



# UPSC CSE MAINS 2027 The Clock Is Ticking

Every serious aspirant has read the standard books.  
Then why do only a handful cross:

**450+ IN GS?**

Because UPSC Mains is NOT a knowledge exam.  
Average answers don't create top ranks.

**STOP WRITING TO FILL PAGES.  
START WRITING TO MANUFACTURE MARKS.**



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**Stop Surviving Mains.  
Start Dominating It.**

## #THE ARSENAL

30 TESTS. 360° MASTERY.

ZERO RANDOM PREPARATION.

This isn't a conventional test series.

It is a **SCORE-MAXIMIZATION MACHINE**.

Designed to:



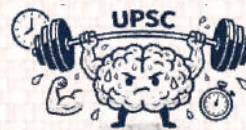
Build  
analytical  
thinking



Improve  
answer- writing  
reflexes



Develop  
examiner-  
friendly  
presentation



Train your  
brain for  
UPSC pressure



Create high-  
scoring writing  
patterns

## #THE MAINS 2027 ARCHITECTURE

### 8 SECTIONAL TESTS

- Subject-wise conceptual strengthening
- Micro-topic focused preparation
- Question-demand based writing practice
- Continuous performance tracking

### 12 FULL-LENGTH GS TESTS

- Integrated GS I-IV coverage
- Time-bound conditioning
- Syllabus interlinking mastery
- AIR-level writing frameworks

### 5 ESSAY TESTS

- Philosophical essay frameworks
- Contemporary issue-based essays
- Multi-dimensional argument building
- Balanced & mature writing style

### 5 UPSC SIMULATORS

- Exact UPSC-like environment
- Speed & time-management training
- Mental endurance conditioning
- Full-paper writing stamina

This programme trains you for the brutality of the actual UPSC exam cycle.



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# #THE ENGINE OF TRANSFORMATION

## Most Test Series:

- » Give marks
  - » Add generic comments
  - » Return copies
- And aspirants continue repeating the same mistakes.

## We Do Things Differently.

- Every answer is scientifically dissected to identify:
- » Hidden marks-loss zones
  - » Directive-handling mistakes
- » Weak analytical depth
  - » Poor prioritization
  - » Examiner-level presentation flaws
  - » Missing dimensions
  - » Structural weaknesses

## WHAT YOU GET

### PREMIUM MODEL ANSWERS

- » UPSC- style multidimensional frameworks
- » PYQ & trend-aligned preparation
- » AIR-level answer structuring
- » Rich examples & contemporary relevance
- » Data, reports & committee integration
- » High-quality model answers designed for score maximization

### 25+ PARAMETER DUAL EVALUATION

- Every answer evaluated by 2 Senior Faculty Members. Plus:
- » 25+ parameter scientific evaluation
  - » Detailed test-wise feedback PDFs
  - » Separate answer-wise feedback reports
  - » Feedback delivery within 7 days

### SMART PERFORMANCE DIAGNOSTICS

- » Topic-wise score tracking
- » Before vs After copy comparison
- » Hidden scoring-gap analysis
- » Writing-pattern diagnostics
- » Rank-focused progress mapping
- » Personalized score-improvement roadmap

### 1:1 MENTORSHIP & GUIDANCE

- » Personalized mentor reviews
- » 1:1 mentorship by Top Faculty Members
- » Structure enhancement guidance
- » Analytical value-addition support
- » Continuous answer-writing supervision
- » Practical improvement strategy after every test

### SPECIAL MAINS ENRICHMENT

- » Dedicated Essay & Ethics enrichment classes
- » Advanced value-addition frameworks
- » Contemporary examples & governance integration
- » Training for mature analytical writing
- » Special focus on high-scoring Ethics presentation

### TOPPER COPY DECONSTRUCTION

Learn:

- » Why toppers score highly
- » How AIRs structure answers
- » How they integrate flowcharts
- » How they maximize marks in limited words
- » How average copies evolve into top-rank copies
- » All-India Rank strategies used by toppers

### PYQ- BASED & TREND-ALIGNED TRAINING

- » Training based on UPSC PYQ patterns
- » Most probable micro-topic preparation
- » Trend-aligned answer writing practice
- » Examiner-oriented structuring methods
- » AIR-focused content prioritization

## #INDIA'S MOST ADVANCED EVALUATION SYSTEM

NOT GENERIC CHECKING.

