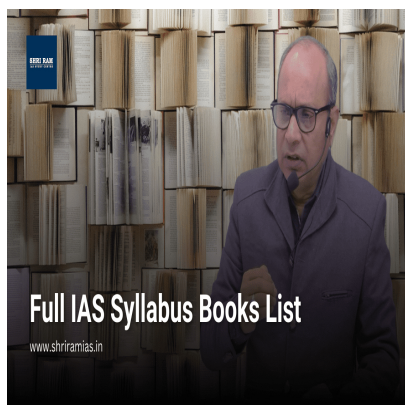




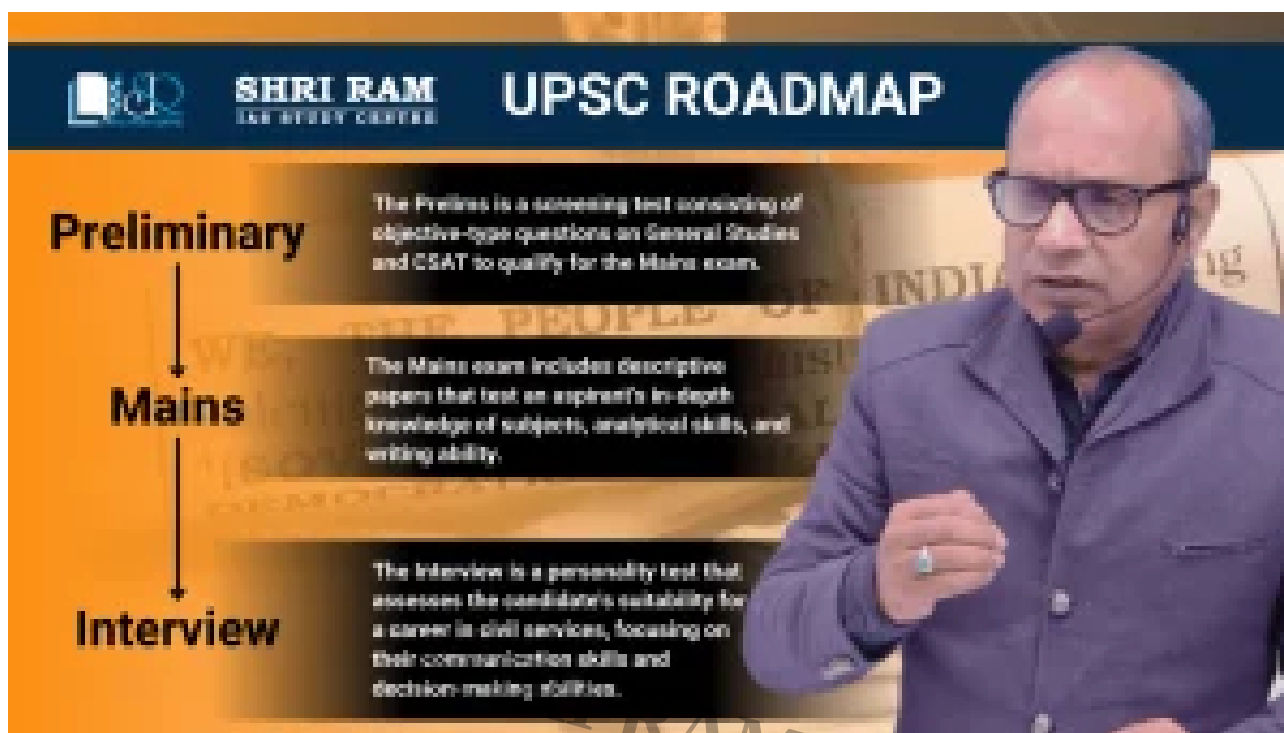
Full IAS Syllabus Book List

Description

Choosing the right books is crucial for IAS preparation. Good study material saves time and ensures complete syllabus coverage. Standard books help aspirants understand concepts in depth and score well in exams.

