



**RAU'S IAS
STUDY CIRCLE**

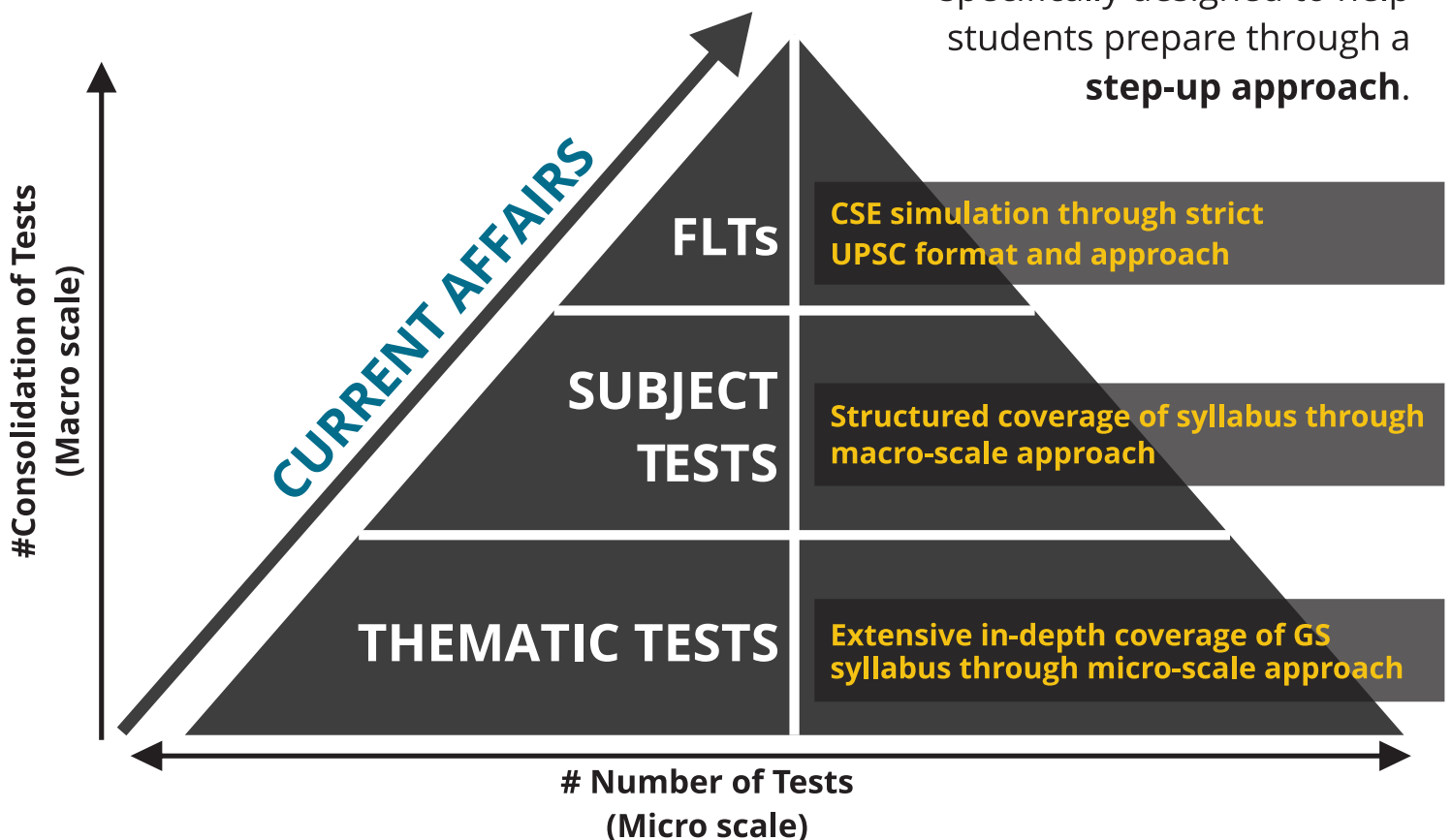
Since 1953

**PRELIMS QIP
2023**

TEST SERIES & QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

STEP-UP APPROACH

The test series has been specifically designed to help students prepare through a **step-up approach**.