SCIENTIFIC ANSWER ANALYSIS.

At **APTI PLUS**, evaluation is not superficial or subjective.

It is a:

SCIENTIFICALLY DESIGNED ASSESSMENT ARCHITECTURE

built around how actual UPSC examiners mentally evaluate answer copies.

## Every Answer Is Assessed Across 25+ Micro-parameters Including:

- Understanding of Question Demand
- Introduction Quality
- Structure & Organization
- Coverage of Dimensions
- Content Accuracy
- Conceptual Clarity
- Analytical Ability
- Critical Thinking
- Balance & Objectivity
- Use of Examples
- Use of Data / Reports
- Constitutional References
- Current Affairs Integration
- Interlinking Across Topics
- Value Addition
- Flowcharts / Maps / Diagrams
- Presentation & Neatness
- Language & Clarity
- Keyword Usage
- Conclusion Quality
- Practical Solutions
- Word Limit Discipline
- Time Management
- Overall Examiner Impression

## Every Aspirant Receives:

- Separate Answer-wise PDF Reports
- Parameter-wise Remarks
- Strength-Weakness Analysis
- Hidden Marks-Loss Diagnostics
- Improvement Directions
- Personalized Score-Maximization Roadmap



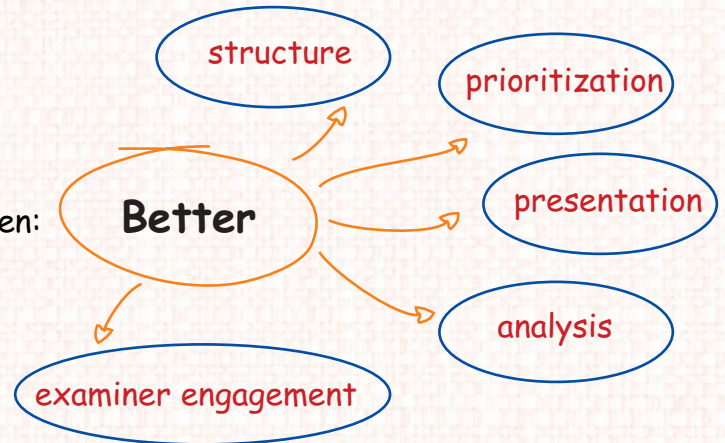
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## #THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN AIRs & AVERAGE COPIES

TOPPERS DON'T WRITE MORE.  
THEY WRITE SMARTER.

The difference between:  
**AIR 50** and **Missing the list by 20 marks** is often:



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## #THE FINAL CALL



### WILL YOU BE READY FOR MAINS 2027?

You have:

**ONE SHOT.**

Every single answer you write from  
now onwards matters.

Every test,  
every evaluation,  
every improvement cycle  
can push you closer to your final rank.

**WALK INTO THE EXAM HALL LIKE A SEASONED VETERAN.**



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## #EXAM DATES & DETAILED SYLLABUS

