

SOURCES FOR PRAYAS 1.0 PRELIMS

TESTS

FOR ALL THE TESTS, WE RECOMMEND THE FOLLOWING SOURCES-

**ALL THE TESTS WILL BE MADE FROM THE FOLLOWING SOURCES:
NCERTS AND REFERENCE BOOKS RECOMMENDED**

Specific Chapter wise sources are indicated in the table given below:

#	TEST		TOPICS
1.	PRELIMS	ANCIENT INDIA	Stone Copper Phase, Indus valley civilization, Vedic age & Buddha age, Maurya empire, Gupta empire, Harsha empire and Historical & cultural development in South India
A. Old NCERT (Class 11) - Ancient India by R S Sharma <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 5 to Chapter 10 dealing with Stone Copper Phase, Harappan Civilisation (Indus valley civilization), Advent of Aryans and the Age of Rig Veda, Later Vedic Phase, Jainism and Buddhism, Territorial States and the First Magadhan Empire Chapter 12 to Chapter 20 dealing with State and Varna Society in the Age of Buddha, Age of Mauryas, Significance of Maurya Rule, Central Asian Contacts and their Results, Age of Satavahanas, Dawn of History in Deep South, Crafts, Trade and Towns in Post Maurya Age, Rise and Growth of the Gupta Empire, Life in the Gupta Age. Chapter 22 to Chapter 27 dealing with Harsha and his Times, Formation of New States and Rural Expansion in the Peninsula, India's Cultural Contacts with the Asian Countries, Transformation of the Ancient Phase, Sequence of Social Changes, Legacy in Science and Civilisation. B. Themes in Indian History-I (New NCERT) <p><i>Note: The emphasis of the questions will be on Social, Economic and Cultural aspects.</i></p>			
2.	PRELIMS	MEDIEVAL INDIA	Chola Empire, Vijaya Nagar Kingdom & other south Indian kingdom, Delhi Sultanate, Mughal empire, Bhakti & Sufi movement
A. Old NCERT (Class 11) - Medieval India by Satish Chandra <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 3 to chapter 4 dealing with the Chola empire, Economic and Social Life, Education and Religious Beliefs Chapter 6 to Chapter 9 dealing with the Delhi Sultanate-I, Delhi Sultanate-II, Government and economic and social life under the Delhi Sultanate, the Age of Vijayanagara and Bahamanis and the coming of Portuguese Chapter 11: Cultural Development in India Chapter 12: (<i>Only one Section</i>-Contribution of Sher Shah) Chapter 13: Consolidation of the Mughal empire Chapter 14: The Decan and South India Chapter 15: India in the First Half of 17th century (<i>only two section</i>- Political and Administrative Developments in India, Growth of Administration: Mansabdari system and Mughal army) Chapter 16 to chapter 19 dealing with Economic and social life under the Mughals, Cultural and religious developments, Climax and disintegration of Mughal Empire-I & II B. Themes in Indian History-II (New NCERT) <p><i>Note: The emphasis of the questions will be on Social, Economic and Cultural aspects.</i></p>			
3.	PRELIMS	ART & CULTURE	Indian Languages, Literature, Religion & Philosophy and education system & Science and Technology, Painting, Performing Arts and Architecture

A. An introduction to art, Part-I (New NCERT)-All chapters B. An introduction to art, Part-II (New NCERT) 1. The Manuscript Painting Tradition 2. The Rajasthani Schools of Painting 4. The Deccani Schools of Painting 5. The Pahari Schools of Painting			
4.	PRELIMS	MODERN INDIA	From the decline of the Mughal Empire till Civil Disobedience Movement , Developments after the Civil Disobedience Movement till Independence; along with History of Education, Press, Social Movements – Women, Dalit, Labour, Peasant. Constitutional Developments during British Rule
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Old NCERT (Class 11) – Modern India by Bipan Chandra Chapter 1: The Decline of the Mughal Empire Chapter 2: Indian States and Society in the 18th Century Chapter 3: The Beginnings of European Settlements Chapter 4: The British Conquest of India Chapter 5: The Structure of the Government and the Economic Policies of the British Empire in India, 1757-1857 Chapter 6: Administrative Organisation and Social and Cultural Policy Chapter 7: Social and Cultural Awakening in the First Half of the 19th Century Chapter 8: The Revolt of 1857 Chapter 9: Administrative changes after 1858 Chapter 10: India and her Neighbours Chapter 11: Economic impact of British rule Chapter 12: Growth of New India—The Nationalist Movement 1858-1905 Chapter 13: Growth of New India Religious and Social Reform After 1858 Chapter 14: Nationalist Movement 1905–1918 Chapter 15: Struggle for Swaraj Spectrum - A Brief History of Modern India 			
5.	PRELIMS	INDIAN POLITY & GOVERNANCE – 1	Constitutional development, Preamble, Concept of political theory, Union and its territory, citizenship, Fundamental rights, Fundamental duties, DPSP, Basic structure
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NCERT (Class 11) – Indian Constitution at Work Chapter 1: Constitution: Why and How? Chapter 2: Rights in the Indian Constitution Chapter 9: Constitution as a Living Document Chapter 10: The Philosophy of the Constitution B. Lakshmikanth – Indian Polity 6th Edition			

