

# ForumIAS

# Mains Guidance

# Program

# 2022

Mentor Supported, Test Series Based Self Study Program for Civil Services Examination

<b>MGP</b>	25 Tests : 20 Full Length Tests + 5 Open Simulator Tests*
<b>MGP+</b>	33 Tests : 20 Full Length Tests + 8 Essay Tests + 5 Open Simulator Tests*
<b>MGP++</b>	100s of Concept Classes & 25 Tests : 20 Full Length Tests + 5 Open Simulator Tests*

## Cohort 6

## Starts | 11<sup>th</sup> December' 21

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## Top Rankers of ForumIAS Academy

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### Top Rankers from ForumIAS Academy in CSE 2020

1. Mamta Yadav (Rank 5)
2. Apala Mishra (Rank 9)
3. Mithun Premraj (Rank 12)
4. Karishma Nair (Rank 14)
5. Radhika Gupta (Rank 18)
6. Krishan Kumar Singh (Rank 24)
7. Divya Mishra (Rank 28)
8. Divyanshu Choudhary (Rank 30)
9. Jagat Sai (Rank 32)
10. Aparna Ramesh (Rank 35)

### Top Rankers from ForumIAS Academy in CSE 2019

1. Pratibha Verma (IAS Rank 3)
2. Jeydev C S (IAS Rank 5)
3. Sanjita Mohapatra (IAS Rank 10)
4. Gunjan Singh (IAS Rank 16)
5. Shrestha Anupam (IAS Rank 19)
6. Pratyush Pandey (IAS Rank 21)
7. Nidhi Bansal (IAS Rank 23)
8. Shubham Aggarwal (IAS Rank 25)
9. Himanshu Gupta (IAS Rank 27)
10. Chandrajyoti Singh (IAS Rank 28)

### Successful Women Candidates from ForumIAS Academy

1. Mittali Sethi, IAS ( Mahartastra )
2. Pushplata, IAS ( Haryana )
3. Ankita Mishra, IAS ( Uttar Pradesh )
4. Kajal Jawla, IAS ( Haryana )
5. Aparajita Sinsinwar ( Haryana )
6. Dhatri Reddy IPS ( Andhra P )
7. Juhi Jalota, IFS ( Punjab )
8. Shwetha M, IFS ( Karnataka )
9. Ilma Afroj, IPS ( Uttar Pradesh )
10. Jyoti Yadav, IPS ( Haryana )
11. Mary Renjana Verghese, IAS ( Kerala )
12. Shafqat Amna, IPS ( Bihar )

### ForumIAS Academy Students are from every region

1. Sumit Rai, IAS ( Bihar )
2. Vijay Saraswat, IPS ( Haryana )
3. Varun Reddy, IAS ( Andhra )
4. Ganesh U, IFS, ( Tamil Nadu )
5. Digvijay Bodke, IAS ( Maharastra )
6. Namrata Jain, IAS ( Chhattisgarh )
7. Minal Karanwal IAS ( Uttarakhand )
8. Abhishek Surana, IAS ( Rajasthan )
9. Bhawna H S, IFS ( Karnataka )
10. Prajit Nair, IAS ( Kerala )
11. Mohnish Digma, IRS ( J & K )
12. Jai Shivani, IAS ( MP )

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## 3 Times Rank I in Indian Forest Service

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**IFoS Rank I – Vaibhav Srivastava (2017), M Naveen Reddy (2018) , Rishi Kumar ( 2019 ) | All are MGP Students**

\*This is a small list of students who enrolled in ForumIAS Academy premium, paid courses. They may or may not be members of the FREE ForumIAS Community Platform or followers of free blog initiatives. The list is not arranged in a hierarchy of service, rank, state, seniority or on any other parameter. The list is created to showcase the diversity of ForumIAS Students, and not the numbers – which is a little too big to accommodate in a single page.

## Toppers Testimonial | CSE 2020



I was a part of ForumIAS MGP (Mains Guidance program). The detailed evaluation with remarks helped me immensely in improving my performance over the previous attempt. MGP comprises of sectional test for each portion of GS papers. This insured that I didn't leave any part of the syllabus. I am grateful to the entire ForumIAS team for their help and timely evaluation and uploading of answer sheets.

**- Mamta Yadav, IAS Rank 5, CSE 2020**



ForumIAS has been my friend philosopher and guide during my tedious UPSC journey. I joined the Mains Guidance Program (MGP) and Current Affairs (Online) classes. The presence of mentors like Ayush sir and Dipin sir acts as a bonus. I am truly grateful to entire ForumIAS team for being the building block of my preparation.