TEST	DATE	SUBJECT	SYLLABUS	SOURCES TO REFER
Test ID 01	19 July 2026	GS Paper I: World Geography And Indian Geography, Indian Society	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Salient features of world's physical geography.</li> <li>Important Geophysical phenomena such as earthquakes, Tsunami, Volcanic activity, cyclone etc.</li> <li>Geographical features and their location-changes in critical geographical features (including water bodies and ice-caps) and in flora and fauna and the effects of such changes.</li> <li>Distribution of key natural resources across the world (including South Asia and the Indian subcontinent).</li> <li>Factors responsible for the location of primary, secondary, and tertiary sector industries in various parts of the world (including India).</li> <li>Current Affairs</li> <li>Salient features of Indian Society, Diversity of India.</li> <li>Role of women and women's organization, population and associated issues, poverty and</li> <li>Developmental issues, urbanization, their problems and their remedies.</li> <li>Effects of globalization on Indian society.</li> <li>Social empowerment, communalism, regionalism &amp; secularism.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11th NCERT Geography:</li> <li>Fundamentals of Physical Geography</li> <li>11th NCERT Geography: India Physical Environment</li> <li>Certificate Physical and Human Geography- Goh Cheng Leong</li> <li>Orient Longman Atlas or Oxford Atlas</li> <li>12th NCERT: Geography-India People and Economy</li> <li>12th NCERT: Fundamentals of Human Geography</li> <li>APTI PLUS Study Materials</li> <li>NCERT -12th-Indian Society</li> <li>NCERT - 12th-Social Change and Development in India</li> <li>IGNOU -ESO -12 Society in India</li> <li>IGNOU -ESO - 16: Social Problems in India</li> <li>Newspapers - The Hindu/ The Indian Express</li> </ul>
Test ID 02	2 August 2026	GS Paper II: Polity And Constitution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indian Constitution- historical underpinnings, evolution, features, amendments, significant provisions and basic structure.</li> <li>Functions and responsibilities of the Union and the States, issues and challenges pertaining to the federal structure, devolution of powers and finances up to local levels and challenges therein.</li> <li>Separation of powers between various organs dispute redressal mechanisms and institutions.</li> <li>Comparison of the Indian constitutional scheme with that of other countries.</li> <li>Parliament and State Legislatures - structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers &amp; privileges and issues arising out of these.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9th NCERT: Democratic Politics 1</li> <li>10th NCERT: Democratic Politics 2</li> <li>11th NCERT: Indian Constitution at Work</li> <li>Indian Polity by Laxmikant</li> <li>APTI PLUS Materials</li> <li>Supplementary Reading: Introduction to the Constitution of India by DD Basu - 23rd Edition</li> <li>2nd ARC Reports</li> <li>Subhash Kashyap - Our Constitution, Our Parliament</li> </ul>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Structure, organization and functioning of the Executive and the Judiciary Ministries and Departments of the Government; pressure groups and formal/informal associations and their role in the Polity.</li> <li>Salient features of the Representation of People's Act.</li> <li>Appointment to various Constitutional posts, powers, functions and responsibilities of various Constitutional Bodies.</li> <li>Statutory, regulatory and various quasi-judicial bodies.</li> </ul>	
Test ID 03	16 August 2026	GS Paper III: Indian Economy, Environment And Disaster Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, mobilization of resources, growth, development and employment.</li> <li>Inclusive growth and issues arising from it.</li> <li>Government Budgeting.</li> <li>Major crops cropping patterns in various parts of the country, different types of irrigation and irrigation systems storage, transport and marketing of agricultural produce and issues and related constraints; e- technology in the aid of farmers.</li> <li>Issues related to direct and indirect farm subsidies and minimum support prices; Public Distribution System- objectives, functioning, limitations, revamping; issues of buffer stocks and food security; Technology missions; economics of animal-rearing.</li> <li>Food processing and related industries in India- scope and significance, location, upstream and downstream requirements, supply chain management.</li> <li>Land reforms in India.</li> <li>Effects of liberalization on the economy, changes in industrial policy and their effects on industrial growth.</li> <li>Infrastructure: Energy, Ports, Roads, Airports, Railways etc.</li> <li>Investment models.</li> <li>Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment.</li> <li>Disaster and disaster management.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indian Economy by Ramesh Singh</li> <li>11th NCERT: Economics: Indian Economic Development</li> <li>12th NCERT: Economics: Macroeconomics</li> <li>12th NCERT: Economics: Microeconomics</li> <li>Economic Survey and Budget</li> <li>Selective reading of Indian Economy Since Independence - Uma Kapila</li> <li>2nd ARC Report (Strengthening Financial Management Systems)</li> <li>Selective study from NCERT OF Geography, Science, Biology, Chemistry class-6-12</li> <li>APTI PLUS Study Materials</li> <li>India Year Book</li> <li>Reports of Ministry of Environment, Forest &amp; Climate Change</li> <li>DownToEarth</li> <li>2nd ARC Report [3rd Report - Crisis management]</li> <li>IGNOU - MPA - 018 Disaster management</li> <li>CBSE - XI book - Natural Hazards and Disaster Management</li> </ul>

