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#### INTRODUCTION

Gone are the days when one could clear the Civil Service Examination solely relying upon rote learning. The CS examination has been constantly evolving requiring a balanced approach of learning, temperament & practice to emerge successful. In a cycle of UPSC CSE, the first stage i.e. preliminary examination is often perceived as the most formidable hurdle. Essentially qualifying in nature; both GS Paper I and Paper II are objective in nature with each paper carrying 200 marks. However, it is the negative marking that creates a nemesis making the preliminary stage the most feared, misunderstood and seemingly tough. However, it is a well-known fact that with proper strategy & understanding even the toughest terrains can be conquered with ease.

With the objective of providing aspirants with the most comprehensive strategy & preparation methodology, ensuring success in the preliminary examination; Chanakya IAS Academy presents Chanakya Prelims Test Series. This ingeniously devised assessment system offers a comprehensive platform for holistic preparation, tailored to the unique demands of the UPSC CSE Preliminary Examination.

## **OBJECTIVE**

Apart from helping aspirants understand the demand & effectively prepare for the prelims examination, one of the most important objectives of CPTS, is to steer serious aspirants away from various narratives & opinions about the alleged toughness and changing pattern of the exam and help them channel their energies and precious time in the right direction.

CPTS-2024 is our sincere effort to instil discipline & confidence in aspirants, ultimately enabling them to enhance their performance and succeed in the preliminary examination and get closer to achieving their dreams.

## **STRATEGY**

Firmly rooted in the traditional ideology of 'practice makes a man (& woman) perfect', CPTS is a simulation exercise with the goal of equipping aspirants to confidently tackle unexpected questions with a calm & composed mind. Gradually advancing from subject-specific foundational tests to comprehensive full-length tests, CPTS has been carefully developed to emphasize the strengthening of fundamental, conceptual, and analytical clarity.

**CPTS-2024** encompasses a total of 36 tests which further comprises a well-structured mix of 16 GS Sectional Tests, 10 GS Full Length Tests and 10 CSAT tests.

#### Sectional Test

These tests serve as the foundation, with each subject thoughtfully divided and thoroughly explored through 2 tests. This approach allows ample time for subject coverage and revision, as candidates are granted 2 weeks to prepare and review each subject thoroughly.

#### CSAT Test

Each CSAT test is thoughtfully designed to encompass the entire CSAT syllabus, offering candidates a comprehensive assessment of their aptitude and skills.

## Full length Test

Each GS Full Length Test comprehensively addresses the entire GS syllabus, closely emulating the exact pattern of the UPSC Examination.

In sum, CPTS-2024 offers a diverse range of tests, strategically crafted to cover every aspect of the UPSC Preliminary Examination syllabus and prepare aspirants comprehensively for the challenges they will face on exam day.

## Features of CPTS-2024

- Comprehensive Coverage: CPTS-2024 offers extensive coverage of the entire prelims syllabus for both General Studies (GS Paper I) and CSAT (Civil Services Aptitude Test/GS Paper II).
- Structured Test Design: Tests are meticulously crafted, featuring subject-wise tests and full-length tests for GS subjects. This structured approach reinforces the understanding of fundamental and advanced concepts.
- **List Reference Material:** The tests schedule includes list of recommended source and reference material, assisting aspirants in their preparation.
- Diverse Question Types: Questions are intelligently designed, encompassing a blend of basic static, analytical, contemporary, and current components.
- Economic Survey & Budget Focus: Specialized test is dedicated to the economic survey and budget, allowing candidates to concentrate on these critical areas.

- Offline and Online Options: CPTS-2024 is available in both offline and online modes, offering flexibility to candidates in choosing their preferred examination mode.
- Bilingual Accessibility: The tests are accessible in both English and Hindi mediums, catering to a wide range of aspirants.
- Flexible Test Timing: Aspirants have the flexibility to take tests at their convenience once they are made available on the scheduled days.
- Performance Analysis: Detailed performance analysis, including All India Ranking, is provided to candidates, helping them gauge their progress and performance relative to others.
- Answer Key and Explanations: Answer keys and comprehensive explanations for all questions are provided, aiding candidates in understanding the correct answers and the underlying concepts.
- Extended Learning through LMS/APP: Additional online support includes value added materials like
  daily current affairs, weekly boosters, monthly Chanakya Civil Services Today magazine etc. extending
  the learning experience.

These features make CPTS-2024 a comprehensive and invaluable tool for aspirants preparing for the UPSC Preliminary Examination, offering a structured and well-rounded approach to their preparation.