**- Apala Mishra, IAS Rank 9, CSE 2020**



I had enrolled in Mains Guidance Program (MGP) 2020 for GS and Essay. The expansive coverage for questions, prompt correction of papers, topper answer copies, and valuable feedback on answers received from ForumIAS has helped me in my answer writing. I am grateful to ForumIAS for the same.

**- Karishma Nair, IAS Rank 14, CSE 2020**



I have joined ForumIAS test series for Mains 2020. It has been very helpful in my Mains preparation. The quality of questions and model answers is amazing. Timely and quality evolution is added advantage to it. I thanks to entire ForumIAS team for all the help and support in my UPSC journey.

**- Radhika Gupta, IAS Rank 18, CSE 2020**



I want to thank ForumIAS for providing all the support & guidance. During CSE preparation MGP+ test series helped me in improving my answers. Completing paper on time and also enriching my content. Also, one or more sessions with Ayush sir helped me immensely during my actual CSE interview. Once again I thank everyone at ForumIAS and recommend MGP test series for answer writing for UPSC CSE preparation.

**- Jayant Singh Rathore, IAS Rank 59, CSE 2020**



Hello, I am Saloni Verma, AIR 70 UPSC CSE 2020. I was a student of ForumIAS MGP program. The evaluation, mentorship sessions, and overall professionalism especially during the Covid-19 period were very helpful. I am grateful to the team ForumIAS mentors, teachers, and staff for their massive contribution to my success.

**- Saloni Verma, IAS Rank 70, CSE 2020**

## INTRODUCING

## MGP++

We know self-study can be *challenging*. Through our MGP, we provide you a detailed and disciplined test series based comprehensive preparation plan for Civil Services Examination. MGP+ includes the essay test series as well – a crucial marks fetching paper.

With the MGP++ ( read as MGP Plus Plus ) 2022, we plan to have 100s of Concept Classes (CC) on micro topics of the syllabus. The classes could be of duration ranging from 5 minutes to 30 minutes, explaining a concept in as less duration as possible.

The objective of the CCs will be to prepare you on the most expected topics / themes and ideas from which questions can be asked. These concept classes will help you build content for your upcoming tests, and will cover the syllabus from high focus areas, which an aspirant must know. The CCs will focus on What's and Why's of key issues. They will ensure that you develop knowledge of the dimensions to a particular issue. Each concept class will take care of a small or micro issue and cover high impact areas.

Concept classes are not a replacement for foundation classes. Concept classes require candidates to have some basic understanding of the syllabus/ basic books/ text. Concept classes will not take through the syllabus like a foundation class. However, what they will do is – give you content and understanding of issues from which you can expect questions in MGP and the Civil Services Examination.

## How can ForumIAS MGP aid in my preparation?

**#1** The program has been designed to ensure:

- a) Timely completion of syllabus.
- b) Early completion of syllabus.

Having guided students since 2012, we are aware that early preparation for Mains is the key to clearing the Civil Services Examination.

**#2** A lot of students end up doing unguided self-study, with no clear deadlines and objectives in mind. Thus, they end up not covering the syllabus even after doing self-study for a year. MGP helps provide a **discipline and time bound routine, anchored to the syllabus**.

**#3** It helps students with **regular evaluation of their preparation through writing timely tests and provides necessary reorientation** as and when required.

**#4** One of the major pain points in the real examination is to **recollect what you have read and present it in a precise and time-bound manner**. Writing regular tests at MGP helps you learn the skill from DAY 1. You learn to apply what you have read.

**#5** When doing self-study, there are many topics which **do not have comprehensive resources**. Then, there are topics which require **value addition in terms of current affairs**. MGP through its test, solutions and discussions also aids as a source of value addition and revision.

**#6** The **concept classes (available with MGP++)** are being provided with an aim to help students **achieve conceptual clarity** as well as **value addition on topics lacking comprehensive resources**.

**#7** A hassle free and constant support from Mentors ensures you are on **an optimal and guided path** throughout your preparation.

**#8** Timely evaluation helps you **understand your mistakes and implement those feedback** before you attempt the next paper.

**#9** At ForumIAS, we believe in continuous change and adaptation on the basis of the dynamic pattern of UPSC and are quick to implement the same to reflect in our all deliverables. With ForumIAS you will always be ahead of the curve.