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Test ID 04	30 August 2026	GS Paper-IV: Ethics, Integrity And Aptitude - Part 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ethics and Human Interface: Essence, determinants and consequences of Ethics in human actions; dimensions of ethics; ethics in private and public relationships. Human Values - lessons from the lives and teachings of great leaders, reformers and administrators; role of family, society and educational institutions in inculcating values.</li> <li>Attitude: content, structure, function; its influence and relation with thought and behavior; moral and political attitudes; social influence and persuasion.</li> <li>Ethics and Human Interface: Essence, determinants and consequences of Ethics in human actions; dimensions of ethics; ethics in private and public relationships. Human Values - lessons from the lives and teachings of great leaders, reformers and administrators; role of family, society and educational institutions in inculcating values.</li> <li>Attitude: content, structure, function; its influence and relation with thought and behavior; moral and political attitudes; social influence and persuasion.</li> <li>Aptitude and foundational values for Civil Service, integrity, impartiality and non-partisanship, objectivity, dedication to public service, empathy, tolerance and compassion towards the weaker sections.</li> <li>Public/Civil service values and Ethics in Public administration: Status and 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 of ethical and moral values in governance; ethical issues in international relations and funding; corporate governance.</li> <li>Case studies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>APTI PLUS Study Materials</li> <li>Selective Study from G. Subbarao</li> <li>Newspaper and internet.</li> <li>2nd ARC Reports - Ethics in Governance</li> </ul>
Test ID 05	13 September 2026	Essay		
Test ID 06	20 September 2026	GS Paper I: Art & Culture, Modern Indian History, World History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Modern Indian history from about the middle of the eighteenth century until the present-significant events, personalities, issues.</li> <li>The Freedom Struggle - its various stages and important contributors /contributions from different parts of the country.</li> <li>Post-independence consolidation and reorganization within the country.</li> <li>Indian culture will cover the salient aspects of Art Forms, Literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Class XII New NCERT Themes in Indian History Part-1</li> <li>Old NCERT: Ancient India (R S Sharma)</li> <li>Old NCERT: Medieval India (Satish Chandra)</li> <li>Class XIIth New NCERT Themes in Indian History Part-2</li> </ul>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>History of the world will include events from 18th century such as industrial revolution, world wars.</li> <li>Redrawing of national boundaries, colonization, decolonization, political philosophies like Communism, Capitalism, socialism etc.- their forms and effect on the society.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NCERT Class 12th Modern History</li> <li>India's struggle for Independence- Bipan Chandra</li> <li>Modern History of India (Spectrum Guide)</li> <li>Class XI NCERT Introduction to Fine Art (Part-1)</li> <li>Nitin Singhania's Art and Culture</li> <li>World History NCERT Arjun Dev</li> <li>Norman Lowe</li> <li>APTI PLUS Study Materials</li> </ul>
Test ID 07	27 September 2026	GS Paper II: Governance And International Relations, Social Justice And Welfare	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Important aspects of governance, transparency and accountability, e-governance- applications, models, successes, limitations, and potential; citizens charters, transparency &amp; accountability and institutional and other measures.</li> <li>Role of civil services in a democracy.</li> <li>India and its neighbourhood- relations.</li> <li>Bilateral, regional and global groupings and agreements involving India and/or affecting India's interests.</li> <li>Effect of policies and politics of developed and developing countries on India's interests, Indian Diaspora.</li> <li>Important International institutions, agencies and fora- their structure, mandate.</li> <li>Development processes and the development industry- the role of NGOs, SHGs, various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional and other stakeholders.</li> <li>Welfare schemes for vulnerable sections of the population by the Centre and States and the performance of these schemes; mechanisms, laws, institutions and Bodies constituted for the protection and betterment of these vulnerable sections.</li> <li>Issues relating to the development and management of Social Sector/Services relating to Health, Education, Human Resources.</li> <li>Issues relating to poverty and hunger.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>APTI PLUS Study Materials</li> <li>India Year Book for Government Schemes</li> <li>Newspapers - The Hindu/ The Indian Express</li> <li>Annual Reports of Ministries such as Women and Child Development / HRD Ministry/ Health Ministry etc.</li> <li>Challenge and Strategy: Rethinking India's Foreign Policy by Rajiv Sikri</li> <li>Class 12 NCERT - Political Science: Contemporary World Politics</li> <li>Websites such as - Ministry of External Affairs, IDSA, ORF, Gateway House</li> </ul>

