



State PCS Success Program (SPS) | UPPSC (Mains) - 2019

SPS (UPPSC / Mains) - 8 GS Full Tests + 2 Essay Tests

***Available in both Online and Offline Mode**

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About ForumIAS SPS (UPPSC / Mains) 2019

- ForumIAS SPS (UPPSC / Mains) 2019 – Schedule offers candidates Full Test Papers of 3 Hours/200 Marks
- It is ideal for candidates appearing for SPS (UPPSC / Mains) 2019 and are seeking a disciplined and guided study through targeted test series.
- The Program also includes 2 essay tests with discussion and mentorship for the same.
- The program commences from 8th MARCH, 2020 and tests can be written at the offline Test Centre as well as online mode.
- Discussions for all Tests will be uploaded in the respective students portal.
- This initiative provides professional mentor support to help candidates improve answer writing both in person and via phone (Offline/Online)

Testimonials of UPSC Toppers

CSE 2018



VARUN REDDY
IAS AIR -7 (CSE 2018)

I am very thankful to the mentors at ForumIAS for sitting with me for hours and hours to help me improve my answer writing strategies and we discussed at length strategies which has been followed by various aspirants and it has been of immense help in achieving the success which I have got today.

CSE 2017



IAS AIR – 1 (CSE 2017)
ANUDEEP DURAISETTY

I had enrolled in Mains Guidance Programme + of ForumIAS Academy for my GS and Essay test series. The feedback from ForumIAS mentor was very useful in making me realize my mistakes in answer writing so that I could rectify them. I also found post exam discussion incredibly helpful. Because of such feedback. I could greatly improve my writing speed, frustration and answer content. I am grateful to the entire ForumIAS Academy.

CSE 2016



**IAS AIR – 87 (CSE 2016)
PRAJIT NAIR**

I had joined this test series and it turned out to be a gem. What I really liked about the evaluation was an objective assessment and a human contact. I know both these are contradictory. Evaluation is a human endeavour. There are strong biases common in every evaluator. An access to the evaluator gives an idea about these biases. An evaluator looks for certain things when he gives marks. Things like coherence, lucidity, presentation etc. catch the evaluator's eye. I experimented a lot with my papers in the course of these 8 tests. During the sessions in which I used to interact with my mentor, he was able to point out broad areas of improvement and possible shortcomings.

* More Toppers Testimonials and Strategy can be read on blog.forumias.com

Why should you Join SPS (UPPSC / Mains) 2019?

I. TEST PLAN

The test plan ensures that a student who is appearing in UPPSC Mains in April 2020 will be able to complete the entire GS syllabus 2 times before appearing for UPPSC mains in April 2020.

SECTION	TIMELINE	SYLLABUS
FULL PAPERS SPACED	MARCH 2020 4 CONSOLIDATED GS TESTS + 1 ESSAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GS PAPER 1 GS PAPER 2 GS PAPER 3 GS PAPER 4 ESSAY PAPER
FULL PAPERS	APRIL 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GS PAPER 1

CONSECUTIVE	4 CONSOLIDATED TESTS + 1 ESSAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GS PAPER 2 • GS PAPER 3 • GS PAPER 4 • ESSAY PAPER
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**A detailed date wise breakup of the test plan is provided in the later part of the brochure*

II. QUESTIONS

MGP questions are created by researching on previous year papers and identifying relevant issues of the current year. This has helped us in ensuring that the themes selected in the tests have been repeated in the mains exam over the years.

UPPSC 2018 v/s MGP Questions	
UPPSC QUESTIONS	SIMILAR MGP QUESTION
ESSAY PAPER	
Progress of India in the Space World.	India's leaps in space research. (Essay Test 2, Test Code: 22019)
Mahatma Gandhi is still relevant today.	Relevance of Gandhi in the 21st century. (Essay Test 4, Test MGP 2019)
The Foreign Policy of India is based upon the principle of Peace and Equality.	Foreign policy is the art of establishing priorities. (Essay Test 1, MGP 2019)
GENERAL STUDIES	
Explain the role of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel in the integration of Princely States of India.	Discuss the role of Sardar Patel in overcoming the major hurdles in the political integration of India? (10 Marks) MGP 2019 Test 2
What are electoral bonds? Are they capable of bringing transparency in political funding system?	What are electoral bonds? Discuss their effectiveness in bringing transparency in electoral funding. 4D MGP 2019

