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UPSC PRELIMINARY & MAINS EXAMINATION READING LIST

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Preliminary Reading List

PAPER - I (GENERAL STUDIES)

SUBJECT	PRIMARY MATERIAL	REFERENCE MATERIAL & WEBSITES
<p>History of India and Indian National Movement(Ancient, Medieval, Modern India, Art and Culture)</p>	<p>NCERT - 6th Std- Our Past - I 7th Std- Our Past - II 8th Std- Our Past - III 8th Std- Our Past - III 11th Std- An Introduction to Indian Art 12th Std- Themes in Indian History - I 12th Std- Themes in Indian History - II 12th Std- Themes in Indian History - III 11th and 12th Std - old NCERT TNSCERT - 11th and 12th Std - History Books, NIOS - India culture and heritage 12th Std - TNSCERT- Arts and culture</p>	<p>IGNOU - BA, MA History Material http://www.ignou.ac.in/ignou/studentzone/downloads/3, NIOS Study Material https://rcpune.nios.ac.in/study-material-pdfs.html & Any Reference Book, www.ugc.gov.in</p>
<p>Indian and World Geography-Physical, Social, Economic Geography of India and the World</p>	<p>NCERT - 6th Std - The Earth: Our Habitat 7th Std- Our Environment 8th Std- Resources and Development 9th Std- Contemporary India - I 10th Std- Contemporary India - II 11th Std - Fundamentals of Physical Geography 11th Std- India Physical Environment 12th Std- Fundamentals of Human Geography 12th Std- India People and Economy TNSCERT -11th and 12th Std - Geography Books</p>	<p>Any Atlas Book, Any Book of Geography of India & World, Down to Earth Magazine& Government websites: www.surveyofindia.gov.in, www.ncog.gov.in, www.bharatmaps.gov.in, www.moes.gov.in, mausam.imd.gov.in, www.gsi.gov.in, NIOS Study Material - www.hq.nioscms.demodevelopment.com/geography-316.html, www.ugc.gov.in</p>
<p>Indian Polity and Governance-Constitution, Political System, Panchayati Raj, Public Policy, Rights Issues, etc.</p>	<p>NCERT - 6th Std- Social and Political Life - I 7th Std- Social and Political Life - II 8th Std- Social and Political Life - III 9th Std- Democratic Politics - I 10th Std- Democratic Politics - II 11th Std- Indian Constitution at work 11th Std- Political Theory TNSCERT - 11th and 12th Std - Political Science</p>	<p>IGNOU - MA Political Science, NIOS Social Science Study Material, Any Reference Book & Government Websites: www.parliamentofindia.nic.in, www.loksabha.nic.in, www.rajyasabha.nic.in, www.india.gov.in/my-government/indian-parliament, www.ugc.gov.in</p>

<p>Economic and Social Development-Sustainable Development, Poverty, Inclusion, Demographics, Social Sector Initiatives, etc.</p>	<p>NCERT - 9th Std- Economics 10th Std - Understanding Economic Development 11th Std- Indian Economic Development 12th Std - Introductory Macro Economics TNSCERT - 11th and 12th Std - Economics (Selected Chapters)</p>	<p>IGNOU - BA & MA Economics Material, Any Reference Book www.ugc.gov.in & Government Websites: www.indiabudget.gov.in, www.dea.gov.in, www.niti.gov.in, www.commerce.gov.in, www.pib.gov.in, www.doe.gov.in. Economic survey - Report -https://www.indiabudget.gov.in/economicsurvey/ & India Year Book</p>
<p>Environmental ecology, Bio-diversity and Climate Change</p>	<p>NCERT - 10th Std- General Science(Chapter- 11) 7th Std- Our Environment 12th Std-Biology (Chapter-11,12,13,14,15&16) TNSCERT - 12th Std - Botany - Chapter -4,6,7 & 8 12th Std - Zoology - Chapter -7,10,11,12 & 13</p>	<p>Any Reference Book & Government Websites: www.india.gov.in/topics/environment-forest, www.moef.gov.in, www.cpcb.nic.in, www.powermin.gov.in/en/content/protection-environment, www.wiienviis.nic.in, www.unep.org, www.unosd.un.org, www.ugc.gov.in, www.agricoop.nic.in, www.farmer.gov.in, www.enam.gov.in, www.icar.org.in, www.soilhealth.dac.gov.in, www.nabard.org, www.fao.org, www.sdgs.un.org, Economic survey - Report -https://www.indiabudget.gov.in/economicsurvey/</p>
<p>General Science (Science & Technology)</p>	<p>NCERT - 6th to 10th - General Science TNSCERT - 6th and 10th Std - Political Science</p>	<p>Any Reference Book & Government Websites: www.dst.gov.in, www.indiascienceandtechnology.gov.in, www.india.gov.in/official-website-department-science-and-technology, www.tdb.gov.in, www.iist.ac.in, www.unctad.org, www.dst.gov.in/documents/reports, www.niti.gov.in/verticals/science-and-technology</p>
<p>International Organisations & Relations</p>	<p>NCERT - 12th - Contemporary World Politics 12th - Politics in India Since Independence (Chapter - 4) TNSCERT -10th Std - Civics (Chapter - 4 & 5) 12th Std - Political Science (Chapter - 9, 10 & 11) 12th Std - Economics (Chapter - 7,8)</p>	<p>Any Reference Book (International Organizations and Financial Institutions) & Government Websites: www.mea.gov.in, www.icwa.in, www.mealib.nic.in, www.india.gov.in/topics/foreign-affairs, www.un.org/en/</p>

