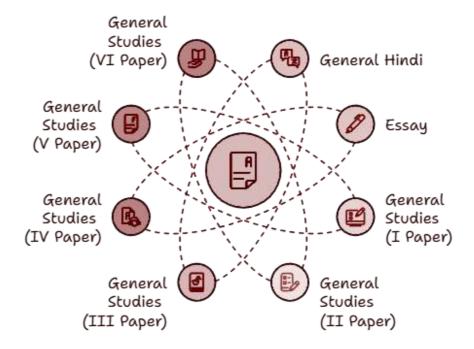
UPPCS Syllabus - Mains

The Uttar Pradesh Public Service Commission (UPPCS) Mains Examination is designed to evaluate candidates' depth of knowledge across diverse subjects, analytical skills, and ability to articulate coherent answers. The syllabus is divided into various components, including language proficiency, essay writing, and General Studies Papers (I to VI), each focusing on distinct thematic areas.

A detailed breakdown of the Mains syllabus is discussed in the following content.

Examination Structure Overview



सामान्य हिंदी

- दिये गए गद्य खण्ड का अवबोध एवं प्रश्नोत्तर।
- संक्षेपण।
- सरकारी एवं अर्धसरकारी पत्र लेखन, तार लेखन, कार्यालय आदेश, अधिसूचना, परिपत्र।
- शब्द ज्ञान एवं प्रयोग।
 - > उपसर्ग एवं प्रत्यय प्रयोग
 - > विलोम शब्द
 - > वाक्यांश के लिए एकशब्द
 - > वर्तनी एवं वाक्य शुद्धि
- लोकोिक्त एवं मुहावरे।

Essay

- There will be three sections in the question paper of the Essay. Candidates will have to select one topic from each section and they are **required to write an essay in 700 words on each topic**.
- In the three sections, the topics of the essay will be based on the following spheres:

Section	Topics
Section A	 Literature and Culture Social Sphere Political Sphere
Section B	 Science, Environment, and Technology Economic Sphere Agriculture, Industry, and Trade
Section C	 National and International Events Natural Calamities (e.g., Landslide, Earthquake, Deluge, Drought) National Development Programmes and Projects

General Studies-I

Topic	Details
History of Indian Culture	 Salient aspects of Art Forms, Literature, and Architecture from ancient to modern times.
Modern Indian History	 Covers significant events, personalities, and issues from A.D. 1757 to A.D. 1947.
The Freedom Struggle	 Various stages and key contributions/contributors from different parts of the country.
Post-Independence History	 Consolidation and reorganization within India till 1965 A.D.
World History	 Events from the 18th century to mid-20th century, including: French Revolution (1789) Industrial Revolution World Wars Redraw of national boundaries Socialism, Nazism, Fascism, and their forms/effects on society
Indian Society and Culture	Salient features of Indian Society and its cultural aspects.
Role of Women and Related Issues	 Role of women in society Women's organizations Population and associated issues Poverty and developmental challenges

	 Urbanization, its problems, and remedies
Economic Reforms and Impact	 Liberalization, privatization, globalization (LPG) and their effects on economy, polity, and social structure.
Social Issues	 Social empowerment, communalism, regionalism, and secularism.
Natural Resource Distribution	 Water, soils, and forests in South and South-East Asia, with a focus on India Factors affecting the location of industries in India.
Physical Geography	 Earthquakes, tsunamis, volcanic activity, cyclones, ocean currents, winds, and glaciers.
Oceanic Resources of India	■ The potential of India's oceanic resources.
Human Migration	 Refugee problems worldwide with a focus on India.
Indian Sub-Continental Boundaries	 Frontiers and boundaries of the Indian sub-continent.
Population and Settlements	 Types and patterns of population settlements. Urbanization, Smart Cities, and Smart Villages.

General Studies-II

Topic	Details
Indian Constitution	 Historical underpinnings, evolution, features, amendments, significant provisions, basic structure, Role of Supreme Court in the evolution of basic provisions.
Union and State Functions	 Functions and responsibilities, Issues in federal structure, devolution of powers and finances to local levels, and related challenges.
Finance Commission	 Role in Centre-State financial relations.
Separation of Powers	 Dispute redressal mechanisms, institutions, and the emergence and use of alternative dispute redressal mechanisms.
Comparison of Constitutional Schemes	 Comparison of Indian constitutional scheme with other major democratic countries.
Parliament and State Legislatures	 Structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers and privileges, and related issues.
Executive and Judiciary	 Structure, organization, functioning, Ministries and Departments, Pressure groups, associations, and their role in polity, Public Interest Litigation (PIL).