Describe those special powers of the Council of states (Rajya Sabha) which are not enjoyed by Lok Sabha, under the Indian Constitution.	Rajya sabha is not as powerful as Lok Sabha, but powerful enough in comparison to state legislative councils. Examine. 4D MGP 2019
What is Cyber Security Science? Mention its importance	What do you understand by Cyberspace? In the light of ever-increasing cyber threats discuss why cybersecurity should be an ongoing and important priority for India. MGP 2019 GS3
“Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) are the drivers of economic growth and employment proliferation in India. Examine this statement	The MSME sector in India is not only a key engine of growth but also a true reflection of economics where people really matter. Examine. Also, discuss the steps taken by the government to bolster the MSME sector. MGP 19 7E
Mention the factors responsible for the origins of ocean currents and name the currents of the Atlantic Ocean	Ocean currents are large masses of surface water that circulate in regular patterns around the oceans. Discuss the factors that affect the movement of ocean currents. What causes the variation in salinity of various seas and oceans around the world?(15 Marks, 250 Words) MGP 2019 Test 4C
Discuss the nature of India-China relations in the light of OBOR.	Recently China offered to rename CPEC to allay India’s fears. In this light, Examine India’s concern with respect to OBOR and how India can counter OBOR? AWFG TEST 13, 2018

III. MTS Solutions

MTS UPPSC Solutions have been created keeping in mind, the following aspects

1. That the solution provided is **just what is needed** to write a good answer that can score well in mains examination i.e we do not try to intimidate students with too much content in the solution.
2. Before the solution of every question, **the demand of the question i.e. introduction, body and conclusion** is briefly explained
3. Wherever relevant, **value added material** is provided at the end of the respective questions solution.
4. The solutions of tests can act as **a perfect reference to revise relevant themes** for each syllabus keyword.
5. The syllabus takes special **attention to ensure that answers are structured** and written in a way we expect you to write them in the examination i.e. multidimensional, short introduction approach, use of schematics, maps etc.

IV. MTS Test Discussions

MTS test discussions have been created keeping in mind the following aspects

1. All test discussions will be **conducted by subject expert or respective subject faculty** of Forumias in **Online Mode**
2. Discussions will **cover all aspects of the question in detail**, discussing the possibilities in answering the same.
3. Discussions are **conducted on a timely and predictable manner** so that students appearing for tests can make the best use of the same.

V. MTS Paper Evaluation

MGP paper evaluation are known for the following unique aspects

1. The evaluation is based on **codified objective criteria's**, yet an element of **subjectivity is maintained** to match UPSC evaluation standards as far as possible.
2. All MTS papers are **evaluated on uniform standards** to ensure that you are able to assess your relative performance tests after tests.
3. All evaluators are **carefully selected on predefined eligibility criteria's and trained extensively** to assess your papers in a professional manner
4. Evaluators are trained to **provide constructive suggestions** on content, structure, presentation and question interpretation.
5. Evaluation is **done on a timely basis** to help students implement the suggestions and corrections to maximise scores.

VI. Mentorship Support

Personalised Mentorship support is an unique aspect of MTS which includes the following

1. Experienced Mentors provide **timely input on how to improve** answer writing
2. Suggestions will be provided **on all aspects of answer writing** including content, structure, presentation, question interpretation etc.
3. Inputs will be both **personalised and practical** in nature for maximum improvement in the course of tests.
4. Mentorship access is available **to both online and offline students**, means to access the same is mentioned in the later part of brochure

How to make the most of SPS (UPPSC / Mains - 2019)?

The success of the program depends on:

1. **Writing tests in a timely manner** and as much as possible to achieve maximum improvement.
2. **Implementing and improvising inputs** provided by the Mentor either telephonically or in person is known to have achieved visible impact on marks.
3. **Implement suggestions provided through evaluation and mentorship in the subsequent tests.** *As Albert Einstein said : “Insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results.”*
4. **Avoid submitting 3-4 tests at one go**, as it defeats the purpose of a test series in **achieving incremental improvement**. Proactively solicit mentor feedback after every 2-3 tests.
5. **Do not submit 10 papers one month before the exam.** It becomes impossible to recommend changes 2-3 weeks before the exam as students do not have the time to implement feedbacks.

Deliverable in ForumIAS SPS (UPPSC / Mains - 2019) and their Timelines

THE DIFFERENT DELIVERABLES IN SPS (UPPSC / Mains – 2019) ARE NAMELY,

- **Question paper and Question cum Answer booklet** – To be available on the release date and time of every test as mentioned in the test plan.
- **Detailed Solution** – To be available to student after submitting their completed QCA. For online students the solution will be uploaded within 24 working hours from the time of test release date and time. **No detailed solution will be available for Essay tests. Good copies will be shared for reference.**
- **Discussion Video** – To be uploaded within 48-72 working hours after the completion of tests.
- **Evaluated QCA** – You will have your evaluated QCA, within 5-7 days from the submission date of QCA.
- **Mentor Meeting**- Students have to raise a ticket for mentor meeting
- **Mentor Call** – Students have to raise a ticket to receive mentor calls and you can expect a call within 24-48 working hours after filling the form.