APPROACH

- Thematic Tests (20 tests | 1000 Qs)**: First, the test series will guide students to **exhaustively cover** the concepts and knowledge nuggets required by the UPSC syllabus from all important sources – **NCERTs (old and new) + Key Reference books**
 - Focus area of MCQs** – to check clarity of concepts from static topics given in the Test plan.
 - Nature of MCQs** – Conceptual
- SUBJECT Tests (Subject – 6 tests | 600 Qs + 1 Test of Budget & Economic survey | 50 Qs)**: Then, it will lead students to narrow their focus and revise all the important concepts and information across the syllabus along with related recent developments
 - Focus area of MCQs** – Reinforcement of concepts from static portion + awareness of related current affairs
 - Nature of MCQs** – Conceptual, Current & Conceptual-Current
- FLTS (10 tests | 1000 Qs) & CSAT (4 tests | 320)**: Finally, it will train students to attempt full length tests in simulated UPSC environment.
 - Focus area of MCQs** – UPSC simulation
 - Nature of MCQs** – UPSC pattern
- Monthly Current Affairs (15 tests | 750 Qs)**: All through-out (on a monthly basis) it will enable students to cover all important current affairs, across all dynamic sections of the syllabus
 - Focus area of MCQs** – Awareness of all important current affairs
 - Nature of MCQs** – Current & Conceptual-Current
- All India (OPEN) Pre-Pareekshan Tests (4 tests | 400 Qs.)**: All India Free Mock Tests for UPSC Prelims 2023. The purpose of these tests is to provide common nationwide platform to all UPSC aspirants appearing for Prelims where they could access their performance vis-a-vis the real competition.
 - Focus area of MCQs** – UPSC simulation
 - Nature of MCQs** – UPSC pattern

GOAL

The Prelims Test Series (PTS) along with the Quality Improvement Programme (QIP) have been designed for improving candidates' learning outcomes. The goal is:

- To **EXHAUSTIVELY** cover all standard sources of study (NCERTs + Reference Books) using a **TEST PLAN**
- To **STEP-UP** the preparation level of the candidates and bring it at par with the UPSC.
- Help them **EVALUATE** what they have studied and **LEARN** about their strengths and weaknesses
- To give them **MULTIPLE REVISIONS** of the entire syllabus – **both static (concepts) and current**
- Overall, help candidates improve their score and **SUCCEED IN PRELIMS 2023**.

HOW IT WILL WORK

The candidates will be provided with

TEST SERIES

- ✓ A **Test Plan / Schedule**
- ✓ **Sources** required for the tackling the tests
- ✓ **Flexibility**: Tests can be taken Online and Offline from Rau's IAS Campuses with **100% flexibility** till prelims
- ✓ Detailed **performance analysis** to learn about their strengths and weaknesses

REVISION FOR PRELIMS

- ✓ **QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (QIP) Live Online** classes (≈150 hours) will be available on **elearn.rauias.com** in the month of March – April 2023.
- ✓ **Prelims Compass (8 books)** study material based on C3 (Core-Current-related Concepts) approach for targeted and speedy revision. The study will be made available in PDF and Hard Copy in the Month of March – April 2023.

PRELIMS TEST SERIES & QIP 2023 COURSES

PRELIMS QIP 2023 Test Series + Classes Batch	PRELIMS QIP 2023 Test Series Only Batch	GS (PRELIMS & MAINS) INTEGRATED QIP 2023 All Inclusive + Current Affairs + Personal Mentorship Batch
No. of Tests 60 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thematic Tests (20)• Monthly Current Affairs (15)<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Subject Tests (6)• Supplementary Test on Budget & Economic Survey (1)• FLTs - GS (10) + CSAT (4)• All India (OPEN) Pre-Pareekshan Tests (4)	No. of Tests 60 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thematic Tests (20)• Monthly Current Affairs (15)<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Subject Tests (6)• Supplementary Test on Budget & Economic Survey (1)• FLTs - GS (10) + CSAT (4)• All India (OPEN) Pre-Pareekshan Tests (4)	No. of Tests Prelims 60 + Mains (GS & Essay) 25 + 5
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MAINS (GS & Essay) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thematic tests – GS (13) + Essay (2)<ul style="list-style-type: none">• FLTs – GS (8) + Essay (2)• All India (Open) Mains Pareekshan tests – GS (4) + Essay (1)	MAINS (GS & Essay) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thematic tests – GS (13) + Essay (2)<ul style="list-style-type: none">• FLTs – GS (8) + Essay (2)• All India (Open) Mains Pareekshan tests – GS (4) + Essay (1)	MAINS (GS & Essay) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thematic tests – GS (13) + Essay (2)<ul style="list-style-type: none">• FLTs – GS (8) + Essay (2)• All India (Open) Mains Pareekshan tests – GS (4) + Essay (1)
Live-Online Classes Prelims Revision ≈ 75 hrs	No classes	Live-Online Classes <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mains Paper Strategy (incl. PYQ Discussion) ≈ 50 hrs• Current Affairs + Test Discussion ≈ 80 hrs<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prelims Revision ≈ 75 hrs• Mains Revision ≈ 130 hrs• Essay Revision ≈ 20 hrs
Study Material (Print) Only Prelims Compass 8 Subject wise compilations	Study Material (Print) Only Prelims Compass 8 Subject wise compilations	Study Material (Print) Focus (Monthly) + Prelims Compass (8 books) + GS & Essay Mains Compass (9 books)
Tests can be taken Online and Offline with 100% flexibility till Prelims. Classes will be conducted in Interactive Online format. Video back up available till Prelims.	Tests can be taken Online and Offline with 100% flexibility till Prelims.	Tests can be taken with 100% flexibility till Prelims and (15 days before) Mains respectively. Classes will be conducted in Interactive Online format. Video back up available till Prelims & Mains respectively.
INR ₹16,000 <i>Old student discount – 25%</i>	INR ₹8,000 <i>Old student discount – 25%</i>	INR ₹45,000 <i>Old student discount – 33.3%</i>

