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PRIELIMS

CSE - Civil Services Exam

The Union Public Service Commission conducts the Civil Services (Preliminary) Examination which is common for the candidates applying for Civil Services Examination and Indian Forest Service Examination, and acts as a screening mechanism for selection of candidates for the Civil Services (Main) Examination and Indian Forest Service (Main) Examination

CSE 2018

Important Dates

⇒ Date of Notification: February, 2022⇒ Last Date to Apply: March, 2022

⇒ Exam Date: June, 2022*

⇒ Civil Services Mains: October, 2022*

Eligibility Criteria

You should possess a degree of graduation in any stream from any university recognized by the University Grants Commission (UGC). Those who have appeared in the qualifying exam and are waiting for their results are also eligible to apply.

A candidate applying for IFS exam must possess a Bachelor's degree in one of the following subjects, including animal husbandry and veterinary science, botany, chemistry, geology, mathematics, physics, statistics and zoology, or a Bachelor's degree in agriculture, forestry or engineering from a recognized university.

CSAT (Prelims) Pattern

The Preliminary Examination consists of two papers of Objective type (multiple choice questions) and carry maximum of 400 marks. This exam is only a screening test; the marks obtained in the prelims are only for qualifying for main exam and are not counted for determining final order of merit

Prelims Paper	Duration	Questions	Marks
Paper I - General Studies	2 Hours	100	200
Paper II - Aptitude	2 Hours	80	200
Total			400

In General Studies Paper - II, minimum qualifying marks is 33%. You will be selected for Mains exam based total qualifying marks of General Studies Paper - I.

Civil Services (Mains) Pattern

	Paper	Subject	Marks
1	Paper A	Indian Language (Qualifying)	300
2	Paper B	English (Qualifying)	300
3	Paper I	Essay	250
4	Paper II	General Studies - I	250
5	Paper III	General Studies - II	250
6	Paper IV	General Studies - III	250
7	Paper V	General Studies - IV	250
8	Paper VI	Optional Subject Paper 1	250
9	Paper VII	Optional Subject Paper 2	250
	Total		1750
		Interview (Personality Test)	275
	Grand Total		2025

CSAT Syllabus

CSAT (Civil Services Aptitude Test) has two papers:

- General Studies
- 2. General Ability Test

CSAT General Studies Paper 1 Syllabus

CSAT Paper I: 200 Marks; Duration: Two Hours; Number of Questions: 100

- 1. Current Affairs: Events of national and international importance
- 2. History of India and Indian National Movement
- 3. Indian and World Geography: Physical, Social, Economic Geography of India and the World.
- 4. 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.
- 6. General issues on Environmental Ecology, Bio-diversity and Climate Change (no subject specialization required)
- 7. General Science



CSAT General Ability Test Paper 2 Syllabus

CSAT Paper II: 200 Marks; Duration: Two Hours; Number of Questions: 80

- 1. Comprehension
- 2. Interpersonal skills including communication skills
- 3. Logical reasoning and analytical ability
- 4. Decision making and problem solving
- 5. General mental ability
- 6. Basic numeracy (numbers and their relations, orders of magnitude etc.) (Class X level)
- 7. Data Interpretation (charts, graphs, tables, data sufficiency etc. Class X level)
- 8. English Language Comprehension skills (Class X level)

Marking Scheme: Total 80 questions have 200 marks, thus each question is of 2.5 marks. There is a negative marking of 33% or 0.83 marks. Decision making section doesn't have any negative marking.

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