Understanding the IAS Syllabus: Prelims & Mains

Mains is the second stage, which tests in-depth knowledge through descriptive answers. It includes **nine papers**, out of which two are qualifying (English and Indian language). The remaining seven papers determine the final merit: **Essay, General Studies 1, General Studies 2, General Studies 3, General Studies 4 (Ethics), and two Optional Subject Papers**. A structured study plan with the right books is essential for thorough preparation.



Read [UPSC Syllabus](#) for better understanding.

NCERT Books: The Foundation of UPSC Preparation

NCERT books from Class 6 to 12 are essential for IAS preparation. These books explain fundamental concepts in a simple way. Subjects like history, geography, polity, and science are well-covered in NCERTs.

Best IAS Syllabus Books for General Studies (Prelims & Mains)

General Studies need vast reading and deep understanding. NCERTs, reference books, and current affairs are necessary. Newspapers like *The Hindu* and magazines like *Yojana* help in preparation.

Regular reading improves knowledge and analytical skills. Below is the complete list of books for UPSC.

Books for UPSC Prelims

Paper 1 of IAS Prelims Exam

India's Struggle For Independence	Bipin Chandra
NCERT History	Std 10th & 12th
Geography NCERT	Std. 10th & 12th
Indian Geography	Majid Husain

Certificate Physical and Human Geography	G. C. Leong
Our Constitution	Subhash Kashyap
Our Parliament	Subhash Kashyap
Introduction to the Constitution of India	D.D.Basu
NCERT	Economic Development of India
Indian Economy	Dutta Mahajan/Mishra Puri
Economic Survey of India	
Science Reporter	
Science NCERT	6th to 10th
Frontline, Yojana	
Yojana & Kurukshetra	
Study Materials	SHRI RAM IAS study centre

Paper 2 of UPSC Preliminary Examination (CSAT & Civil Services Aptitude Test)

Quantitative Aptitude	R. S. Agrawal
Reasoning	R. S. Agrawal
Administrative Behaviour	Public Administration
District Administration	Public Administration
Accountability and Control	Public Administration
Local Self Government	Public Administration
Financial Administration	Public Administration
Administration of Law and Order	Public Administration
Study Materials	SHRI RAM IAS study centre

UPSC Mains Exam Booklist with Author Names

GS & I (General Studies Paper 1)

NCERT 10th to 12th	Geography, History
Ancient History And Indian Culture	R.S. Sharma
World History	Jain & Mathur
Wonder that was India	A. L. Basham
Modern India	Sumit Sarkar
History Of Medieval India	Satish Chandra
Indian Art And Culture	Nitin Singhania
World History	L.N. Mukherjee

Geography of India	Khullar
Certificate Physical & Human Geography	G.C Leong
Human Geography	Majid Hussain
India's freedom struggle	Bipin Chandra
School Atlas	Oxford
Study Materials	SHRI RAM IAS study centre

GS II (General Studies Paper 2)

Introduction to The Constitution of India	D.D. Basu
Polity & Governance	M. Laxmikanth
Our Constitution	Subhash Kashyap
Our Parliament	Subhash Kashyap
The Hindu, The Indian Express, Frontline, Yojana etc.	
India Year Book	Government Publication
Gazette Of Government Of India	Government Publication
The World Focus	Magazine
India's Foreign Policy	J. N. Dixit
Panchayati Raj in India	Kuldeep Mathur
Constitution Of India at Work	11th STD. ?? NCERT
Study Materials	SHRI RAM IAS study centre

GS III (General Studies Paper 3)

Internal Security in India	Bajpai
Envisioning an Empowered Nation	APJ Abdul Kalam
Indian Economy	Dutt & Mahajan
Indian Economy	Mishra & Puri
Indian Economy	Uma Kapila
Economic Survey of India	
Indian Economy Development	11th Std. ?? NCERT
Science Reporter	
Study Materials	SHRI RAM IAS study centre

GS IV (General Studies Paper 4)

Ethics, Integrity & Aptitude	Administrative Behaviour (Public Administration)
An Introduction to Ethics	William Lillie
Ethics in Governance	Ramesh Arora

Selected Topics Of Public Administration

Study Materials

SHRI RAM IAS study centre

ARC Report

Govt of India

Books for UPSC Optional Papers in IAS Coaching in Delhi

SHRI RAM IAS provides the IAS Coaching in Delhi for Public Administration as an optional subject. This helps students score well in the optional subject. Below is the list of books aspirants must study from for optional papers of UPSC Mains examinations).

