

# OPSC PROSPECTUS 2023-24

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Dr. Susijit Sahoo CMD

Welcome to **APTI PLUS** Academy for Civil Services- Eastern India's premier coaching Institution for Civil Services.

The examination is one of the most prestigious examinations which draw the attention of thousands of students every year and getting through the examination is coveted and most cherished dream of many. Every year lakhs of candidates appear in the OCS, however, only a few hundred make it to the final list. The reason behind this is that OCS, through its various stages and rigorous screening process tests the suitability of the candidate for the top-ranking positions in Odisha bureaucracy.

After years of research, analysis and relentless efforts the Institute has developed a holistic, all-encompassing course structure and teaching methodology that synchronizes with the demands of the current pattern of OPSC OCS examination.

I am delighted to share with you that **APTI PLUS** Academy for Civil Services is the first Institute to buck the trend. The able guidance of our distinguished faculty ex-OPSC members, our meticulously designed course has helped thousands of candidates in realizing the dream of joining the most reputed services in our state. The unprecedented success in recent years, OPSC –2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 has rightly reinstated the position of **APTI PLUS** Academy for Civil Services Pvt. Ltd as the Best Coaching Institution in Odisha. It has set a new benchmark by producing the highest number of OAS, OPS, OFS & ORS officers from all over Odisha. In OAS 2021, APTI PLUS set new benchmarks with 300+ selections including the top rankers rank- 2, 5, 7,9,13 ...

I would like to accentuate that as Civil Servants you will have the opportunity to change millions of lives everyday. India is a great country with vast resources and unmatchable diversity. However, lopsided development has pushed the poverty stricken, downtrodden and marginalized sections of the society to the edge thereby widening the gap between the developed and the underdeveloped world.

I would like to reiterate that the core values of Determination, Honesty, Authenticity, Integrity, Devotion, Humanism, Holistic Learning, Social Ethics, and concern for society & environment are all closely interwoven into the fiber of our academic programs. I urge you to realize your potential by making the best use of the transformative education imparted by our premier Institute and join the Civil Services with utmost sincerity, integrity and conviction to serve the people of India and bridge the gulf between the two unequal worlds. With the aim to transform each one of you into able administrators, I welcome you to the Institute, where your commitment will be integrated with our years of experience to guide you in realizing your aspirations.

Wish you all the best in your future endeavors!

# **OUR ACHIEVEMENTS**



HONOURED AS BEST IAS COACHING ACADEMY BY TIMES OF INDIA 2022





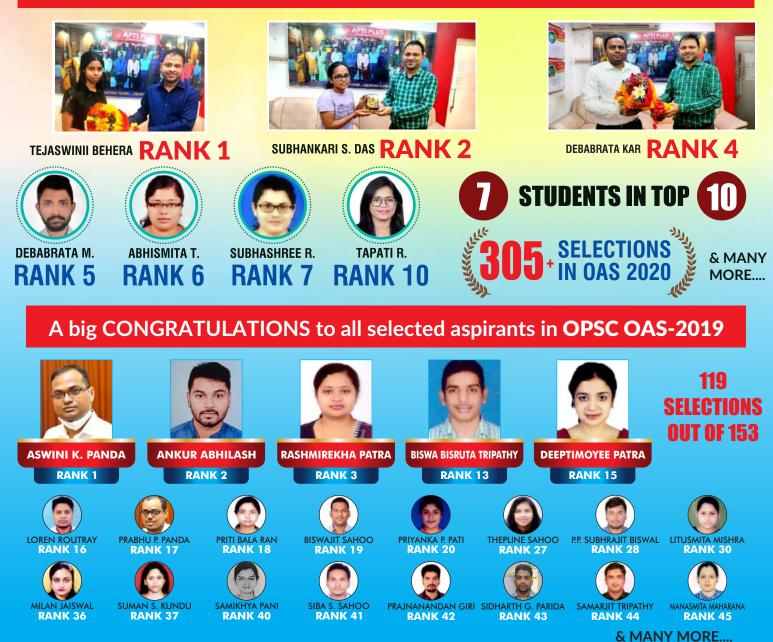




# Rising beyond limits: Our students shine in OAS 2021 Congratulations You have made us all proud



#### Our badge shines on year after year with top performances by our students in OAS 2020





### WHAT OUR ACHIEVERS SAY

My heartfelt respect to Director Sir for his unconditional help & guidance in each & every step of this difficult journey. Institutes like **APTI PLUS** are developing in Orissa. It's really a welcome step because students will not need to go to Delhi for preparation. I wish best of luck to all the candidates of next year. Thank you.

