3/Topic: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10</b></p> <p>Topic 1: Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, mobilization, of resources, growth, development and employment.</p> <p>Topic 2: Inclusive growth and issues arising from it.</p> <p>Topic 3: Government Budgeting</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Topic 6: Food processing and related industries in India- scope' and significance, location, upstream and downstream requirements, supply chain management.</p> <p>Topic 7: Land reforms in India</p> <p>Topic 8: Effects of liberalization on the economy, changes in industrial policy and their effects on industrial growth</p> <p>Topic 9: Infrastructure: Energy, Ports, Roads, Airports, Railways etc.</p> <p>Topic 10: Investment models</p>	<p><b>Sources:</b></p> <p>Forum IAS Redbook – Indian Economy</p> <p>Forum IAS Redbook – Agriculture</p> <p>11th NCERT: Economics: Indian Economic Development</p> <p>12th NCERT: Macroeconomics Economic Survey of India</p> <p>Selective reading of Indian Economy Since Independence - Uma Kapila</p> <p>2nd ARC Report (Strengthening Financial Management Systems)</p> <p>Three Year Action Agenda – 2017-18 to 2019-20 – NITI Aayog Budget NITI Aayog reports on Agriculture Yojana and Kurukshetra</p> <p>11th NCERT: Economics: Indian Economic Development</p> <p>12th NCERT: Macroeconomics India Since Independence by Bipin Chandra [for Land reforms]</p> <p>Forum IAS Academy – Handouts / Booklet</p> <p>Newspapers – The Hindu/ The Indian Express</p> <p>Epic magazine for current affairs.</p>
06.	Tuesday, 03 Dec, 2024   813524	MGP Full Length Sectional Test #4 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<p><b>GS Paper 3/Topic: 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20</b></p> <p>Topic 11: Science and Technology- developments and their applications and effects in everyday life</p> <p>Topic 12: Achievements of Indians in science &amp; technology; indigenization of technology and developing new technology.</p> <p>Topic 13: Awareness in the fields of IT, Space, Computers, robotics, Nanotechnology, biotechnology and issues relating to intellectual property rights.</p>	<p><b>Sources:</b></p> <p>Forum IAS Redbook – Science &amp; Technology</p> <p>Forum IAS Redbook – Environment</p> <p>Forum IAS Redbook – Internal Security</p> <p>The Science Reporter magazine</p> <p>NCERT: Class 12 Biology (Chapter 10: Ecology)</p> <p>2nd ARC Report [3rd Report – Crisis management]</p> <p>IGNOU – MPA – 018 Disaster management Yojana</p>

			<p>Topic 14: Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment</p> <p>Topic 15: Disaster and disaster management</p> <p>Topic 16: Linkages between development and spread of extremism</p> <p>Topic 17: Role of external state and non-state actors in creating challenges to internal security</p> <p>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</p> <p>Topic 19: Security challenges and their management in border areas – linkages of organized crime with terrorism</p> <p>Topic 20: Various Security forces and agencies and their mandate</p>	<p>CBSE – XI book – Natural Hazards and Disaster Management</p> <p>2nd ARC (7th Report Capacity Building for Conflict Resolution)</p> <p>2nd ARC (8th Report Combating Terrorism - Protecting by Righteousness) IDSA reports</p> <p>The Oxford's Handbook of India's National Security</p> <p>NCERT Class 12 – Contemporary World Forum IAS Academy – Handouts / Booklets</p> <p>Newspapers – The Hindu (S&amp;T section) / The Indian Express</p> <p>Epic magazine for current affairs.</p>
07.	Sunday, 08 Dec, 2024   821302	Essay Test #2 (Only for MGP+ Students)	Essay Test #2 / FLT	
08.	Tuesday, 10 Dec, 2024   813402	MGP Full Length Test #2 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 3 / FLT (Complete Syllabus Test)	
09.	Tuesday, 17 Dec, 2024   814525	MGP Full Length Sectional Test #5 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<p><b>GS Paper 4/Topic: 1, 2, 4, 5 + Case studies on these topics</b></p> <p>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.</p> <p>Topic 2: Attitude: content, structure, function; its influence and relation with thought and behaviour; moral and political attitudes; social influence and persuasion.</p> <p>Topic 4: Emotional intelligence-concepts, and their utilities and application in administration and governance.</p> <p>Topic 5: Contribution of Moral Thinkers and Philosophers: Western &amp; Indian.</p> <p>Topic 8: Case Studies on above issues.</p>	<p><b>Source:</b></p> <p>ForumIAS Redbook – Ethics Integrity and Aptitude</p> <p>Selective Study from G.Subbarao Newspaper and internet.</p> <p>2nd ARC Reports – Ethics in Governance</p>
10.	Tuesday, 24 Dec, 2024   814526	MGP Full Length Sectional Test #4 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<p><b>GS Paper 4/ Topic 3,6,7 and case studies on these topics</b></p> <p>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</p> <p>Topic 6: Public/Civil service values and Ethics in Public administration: Status and problems; ethical concerns and dilemmas in government and private institutions; laws, rules, regulations and conscience</p>	<p><b>Sources:</b></p> <p>ForumIAS Redbook – Ethics Integrity and Aptitude</p> <p>2nd ARC Reports – Ethics in Governance, (Citizen Centric Administration, Refurbishing Personnel Administration, RTI: Master Key to Good Governance)</p> <p>Selective Study from G.Subbarao Newspaper and internet.</p>

