

PART-A**PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION****Paper I–(200 marks)****Duration: Two hours**

- Current events of National and International importance;
- History of India and Indian National Movement;
- Indian and World Geography–Physical, Social, Economic Geography of India and the world;
- Indian Polity and Governance–Constitution, Political System, Panchayati Raj, Public Policy, Rights Issues etc;
- Economic and Social Development–Sustainable Development, Poverty, Inclusion, Demographics, Social Sector Initiatives etc;
- General issues on Environmental ecology, Bio-diversity and Climate Change–that do not require subject specialization;
- General Science;

Note: Questions pertaining to the state of Jammu & Kashmir may also be asked in this paper.

Paper II–(200 marks)**Duration: Two hours**

- Comprehension;
- Interpersonal skills including communication skills;
- Logical reasoning and analytical ability;
- Decision-making and problem-solving;
- General mental ability;
- 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 1: Paper–II of the Combined Competitive (Preliminary) Examination will be a qualifying paper with minimum qualifying marks fixed at 33%.

Note 2: The questions will be of multiple choice, objective type.

Note 3: It is mandatory for the candidate to appear in both the Papers of Combined Competitive (Preliminary) Examination for the purpose of evaluation. Therefore, a candidate will be disqualified in case he/she does not appear in both the papers of Combined Competitive (Preliminary) Examination.

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