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**CIVIL SERVICES PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION**  
**LIST OF REFERANCE BOOKS FOR GENERAL STUDIES & APTITUDE TEST**

1. English Newspapers :- Times of India, Indian Express, The Hindu, Economic Time etc.
2. Magazines :- Civil Service Times, Competition Wizard, India Today, Chronicle, Yojana, Out look, Front Line, Pratiyogita Darpan, etc.
3. General studies & Aptitude Manuals :- TataMcGraw-Hill's Prelim Manuel, Spectrum Prelim Manual, Pearson CSAT Manual, Unique, Chronicle Prelim Manual., Question Bank GS
4. History of India : Struggle for freedom – Bipinchandra & NCERT-Class VI to Class XII  
Special Issue of History : Wizard, Chronicle (Jan & May)
5. Geography : (1). General Geography of India & NCERT -Class VI to Class XII  
(2). Indian Geography by Spectrum  
(3)Special Issue of Geography : Pratiyogita Darpan
6. Polity : a. Introduction to Indian constitution by D.D. Basu  
b. Out Parliament by Subhash Kashyap
7. Economic : a. NCERT Class- IX & XII  
b. Tables of current “Economic Survey” by Ministry of Finance, GOI  
c. Indian Economy – Dutt & Sundaram or Mishra
8. Refer the Civil Service Examination Syllabus Book for the Syllabus of UPSC Civil Services Examination and select the appropriate subject for Prelim & Mains. Refer “Chronicle Planer” for Civil Service Examination Programme & General Studies 10 years Paper set.

Paper I : General Studies 200 Marks, Duration Two Hours , Objective type question

- ◆ Current events of national and international importance.- News paper – Hindu, Times of India, Indian Express, Economics Times. Magazine - Civil Service Times, Competition Wizard, India Today, Chronicle, Yojana, Out look, Front Line, Pratiyogita Darpan, etc. Minimum one Maganine
- ◆ History of India and Indian national movement. – By Romila Thapar, Bipin Chandra, Satish Chandra, J. L. Mehta, Jha & Jha, J.L. Mehta, Sumit Sarkar
- ◆ Indian and World Geography – physical, social, economic geography of India and the world. – Any good school Atlas of Geography, Indian Geography by Spectrum
- ◆ Indian Polity and governance – constitution, political system, Panchayati Raj, public policy, Rights Issues, etc.- (Introduction to Indian Constitution – D.D. Basu) ( Out parliament by – Subhash Kashyap
- ◆ Economic and social development – sustainable development, poverty, inclusion, demographics, social sector initiative, etc. – by Dutta & Sundaram or Mishra
- ◆ General issues on environmental ecology, bio-diversity and climate Change – that do not require subject specialization. – By D. S. Lal
- ◆ Environmental Geography –by Savinder Sing & Climatologic –
- ◆ General Science. – by Spectrum publication

Paper II : Aptitude Test 200 Marks Duration Two Hours ,Objective type question

- ◆ Comprehension
- ◆ Interpersonal skill including communication skills – Reasoning – By R. S. Agrawal
- ◆ Logical reasoning and analytical ability – Reasoning – By R. S. Agrawal
- ◆ Decision making and problem solving
- ◆ General mental ability – Reasoning – By R. S. Agrawal
- ◆ Basic numeracy (numbers and their relations, orders of magnitude etc (Class X level), Data interpretation (charts, graphs, tables, data sufficiency etc. – Class X level) – Objective Maths – By R. S. Agrawal
- ◆ English Language comprehension skills (Class X level). – Objective English – By Ren & Martin(Grammar)
- ◆ CSAT PAPER -2 CONCEPTUAL APPROACH PEARSON PUBLICATION (DELHI) – BY P.N. ROY CHOWDHURY, IAS

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