- **ONLINE (pdf) edition of Monthly Focus Magazines will be available to all on elearn.rauias.com**
- *Annual Prelims Compass Books will be given ONLINE & in PRINT in the months of Mar-April 2023.*

QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (QIP) *Live Online classes ≈80 hrs.*

- QIP Live-Online classes for **revision & targeted study of Prelims 2023**.
- QIP classes will be conducted by different subject experts.
- The **classes** will cover key topics and issues, across all the themes of GS Prelims syllabus, which are important for the upcoming Prelims.
- This will help the candidates update their knowledge as well as give their exam preparation the final shape.
- QIP classes will tentatively **start in March 2023**.

FAQs

- **HOW PTS2023 WILL HELP?** Comprehensive PTS2023 has been designed to help students prepare through a step-up approach. It will help students:
 - cover all relevant topics (as given in the tests plan) thoroughly.
 - cover static portion of the syllabus and test for clarity of concepts
 - consolidate the static portion of the syllabus with current affairs in that portion
 - cover current affairs separately as well
 - Basically, the Comprehensive PTS2023 is a meticulously designed Study Plan to organize your preparation and keep you on track towards covering the syllabus extensively from NCERT to ADVANCE level.
- **HOW TO TAKE TESTS? IS THERE ANY FLEXIBILITY?** All tests can be taken **ONLINE/ SIT-DOWN** from Rau's IAS Campuses at any time in accordance with an individuals' preparation. The candidate may appear for tests at any time after the tests are released (refer to the schedule).
 - **FLEXIBLE SCHEDULING FOR SIT-DOWN TESTS:** Students will have the flexibility of taking tests in Pen & Paper mode according to "flexible scheduling for Sit-down tests". All such tests will be conducted at Rau's IAS campuses at NEW DELHI- ORN, NEW DELHI- Barakhamba Road and BENGALURU.
- **PROGRAM DURATION:** Online / Sit down Tests can be taken anytime till Prelims 2023, after which the program subscription will expire.
- **QIP LIVE-ONLINE CLASSES** will be conducted in the months of March-April 2023. Video backup of all classes will be available till Prelims.
- **PRELIMS COMPASS (8 books)** will be available in online format (*PDF on elearn.rauias.com*) as well as print. All books will be available in the months of March-April 2023.

✓ Science & Technology	✓ Geography, Environment, Ecology & Biodiversity
✓ Indian Polity & Governance	✓ Indian Economy
✓ Government Schemes	✓ Budget & Economic Survey
✓ History & Culture of India	✓ Current Affairs (National/International)

- **DIFFICULTY LEVEL AND LOGICAL STANDARD** of questions will be exactly that of UPSC. It will not be below that. It will not be way above that either, just to impress the candidates. Focus will not be just on testing the conceptual clarity. The logical standard of the questions will be high, which is the actual pattern of the UPSC.
- **ALL INDIA RANKING AND PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS** Students can access Section-wise, detailed performance analysis which will help the candidates in finding out their respective areas of strength and weakness.

- Question papers and explanation will be available in **English** only.
- The fee can be paid through any of the following modes –
 - **ONLINE ADMISSION:** Credit/ Debit Card / Electronic Bank Transfer from Rau's IAS website.
 - **OFFLINE ADMISSION:** Cash/ Demand Draft (favouring "RAU'S IAS STUDY CIRCLE" payable at "NEW DELHI") at Rau's IAS centers.
 - The bank details for Electronic Transfer are as follows:

Account/Beneficiary Name : Rau's IAS Study Circle

Account Number : 50200044328957

Bank Name : HDFC Bank

Branch : GROUND FLOOR, O&H, DCM BUILDING, 16 BARAKHAMBA ROAD, NEW DELHI 110001.

IFSC Code : HDFC0000708

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REVISION MODULE FEATURES

QIP LIVE ONLINE CLASSES



PRELIMS COMPASS



UPSC does not just ask questions from the **current issues**, rather it uses them as the context to explore the **core areas** of GS. Then it tests the **conceptual understanding** of the candidates from the same areas. Based on the same philosophy, we have developed our **C3 (Core-Current-related Concepts) approach** and designed our **Test Series** to help the candidates cover all the issues highly probable for the exam.

TEST SERIES FEATURES

NCERT



Comprehensive Coverage of **Old** and **New NCERT** books

WIDE COVERAGE



Of all authentic & standard reference books, Atlas etc.