#### SOMALIN SUBHADARSHINI

AIR 478, UPSC CSE 2018



I really want to take this opportunity to thank the mentors & guides of **APTI PLUS** Academy who actually helped me a lot during my Mains preparation as well as Interview preparation. I found the test series very very pertinent to what the requirements of the UPSC Civil services are. I want to wish all the best to **APTI PLUS** Academy and to all the candidates for the upcoming examination.

> JUBIN MOHAPATRA AIR 46, UPSC CSE 2020

# **ABOUT ODISHA CIVIL SERVICES**

OCS is a state level competitive examination which is conducted by Odisha Public Service Commission (OPSC) every year for recruitment to various civil services of the Government of Odisha, including Odisha Administrative Service (OAS), Odisha Police Service (OPS), Odisha Finance Service among others. The examination is a gateway of most prestigious services in the state.



#### **Preliminary Exam**

Preliminary examination OAS Exam is a screening test to shortlist candidates for further selection process. Questions asked in this examination are objective in nature.

#### **Tentative Schedule**

Notification	December/January	
Last Date to Apply	January / February	
Examination Date	August/September(tentative)	

Only the candidates who qualify the Preliminary Examination are eligible to appear for the Mains Examination. Results will be declared by the month of August.

#### **Mains Exam**

Only the aspirants who qualify the Preliminary Examination would be eligible to apply for the Mains examination. This particular examination is subjective in nature. Main Examination is likely to be conducted in November / December.

#### **Personality Test**

The candidates who qualify the Main Examination are interviewed by a Panel consisting of members who are usually experts from different fields chosen by the OPSC. The unbiased panel assesses whether the candidate has the personality traits essential for various Civil Services. Questions based on matters of general interest are asked in the interview. The panel selects candidates who possess the basic personality traits; a civil servant is expected to have. The Personality Test is likely to be conducted in the months of February-April. Final results will be declared by May.

# **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

Age limit	21-38 years
Educational Qualification	A bachelor's degree in any specialization
Nationality	Indian
Number of Attempts	Unreserved- 06 attempts, S.E.B.C- 09 attempts, S.C. / S.T No Limit Women/Ex-Servicemen- 06 attempts, PWD- 06 attempts
Experience	Unspecified



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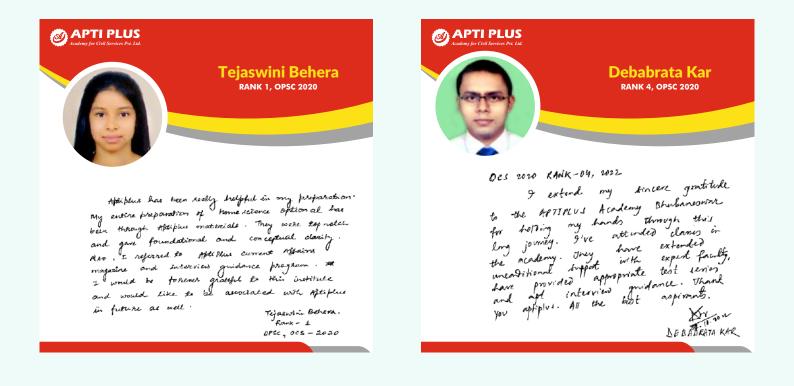
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Soumya S. Swain RANK 78, OPSC 2021

