

Expected/Important Topics for the 2010 UPSC Civil Services Main Examination

Current Affairs - Topics

1. Child Marriages in India and Society's response
2. Kangaroo Courts in India and Honour Killing
3. Leh Cloudburst - Is it Nature's Fury?
4. Caste-based Census in India – the Reality and Pitfalls
5. Mumbai Oil Spill and its effect on Environment
6. Water Dispute between India and Pakistan – Will it trigger first Water War?
7. Access to clean water and sanitation is now a Human Right
8. Babhali Barrage row and rift between Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra
9. Bosnia Serbia Conflict, Genocide and the Present Stage
10. G8 Countries and the 2010 Summit
11. TN man designed Indian Rupee symbol - Rupee joins Elite Club
12. Foot Ball World Cup – History, Rules and 1930 to 2010 Winners
13. World-class Green Terminal T3 opened at IGI Airport, New Delhi
14. Criteria for Classical Language Status
15. To go from mediocrity to excellence in Legal Education in India
16. Parliamentary Procedures of India – Part 1
17. Parliamentary Procedures of India – Part 2
18. Where there is a will there is a way – Youngest climbers of Mt Everest
19. World Classical Tamil Conference, 2010
20. The good, bad and ugly story of IPL Twenty20
21. 2010 Commonwealth Games in India
22. Unique Identification Authority of India - UIDAI (Aadhaar)
23. Governors can't be removed at Centre's whims
24. Entry of Foreign Universities in India
25. Indian Cryogenic Engine Failure

26. Mullaperiyar Dam Controversy
27. Amazing New Tamil Nadu Assembly's Green Building
28. Telengana Movement – root cause and the present scenario
29. Discuss the Myth and Reality of Human Rights
30. Discuss how to improve Air Safety in India.
31. Discuss the reason for existence of naxalism in India and present your views on using Military Forces.
32. Write a brief not on National Commission for judicial Accountability.
33. What will be the impact of GST make on State Financial autonomy?
34. Aam Admi Bhima Yojana.
35. India's stand on Climate Change and its impact on India
36. Indian Ocean Naval Symposium.
37. UN's new Human Development Index and India's Poverty
38. Discuss the Pros & cons of Nuclear Liability Bill.
39. Inadequacy of Laws to curb Honor killing in India
40. Food Inflation and impacts; causes for food inflation; measures taken both Monetary & Fiscal measures; steps need to be taken.
41. Child Sex ratio in India
42. What is inclusive growth? What steps taken by India to achieve this?
43. Unit Linked Insurance plans Issue
44. International security challenges in India
45. Rabindranath Tagore's contribution to Indian Art and Literature (150th Anniversary)
46. Discuss the steps need to be taken for controlling illegal mining in India
47. Inter State dispute (river water sharing border issue between Karnataka and Maharashtra) – how for its affects the national integrity?

48. Discuss the steps to be taken to control money for voting and paid news.
49. How for Right to information ensure accountability in India?
50. Women Reservation Bill- When will it come to reality?
51. Discuss the pro's and cons of NREGA program in India
52. Discuss the benefits and problems in unique identification number.
53. How far 2010 census is different from the past and discuss the limitation in Census enumeration
54. Kheer Bhiwani temple
55. Write a brief notes on National Academic Depository Bill 2010.
56. India joins select club to counter financial frauds
57. Commercial benches in High Courts – new proposals
58. Discuss the steps to increase Coastal security in India
59. Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana
60. The opening of Foreign University is necessary for the India's growth – Discuss.
61. National Urban Health Mission
62. Measures to achieve 4% growth in Agriculture
63. Do you think SEZ & tax concession policies are pro-rich?
64. Current Issues
 - a. Land acquisition policy
 - b. Jaithapur nuclear plants site
 - c. POSCO Project in Orissa and the Current Scenario
 - d. Vedanta bauxite mining
 - e. Reliance mega power project in Maharashtra
37. Impediments in road construction project

38. Self Help Group and Empowerment of women
39. Discuss the police reform that needed for India
40. Bring your opinion about food security Act in India
41. Discuss the relevance of NAM?
42. Justify India's demand for permanent seat in United Nation?
43. Discuss how for SCO will lead to a multi polar world?
44. Discuss India's stand of Iran Issues?
45. Discuss the importance of BRIC Nations? What role is expected to play in the World economic development?
46. Discuss Indo-Nepal relation in the recent years?
47. What the role of India in post war scenario of Sri Lanka
48. Discuss the recent development in Indo-US relation?
49. Discuss the need for revamping international institution like United Nation and world Bank, IMF
50. Discuss the recent development in India's International participation such as ITER etc.
51. Discuss the major issues & irritancy between Indo- Pakistan relations?
52. Mohammad Ajmal Amir Kasab Trial – 26/11 Mumbai Attack
53. Education is now a Fundamental Right
54. Right to Information in India – the extent of Access
55. Pune Bomb Blast in German Bakery
56. Marriages made in Heaven ...?