DIFFICULTY LEVEL

UPSC

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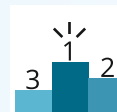
SUPPLEMENTARY TESTS

Budget



Economic Survey

ALL INDIA RANKING



- ✓ Section-wise, detailed performance report to help candidates in finding out their respective areas of strength and weakness

Test Type –1 THEMATIC TESTS (20)

#	THEME	TEST	# Qs	SYLLABUS
1	History & Culture	Ancient India	50	Stone Copper Phase, Indus valley civilization, Vedic age & Buddha age, Maurya empire, Gupta empire & Harsha empire and Historical & cultural development in South India
2		Medieval India	50	Chola empire, Vijaya Nagar Kingdom & other south Indian kingdom, Delhi Sultanate, Mughal empire, Bhakti & Sufi movement
3		Art & Culture	50	Indian Languages, Literature, Religion & Philosophy and education system & Science and Technology, Painting, Performing Arts and Architecture
4		Modern India-1	50	From the decline of the Mughal Empire till formation of Indian national Congress
5		Modern India – 2	50	From the formation of Indian National Congress till the till the Civil Disobedience Movement
6		Modern India – 3	50	Developments after the Civil Disobedience Movement till Independence; along with History of Education, Press, Social Movements – Women, Dalit, Labour, Peasant. Constitutional Developments during British Rule
7	Polity, Constitution & Governance	Polity – 1	50	Constitutional development, Preamble, Union and its territory, citizenship
8		Polity – 2	50	Fundamental rights, Fundamental duties, DPSP, Amendment, Basic structure
9		Polity – 3	50	Judiciary, Executive, federalism, centre-state relations
10		Polity – 4	50	Legislature, Panchayati Raj & Schedule, Constitutional bodies & non-constitutional bodies & other constitutional dimensions
11	Economic - Social Development	Economic & Social Development – 1	50	Economic overview, planning & national income Inclusive growth & SDG
12		Economic & Social Development – 2	50	Banking, finance & inflation, Planning & Government budget
13		Economic & Social Development – 3	50	Agriculture & Industry, External sectors & international organisations
14	Geography	Indian Geography-1	50	Geological Structure, Physiography & Drainage system & map
15		Indian Geography-2	50	Climate, Natural Vegetation, Soils, Agriculture, resources, population composition & census, Transport& map, Natural Hazards & disasters & Multipurpose projects & map
16		World Geography-1	50	Geomorphology & Hydrosphere & map
17		World Geography-2	50	Climatology, Biogeography and Social & economic geography & map
18	Environment, Ecology & Biodiversity	Env, Eco, Bio & Climate Change -1	50	Organisms and Populations & Ecosystem
19		Env, Eco, Bio & Climate Change -2	50	Environment, Environmental issues and Climate Change
20		Env, Eco, Bio & Climate Change -3	50	Biodiversity & Conservation

Test Type -2 Subject Tests (6) + Budget & Economic survey (1)

#	TEST	# Qs	SYLLABUS
1	History	100	All Themes + Related Current Affairs
2	Polity	100	All Themes + Related Current Affairs
3	Geography	100	All Themes + Related Current Affairs
4	Env, Eco, Bio & Climate Change	100	All Themes + Related Current Affairs
5	General Science & Tech	100	All Themes + Related Current Affairs
6	Economy-Social Dev	100	All Themes + Related Current Affairs
7	Supplementary Test	50	Budget & Economic Survey

Test Type -3 FULL-LENGTH TESTS GS (10) + CSAT (4)

#	TEST	# Qs	
1	GS FLT 1	100	To be conducted from JANUARY till APRIL 2023 on exact UPSC pattern of questions and format of conduct.
2	GS FLT 2	100	
3	GS FLT 3	100	
4	GS FLT 4	100	
5	GS FLT 5	100	
6	GS FLT 6	100	
7	GS FLT 7	100	
8	CSAT FLT 1	80	
9	GS FLT - 8	100	
10	CSAT FLT 2	80	
11	GS FLT - 9	100	
12	CSAT FLT 3	80	
13	GS FLT - 10	100	
14	CSAT FLT 4	80	

Test Type -4 CURRENT AFFAIRS & CONTEMPORARY ISSUES TESTS (15)

#	TEST	# Qs	SYLLABUS
1	CA: Feb 2022	50	DNS + FOCUS (OR) The Hindu + The Indian Express + Yojana + Kurukshetra + PIB + Down to Earth + Science Reporter, etc Questions will largely be made from the following themes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Economic & Social development - Science & Technology - Polity & Governance - Environment, Ecology & Biodiversity But, do expect occasional questions from <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sections of History & Culture in news - Concepts of Geography in news
2	CA: Mar 2022	50	
3	CA: April 2022	50	
4	CA: May 2022	50	
5	CA: June 2022	50	
6	CA: July 2022	50	
7	CA: Aug 2022	50	
8	CA: Sep 2022	50	
9	CA: Oct 2022	50	
10	CA: Nov 2022	50	