Optional Paper 1

Public Administration	Maheshwari & Awasthi
Public Administration Theory And Practice	Sharma & Sadhana
Mohit Bhattacharya	New Horizons of Public Administration.
Administrative thinkers	D. Ravindra Prasad, V.S. Prasad.
Structure of Public Organisations	R.K. Jain
Organisational Behaviour Stephen P. Robbin	Organisational Behaviour
Accountability and Control	Special Issues of Indian Journal of Public Administration on Accountability
Administrative Law	M.P. Jain
Administrative Reforms	G.E. Gaiden
Comparative Public Administration	R.K. Arora
Development Administration	Ferrel Hedy
Public Policy	IGNOU Lessons on Public Policy R. K. Sapra :Public Policy
Public Policy and Affairs	Nicolas Henry
Personnel Administration	O Glenn : Stahl
Public Personnel Administration	S. L. Goel
Financial Administration	M. J. K. Thavaraj
Special Issues Of IIPA Journal	

Optional Paper 2

Indian Administration	Awasthi & Awasthi
Our Parliament	Shubhash Kashayap
Evolution of Indian Administration	B.N. Puri

An Introduction to the Constitution of India

District Administration

Local Government in India

Public Sector in India

Administrative Reforms

Special Issue of Indian Journal of Public Administration on
Administrative Reforms

Administration of Law and Order

Welfare Administration

Special Issues of IIPA Journal

D. D. Basu

T.N. Chaturvedi

S.R. Maheshwari

R. K. Jain

S.R. Maheshwari

K. K. Sharma

Annual Reports of Department of
Social Welfare

Books for History, Geography, and Polity

History books include works by Bipin Chandra and R.S. Sharma. Geography requires G.C. Leong and Majid Hussain. M. Laxmikanth is the best book for Indian Polity.

Economics & Environment Books for UPSC

Indian Economy by Mishra & Puri and Economic Survey are must-reads.

Science & Technology Books for IAS Exam

NCERT Science books (Class 6-10) form the base. Science Reporter and current affairs help cover recent developments.

Ethics, Integrity & Aptitude: Must-Read Books

For Ethics, read William Lillie and Ramesh Arora. The ARC Report provides government perspectives on governance.

IAS Essay Paper: Recommended Books & Resources

Essay writing needs practice and reading diverse topics. The Hindu Editorials, Yojana, and Frontline help build content.

Best Books for UPSC CSAT Paper

CSAT requires Quantitative Aptitude by R.S. Aggarwal and reasoning books. Reading comprehension practice is essential.

How to Select the Right Books for IAS Preparation?

Choose books that cover the syllabus thoroughly. Prefer standard authors and NCERTs for clarity. Avoid multiple UPSC books for the same subject to prevent confusion.

Where to Buy IAS Books?

SHRI RAM IAS UPSC Civil Services IAS books are [available in Amazon](#). SHRI RAM IAS study material can be bought from [Amazon](#) and the institute's website.

Conclusion: Why Quality Study Material Matters in UPSC Success?

Success in UPSC Exams for IAS depends on selecting the right books. Standard books help in understanding and revising better. Quality study material ensures exam-oriented preparation.

SHRI RAM IAS: Best IAS Coaching in India and Delhi

SHRI RAM IAS provides **best IAS coaching in Delhi** with top-quality study material. The institute offers **IAS coaching in Delhi** with expert faculty, structured courses, and regular mock tests. Students get updated books and personalized guidance to clear UPSC.