# **Test Series Schedule**

TEST No.	DATE	DAY	SUBJECT	SYLLABUS	DETAILED SYLLABUS	Reference Material
TEST 1	10TH DECEMBER 2023	SUNDAY	ANCIENT HISTORY	Ancient +JUNE CURRENT AFFAIRS	"Pre-Historic Cultures in India, Pastoral and Farming Communities, Indus Valley Civilization, Vedic Society, Pre Mauryan-Period, The Mauryan Empire, Post-Mauryan India, Growth of Jainism and Buddhism, Imperial Guptas, Harshavardhana, The Southern Dynasties."	"FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS:  • NCERTs: Class 6th & 12th  • NCERT: Class 11th Introduction to Fine Art (Part 1)  • NIOS Art & Culture  ADVANCED CONCEPTS:  • CCRT website  • India's Ancient Past by RS Sharma  • Indian Art and Culture by Nitin Singhania  CURRENT AFFAIRS:  • Chanakya IAS Daily and weekly News Analysis,  The Hindu, The Indian Express, PIB, Other Sources:  Financial Express, Economic Times."
TEST 2	17TH DECEMBER 2023	SUNDAY	ANCIENT HISTORY	Medieval+JUNE CURRENT AFFAIRS	<ul> <li>Northern India</li> <li>Southern India</li> <li>The Delhi Sultanates</li> <li>Age of Vijayanagar &amp; Bahmani Kingdoms</li> <li>Religious movements- Bhakti, Sufi, Vaishnavas etc</li> <li>The Mughal Period</li> <li>The Marathas</li> <li>Economic and Social Life, Education in each period</li> </ul>	"FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS:  NCERTS: Class 7th & 12th  NCERT: Class 11th Introduction to Fine Art (Part 1)  NIOS Art & Culture ADVANCED CONCEPTS:  CCRT website  A History of Medieval India by Satish Chandra  Indian Art and Culture by Nitin Singhania CURRENT AFFAIRS:  Chanakya IAS Daily and weekly News Analysis, The Hindu, The Indian Express, PIB, Other Sources: Financial Express, Economic Times"

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TEST 3	24TH DECEMBER 2023	SUNDAY	MODERN HISTORY	Modern + JULY CURRENT AFFAIRS	"MODERN INDIA  India in the 18th Century  European Penetration and British Empire in India  British Govt. Structures, Economic, Social & Cultural Policies  Social & Cultural awakening in 19th & 20th Century  The Revolt of 1857 Indian Freedom Struggle  The Moderate Phase (1885-1905)	"FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS:  Old NCERT: Modern India India's Struggle for Independence by Bipan Chandra ADVANCED CONCEPTS: From Plassey to Partition by Shekhar Bandyopadhyaya CURRENT AFFAIRS The Hindu, The Indian Express, PIB, Financial Express, Yojana
TEST 4	31ST DECEMBER 2023	SUNDAY	MODERN HISTORY	Modern + JULY CURRENT AFFAIRS	"MODERN INDIA  • The Extremist Phase (1905-1918)  - Partition of Bengal, Swadeshi Movt, Morley Minto Reforms, Partition of Congress, Home Rule League Movt, Ghadar etc.  • Revolutionary Terrorism • Communalism • The Gandhian Politics (1917- 1947)  • Satyagraha, Rowlatt act, Montague Chelmsford Reforms "	"FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS:  • Old NCERT: Modern India  • India's Struggle for Independence by Bipan Chandra  ADVANCED CONCEPTS:  • From Plassey to Partition by Shekhar Bandyopadhyaya  CURRENT AFFAIRS • The Hindu, The Indian Express, PIB,  Financial Express, Yojana

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TEST 5	7TH JANUARY 2024	SUNDAY	POLITY	Polity 1+AUGUST CURRENT AFFAIRS	"• Historical evolution and features, Preamble, • Fundamental rights, DPSP Fundamental duties, • Citizenship, Panchayats, The Scheduled and Tribal Areas, • Relations Between the Union and The States Services, • Tribunals, • Elections, • Special Provisions Relating to Certain Classes, • Official language provisions,"	"FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS:  • NCERTs: Class 6th to 12th ADVANCED CONCEPTS:  • Indian Polity by M Laxmikanth  • Introduction to the Constitution of India by DD Basu CURRENT AFFAIRS:  • Chanakya IAS Daily and weekly News Analysis, The Hindu, The Indian Express, PIB, Other Sources: Financial Express, Economic Times."
TEST 6	13TH JANUARY 2024	SATURDAY	POLITY	Polity 2 +AUGUST CURRENT AFFAIRS	"• Emergency provisions,     • Amendments Union and     States,     • The President, Vice President,     Prime     Minister Council of Ministers,     • Attorney General of India,     • Parliament, The Union,     • Judiciary,     • Comptroller and Auditor- General of India,     • State legislature.     • The Governor, CM, CoM, The     AdvocateGeneral for the State"	"FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS:  • NCERTs: 6th to 12th  ADVANCED CONCEPTS:  • Indian Polity by M Laxmikant  • Introduction to the Constitution of India by DD Basu  CURRENT AFFAIRS:  • Chanakya IAS Daily and weekly News Analysis,  The Hindu, The Indian Express, PIB, Other Sources:  Financial Express, Economic Times."