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Test ID 08	4 October 2026	GS Paper III: Science And Technology, Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Science and Technology- developments and their applications and effects in everyday life.</li> <li>Achievements of Indians in science &amp; technology; indigenization of technology and developing new technology.</li> <li>Awareness in the fields of IT, Space, Computers, robotics, nanotechnology, biotechnology and issues relating to intellectual property rights.</li> <li>Linkages between development and spread of extremism.</li> <li>Role of external state and non- state actors in creating challenges to internal security.</li> <li>Challenges to internal security through communication networks, the role of media and social networking sites in internal security challenges, basics of cyber security; money-laundering and its prevention.</li> <li>Security challenges and their management in border areas; linkages of organized crime with terrorism.</li> <li>Various Security forces and agencies and their mandate.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>APTI PLUS Study Materials, IASGYAN etc for latest developments on technology</li> <li>The Science Reporter magazine</li> <li>Newspapers - The Hindu (S &amp; T section) / The Indian Express</li> <li>2nd ARC (7th Report Capacity Building for Conflict Resolution)</li> <li>2nd ARC (8th Report Combating Terrorism - Protecting by Righteousness)</li> <li>IDSA reports</li> <li>The Oxford's Handbook of India's National Security</li> </ul>
Test ID 09	11 October 2026	GS Paper IV: Ethics, Integrity And Aptitude - Part 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Emotional intelligence-concepts, and their utilities and application in administration and governance.</li> <li>Contributions of moral thinkers and philosophers from India and the world.</li> <li>Probity in Governance: Concept of public service; Philosophical basis of governance and probity; Information sharing and transparency in government, Right to Information, Codes of Ethics, Codes of Conduct, Citizen's Charters, Work culture, Quality of service delivery, Utilization of public funds, challenges of corruption.</li> <li>Case Studies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>APTI PLUS Study Materials</li> <li>Selective Study from G. Subbarao</li> <li>Newspaper and internet.</li> <li>2nd ARC Reports - Ethics in Governance</li> </ul>
Test ID 10	25 October 2026	Essay		
Test ID 11	1 November 2026	General Studies Paper 1	Full Syllabus	
Test ID 12	15 November 2026	General Studies Paper 2	Full Syllabus	
Test ID 13	29 November 2026	General Studies Paper 3	Full Syllabus	
Test ID 14	13 December 2026	General Studies Paper 4	Full Syllabus	

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Test ID 15	27 December 2026	Essay		
Test ID 16	3 January 2027	General Studies Paper 1 Morning Session	Full Syllabus	
Test ID 17	3 January 2027	General Studies Paper 2 Afternoon Session	Full Syllabus	
Test ID 18	17 January 2027	General Studies Paper 3 Morning Session	Full Syllabus	
Test ID 19	17 January 2027	General Studies Paper 4 Afternoon Session	Full Syllabus	
Test ID 20	31 January 2027	Essay		
Test ID 21	6 June 2027	General Studies Paper 1 Morning Session	Full Syllabus	
Test ID 22	6 June 2027	General Studies Paper 2 Afternoon Session	Full Syllabus	
Test ID 23	20 June 2027	General Studies Paper 3 Morning Session	Full Syllabus	
Test ID 24	20 June 2027	General Studies Paper 4 Afternoon Session	Full Syllabus	
Test ID 25	4 July 2027	Essay		
Test ID 26	11 July 2027	Essay		
Test ID 27	18 July 2027	General Studies Paper 1 Morning Session	Full Syllabus	
Test ID 28	18 July 2027	General Studies Paper 2 Afternoon Session	Full Syllabus	
Test ID 29	25 July 2027	General Studies Paper 3 Morning Session	Full Syllabus	
Test ID 30	25 July 2027	General Studies Paper 4 Afternoon Session	Full Syllabus	