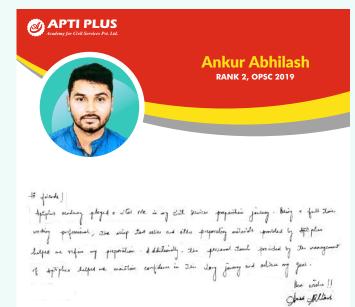
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# AGE RELAXATION

Category	Upper Age limit	
General	38	
S.E.B.C	43	
S.C. / S.T.	43	
Women / Ex-Serviceman	43	
<b>PWDs</b> (Who's permanent disability is 40% or more)	48	

# **DETAILED SCHEME OF EXAMINATION**

#### **Preliminary Examination**

The Preliminary exam will consist of 2 compulsory papers of objective type (Multiple Choice Questions) and each paper shall be of two hours duration.

Paper-I: General Studies [200 marks]

Paper-II: General Studies [200 marks]

#### **Detailed Syllabus**

#### **GS Paper I**

SI.	Subjects
1	Current events of national and international importance.
2	History of India and Indian National Movement.
3	History of Odisha and Odia Nationalism.
4	Odisha and Indian Geography-Physical, Social, Economic Geography of India and the World.
5	Indian Polity and Governance-Constitution, Political System, Panchayati Raj,
6	Public Policy, Rights Issues, etc.
7	Economic and Social Development-Sustainable Development, Poverty, Inclusion, Demographics, Social Sector Initiatives, etc.
8	General issues on Environmental ecology, Bio-diversity and Climate Change - that do not require subject specialization.
9	General Science.



#### Paper II Civil Service Aptitude Test (CSAT)

SI.	Subjects
1	Comprehension;
2	Interpersonal skills including communication skills;
3	Logical reasoning and analytical ability;
4	Decision making and problem solving;
5	General mental ability;
6	Basic numeracy (numbers and their relations, orders of magnitude, etc.) (Class X level), Data interpretation (charts, graphs, tables, data sufficiency etc. — Class X level)

Note: **Paper-II (CSAT)** is qualifying in nature, 33% required to qualify the paper. Marks will not be counted for short listing candidates in Preliminary examination. This will test the analytical skills of the candidates.

#### **Mains Examination**

OPSC Civil Services Mains Written Examination is conducted in Offline mode. It consists following papers and each paper shall be of three hours duration.

Part-I Qualifying Papers	500 marks
Paper I – Odia Language	250 marks
Paper-II- English	250 marks

Part-II Papers to be counted for Merit		1250 marks
Paper-I : Essay		250 marks
Paper-II : General Studies-I	Indian Heritage & Culture, Odisha Heritage & Culture, History and Geography of the World and Society	250 marks
Paper-III : General Studies-II Governance, Constitution, Polity, Social Justice and Inter-State Relations		250 marks
Paper-IV : General Studies-III	Technology, Economic Development, Bio diversity, Environment, Security & Disaster Management	250 marks
Paper-V: General Studies-IV	Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude	250 marks
Paper-VI : Optional Subject – Paper-I		250 marks
Paper-VII : Optional Subject – Paper-II		250 marks
	Sub Total [Written Test]	1750 marks
Personality Test		250 marks
	GRAND TOTAL	2000 marks

#### **Personality Test / Interview**

Interview or personality test for OPSC is conducted for a total of 250 marks, with no minimum qualifying marks. Questions based on the matters of General Interest will be asked in the interview.



# WHAT WE OFFER?

Complete & Comprehensive coverage of OAS examination syllabus over a span of 10 months.

**APTI PLUS** Academy has meticulously designed its programs and innovated smart & effective pedagogical strategies in order to provide holistic experience of learning.



#### **COURSES OFFERED**

**Classroom Program & Distance** Learning Programme for: 1) General Studies 2) Optional Subject 3) Essay Writing

4) Language Paper (Odia & English)



#### **OPTIONAL SUBJECTS OFFERED FOR THE MAINS EXAMINATION**

1) Political Science & International Relations 2) Sociology 3) History 4) Geography

5) Public Admin

Limited number of optional subjects is being offered by the Institute to ensure that quality is not compromised while focusing on quantity.