Social Issues in India

1. The Evil of Honour Killing in India and the latest trend
2. Plan for National Commission for Higher Education

3. Bill proposed to allow adoption by Single Woman
4. Move to get State Civil Service Officers for IAS
5. How to eliminate child labour
6. Women's Reservation Bill 2010 – Discuss it in detail
7. Rehabilitation of the Disabled
8. Globalization and rising inequalities
9. Terrorism
10. Regionalism
11. Privatization of higher education in India
12. Problems in Universalisation of Primary education
13. "Mass media creates an illusionary world" comment
14. The Great Poverty debate in India
15. Rising farmers suicides
16. Evaluation of SC/ST (prevention of Atrocities) Act
17. The problem of the Aged.

Polity – Topics

1. Bhopal Gas Leakage Tragedy and its Tragic Verdict
2. Illegal Mining
3. Nuclear Liability
4. IPL Scam
5. Capital Punishment
6. Continuing Dalit suppression
7. Bt. Brinjal and the Controversy
8. Social Audit & NREGA

9. India Budget 2010
10. St. Rathore Issue
11. Judges Asset Case and the extent of use of RTI
12. Recent Fake Encounter Cases in India
13. GST
14. RTE

Economic Topics

1. India plays a crucial role in kick-starting the global economy
2. Recession in Greece and its effect on World Economy
3. US recession and its effect on Indian economy
4. Direct Tax Code
5. India – China Economic Relation
6. Reforms as well as GST
7. Debt management in India
8. Inflation: Causes, trends, management Deregulation of petrol and diesel prices
9. Tendulkar committee report and BPL controversy
10. FDI in defense: should it be increased or not?
11. Pattern of economic recovery
12. Fertilizer subsidy and integrated nutrient management
13. Subsidies as an essential evil
14. Fiscal deficit: ways to manage
15. Freeing up Yuan and its effected on global trade
16. Second Green Revolution

17. G-20 outcome and impact
18. Methods for financial inclusion 1. Biometric ATMs 2 Mobile banking
19. Infrastructure funding – Parekh Committee recommendation
20. Anti-counterfeiting Trade Agreement (important as the developed nations are evolving new frame work to replace TRPIS and the developing countries have serious objections to the same)
21. Capital inflow control is the time for Tobin tax ripe in India
22. Euro debt crisis lessons for India
23. PSU disinvestment programme
24. From BPLR to base rate
25. Inflation management versus maintaining growth
26. G-20 Meet at Canada
27. ULIPS
28. Mahartanas
29. Inclusive growth
30. Low carbon economy- Indian context
31. FII hot money and the concern for forex surge
32. Regulator or Regulations – the proposed FSDC- do we really need it
33. Microfinance and financial inclusion – the real growth
34. Low Carbon economy- Indian context
35. Does India need the IMF? Can the Asian biggies taken together develop their own funding mechanism similar to the one developed by ASEAN = 3 (the Chinag Mai initiative's multilaterilisation)
36. Washington's borrow and spend ways
37. Sovereign debt crisis
38. Money laundering bill is important after IPL

39. Carbon Budget
40. Rural business HUBS
41. Financial Action task force
42. Tobin Tax
43. Oil bonds
44. Non banking financial institutions roles and function
45. RBI's 75th Anniversary last year what should be the role of Indian economy in new world order?
46. AEZ
47. Robin Hood tax
48. Austerity Vs stimulus
49. Curtailing overall public debt
50. China's flexibility in Yuan
51. Debate on FDI

Geography – Topics

1. Monsoon Forest in India
2. Structure and Relief of Western Ghats
3. Impact of Geographical features over drainage pattern in peninsular India
4. Reason for existence of Thar Desert in India
5. Factors affecting Cycle of Erosion
6. Discuss the Geomorphological difference between Western Himalayas and Eastern Himalayas
7. Discuss the Geographical Advantage of India by its location

8. Discuss the Climatological impact on India, if Himalaya is absent
9. Pre- Monsoon Showers
10. Soils in India are the product of Geographical and Non-Geographical factors - Discuss
11. Indian Budget is Gamble of Indian Monsoon - Discuss
12. Flood and Drought in India reflects nature and Character of the Monsoon - Comment

International Issues

1. North Korea and South Korea – The stand off and fall outs
2. Iran's Nuclear Programme and Sanctions by United Nations
3. The great China-Pak nuclear nexus
4. The Alarming Oil Spill – Gulf of Mexico
5. European Union in a Changing World
6. China - Taiwan Conflict
7. Probe Panel/Commission Report on 1985 bombing of Air India 182-Kanishka in Canada
8. Brahmaputra River – Dispute between India and China
9. Failed Time Square Bomb Attack, 2010
10. Haiti earthquake, 2010
11. Indo - China Border Dispute
12. 16th SAARC Summit in Thimpu - Bhutan
13. Earthquake in Qinghai Province in China - April 2010
14. Eyjafjallajokull - Volcanic Eruption in South Iceland
15. The Indo-U.S Nuclear Deal: What is there?
16. The 123 Indo-US Civilian Nuclear Deal
17. Obama and the US Health Care Reform
18. British Elections 2010
19. Global Warming – the Copenhagen Summit
20. China –Sri Lanka Relation and its implication