11	CA: Dec 2022	50	Nature of questions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current & Conceptual- Current (Applied)
12	CA: Jan 2023	50	
13	CA: Feb 2023	50	
14.	CA: Mar 2023	50	
15.	CA: Apr 2023	50	

Test Type -5 GS Paper-I PRE PAREEKSHAN TESTS (4)

#	TEST	# Qs	
1	PRE-PAREEKSHAN 1	100	All India Free Mock Tests for UPSC Prelims 2023. The purpose of these tests is to provide common nationwide platform to all UPSC aspirants appearing for Prelims where they could access their performance vis-a-vis the real competition.
2	PRE-PAREEKSHAN 2	100	
3	PRE-PAREEKSHAN 3	100	
4	PRE-PAREEKSHAN 4	100	

TESTS SCHEDULE PTS-2023

#	TEST		# Qs	SYLLABUS (detailed theme wise SOURCES included in the adjoining addendum)	Date of Release
1	PRELIMS	CA: Feb 2022	50	From DNS + Focus magazines of February 2022	18/06/2022
2	PRELIMS	CA: Mar 2022	50	From DNS + Focus magazines of March 2022	18/06/2022
3	PRELIMS	CA: April 2022	50	From DNS + Focus magazines of April 2022	18/06/2022
4	PRELIMS	CA: May 2022	50	From DNS + Focus magazines of May 2022	18/06/2022
5	PRELIMS	Ancient India	50	The Stone Age, Stone Copper Phase, Indus valley civilization, Vedic age & Buddha age, Maurya empire, Gupta empire, Harsha empire and Historical & cultural development in South India	25/06/2022
6	PRELIMS	CA: June 2022	50	From DNS + Focus magazines of June 2022	02/07/2022
7	PRELIMS	Medieval India	50	Chola empire, Vijaya Nagar Kingdom & other south Indian kingdom, Delhi Sultanate, Mughal empire, Bhakti & Sufi movement	02/07/2022
8	PRELIMS	Art & Culture	50	Indian Languages, Literature, Religion & Philosophy and education system & Science and Technology, Painting, Performing Arts, Architecture & Sculpture	09/07/2022
9	PRELIMS	Modern India - 1	50	From the decline of the Mughal Empire till formation of Indian National Congress	16/07/2022
10	PRELIMS	Modern India - 2	50	From the formation of Indian National Congress till the Civil Disobedience Movement	16/07/2022
11	PRELIMS	Modern India - 3	50	Developments after the Civil Disobedience Movement till Independence; along with History of Education, Press, Social Movements - Women, Dalit, Labour, Peasant. Constitutional Developments during British Rule	23/07/2022
12	PRELIMS	CA: July 2022	50	From DNS + Focus magazines of July 2022	06/08/2022
13	PRELIMS	Indian Polity & Governance - 1	50	Constitutional development, Preamble, Concept of political theory, Union and its territory, citizenship	13/08/2022
14	PRELIMS	Indian Polity & Governance - 2	50	Fundamental rights, Fundamental duties, DPSP, Amendment, Basic structure	13/08/2022
15	PRELIMS	Indian Polity & Governance - 3	50	Judiciary, Executive, federalism, centre-state relations	20/08/2022
16	PRELIMS	Indian Polity & Governance - 4	50	Legislature, Panchayati Raj & Schedule, Constitutional bodies & non-constitutional bodies & other constitutional dimensions	20/08/2022
17	PRELIMS	CA: August 2022	50	From DNS + Focus magazines of August 2022	03/09/2022
18	PRELIMS	Economic & Social Development - 1	50	Economic overview, planning & national income, Inclusive growth & SDG	03/09/2022
19	PRELIMS	Economic & Social	50	Banking, finance & inflation, Planning & Government	10/09/2022