7) Agriculture

The Institute has drawn in a panel of distinguished faculty members of national repute. A holistic stage wise training is provided by our imminent faculty members to ensure conceptual clarity of each aspirant based on which a Candidate can build proficiency & expertise in the optional subject.

#### **STUDY MATERIALS PROVIDED**

- 1) Twelve sets of books for General Studies (Paper I and II),
- 2) Study materials for two Optional Subjects Papers
- 3) Study material for Essay Paper
- 4) Monthly magazine (Free of cost)

Concisely yet comprehensively written content in the study materials is prepared by our dedicated team of experts and academicians.







## Our Faculty Members











AKHILESH SRIVASTAVA Geography, Science & Technology (GS) and Geography Optional

















# **TEST SERIES**

Appearing test series is of utmost importance in Civil Services Exams Preparation. Mock Tests help the aspirants to test her level of preparation and strategize his/her studies accordingly. **APTI PLUS** Academy provides both Online and Offline Test Series prepared by Ex-OPSC Members and Senior **APTI PLUS** Faculty Members.

#### **Prelims Test Series**

#### **Total 50 Mock Tests**

**26 Sectional Mock Tests** covering the syllabus of NCERTs & other standard books will be provided to the aspirants.

**6 Current Affairs Tests** specifically including sectional and full length are provided in addition to this.

**13 Full Length Mock Tests** will be provided to the aspirants to boost their preparation. **(Online/Offline)** 

**5 PYQ Tests & 1 Booklet** consisting of previous year question analysis, most recent golden current affairs and probable questions will be provided to the students with test series.

#### **Detailed syllabus of Prelims Test Series**

Prelims test series will cover the following subjects of both Paper-I and Paper-II.

#### Paper-I

- Indian Polity-4Tests (Sectional-2 & Full length-2)
- Indian Economy- 4Tests (Sectional-2 & Full length-2)
- Current Affairs- 4Tests (Sectional-2 & Full length-2)
- Modern Indian History-4 Tests (Sectional-2 & Full length-2)
- Art and Culture-1 Test
- Ancient History-1Test
- Medieval History-1 Test
- Ecology and Environment- 4 Tests (Sectional-2 & Full length-2)
- General Science- 3 Tests
- Geography-4 Tests (Sectional-2 & Full length-2)

#### **Mains Test Series**

#### **Total 17 Mock Tests**

The ultimate program meticulously designed for truly dedicated aspirants to bank upon for being mains examination ready. Total including GS-I, GS-II, Language Papers and Essay.

- GS-I 3 Tests
- GS-II 3 Tests
- GS-III 3 Tests
- GS-IV 3 Tests
- Odia Language- 1 Test
- English Language-1 Test

#### **Optional Tests**

4-6 Tests (Separately)

- Essay 2 Tests
- Odisha GS & CA 1 Test
- 1 Booklet with Previous year questions analysis will be provided to the aspirants.

#### Paper-II CSAT 3 Tests

- Comprehension
- Interpersonal and communication Skills
- Logical reasoning and analytical skills
- Decision Making and Problem Solving
- General Mental Ability.
- English Language Comprehension Skills









LIBRAR



One can argue that there is technology to read online and do research so what is the need to visit library. Well, library provides a very calm and disciplined atmosphere which helps students to maintain a good concentration on their studies. A good library is a repository of knowledge and forms an indispensable part of the preparation process. Libraries store the energy that fuels the imagination. They help in maintaining consistency in this rigorous process of preparation. They play a key role in preventing burnouts during the IAS exam preparation. In a nutshell, libraries provide an ambience that helps us in staying focused and keeps the distractions at bay - The key to success in **Civil Services Examination!** 

Taking this into consideration, APTI PLUS Academy maintains a library cum reading room which houses a comprehensive collection of book and study materials. The collections have been greatly augmented by a dedicated curatorial team forging new directions to better serve the library's mission to support your preparation process.