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* **Please Note:** All the timelines will be adhered to certain terms and conditions which are mentioned in the next head.

Deliverables Service Terms and Conditions

1. **Regarding Evaluation:** The timeline of 5-7 days evaluation holds if you submit your QCA within 3-4 days from the test release date. If you are submitting it beyond 3-4 days, it can take up to 7-9 days for evaluation as we need to prioritise people who are writing tests on a timely manner.
2. **Regarding Mentor Call:** The timeline of 24-48 working hours for Mentor call holds if you submit your QCA within 3-4 days from the test release date. If you are submitting it beyond 3-4 days, it can take 72-96 working hours for mentor call as we need to prioritise people who are writing timely.
3. **Test Writing:** You are expected to finish all tests by 18th of April 2020. A certain extension can be granted in extraordinary cases but then any timeline for deliverables will not be guaranteed.

Support and Grievance Redressal

We are providing you four (4) levels of support and grievance redressal mechanism. Please follow them for any kind of issues/queries in the order given. Please wait for 24 hours before moving to further level.

- Mails us at student@forumias.acadmey. Call us at 011 – 49878625.
- WhatsApp Vinay at + 91 – 9821711605 or Mail Vinay @ vinay@forumias.academy.
- Call Vinay at +91 – 9821711605 (Extn. 3)
- Mail Shantanu @ shantanu@forumias.academy. OR WhatsApp/Message Shantanu @ + 91 – 8800631116.

Note: If aspirants are found sharing the test series with other Students or sharing it on any public platform, they will be held in violation of ForumIAS Intellectual Property rights. ForumIAS reserves rights to debar such aspirants from writing any further test and be part of any program in the future. There will be no refund in such cases.

Enrolment Process and Fee Structure

- Enrolment can be done either by visiting our offline guidance centre at Karol Bagh or online on our student portal academy.forumias.com. The address of the Offline Guidance Centre is:
 1. **Address:** ForumIAS Offline Guidance Centre, 2nd Floor, IAPL House, 19 Pusa Road, Opp. Metro Pillar No. 95 – 96, Karol Bagh, New Delhi – 110005.
 2. **Find us on google maps:** [ForumIAS Academy](#).
 3. **In case you still need support regarding directions** Call us on: 011 – 49878625 / 9773524996
- Every student has to create an account on academy.forumias.com irrespective of the mode (online/offline) chosen.
- Once, you have made the online payment you will be immediately able to access the course under MY COURSES on academy.forumias.com.
- Students who make offline payment and are looking for Offline Mode need to collect their ID card from the centre between 5th July – 10th July. Please present your admission receipt while collecting your ID Card.
- Admission to the test centre will be granted only after validating ID card.
- Course on Student Portal for offline payments will be activated within 24 working hours from the receipt of payment.
- In case of any query/difficulty while enrolling please reach out to us on 9821711605 / 9773524996 / 011 – 49878625.

COURSES	MODE	FEES
SPS (UPPSC / Mains - 2019)	Online / Offline	Rs. 5999 + GST (18%) = Rs. 7000/-

TEST PLAN

#	Date and Day	Test Code	Duration and Marks	Topic
FULL PAPERS SPACED				
1	8 th March 2020, Sunday	31200	3 Hours / 20 Questions	General Studies Paper 1
2	15 th March 2020, Sunday	31201	3 Hours / 20 Questions	General Studies Paper 2
3	18 th March 2020, Wednesday	32200	3 Hours/ 3 Essays	Essay Paper
4	22 nd March 2020, Sunday	31203	3 Hours / 20 Questions	General Studies Paper 3
5	29 th March 2020, Sunday	31204	3 Hours / 20 Questions	General Studies Paper 4
FULL PAPERS CONSECUTIVE				
6	3 rd April 2020, Friday	32201	3 Hours/ 3 Essays	Essay Paper
7	4 th April 2020, Saturday	31205	3 Hours / 20 Questions	General Studies Paper 1
8	4 th April 2020, Saturday	31206	3 Hours / 20 Questions	General Studies Paper 2
9	5 th April 2020, Sunday	31207	3 Hours / 20 Questions	General Studies Paper 3
10	5 th April 2020, Sunday	31208	3 Hours / 20 Questions	General Studies Paper 4

Note: No detailed solution will be available for Essay tests. Good copies will be shared for reference.