21. China – Pak Nuclear Pact
22. Iran's Nuclear Programme
23. Recent Violence in Gaza
24. India – US-Co –operation in the field of Science and Technology
25. Indo-Russian Ties
26. Indo African Cooperation
27. India – Nepal relation
28. Korean crisis
29. Indo – EU Economic Cooperation
30. Water crisis in SAARC
31. India and ASEAN
32. India and SCO
33. India's role in Afghanistan

History – Topics

1. Subash Chandra Bose & INA
2. Gadhar Party & Nationalism
3. Swamy Vivekanandha
4. Champaran Sathyagraha
5. Anand Meth
6. Purna Swaraj Resolution
7. Dandhi March
8. Annie Besant

9. Subash Chandra Bose
10. Bring out the ideological basis of the moderate & extremist divide in the Indian National Congress
11. Twenty eight months of congress Rule
12. What you understand about drain of wealth during British Regime - examine it's effect on Indian Economy? 19th century India was period of Socio-religious reformation - comment.
13. Poverty and famine were the consequences of British Empire- Discuss
14. Who established Arya Sabha and what were its contributions?
15. State the causes for de-industrialization of India in 19th Century?

Science Topics

1. New 'Super Bug' (New Delhi metallo-betalactamase-1) really spreads from India and Pakistan?
2. Pico satellite, named Studsat built by Students is a welcome success
3. Cloning – the Pros and Cons and the stage in India
4. Big Bang Theory - The New Experiment
5. Earthquake – the ought-to-know Facts
6. BT Brinjal Controversy
7. Witricity –i.e. wireless electricity
3. Carbon sequestration
4. Synthetic Biology
5. Human Genome Project
6. Sub-atomic particles and its importance
7. Sixth sense
8. LED Technology-Its advantage over traditional technology.
9. Hydrogen Fuel
10. Biologically modified organisms and its role.

11. India's achievement in space technology
12. Precision agriculture
13. Information Technology is the past, Bio Technology is the present and Nano- Technology is the future – Discuss.
14. Non conventional energy resources are the future of India
15. Bio remediation
16. Cyber Crimes and the latest amendments in IT Act, 2000
17. Mission Clean Ganga Project.
18. National Action Plan for Climate Change
19. Green India approved
20. Solar mission approved
21. Water mission approved
22. Narco-analysis, Polygraph and Brain-mapping - Does it affect the fundamental rights of the human being?

Other Important Topics

1. Recent Maoist Problem and how to tackle it?
2. Discuss about India's strategy on Nuclear Disarmament?
3. India can be considered as developed country with regarding to 'Space Technology' - comment
4. Which of the Fundamental Rights mentioned under Part – III of the Constitution be suspended during the proclamation of emergency?
5. Which of the Directive Principles mentioned under Part –IV of our Constitution has primacy over all the Fundamental Rights (part –III)?
6. Under what Grounds and Circumstances "proclamation of Emergency" is proclaimed? What are the effects of such Proclamation?
7. "Regionalism is a threat to Nationalism" - Analyse

8. Is globalization intensifying inequalities in society? Discuss
9. Universalisation of education is the key for a better India – Comment
10. What would be the impacts of realizing the women's reservation Bill?
11. Suggest measures to rehabilitate the differently-abled persons.
12. "Terrorism knows no border" Examine the Statement in the context of growing terrorism today.
13. Critically evaluate the poverty alleviation schemes in Independent India. Has it really benefited the poor?
14. Discuss the impact of 91st Constitutional Amendment Act, 2003 on "Tenth Schedule of the Constitution?"
15. Positive & Negative impacts of Sethusamudram Project.
16. Discuss the role of Inland waterways
17. Poverty and famine were the consequences of British Empire – Discuss
18. Discuss the elements of frozen semen technology. What are "Embryo Transfer" "transgenic animals" "DNA recombinant technique"?
19. Discuss about stem cells and its applications
20. Discuss about salient feature of Government of India Act. 1935
21. Discuss the importance of G-20 meeting with regarding to recent Global Financial melt down?
22. Universalization of Secondary Education
23. Treaty of Lisbon and its consequences.
24. India's space odyssey
25. How foreign direct investments affecting economics sovereignty of India?
26. SEZ and Tax holiday
27. Singapore issue in WTO
28. Doha Round Talks
29. Communalism in India

30. Regional Political parties and National Integration.