			<p>as sources of ethical guidance; accountability and ethical governance; strengthening of ethical and moral values in governance.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Topic 8: Case Studies on above issues.</p>	
11.	Sunday, 29 Dec, 2024   821303	Essay Test #3 (Only for MGP+ Students)	Essay Test #3 / FLT	
12.	Tuesday, 31 Dec, 2024   814403	MGP Full Length Test #3 (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	GS Paper 4 / FLT Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude. (Complete Syllabus Test)	
13.	Tuesday, 07 Jan, 2025   811527	MGP Full Length Sectional Test #7 (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<p><b>GS Paper-1 / Topics 1,2,3,4,5</b></p> <p>Topic 1: Art &amp; Culture: Indian culture will cover the salient aspects of Art Forms, literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Topic 3: Post-Independence: Post-independence consolidation and reorganization within the country.</p> <p>Topic 4: World History: History of the world will include events from 18th century such as industrial revolution, world wars, redrawal of national boundaries, colonization, decolonization, political philosophies like communism, capitalism, socialism etc.— their forms and effect on the society.</p> <p>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.</p>	<p><b>Sources:</b></p> <p>ForumIAS - A Summary of History of Modern India</p> <p>ForumIAS Redbook – Post Independence India</p> <p>ForumIAS Redbook – World History</p> <p>ForumIAS Redbook – Indian Society and Social Issues</p> <p>NCERT - 12th – Indian Society</p> <p>NCERT - 12th – Social Change and Development in India</p> <p>IGNOU – ESO - 12 Society in India</p> <p>IGNOU – ESO - 16: Social Problems in India</p> <p>11th History book of Tamil Nadu board</p> <p>Text Book on Fine Arts Class XI NCERT</p> <p>CCRT Website or compilation</p> <p>Indian Culture and Heritage - NIOS: <a href="http://www.nios.ac.in">www.nios.ac.in</a></p> <p>12th NCERT – Politics in India after Independence</p> <p>Selective reading of India since independence by Bipin Chandra or India After Gandhi by Ramchandra Guha</p> <p>Bipin Chandra – Old NCERT “A Brief History of Modern India” – Spectrum Pub.</p> <p>NCERT Arjun Dev Norman Lowe</p> <p>John Green Crash Course World History</p> <p>NCERT - 12th – Indian Society</p> <p>NCERT - 12th – Social Change and Development in India</p> <p>IGNOU – ESO - 12 Society in India</p> <p>IGNOU – ESO - 16: Social Problems in India</p> <p>ForumIAS Academy – Handouts / Booklet</p> <p>Newspapers – The Hindu / The Indian Express</p> <p>Epic magazine for current affairs.</p>