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TEST 7	14TH JANUARY 2024	SUNDAY	GOVERNANCE	Governance + JUNE+JULY+AUGUST CURRENT AFFAIRS	<ul> <li>"• Working of Ministries and Department,</li> <li>• Functions of Cabinet Secretariat,</li> <li>• Functions of Central Secretariat,</li> <li>• RTI, E-Governance, Citizen Charter,</li> <li>• Governing Institutions Schemes,</li> <li>Programmes, Policies, Bills."</li> </ul>	"FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS:  • NCERTs: Class 6th to 12th ADVANCED CONCEPTS:  • Indian Polity by M Laxmikant CURRENT AFFAIRS:  • Chanakya IAS Daily and weekly News Analysis, The Hindu, The Indian Express, PIB, Other Sources: Financial Express, Economic Times."

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TEST 8	20TH JANUARY 2024	SATURDAY	GEOGRAPHY	Geography 1+ SEPTEMBER CURRENT AFFAIRS	"Physical & World Geography:	"FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS:  NCERTS: Classes 6, 7, 8, 9 & 10 ADVANCED CONCEPTS:  NCERTS: 11 & 12  Certificate physical and human geography by Goh Cheng Leong CURRENT AFFAIRS:  Chanakya IAS Daily and weekly News Analysis, The Hindu, The Indian Express, PIB, Other Sources: Financial Express, Economic Times."

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TEST 9	21ST JANUARY 2024	SUNDAY	GEOGRAPHY	Geography 2 + SEPTEMBER CURRENT AFFAIRS	"Physical Geography of India:	"FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS:  • NCERTs: Classes 6, 7, 8, 9 & 10 ADVANCED CONCEPTS:  • NCERTs: 11 & 12  • Certificate physical and human geography by Goh Cheng Leong CURRENT AFFAIRS:  • Chanakya IAS Daily and weekly News Analysis, The Hindu, The Indian Express, PIB, Other Sources: Financial Express, Economic Times."
TEST 10	27TH JANUARY 2024	SATURDAY	ECOLOGY	Environment & Ecology 1+ OCTOBER CURRENT AFFAIRS	"• Ecology and Ecosystem: Basic Concepts & Components • Ecosystem and its types: Terrestrial and Aquatic • Environmental pollution: Air, Water, Soil, Noise, Radioactive, E-waste, Solid Waste • Environmental Issues: Global warming, Climate change, Ozone depletion, Eutrophication, Acidification etc."	"FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS:  NCERTS OTHER SOURCES:  Websites of relevant ministries and organisations.  Down To Earth Magazine, Science Reporter CURRENT AFFAIRS:  Chanakya IAS Daily and weekly News Analysis, The Hindu, The Indian Express, PIB, Other Sources: Financial Express, Economic Times."

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TEST 11	28TH JANUARY 2024	SUNDAY	ECOLOGY	Environment & Ecology 2 + OCTOBER CURRENT AFFAIRS	"• Biodiversity: Flora, Fauna – India & World • Conservation efforts and Mitigation strategy: India & World • Protected area network • Climate Change Organisations • Conventions, Acts and Policies • Environment Impact Assessment • Renewable energy • Other Govt Agencies"	"FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS:  NCERTS OTHER SOURCES: Websites of relevant ministries and organisations. Down To Earth Magazine, Science Reporter CURRENT AFFAIRS: Chanakya IAS Daily and weekly News Analysis, The Hindu, The Indian Express, PIB, Other Sources: Financial Express, Economic Times.
TEST 12	3RD FEBRUARY 2024	SATURDAY	GENERAL SCIENCE	Science & Technology 1+ NOVEMBER CURRENT AFFAIRS	<ul> <li>Applied Physics</li> <li>Applied Chemistry</li> <li>Applied Biology</li> </ul>	"FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS:  • NCERT Books, Lucent's General Science OTHER SOURCES:  • Websites of relevant ministries and organisations.  • Down To Earth Magazine, Science Reporter CURRENT AFFAIRS:  • Chanakya IAS Daily and weekly News Analysis, The Hindu, The Indian Express, PIB, Other Sources: Financial Express, Economic Times."