Representation of People's Act	 Salient features, appointment to various Constitutional posts, powers, functions, and responsibilities.
Statutory, Regulatory, and Quasi-Judicial Bodies	■ Includes NITI Aayog, its features, and its functioning.
Government Policies and Interventions	 For development in various sectors, issues arising from design and implementation, and Information Communication Technology (ICT).
Development Processes	 Role of NGOs, Self Help Groups (SHGs), donors, charities, institutional stakeholders, and other groups.
Welfare Schemes	 Welfare schemes for vulnerable sections, their performance, mechanisms, laws, institutions, and bodies for their protection and betterment.
Social Sector/Services	 Issues relating to the development and management of health, education, and human resources.
Poverty and Hunger	 Issues and implications on the body politic.
Governance	 Transparency and accountability, e-governance applications, models, successes, limitations, citizen charters, and institutional measures.
Civil Services	 Role of Civil Services in a democracy, with reference to emerging trends.
India and Neighbouring Countries	 India's relationship with neighbouring countries.
Bilateral, Regional, and Global Groupings	 Agreements involving India and/or affecting India's interests.
Global Policies and Politics	 Effect of policies and politics of developed and developing countries on India's interests, including the Indian diaspora.
International Institutions and Agencies	■ Important institutions, their structure, mandate, and functioning
Current Affairs	 Regional, national, and international events of importance.

General Studies-III

Topic	Details
Economic Planning in India	 Objectives, achievements, role of NITI Aayog, and pursuit of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
Poverty and Unemployment	 Issues of poverty, unemployment, social justice, and inclusive growth.
Government Budgets and Financial System	 Components and structure.

Agriculture	 Major crops, types of irrigation and systems, storage, transport, marketing of produce, and e-technology in the aid of farmers.
Farm Subsidies and Food Security	 Direct/indirect subsidies, minimum support prices, Public Distribution System (PDS): objectives, functioning, limitations, revamping, buffer stocks, food security, and technology missions in agriculture.
Food Processing Industries	 Scope, significance, location, upstream and downstream requirements, and supply chain management.
Land Reforms	 Land reforms in India since independence.
Liberalization and Globalization	 Effects on the economy, industrial policy changes, and their impact on industrial growth.
Infrastructure	Energy, ports, roads, airports, railways, and related developments.
Science and Technology	 Developments and applications in daily life and national security, India's policy, and achievements in science and technology.
Indigenization and Technology Transfer	 Indigenization of technology, development of new technologies, dual/critical use technologies, and transfer of technology.
Information and Communication Technology (ICT)	 Awareness of ICT, space technology, computers, energy resources, nano-technology, microbiology, biotechnology, IPR, and digital rights.
Environmental Security and Ecosystems	 Conservation of wildlife, biodiversity, pollution and degradation, and environmental impact assessment.
Disaster Management	 Disaster as a non-traditional security challenge, mitigation, and management.
International Security Challenges	■ Issues of nuclear proliferation, extremism causes/spread, communication networks, role of media/social networking, cyber security basics, money laundering, and human trafficking.
India's Internal Security Challenges	■ Terrorism, corruption, insurgency, and organized crimes.
Security Forces and Defence Organizations	 Role, type, mandate of security forces, and higher defense organizations in India.
Agriculture and Allied Fields	 Issues in agriculture, horticulture, forestry, and animal husbandry.

General Studies-IV

Topic	Details
Ethics and Human	 Essence, determinants, and consequences of ethics in human action;
Interface	dimensions of ethics; ethics in private and public relationships.

	Lessons from the lives and teachings of great leaders, reformers, and administrators. Role of family, society, and educational institutions in inculcating values.
Attitude	 Content, structure, function, influence on thought and behavior; moral and political attitudes, social influence, and persuasion.
Aptitude and Foundational Values for Civil Service	 Integrity, impartiality, non-partisanship, objectivity, dedication to public service, empathy, tolerance, and compassion for weaker sections.
Emotional Intelligence (EI)	 Concept, dimensions, utility, and application in administration and governance.
Moral Thinkers and Philosophers	 Contributions of moral thinkers and philosophers from India and the world.
Public/Civil Service Values and Ethics in Public Administration	Status, 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 moral values in governance; ethical issues in international relations, funding, and corporate governance.
Probity in Governance	 Concept of public service, philosophical basis of governance and probity, information sharing and transparency, Right to Information, codes of ethics, codes of conduct, citizen's charter, work culture, quality of service delivery, utilization of public funds, and challenges of corruption.
Case Studies	 Application of concepts to real-life ethical issues and dilemmas.