8.	PRELIMS	INDIAN POLITY & GOVERNANCE – 2	Judiciary, Executive, federalism, Centre-state relations, Amendments
<p>A. NCERT (Class 11) – Indian Constitution at Work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 4: Executive Chapter 6: Judiciary Chapter 7: Federalism <p>A. Lakshmikanth – Indian Polity 6th Edition</p>			
10.	PRELIMS	INDIAN POLITY & GOVERNANCE – 3	Legislature, Panchayati Raj & Schedules, Constitutional bodies & non-constitutional bodies & other constitutional dimensions
<p>A. NCERT (Class 11) – Indian Constitution at Work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 3: Election and Representation Chapter 5: Legislature Chapter 8: Local Government <p>B. Lakshmikanth – Indian Polity 6th Edition</p>			
11.	PRELIMS	ECONOMIC & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT – 1	Economic overview, national income, Inclusive growth & SDG, Banking, finance & inflation, Planning & Government budget
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NCERT (Class 11) – India Economic Development Chapter 1: Indian economy on the eve of independence Chapter 2: Indian economy 1950-1990 Chapter 3: Liberalisation, privatisation and globalisation: an appraisal Chapter 4: Poverty Chapter 5: Human capital formation in India Chapter 6: Rural development Chapter 7: Employment: growth, informalisation and other issues Chapter 8: Infrastructure Chapter 9: Environment and sustainable development NCERT (Class 12) – Introductory Macroeconomics Chapter 2: National Income Accounting Chapter 3: Money and Banking Chapter 5: Government Budget and the Economy NCERT (Class 12) – Introductory Microeconomics Chapter 2: Theory of Consumer Behaviour Chapter 4: The theory of the firm under Perfect Competition Chapter 6: Non-competitive Markets Planning Chapter of India Year Book Rau's Economy Compass 			

13.	PRELIMS	ECONOMIC & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT – 2	Agriculture & Industry, External sectors & international organizations
<p>A. NCERT (Class 11) - India Economic Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 8: Infrastructure <p>B. Budget & Economic Survey</p> <p>C. NCERT (Class 12) - Introductory Macroeconomics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 6: Open economy macroeconomics Authentic websites of International organization, like WTO, IMF, WIPO, World Bank etc. Rau's Economy-Compass 			
14.	PRELIMS	INDIAN GEOGRAPHY-1	Geological Structure, Physiography & Drainage system & map
<p>A. NCERT (Class 11) - India Physical Environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 1: India — Location Chapter 2: Structure and Physiography Chapter 3: Drainage System <p>Note: Questions based on map locations will also be asked in this paper.</p>			
15.	PRELIMS	INDIAN GEOGRAPHY-2	Climate, Natural Vegetation, Soils, Agriculture, resources, population composition & census, Transport & map. Natural Hazards & disasters & Multipurpose projects & map
<p>A. NCERT (Class 11) - India Physical Environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 4: Climate Chapter 5: Natural vegetation Chapter 6: Soils Chapter 7: Natural hazards and disasters <p>B. NCERT (Class- 12) - India: People and Economy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 5: Land resources and agriculture Chapter 6: Water Resources Chapter 7: Mineral and Energy Resources Chapter 10: Transport and communication <p>Note: Questions based on map locations will also be asked in this paper.</p>			
16.	PRELIMS	WORLD GEOGRAPHY-I	Geomorphology & Hydrosphere & map
<p>A. NCERT (Class 11) - Fundamentals of Physical Geography</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 2: The origin and evolution of earth Chapter 3: Interior of the Earth Chapter 4: Distribution of Oceans and Continents Chapter 5: Minerals and Rocks Chapter 6: Geomorphic processes Chapter 7: Landforms and their Evolution Chapter 13: Water (Oceans) Chapter 14: Movements of Ocean Water 			
17.	PRELIMS	WORLD GEOGRAPHY-2	Climatology, Biogeography and Social & economic geography & map
<p>A. NCERT (Class 11) - Fundamentals of Physical Geography</p>			

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 8: Composition and structure of Atmosphere Chapter 9: Solar radiation, Heat Balance and Temperature Chapter 10: Atmospheric Circulations and Weather Systems Chapter 11: Water in the Atmosphere Chapter 12: World Climate and Climate Change 			
18.	PRELIMS	Env, Eco, Bio & Climate Change -1	Organisms and Populations & Ecosystem, Environment, Environmental issues & Climate change
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NCERT (Class 12) - Biology Chapter 13: Organisms and Populations Chapter 14: Ecosystem Chapter 16: Environmental Issues Environment & Ecology: A Complete Guide by R Rajagopalan The Hindu, The Indian express + Down To Earth 			
20.	PRELIMS	Env, Eco, Bio & Climate Change -2	Biodiversity & Conservation
<p>A. NCERT (Class 12) - Biology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 15: Biodiversity and Conservation <p>B. Environment & Ecology: A Complete Guide by R Rajagopalan</p> <p>c. The Hindu, The Indian express + Down To Earth</p>			

Note- **Subject Tests**- -All books mentioned in the sectional tests with respect to their respective subjects.

GS FLTs-All syllabus will be covered with current affairs. These papers will be dynamic in nature.

CSAT syllabus- Comprehension, Interpersonal Skills (including Communication), Logical Reasoning, Decision Making and Problem Solving, General Mental Ability, Basic Numeracy, and Data Interpretation.