## What are the deliverables under ForumIAS MGP?

<p><b>#0 Mentorship</b></p>	<p>Mentorship is readily available in both ONLINE as well as OFFLINE mode at ForumIAS. Once you write a paper, you can always reach out to a mentor to discuss your paper seeking suggestions on improving your answer writing.</p> <p>The ONLINE mentorship will have a solution provided to students within 12 – 14 hours. Offline Mentorship can be available by visiting the office center.</p>
<p><b>#1 Concept Classes#</b></p>	<p>We are coming up with the concept classes from MGP 2022 onwards.</p> <p>The concept classes will be of 5 – 30 minutes duration with below objective</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To Provide <b>conceptual clarity on terms and keyword</b> of syllabus. For example: separation of powers or Sevottam model or doctrine of severability etc.</li> <li>To Provide <b>value addition on topics that lack comprehensive sources</b>. For example: Role of SHG in development or FCRA and NGO funding etc.</li> <li><b>To help Filer content</b>. For example: What should I focus on French Revolution? Or What should I read under comparative constitution?</li> </ol>
<p><b>#2 GS Test Question Paper</b></p>	<p>The GS test paper is prepared to test student holistic understanding of the entire syllabus. The test papers are Full Length Tests comprising of 20 questions in 3 hours to comprehensively test student grasp on content, syllabus coverage and time management abilities.</p> <p>Full Length tests will replicate the pattern and difficulty level of UPSC</p>
<p><b>#3 GS Test Solution</b></p>	<p>The solution to GS Tests is curated with a philosophy to serve the purpose of revision material.</p> <p>They are created with an idea to replicate a model answer as much as possible with value added content being provided under Knowledge Base separate from the answer, as and when required.</p>
<p><b>#4 GS Test Video Discussions</b></p>	<p>The video discussion of MGP tests ensures that student is exposed to different ways of answer writing which generally includes different means of presentation, addition of diagrams and flowcharts.</p> <p>The discussion also seeks to add more value addition to the content which is readily available with the student or the one he has received through solutions.</p>
<p><b>#5 Essay Thematic Classes*</b></p>	<p>For essay, rather than providing simple post discussion after essay tests, we instead provide thematic classes. Thematic classes have a broader viewpoint on issues. Thus, we can use and reorganize the same content for various topics of essay within the same theme.</p> <p>They intend to provide you with fodder point to ensure that the content you are building has a reusable value. Handouts provided with the ET classes with provide with relevant fodder material and quotes to aid in essay writing.</p>

<b>#6 Essay Test Question Paper*</b>	<p>Essay Test replicates the pattern of UPSC.</p> <p>Before prelims tests have 2 sections with 2 choices.</p> <p>Keeping in mind actual essay papers being asked in examination, the second section is mandatorily based on philosophical essay to ensure that students learn how to write them from very starting.</p>
<b>#7 Good Copies</b>	<p>Peer to Peer Learning is at the heart of FourmIAS's philosophy. The Academy shall be providing good copies of the tests – GS and Essay so that you can learn from your peers.</p>
<b>#8 Evaluation (GS and Essay)</b>	<p>The parameters of evaluation at ForumIAS continuously evolves to adapt to the changing demand of the examination, in consultation with our students who have cracked the exam year after year. Evaluation of submitted copies will be provided with objective inputs aimed at helping you improve your answer writing.</p>

\*Available with MGP+

# Available with MGP++

## Online or Offline?

- MGP is available in both online and offline mode.
- About 80% of our successful students (including former IAS Rank 1), have been online students, preparing from home, they may have never visited the Offline Centre in New Delhi.
- An efficient communication system via tickets / email / phone and WhatsApp is available to discuss their copies and suggesting areas of improvement.
- In fact, ForumIAS does not maintain a record whether an MGP student is online or offline. Students can visit the Centre(s) and write tests, submit copies for evaluation and seek mentor guidance.
- They can also do the exact same things online – by downloading the QCA Booklet, printing it, attempting tests on it, using CamScanner to convert it into PDF, uploading it, getting it evaluated, and reach to a mentor online by email, phone call, skype call, or messaging apps.
- Mentorship is completely available online, and the same mentors who provide offline mentorship also provide online mentorship. You can meet them at a designated time and date at the Offline Centre in New Delhi\*.

