

NISHAN-E-SIKHI TRAINING CENTRE FOR CIVIL SERVICES EXAMINATION

KHADUR SAHIB

(Under the Aegis of Nishan-E-Sikhi Charitable Trust (Regd.)

Entrance Examination for

UPSC Civil Services Examination Preparation integrated with B.A. (Social Studies)

(Session 2027-28)

(Entrance Test to be held on Sunday, April 25, 2027)

EXAMINATION SCHEME

The Entrance Examination comprises written test followed by an interview.

The written test consists of two papers:

- **Paper I: Essay Writing** on a given topic (300 words, Medium: English) **Duration: 30 minutes**
- **Paper II: General Studies** (100 MCQ's of one mark each with **negative marking of 0.33 marks** for each wrong answer) **Duration: 02 hours**
- **INTERVIEW:** Based on the merit of the written test, the shortlisted candidates will be called for the interview.

The final selection shall be based on the combined merit of the written test and the interview.

SYLLABUS: PAPER II- GENERAL STUDIES

History: (NCERT Class VI to X)

(10 marks)

Kingdoms, kings and an early republic, Ashoka the Great Emperor, Gupta Empire, Vijayanagar and Bahmani kingdom, The Delhi sultanate, The Mughal Empire, Rulers and buildings, Bhakti Sufi traditions, From trade to territory the East India Company establishes power, Revolt of 1857 and after, Women, Caste and Reform, The making of the National Movement 1870 to 1947, Mahatma Gandhi and the National Movement

Economics: (NCERT Class IX to XII)

(10 marks)

Food security PDS system, Role of education and health, Sectors of Indian economy and their contributions, Money, credit and banking, Indifference curve, Demand and elasticity, Market forms, National income and related aggregates, Economic reforms since 1991, Current challenges facing Indian economy

Geography: (NCERT Class VI to X)

(10 marks)

Location of India, Inside Earth, Drainage system of India, Physiographic division of India, Climate (Related to India), Industries, Our solar system, Rocks, Soils of Punjab and India, Tectonic plates

Quants & Reasoning: (NCERT Maths V to VIII and Arihant Publications book for Reasoning)

(20 marks)

Number system, Ratio and Proportion, Percentage, Profit and loss, Simple interest, Time and work, Time, speed and distance, Divisibility rule, Simplification, Exponents, Square and square root, Series, Coding-Decoding, Direction test, Blood relation, Sitting arrangement, Venn diagrams (Logical)

General English (Grammar Class IX and X any board)

(10 marks)

Tenses, Parts of speech, Idioms, Antonyms and synonyms, Comprehension (Reading), Active passive voice, Articles, Narration, Conditional sentences (zero, I, II and III), Subject-verb agreement

Political Science (NCERT Class VI to X)

(10 marks)

Indian Constitution and its historical background, Fundamental Rights, Directive Principle of State Policy and Fundamental Duties, Government, Indian Democracy, Parliament and Making of laws, Judiciary, Electoral Politics, Social Justice and the Marginalized, Gender, Religion and Caste, Political Parties.

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Environment and Ecology (NCERT Geography & Science Class VI to X, Miscellaneous) (10 marks)

Components of environment such as soil, air, water, pressure, temperature etc., Ecosystem and its components, Famous Indian-Sanctuaries, Wetlands, National parks, pollution it's types and components, Environmental organisations such as UNFCCC, UNEP, Conference of Parties (COP) such as COP 21, 26, 27 etc., renewable and non-renewable energy types & uses, climate change and its impact, initiatives of India to tackle the climate change such as International Solar Alliance, Life program etc., Red data list of species such as endangered, critically endangered species

Current Affairs: Newspapers, Magazines, PIB, Miscellaneous) (10 marks)

National and international events, Government schemes and policies, science and technology, economics, environmental organisations, reports, and polity (including international politics which is part of Indian interests such as USA, RUSSIA, CHINA, JAPAN, SOUTH AFRICA, ISRAEL, GULF, etc.), sports, awards, books, famous personalities and their works (December 2026 onwards).

Science And Technology (NCERT Class VI to X for Basic concepts, Miscellaneous) (10 marks)

Basic concepts & principles of science and their application, recent developments in Defence such as successful test of AGNI-V missiles, Space (launch of recent satellites and their role), Computers (such as quantum computer), use of nanotechnology, Basics of Biotechnology and it's use, contributions of scientists such as Dr. Homi Bhabha, Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam, and recent scientists, Scientific Organisations such as ISRO, NASA, DRDO etc. Collaborations of India with the World in different scientific areas.