14.	Tuesday, 14 Jan, 2025   811528	<b>MGP Full Length Sectional Test #8</b> (20 Questions / 3 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper-1 / Topics 5,6,7,8</b> Topic 5: Effects of globalization on Indian society. Social empowerment, communalism, regionalism & secularism. 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 subcontinent); 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> ForumIAS Redbook – Indian Society and Social Issues 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 11th NCERT: Physical Geography Certificate Physical and Human Geography by Goh Cheng Leong Atlas: Orient Blackswan 12th NCERT: Human geography. Internet for industries and resource distribution. Atlas: Orient Blackswan ForumIAS Academy –Handouts / Booklet Newspapers –The Hindu/The Indian Express Epic magazine for current affairs.
15.	Sunday, 19 Jan, 2025   821304	<b>Essay Test #4</b> (Only for MGP+ Students)	<b>Essay Test #4 / FLT</b>	
16.	Tuesday, 21 Jan, 2025   811404	<b>MGP Full Length Test #4</b> (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper 1 / FLT</b> (Complete Syllabus Test)	
17.	Monday, 27 Jan, 2025   821305	<b>Essay Test #5</b> (Only for MGP+ Students)	<b>Essay Test #5 / FLT</b>	
18.	Saturday, 01 Feb, 2025   811405	<b>MGP Full Length Test # 5</b> (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper 1 / FLT</b> (Complete Syllabus Test)	
19.	Saturday, 01 Feb, 2025   812406	<b>MGP Full Length Test # 6</b> (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper 2 / FLT</b> (Complete Syllabus Test)	
20.	Sunday, 02 Feb, 2025   813407	<b>MGP Full Length Test # 7</b> (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper 3 / FLT</b> (Complete Syllabus Test)	
21.	Sunday, 02 Feb, 2025   814408	<b>MGP Full Length Test # 8</b> (20 Questions / 3.0 Hour / 250 Marks)	<b>GS Paper 4 / FLT</b> (Complete Syllabus Test)	

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 2025 Mains Simulator Tests will be released within 1 week of Prelims.

22.	3 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2025 Test #1	GS Paper 1 / FLT	As Mentioned in Previous Test
23.	4 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2025 Test #2	GS Paper 2 / FLT	As Mentioned in Previous Test
24.	4 weeks after Prelims	Essay Test #6 (Only for MGP+ Students)	Essay Test # 6 / FLT	
25.	5 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2025 Test #3	GS Paper 3 / FLT	As Mentioned in Previous Test
26.	6 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2025 Test #4	GS Paper 4 / FLT	As Mentioned in Previous Test
27.	6 weeks after Prelims	Essay Test #7 (Only for MGP+ Students)	Essay Test # 7 / FLT	As Mentioned in Previous Test
28.	7 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2025 Test #5	GS Paper 1 / FLT	As Mentioned in Previous Test
29.		MGP 2025 Test #6	GS Paper 2 / FLT	As Mentioned in Previous Test
30.	7 weeks after Prelims	Essay Test #8 (Only for MGP+ Students)	Essay Test # 8 / FLT	As Mentioned in Previous Test
31.	8 weeks after Prelims	MGP 2025 Test #7	GS Paper 3 / FLT	As Mentioned in Previous Test
32.		MGP 2025 Test #8	GS Paper 4 / FLT	As Mentioned in Previous Test

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33.	2 Weeks before Mains examination	Essay Open Test	Essay	Not to be evaluated
34.	2 Weeks before Mains examination	GS Paper 1 – Open Test	GS Paper 1 / FLT	Not to be evaluated
35.		GS Paper 2 – Open Test	GS Paper 2 / FLT	
36.	2 Weeks before Mains examination	GS Paper 3 – Open Test	GS Paper 3 / FLT	Not to be evaluated
37.		GS Paper 4 – Open Test	GS Paper 4 / FLT	

Upon completion of evaluation, your MGP copies will be sent to you via mail. You may collect the hard copies of these copies within 7 days, after which they will be securely destroyed.