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TEST 13	4TH FEBRUARY 2024	SUNDAY	GENERAL SCIENCE	Science & Technology 2 + NOVEMBER CURRENT AFFAIRS	"• Modern Day Technology • New developments"	"FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS:  NCERT Books, Lucent's General Science OTHER SOURCES: Websites of relevant ministries and organisations. Down To Earth Magazine, Science Reporter CURRENT AFFAIRS: Chanakya IAS Daily and weekly News Analysis, The Hindu, The Indian Express, PIB, Other Sources: Financial Express, Economic Times"
TEST 14	10TH FEBRUARY 2024	SATURDAY	ECONOMY	Economy 1+ SEPTEMBER CURRENT AFFAIRS	"• Basic concepts of Economy, Classification of Economy • National Income, Purchasing Power Parity, Socio-economic indicators • Money & Banking • Inflation • Indian Financial Market, Importance of Money Market, • Types of Capital Market, Nature and functions of a stock exchange and various regulatory bodies. • Government Budgeting/ Deficits, • Fiscal Policy – Revenue, Taxation • Subsidies, Economy of India	"FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS:  • NCERT: 11th Class (Indian Economic Development)  • NCERT: 12th Class (Macroeconomics) ADVANCED CONCEPTS:  • Indian economy by Nitin Singhania  • Websites of relevant ministries and organisations,  • Arthapedia, CURRENT AFFAIRS:  • Chanakya IAS Daily and weekly News Analysis, The Hindu, The Indian Express, PIB, Other Sources: Financial Express, Economic Times."

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TEST 15	11TH FEBRUARY 2024	SUNDAY	ECONOMY	Economy 2 +DECEMBER CURRENT AFFAIRS	"• Planning, Objectives of Planning	"FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS:  • NCERT: 11th Class (Indian Economic Development)  • NCERT: 12th Class (Macroeconomics) ADVANCED CONCEPTS:  • Indian economy by Nitin Singhania  • Websites of relevant ministries and organisations,  • Arthapedia, CURRENT AFFAIRS:  • Chanakya IAS Daily and weekly News Analysis, The Hindu, The Indian Express, PIB, Other Sources: Financial Express, Economic Times."	
TEST 16	17TH FEBRUARY 2024	SATURDAY	GS FLT	Complete Syllabus of GS + Current Affairs			
TEST 17	18TH FEBRUARY 2024	SUNDAY	CSAT FLT	Complete Syllabus of CSAT			
TEST 18	24TH FEBRUARY 2024	SATURDAY	GS FLT	Complete Syllabus of (	GS + Current Affairs		
TEST 19	25TH FEBRUARY 2024	SUNDAY	CSAT FLT	Complete Syllabus of (	CSAT		
TEST 20	2ND MARCH 2024	SATURDAY	GS FLT	Complete Syllabus of (	9S + Current Affairs		
TEST 21	3RD MARCH 2024	SUNDAY	CSAT FLT	Complete Syllabus of CSAT			
TEST 22	9TH MARCH 2024	SATURDAY	GS FLT	Complete Syllabus of GS + Current Affairs			
TEST 23	10TH MARCH 2024	SUNDAY	CSAT FLT	Complete Syllabus of	CSAT		

TEST No.	DATE	DAY	SUBJECT	SYLLABUS
TEST 24	16TH MARCH 2024	SATURDAY	GS FLT	Complete Syllabus of GS + Current Affairs
TEST 25	17TH MARCH 2024	SUNDAY	CSAT FLT	Complete Syllabus of CSAT
TEST 26	31ST MARCH 2024	SUNDAY	BUDGET & SURVEY	BUDGET 2024- 25 & SURVEY 2023-24
TEST 27	7TH APRIL 2024	SUNDAY	GS FLT	Complete Syllabus of GS + Current Affairs
TEST 28	7TH APRIL 2024	SUNDAY	CSAT FLT	Complete Syllabus of CSAT
TEST 29	14TH APRIL 2024	SUNDAY	GS FLT	Complete Syllabus of GS + Current Affairs
TEST 30	14TH APRIL 2024	SUNDAY	CSAT FLT	Complete Syllabus of CSAT
TEST 31	21ST APRIL 2024	SUNDAY	GS FLT	Complete Syllabus of GS + Current Affairs
TEST 32	21ST APRIL 2024	SUNDAY	CSAT FLT	Complete Syllabus of CSAT
TEST 33	28TH- APRIL-2024	SUNDAY	GS FLT	Complete Syllabus of GS + Current Affairs
TEST 34	28TH APRIL 2024	SUNDAY	CSAT FLT	Complete Syllabus of CSAT
TEST 35	5TH MAY 2024	SUNDAY	GS FLT	Complete Syllabus of GS + Current Affairs
TEST 36	5TH MAY 2024	SUNDAY	CSAT FLT	Complete Syllabus of CSAT