## MGP 2022 Cohort 6 - Course Fee & Enrolment

MGP is available in three variants

**MGP 2022 Cohort 6** – Fee: **Rs. 17,000** + 18% GST (Applicable Taxes)

**MGP+ 2022 Cohort 6** – Fee: **Rs. 23,000** + 18% GST (Applicable Taxes)

**MGP++ 2022 Cohort 6** – Fee: **Rs. 27,000** + 18% GST (Applicable Taxes)

### Fee Payment & Enrollment

Students can enroll in the program by paying the fees through the below means:

- By visiting the website: <https://academy.forumias.com> ( Net Banking / Debit Card / Credit Card / UPI )
- By Visiting the Offline Center\* ( Credit Card / Debit Card / Cheque / DD )
- By doing a NEFT / Cash Deposit in ICICI

**Note :** All Payments must be made to the given account:

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<b>Company Name</b>	<b>: FLAVIANT NETWORK PRIVATE LIMITED</b>
<b>Account Number</b>	<b>: 401705000174.</b>
<b>IFSC Code</b>	<b>: ICIC0001129.</b>
<b>Bank Name</b>	<b>: ICICI Bank Limited.</b>
<b>Account type</b>	<b>: Current Account.</b>
<b>Branch Name</b>	<b>: 16/6, WEA, Karol Bagh, New Delhi-I 10005.</b>

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Please note that you must retain the payment proof in case of Cash deposit / NEFT and send it to [admissions@forumias.academy](mailto:admissions@forumias.academy) within 48 hours of making the payment for your course to be activated.

For any query you can call us at +91 – 9821711605, 9311740900 or write to us at [admissions@forumias.academy](mailto:admissions@forumias.academy)

### Terms and Conditions

- Your test copies will be evaluated within 7 working days of copy submission.
- Copies must be submitted within three weeks of the Test Release for timely evaluation. We recommend that you stick to the timetable and write tests on designated days. The commitment of 7 working days evaluation is valid only for copies submitted in this time period.
- This program is non-refundable and non-transferable. There is no difference between the online and offline mode – candidates can come and write the test at Test Centre or remotely and send us scanned copies.
- Each program of ForumIAS is linked to a ForumIAS Account with a fixed mobile number. No sharing of any programs is allowed. If candidates are found sharing programs, ForumIAS shall be free to terminate that or all program access to the candidate without any refund to the candidate.
- ForumIAS shall have full rights to close admissions as per its capacity. ForumIAS shall be free to amend its schedule in case of any exigencies that may arise.
- All fees once paid are non-refundable in nature. The course is also non-transferable in nature to another person. By subscribing to the course, you agree to the terms and conditions mentioned above.

## Detailed Test Calendar for MGP / MGP+ 2022

(Essay Tests are only for MGP+ Students.)

#	Test Date / Test Code	Tests	Syllabus Topic	Sources
1	11 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 2021/ 51051	Test 1 (9:30 AM - 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 1 – Full Syllabus Test	World History, Post-Independence History, Indian Society and Social Issues, Modern History, Art & Culture and Geography
2	18 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 2021/ 51052	Test 2 (9:30 AM - 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 2 – Full Syllabus Test	Polity & Governance, Development Issues, Social justice, Administrative Reforms and International Relations
3	25 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 2021/ 51053	Test 3 (9:30 AM - 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 3 – Full Syllabus Test	Economy & Inclusive Growth, Agriculture & Allied Issues, Land Reforms, Science & Tech, Environment & Disaster Management and Security Issues
4	25 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 2021/ 52011	Essay Test 1 (2:00 PM – 5:00 PM)	Essay – Full Syllabus Test	Full Syllabus
5	1 <sup>st</sup> Jan. 2022/ 51054	Test 4 (9:30 AM - 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 4 – Full Syllabus Test	Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude; Case studies
6	8 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 2022/ 51055	Test 5 (9:30 AM - 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 1 – Full Syllabus Test	World History, Post-Independence History, Indian Society and Social Issues, Modern History, Art & Culture and Geography
7	15 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 2022/ 51056	Test 6 (9:30 AM - 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 2 – Full Syllabus Test	Polity & Governance, Development Issues, Social justice, Administrative Reforms and International Relations
8	15 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 2022/ 52012	Essay Test 2 (2:00 PM – 5:00 PM)	Essay – Full Syllabus Test	Full Syllabus
9	22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan. 2022/ 51057	Test 7 (9:30 AM - 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 3 – Full Syllabus Test	Economy & Inclusive Growth, Agriculture & Allied Issues, Land Reforms, Science & Tech, Environment & Disaster Management and Security Issues
10	29 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 2022/ 51058	Test 8 (9:30 AM - 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 4 – Full Syllabus Test	Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude; Case studies
11	5 <sup>th</sup> Feb. 2022/ 51059	Test 9 (9:30 AM - 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 1 – Full Syllabus Test	World History, Post-Independence History, Indian Society and Social Issues, Modern History, Art & Culture and Geography
12	5 <sup>th</sup> Feb. 2022/ 52013	Essay Test 3 (2:00 PM – 5:00 PM)	Essay – Full Syllabus Test	Full Syllabus
13	12 <sup>th</sup> Feb. 2022/ 51060	Test 10 (9:30 AM - 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 2 – Full Syllabus Test	Polity & Governance, Development Issues, Social justice, Administrative Reforms and International Relations
14	19 <sup>th</sup> Feb. 2022/ 51061	Test 11 (9:30 AM - 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 3 – Full Syllabus Test	Economy & Inclusive Growth, Agriculture & Allied Issues, Land Reforms, Science & Tech, Environment & Disaster Management and Security Issues
15	26 <sup>th</sup> Feb. 2022/ 51062	Test 12 (9:30 AM - 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 4 – Full Syllabus Test	Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude; Case studies
16	26 <sup>th</sup> Feb. 2022/ 52014	Essay Test 4 (2:00 PM – 5:00 PM)	Essay – Full Syllabus Test	Full Syllabus