- 📭 Standard text-books, reference books, atlas, journals, periodicals and 📭 Photocopying/Scanning facility subject to copyright restrictions. magazines exclusively focusing on CSE preparation
- Rich and responsive information environment that empowers learning, discovery and critical thinking
- Quiet and light-filled space that fits comfortable private desks, and armchairs
- Provision to borrow books and journals from the library for self-study on a Preference files of selected topics. regular basis
- Membership to external users as well.
- Library orientation to fresh members.
- Individual attention and help to the users to locate their required reading material.
- Weekly display of new arrivals.

  - Provision to book a separate study room for group or assistive study.

# LIBRARY

Many a time aspirants complain that they work hard, read so much, every year write mains, yet they fail to qualify for the Interview. But they fail to understand the very basic that it is one thing to have knowledge of a particular issue and quite different to put that opinion or knowledge concisely on paper and that too in time-bound manner. So the question arises what is the magic mantra to achieve this? The answer lies in answer writing practice.

#### Advantages of answer writing practice

- One can write a logical and flowing answer in the required time.
- It helps the aspirant refine their thought process, develop speed, maintain proportionality in the answer, improve visual appeal, add creative inputs and improve expression.
- It helps in writing concise and thoughtfully framed sentences.
- It helps in overcoming the fear psychosis.
- It helps in making management strategies for the real exam.
- It helps in knowing ones' strengths and weaknesses, doing selfanalytics.
- It helps in preparing topics which have not been covered.
- It provides extra vital information.
- It helps one to face tremendous competition by honing their skills.



#### NOTE

For out side students paid Library Facility is also available.



# **COURSE DURATION & FEES STRUCTURE**

	Duration	Fees	
General Studies Prelims-cum-Mains + Essay + CSAT + Mock Tests Of General Studies Prelims - cum- Mains (without Optional)	10-12 months	<u>₹1,41,600</u>	<b>₹1,26,000</b> [Offline / Online / Hybrid]
Optional Subject	3 months	₹41,600	₹35,400
Mock Tests (Prelims) Online/Offline	50 tests		₹5,000
Mock Tests (Mains) Online/Offline	17 tests		₹9,500
Test Series For Selective Optional Paper	4 Tests	₹3,000	₹2,500

# OUR ASPIRANTS WHO MADE US PROUD IN BOTH OPSC & UPSC CSE



SUCHISMITA PANIGRAHI RANK 2 OPSC 2021



SWETALEENA MAHANA RANK 5 OPSC 2021



SOUMYA S. PANI RANK 13 OPSC 2021



KASTURI PANDA AIR 67 UPSC CSE 2022



TEJASWINI BEHERA AIR 516 UPSC CSE 2022

> RANK 1 OPSC 2020



AYUSHI PRADHAN AIR 336 UPSC CSE 2022



SANJITA MOHAPATRA AIR 10 UPSC CSE 2019

RANK 2 OPSC 2017





More than 15 years of expertise integrated with consistent performance. [Oldest Institution in the city delivering consistent results].

Produced thousands of IAS, IPS, IFS, IRS, WBCS & OAS officers from across India.

Illustrious alumni who will guide you in reaching your goal. [Regular Seminars + Video Testimonials].

Dedicated Research Team that works tirelessly to delineate the best strategy to Crack Civil Services.

Resources curated by Scholars and India's Best Academicians.

Core values of authenticity, integrity, and determination.

Officers and India's Best Professors as your personal Mentors.

No one size fits all approach.

Unwavering Support till Success.

Usage of Digital Learning tools to simplify difficult concepts.

Standard Batch Size to enable one-to-one interaction and doubt clearance.

Robust Management System: Individual attention to student performance.

#### Key advantages of **APTI PLUS**

Exam-centric study environment.

Stepwise Training: Building concepts from Basic to Advanced Levels.

Time bound syllabus coverage.

Regular Doubt clearing sessions.

Blueprint for Answer Writing Strategy.

Structured and Daily Assignments because consistency is the key.

Study Plan to make the aspirant exam ready one month before the examination.

National-level Mock Tests at regular intervals. [Online + Offline]

Performance evaluation throughout the year.

Analysis of individual strengths and weaknesses followed by a tailored approach.

Prompt Grievance redressal mechanism.

Personal Mentor for constant support and consistency.





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