<p>Current events of National and International importance</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Daily News Papers - The Hindu 2. Magazines: Yojana, Kurukshetra, Down to Earth, Frontline, Economic & Political weekly, Civil Services Times and Main Stream. 3. Media: AIR , DDNews, LS and RS Channels  www.newsonair.gov.in, prasarbharati.gov.in/mobile-applications/, www.rajyasabha.nic.in, www.sansadtv.nic.in, www.ddnews.gov.in, www.prasarbharati.gov.in 4. India Year Book 5. Pratiyogita Darpan - www.pdgroup.in 6. Press Information Bureau - www.pib.gov.in 7.Niti Aayog - www.niti.gov.in 8.PRS Legislative Research - https://prsindia.org/ 9.Budget & Economic Survey Reports - https://www.indiabudget.gov.in/economicsurvey/ 10. Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy- www.cmie.com 11. Reserve Bank of India- www.rbi.org.in 12. Important Committee Reports
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PAPER - II - CIVIL SERVICES APTITUDE TEST (CSAT)

<p>Comprehension; Interpersonal skills including communication skills; Logical reasoning and analytical ability; Decision making and problem solving; General mental ability; Basic numeracy (numbers and their relations, orders of magnitude, etc.) (Class X level), Data Interpretation (charts, graphs, tables, data sufficiency etc. — Class X level</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.English Comprehension <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Refer Any Book b. News Paper Reading 2.Quantitative Aptitude and Reasoning - Refer Any Book 3.Practice Previous Year Question Papers
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Mains Reading List

SUBJECT	PRIMARY MATERIAL	REFERENCE MATERIAL & WEBSITES
Art and culture of India	NIOS – India culture and heritage, NCERT - 11 th - An Introduction to Indian Art 12 th Std - TNSCERT– Arts and culture	NIOS Study Material https://rcpune.nios.ac.in/study-material-pdfs.html & Any Reference Book
Ancient & Medieval Indian history	NCERT History - TNSCERT 11 th Std- History Book	IGNOU - BA, MA History Material http://www.ignou.ac.in/ignou/studentzone/downloads/3 , NIOS Study Material https://rcpune.nios.ac.in/study-material-pdfs.html & Any Reference Book
Modern Indian history	12 th Std - NCERT – Politics in India after Independence TNSCERT 12 th - History	IGNOU - BA, MA History Material, NIOS Study Material https://rcpune.nios.ac.in/study-material-pdfs.html & Any Reference Book
World History	9 th & 10 th Std NCERT – India and the contemporary World 12 th Std (old NCERT) - History	IGNOU - BA, MA History Material, NIOS Study Material https://rcpune.nios.ac.in/study-material-pdfs.html & Any Reference Book
Geography	11 th Std NCERT - Fundamentals of Physical Geography, 11 th Std NCERT - India Physical Environment, 12 th Std NCERT - Fundamentals of Human Geography, 12 th Std NCERT - India People and Economy & TNSCERT - 11 th and 12 th Std - Geography	Any Atlas Book, Any Book of Geography of India & World, Down to Earth Magazine & Government websites: www.surveyofindia.gov.in , www.ncog.gov.in , www.bharatmaps.gov.in , www.moes.gov.in , mausam.imd.gov.in , www.gsi.gov.in , NIOS Study Material - www.hq.nioscms.demodevelopment.com/geography-316.html
Indian Society	NCERT – 11 th Std – Introducing Sociology NCERT – 11 th Std - Understanding Society NCERT – 12 th Std – Indian society NCERT – 12 th Std – Social change and development in India	IGNOU - BA, MA Sociology (Selected Chapters) & Any Reference Book
Indian Polity & Indian Constitution	11 th Std NCERT – Indian constitution at work 12 th Std NCERT – Politics in India after Independence 11 th Std TNSCERT - Political Science 12 th Std TNSCERT - Political Science	IGNOU - MA Political Science, NIOS Social Science Study Material, Any Reference Book & Government Websites: www.parliamentofindia.nic.in , www.loksabha.nic.in , www.rajyasabha.nic.in , www.india.gov.in/my-government/indian-parliament