### Prelims 2022 Break

There are few things to keep in mind at this stage. Once MGP Tests as per schedule are over, it is expected that you (a) realign your preparation for Prelims (b) finish off any tests that you have missed (c) cover and revise optional subjects. You will need to have some self-discipline to finish off remaining Tests. We will be available to rightly orient you at this stage. You can submit all the Tests conducted till date till Prelims. There is complete flexibility.

A detailed Plan for the MGP 2022 Mains Simulator Tests will be released within 1 week of Prelims.



17	2 weeks after Prelims	Test 13 (9:30 AM - 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 1 – Full Syllabus Test	As Mentioned in Previous Tests
18	2 weeks after Prelims	Essay Test 5 (2:00 PM – 5:00 PM)	Essay – Full Syllabus Test	As Mentioned in Previous Tests
19	3 weeks after Prelims	Test 14 (9:30 AM – 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 2 – Full Syllabus Test	As Mentioned in Previous Tests
20	4 weeks after Prelims	Test 15 (9:30 AM – 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 3 – Full Syllabus Test	As Mentioned in Previous Tests
21	4 weeks after Prelims	Essay Test 6 (2:00 PM – 5:00 PM)	Essay – Full Syllabus Test	As Mentioned in Previous Tests
22	5 weeks after Prelims	Test 16 (9:30 AM – 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 4 – Full Syllabus Test	As Mentioned in Previous Tests
23	6 weeks after Prelims	Test 17 (9:30 AM – 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 1 – Full Syllabus Test	As Mentioned in Previous Tests
24	6 weeks after Prelims	Essay Test 7 (2:00 PM – 5:00 PM)	Essay – Full Syllabus Test	As Mentioned in Previous Tests
25	7 weeks after Prelims	Test 18 (9:30 AM – 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 2 – Full Syllabus Test	As Mentioned in Previous Tests
26	8 weeks after Prelims	Test 19 (9:30 AM – 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 3 – Full Syllabus Test	As Mentioned in Previous Tests
27	8 weeks after Prelims	Essay Test 8 (2:00 PM – 5:00 PM)	Essay – Full Syllabus Test	As Mentioned in Previous Tests
28	9 weeks after Prelims	Test 20 (9:30 AM - 12:30 PM)	GS Paper 4 – Full Syllabus Test	As Mentioned in Previous Tests
<b>MAINS OPEN TESTS (NON-EVALUATED)</b>				
29	10 weeks after Prelims	Essay	Full Syllabus	As Mentioned in Previous Tests
30	10 weeks after Prelims	GS Paper 1	Full Syllabus	As Mentioned in Previous Tests
31	10 weeks after Prelims	GS Paper 2	Full Syllabus	As Mentioned in Previous Tests
32	10 weeks after Prelims	GS Paper 3	Full Syllabus	As Mentioned in Previous Tests
33	10 weeks after Prelims	GS Paper 4	Full Syllabus	As Mentioned in Previous Tests