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		Development - 2		budget	
20	PRELIMS	Economic & Social Development - 3	50	Agriculture & Industry, External sectors & international organisations	10/09/2022
21	PRELIMS	Indian Geography - 1	50	Geological Structure, Physiography & Drainage system & map	17/09/2022
22	PRELIMS	Indian Geography - 2	50	Climate, Natural Vegetation, Soils, Agriculture, resources, population composition & census, Transport & map, Natural Hazards & disasters & Multipurpose projects & map	17/09/2022
23	PRELIMS	World Geography - I	50	Geomorphology & Hydrosphere & map	24/09/2022
24	PRELIMS	World Geography - 2	50	Climatology, Biogeography and Social & economic geography & map	24/09/2022
25	PRELIMS	Env, Eco, Bio & Climate Change - 1	50	Organisms and Populations & Ecosystem	01/10/2022
26	PRELIMS	Env, Eco, Bio & Climate Change - 2	50	Environment, Environmental issues, Climate change	01/10/2022
27	PRELIMS	CA: Sept 2022	50	From DNS + Focus magazine of Sept 2022	08/10/2022
28	PRELIMS	Env, Eco, Bio & Climate Change -3	50	Biodiversity & Conservation	15/10/2022
29	PRELIMS	Subject: History	100	All Themes + Related Current Affairs	22/10/2022
30	PRELIMS	CA: Oct 2022	50	From DNS + Focus magazine of Oct 2022	05/11/2022
31	PRELIMS	Subject: Polity	100	All Themes + Related Current Affairs	12/11/2022
32	PRELIMS	Subject: Geography	100	All Themes + Related Current Affairs	19/11/2022
33	PRELIMS	Subject: Env, Eco, Bio & Climate Change	100	All Themes + Related Current Affairs	26/11/2022
34	PRELIMS	CA: Nov 2022	50	From DNS + Focus magazine of Nov 2022	03/12/2022
35	PRELIMS	Subject: General Science & Tech	100	All Themes + Related Current Affairs (Weightage- Biology + Tech)	10/12/2022
36	PRELIMS	Subject: Economy-Social Dev	100	All Themes + Related Current Affairs	17/12/2022
37	PRELIMS	Pre-Pareekshan-1 – Pre 2023	100	Full Syllabus of UPSC	24/12/2022
38	PRELIMS	GS: FLT-1	100	Full Syllabus of UPSC	31/12/2022
39	PRELIMS	CA: Dec 2022	50	From DNS + Focus magazine of Dec 2022	07/01/2023
40	PRELIMS	GS: FLT-2	100	Full Syllabus of UPSC	14/01/2023
41	PRELIMS	GS: FLT-3	100	Full Syllabus of UPSC	21/01/2023
42	PRELIMS	GS: FLT-4	100	Full Syllabus of UPSC	28/01/2023
43	PRELIMS	CA: Jan 2023	50	From DNS + Focus magazine of Jan 2023	04/02/2023
44	PRELIMS	GS: FLT-5	100	Full Syllabus of UPSC	11/02/2023

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45	PRELIMS	Pre-Pareekshan-2 – Pre 2023	100	Full Syllabus of UPSC	18/02/2023
46	PRELIMS	GS: FLT-6	100	Full Syllabus of UPSC	25/02/2023
47	PRELIMS	CA: Feb 2023	50	From DNS + Focus magazine of Feb 2023	04/03/2023
48	PRELIMS	GS:FLT-7	100	Full Syllabus of UPSC	18/03/2023
49	PRELIMS	CSAT FLT-1	80	Full Syllabus of UPSC	18/03/2023
50	PRELIMS	Supplementary Test	50	Budget & economic Survey	25/03/2023
51	PRELIMS	GS: FLT-8	100	Full Syllabus of UPSC	01/04/2023
52	PRELIMS	CSAT FLT-2	80	Full Syllabus of UPSC	01/04/2023
53	PRELIMS	CA: March 2023	50	From DNS + Focus magazine of March 2023	08/04/2023
54	PRELIMS	Pre-Pareekshan-3 – Pre 2023	100	Full Syllabus of UPSC	15/04/2023
55	PRELIMS	GS: FLT-9	100	Full Syllabus of UPSC	22/04/2023
56	PRELIMS	CSAT FLT-3	80	Full Syllabus of UPSC	22/04/2023
57	PRELIMS	GS: FLT-10	100	Full Syllabus of UPSC	29/04/2023
58	PRELIMS	CSAT FLT-4	80	Full Syllabus of UPSC	29/04/2023
59	PRELIMS	CA: April 2023	50	From DNS + Focus magazine of April 2023	06/05/2023
60	PRELIMS	Pre-Pareekshan-4 – Pre 2023	100	Full Syllabus of UPSC	13/05/2023

SYLLABUS & SOURCES for **THEMATIC TESTS** | PTS 2023

ALL THE TESTS WILL BE MADE FROM THE FOLLOWING SOURCES:

- **NCERTS AND REFERENCE BOOKS RECOMMENDED BY RAU'S**
 - **RAU'S CLASS NOTES**
- **RAU'S PRELIMS COMPASS (FOR PRELIMS TESTS)**
 - **RAU'S CURRENT AFFAIRS CLASSES & VIDEOS**
 - **RAU'S FOCUS (CURRENT AFFAIRS MAGAZINE)**

Specific Chapter wise sources are indicated in the table below:

#	TEST	TEST	TOPICS
1.	PRELIMS	ANCIENT INDIA	Stone Copper Phase, Indus valley civilization, Vedic age & Buddha age, Maurya empire, Gupta empire, Harsha empire and Historical & cultural development in South India
<p>A. Old NCERT (Class 11) - Ancient India by R S Sharma</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 5 to Chapter 10 dealing with Stone Copper Phase, Harappan Civilisation (Indus valley civilization), Advent of Aryans and the Age of Rig Veda, Later Vedic Phase, Jainism and Buddhism, Territorial States and the First Magadhan Empire • Chapter 12 to Chapter 20 dealing with State and Varna Society in the Age of Buddha, Age of Mauryas, Significance of Maurya Rule, Central Asian Contacts and their Results, Age of Satavahanas, Dawn of History in Deep South, Crafts, Trade and Towns in Post Maurya Age, Rise and Growth of the Gupta Empire, Life in the Gupta Age. • Chapter 22 to Chapter 27 dealing with Harsha and his Times, Formation of New States and Rural Expansion in the Peninsula, India's Cultural Contacts with the Asian Countries, Transformation of the Ancient Phase, Sequence of Social Changes, Legacy in Science and Civilisation. <p>Note: The emphasis of the questions will be on Social, Economic and Cultural aspects.</p>			
2.	PRELIMS	MEDIEVAL INDIA	Chola Empire, Vijaya Nagar Kingdom & other south Indian kingdom, Delhi Sultanate, Mughal empire, Bhakti & Sufi movement
<p>A. Old NCERT (Class 11) - Medieval India by Satish Chandra</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 3 to chapter 4 dealing with the Chola empire, Economic and Social Life, Education and Religious Beliefs • Chapter 6 to Chapter 9 dealing with the Delhi Sultanate-I, Delhi Sultanate-II, Government and economic and social life under the Delhi Sultanate, the Age of Vijayanagara and Bahamanis and the coming of Portuguese • Chapter 11: Cultural Development in India • Chapter 12: (<i>Only one Section</i>-Contribution of Sher Shah) • Chapter 13: Consolidation of the Mughal empire • Chapter 14: The Decan and South India • Chapter 15: India in the First Half of 17th century (<i>only two section</i>- Political and Administrative Developments in India, Growth of Administration: Mansabdari system and Mughal army) • Chapter 16 to chapter 19 dealing with Economic and social life under the Mughals, Cultural and religious developments, Climax and disintegration of Mughal Empire-I & II <p>Note: The emphasis of the questions will be on Social, Economic and Cultural aspects.</p>			
3.	PRELIMS	ART & CULTURE	Indian Languages, Literature, Religion & Philosophy and education system & Science and Technology, Painting, Performing Arts and Architecture
<p>A. Indian Art & Culture by Nitin Singhania</p>			
4.	PRELIMS	MODERN INDIA - 1	From the decline of the Mughal Empire till formation of Indian national Congress