International Relations	NCERT -12 th Std Political science- contemporary World politics	The Hindu News Paper, Yojana, kurukshetra & Frontline Magazine, Any Reference Book (International Organizations and Financial Institutions) & Government Websites: www.mea.gov.in , www.icwa.in , www.mealib.nic.in , www.india.gov.in/topics/foreign-affairs , www.un.org/en/
Agriculture	12 th Std NCERT – Geography India people and economy 11 th Std NCERT -Economic – Indian economic development & NIOS Study Material - www.nios.ac.in/media/documents/SecSocSciCour/English/Lesson-12.pdf	Yojana & kurukshetra Magazine, Any Reference Book & Government Websites: www.agricoop.nic.in , www.farmer.gov.in , www.enam.gov.in , www.icar.org.in , www.soilhealth.dac.gov.in , www.nabard.org , www.fao.org , www.sdgs.un.org , Economic survey - Report - https://www.indiabudget.gov.in/economicsurvey/
Indian Economy	10 th Std - NCERT - Understanding Economic Development 11 th Std NCERT -Economics- Indian Economic Development 12 th Std Economics- Introduction to Macro economy, 12 th Std NCERT Business Studies - Part- II, NIOS Study Material - www.rcpune.nios.ac.in 11 th and 12 th Std - TNSCERT- Economics (Selected Chapters) 11 th and 12 th Std - TNSCERT- Commerce (Selected Chapters)	Yojana & kurukshetra Magazine, IGNOU - BA & MA Economics Material, Any Reference Book & Government Websites: www.indiabudget.gov.in , www.dea.gov.in , www.niti.gov.in , www.commerce.gov.in , www.pib.gov.in , www.doe.gov.in . Economic survey - Report - https://www.indiabudget.gov.in/economicsurvey/ & India Year Book
Ecology & Environment	NCERT – Science 7 th Std NCERT - Our Environment 12 th Std NCERT – Biology chapter -10 & 13 to 16 NCERT – Ecology & Environment Down to Earth Magazine, Recent Report - International www.ipcc.ch , www.who.int & National www.pib.gov.in	An Inconvenient Truth -Video Documentary, www.ugc.gov.in , Any Reference Book & Government Websites: www.india.gov.in/topics/environment-forest , www.moef.gov.in , www.cpcb.nic.in , www.powermin.gov.in/en/content/protection-environment , www.wiienvs.nic.in , www.unep.org , www.unosd.un.org
Internal security of India	12 th Std NCERT – Political science – contemporary world politics(chapter – security in the contemporary world	Any Reference Book & Government Websites: www.india.gov.in , www.mha.gov.in , www.un.org , NIOS Study Material - www.nios.ac.in/media/documents/SecSocSciCour/English/Lesson-27.pdf

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Science and Technology	NCERT – Science The Hindu News Paper Down to Earth & Science Reporter Magazine & NIOS study Material - https://rcpune.nios.ac.in/science-and-technology-212.html	Any Reference Book & Government Websites: www.dst.gov.in , www.indiascienceandtechnology.gov.in , www.india.gov.in/official-website-department-science-and-technology , www.tdb.gov.in , www.iist.ac.in , www.unctad.org , www.dst.gov.in/documents/reports , www.niti.gov.in/verticals/science-and-technology
Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude	2 nd ARC Report : https://darp.gov.in/en/arc-reports (Ethics Governance , Refurbishing of personnel administration) 2 nd ARC Report : https://darp.gov.in/en/arc-reports (Right to Information Act , Citizen Charter in Administration)	Any Reference Book , Practice Previous Year Question Paper & Case Studies
Current events of National and International importance	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Daily News Papers - The Hindu 2. Magazines: Yojana, Kurukshetra, Down to Earth, Frontline, Economic & Political weekly, Civil Services Times and Main Stream. 3. Media: AIR , DDNews, LS and RS Channels  www.newsonair.gov.in, prasarbharati.gov.in/mobile-applications/, www.rajyasabha.nic.in, www.sansadtv.nic.in, www.ddnews.gov.in, www.prasarbharati.gov.in 4. India Year Book 5. Pratiyogita Darpan - www.pdgroup.in 6. Press Information Bureau - www.pib.gov.in 7.Niti Aayog - www.niti.gov.in 8.PRS Legislative Research - https://prsindia.org/ 9.Budget & Economic Survey Reports - https://www.indiabudget.gov.in/economicsurvey/ 10. Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy- www.cmie.com 11. Reserve Bank of India- www.rbi.org.in 12. Important Committee Reports 	