General Studies-V

Topic	Details
History, Civilization, Culture, and Ancient Cities of UP	 Overview of historical and cultural development, including ancient cities of Uttar Pradesh.
Architecture of UP	 Significance, maintainability, museums, archives, and archaeology in Uttar Pradesh.
Freedom Struggles	 Contributions of UP in pre- and post-1857 freedom struggles of India.
Eminent Personalities	■ Eminent freedom fighters and personalities from Uttar Pradesh.
Rural, Urban, and Tribal Issues	 Social structure, festivals, fairs, music, folk dances, literature, languages/dialects, and social customs of Uttar Pradesh.
Political System of UP	■ Governance, Governor, Chief Minister, Council of Ministers, State Assembly, State Council, and Center-State relations.

Public Service	 Public Service Commission, auditing, Advocate General, High Court, and its jurisdiction in Uttar Pradesh.
State Selection Criteria	 Official language, Consolidated Fund, Contingency Fund, political parties, and State Election Commission of UP.
Local Self-Government	 Urban and Panchayati Raj systems, public policy, and rights- related issues in Uttar Pradesh.
Good Governance	 Eradication of corruption, Lokayukta, citizen charters, e- governance, Right to Information, and redressal policy in UP.
Land Reforms	 Impact of land reforms in Uttar Pradesh.
Security Issues in UP	 Development-extremism linkage, role of external/state/interstate actors, cyber security, money laundering, security forces, organized crimes, and border security challenges.
Law and Order and Civil Defense	 Management and issues related to law and civil defense in Uttar Pradesh.
Medical and Health Issues	 Health challenges and medical services in Uttar Pradesh.
Education System	 Overview and issues related to the state education system in Uttar Pradesh.
Development Contribution	 Contributions of Uttar Pradesh in the overall development of India.
Current Affairs of UP	Regional updates and recent developments in Uttar Pradesh.
Welfare Schemes	 Implementation of Jal Shakti Mission and other central welfare schemes in Uttar Pradesh.
NGOs in UP	 Issues, contributions, and impacts of NGOs in Uttar Pradesh.
Tourism in UP	 Issues and prospects for tourism development in Uttar Pradesh.
Innovation in UP	 Emphasis on innovation across various fields, its impact on employment, and socio-economic development in the society.

General Studies-VI

Topic	Description
Overview of Economy of UP	 Main features of economy and State Budgets, Infrastructure, and importance of Physical Resources.
Trade, Commerce and Industries of UP	 Overview of the trade and industrial sectors in Uttar Pradesh.

UP Government Schemes and Projects	 Planned development for the welfare of people, human resources, and skill development initiatives.
Investment in UP	 Issues and their impact on the state's economy and development.
Public Finance and Fiscal Policy	 Tax and economic reforms, One District One Product Policy of the UP Government.
Renewable and Non- Renewable Energy Resources	 Planning and management of energy resources in Uttar Pradesh.
Demography and Population	 Population statistics and census details of Uttar Pradesh.
Agricultural Commercialization	 Commercialization of agriculture and production of agricultural crops in Uttar Pradesh.
UP New Forest Policy	 Details and significance of Uttar Pradesh's updated forest policy.
Agro and Social Forestry in UP	■ Initiatives and their role in sustainable development.
Agricultural Diversity and Problems	 Challenges in agriculture and their solutions specific to Uttar Pradesh.
Developmental Indices of UP	 Key indices reflecting development in various fields in Uttar Pradesh.
Geography of UP	 Geographical location, relief and structure, climate, irrigation, minerals, drainage system, and vegetation of the state.
National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries	 Conservation and biodiversity hotspots within Uttar Pradesh.
Transport Network in UP	 Overview of Uttar Pradesh's transportation infrastructure.
Power Resources and Industrial Development	State's energy infrastructure and industrial growth.
Pollution and Environmental Issues in UP	 Pollution challenges, environmental issues, and the role of the Pollution Control Board.
Natural Resources of UP	 Resources include soil, water, air, forests, grasslands, and wetlands in the state.
Climate Change and Weather Forecasting	 Issues related to climate change and advancements in weather prediction for Uttar Pradesh.
Habitat and Ecosystem	 Structure, function, adjustment, flora, and fauna with reference to Uttar Pradesh.
Science and Technology	 Issues, advancements, and state-specific efforts in science and technology.
Aquaculture, Viticulture, Sericulture, Floriculture, Horticulture, Arboriculture in UP	 Their impact on the socioeconomic development of Uttar Pradesh.

Public-Private Partnership
(PPP)

• Evolution and role of PPP in Uttar Pradesh's development.