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A. Old NCERT (Class 11) – Modern India by Bipan Chandra <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 1: The Decline of the Mughal Empire Chapter 2: Indian States and Society in the 18th Century Chapter 3: The Beginnings of European Settlements Chapter 4: The British Conquest of India Chapter 5: The Structure of the Government and the Economic Policies of the British Empire in India, 1757-1857 Chapter 8: The Revolt of 1857 Chapter 9: Administrative changes after 1858 Chapter 10: India and her Neighbours Chapter 11: Economic impact of British rule Chapter 12: Growth of New India—The Nationalist Movement 1858-1905 			
5.	PRELIMS	MODERN INDIA - 2	From the formation of Indian national Congress till the Civil Disobedience Movement
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B. Spectrum - A Brief History of Modern India			
6.	PRELIMS	MODERN INDIA - 3	Developments after the Civil Disobedience Movement till Independence; along with History of Education, Press, Social Movements – Women, Dalit, Labour, Peasant. Constitutional Developments during British Rule
A. Old NCERT – Modern India by Bipan Chandra <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 6: Administrative Organisation and Social and Cultural Policy Chapter 7: Social and Cultural Awakening in the First Half of the 19th Century Chapter 15: Struggle for Swaraj 			
B. Spectrum - A Brief History of Modern India			
7.	PRELIMS	INDIAN POLITY & GOVERNANCE - 1	Constitutional development, Preamble, Union and its territory, Citizenship
A. NCERT (Class 11) – Indian Constitution at Work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 1: Constitution: Why and How? Chapter 10: The Philosophy of the Constitution 			
B. Lakshmikanth – Indian Polity 6th Edition			
8.	PRELIMS	INDIAN POLITY & GOVERNANCE - 2	Fundamental rights, Fundamental duties, DPSP, Amendment, Basic structure
A. NCERT (Class 11) – Indian Constitution at Work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 2: Rights in the Indian Constitution Chapter 9: Constitution as a Living Document 			
B. Lakshmikanth – Indian Polity 6th Edition			
9.	PRELIMS	INDIAN POLITY & GOVERNANCE - 3	Judiciary, Executive, federalism, centre-state relations
A. NCERT (Class 11) – Indian Constitution at Work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 4: Executive Chapter 6: Judiciary Chapter 7: Federalism 			
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10.	PRELIMS	INDIAN POLITY & GOVERNANCE – 4	Legislature, Panchayati Raj & Schedules, Constitutional bodies & non-constitutional bodies & other constitutional dimensions
A. NCERT (Class 11) – Indian Constitution at Work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 3: Election and Representation Chapter 5: Legislature Chapter 8: Local Government B. Lakshmikanth – Indian Polity 6th Edition			
11.	PRELIMS	ECONOMIC & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT – 1	Economic overview, planning & national income, Inclusive growth & SDG
A. NCERT (Class 11) – India Economic Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 1: Indian economy on the eve of independence Chapter 2: Indian economy 1950-1990 Chapter 3: Liberalisation, privatisation and globalisation: an appraisal Chapter 4: Poverty Chapter 5: Human capital formation in India Chapter 6: Rural development Chapter 7: Employment: growth, informalisation and other issues Chapter 8: Infrastructure Chapter 9: Environment and sustainable development B. NCERT (Class 12) – Introductory Macroeconomics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 2: National Income Accounting C. NCERT (Class 12) – Introductory Microeconomics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 2: Theory of Consumer Behaviour Chapter 4: The theory of the firm under Perfect Competition Chapter 6: Non-competitive Markets 			
12.	PRELIMS	ECONOMIC & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT – 2	Banking, finance & inflation, Planning & Government budget
A. NCERT (Class 12) - Introductory Macroeconomics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 3: Money and Banking Chapter 5: Government Budget and the Economy B. Planning Chapter of India Year Book			
13.	PRELIMS	ECONOMIC & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT – 3	Agriculture & Industry, External sectors & international organizations
A. NCERT (Class 11) - India Economic Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 8: Infrastructure B. Chapters on Agriculture and Industry in Prelims Compass 2021 – Budget & Economic Survey C. NCERT (Class 12) - Introductory Macroeconomics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 6: Open economy macroeconomics 			
14.	PRELIMS	INDIAN GEOGRAPHY-1	Geological Structure, Physiography & Drainage system & map
A. NCERT (Class 11) - India Physical Environment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 1: India — Location Chapter 2: Structure and Physiography Chapter 3: Drainage System Note: Questions based on map locations will also be asked in this paper.			
15.	PRELIMS	INDIAN GEOGRAPHY-2	Climate, Natural Vegetation, Soils, Agriculture, resources, population composition & census, Transport & map. Natural Hazards & disasters & Multipurpose projects & map
A. NCERT (Class 11) - India Physical Environment			

- Chapter 4: Climate
- Chapter 5: Natural vegetation
- Chapter 6: Soils
- Chapter 7: Natural hazards and disasters

B. NCERT (Class- 12) - India: People and Economy

- Chapter 5: Land resources and agriculture
- Chapter 6: Water Resources
- Chapter 7: Mineral and Energy Resources
- Chapter 10: Transport and communication

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16.	PRELIMS	WORLD GEOGRAPHY-I	Geomorphology & Hydrosphere & map
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A. NCERT (Class 11) - Fundamentals of Physical Geography

- Chapter 2: The origin and evolution of earth
- Chapter 3: Interior of the Earth
- Chapter 4: Distribution of Oceans and Continents
- Chapter 5: Minerals and Rocks
- Chapter 6: Geomorphic processes
- Chapter 7: Landforms and their Evolution
- Chapter 13: Water (Oceans)
- Chapter 14: Movements of Ocean Water

17.	PRELIMS	WORLD GEOGRAPHY-2	Climatology, Biogeography and Social & economic geography & map
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A. NCERT (Class 11) - Fundamentals of Physical Geography

- Chapter 8: Composition and structure of Atmosphere
- Chapter 9: Solar radiation, Heat Balance and Temperature
- Chapter 10: Atmospheric Circulations and Weather Systems
- Chapter 11: Water in the Atmosphere
- Chapter 12: World Climate and Climate Change

18.	PRELIMS	Env, Eco, Bio & Climate Change -1	Organisms and Populations & Ecosystem
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A. NCERT (Class 12) - Biology

- Chapter 13: Organisms and Populations
- Chapter 14: Ecosystem

B. Environment & Ecology: A Complete Guide by R Rajagopalan

C. Current Affairs from Rau's Current Affairs Classes & Videos + Focus magazine

19.	PRELIMS	Env, Eco, Bio & Climate Change -2	Environment, Environmental issues & Climate change
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A. NCERT (Class 12) - Biology

- Chapter 16: Environmental Issues

B. Environment & Ecology: A Complete Guide by R Rajagopalan

C. Current Affairs from Rau's Current Affairs Classes & Videos + Focus magazine

20.	PRELIMS	Env, Eco, Bio & Climate Change -3	Biodiversity & Conservation
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A. NCERT (Class 12) - Biology

- Chapter 15: Biodiversity and Conservation

B. Environment & Ecology: A Complete Guide by R Rajagopalan

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