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Sr. No.	Test ID	Date	Syllabus
1	TEST ID: 01	17th November 2025	Paper-I Political Theory Section-A - approaches to the study of political theory: historical, normative and empirical. - Theories of state: Liberal, , Marxist, , Post-colonial. - State Sovereignty: Monistic and Pluralistic theories; globalisation and the State. - Democracy: Democratic theory-classical and contemporary - Human Rights.: Theories of Human Rights; Theories of Justice, Equality and Revolution, Political obligation; - Theories of Political Culture and Political Economy. - Political Ideologies: Nature of Ideology; Liberalism, Socialism, Marxism, Fascism and Gandhism. - Theories of Power and Hegemony: Pareto, Mosca, Mitchels, C. Wright Mills, Weber and Gramsci. - Indian Political Thought: Manu, Kautilya, M.N. Roy, Gandhi and Ambedkar - Western Political Thought: Plato, Aristotle, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau, J S Mill, Hegel and Marx, Lenin, and Mao Zedong.
2	TEST ID: 02	30 th November 2025	Paper - II International Politics Section-A - International System: Evolution; The Modern State and Sovereign State System - Concepts of International politics : Power, balance of power, national interest, collective security. - Theories of International politics: Idealist, Realist, Systems, Decision- making and Game Theory. - Determinants of foreign policy : Ideology, Domestic compulsions, geopolitics, and global order. - Origin and decline of Cold War, New World Order. - Major issues of world politics : Cuban Missile Crisis; Vietnam War, Oil Crisis, Collapse of the Soviet Union, Yugoslav Crisis Afghan Crisis, Iraq War,. - Non-alignment : Nonaligned Movement; Its relevance in the post cold war era. - Disarmament and Arms Control; - The evolution of the international economic order-from Bretton woods to WTO, the North-South dimension. - UN and its specialized agencies - Regional organizations: ASEAN, EU, SAARC - Global Concerns ;; Human Rights, Ecology, Gender Justice

3	TEST ID: 03	15 th December 2025	Paper-I Section-B Indian Government and Politics 1. Indian Nationalism: Raja Ram Mohan Roy, Dadabhai Naoroji, Tilak, Gandhi, Nehru, Subhas Bose and Ambedkar. 2. Indian freedom struggle : Constitutionalism, Revolutionary movements Non Cooperation, Civil Disobedience and Quit India, Role of women in freedom struggle. 3. Constitutional Development in the pre- Independence Era: Morley- Minto Reforms; Montagu-Chelmsford Reforms; Government of India Act, 1919 and 1935; and Cripps Mission. 4. Socio- economic dimensions of the nationalist movement: The communal question and the demand for partition; backward caste
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			movements, Trade union and Peasant movements, Civil rights movement. 5. Salient Features of the Indian Constitution: The Preamble, Fundamental Rights and Duties, Directive Principles; federalism, parliamentary system; amending procedures; judicial review. 6. The Executive System: President, Prime Minister and the Council of Ministers; Governor, Chief Minister and the State Council of Ministers. The Bureaucracy. 7. Parliament: -Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha and Parliamentary Committees. 7. Judiciary: The Supreme Court and the High Courts; Judicial Activism; . 8. Statutory institutions/commissions-UPSC, Election Commission, Comptroller and Auditor General, Backward Classes Commission, National Commission for women; National Human Rights Commission; Minorities Commission. 9. Party System : ideology and social base of parties; fragmentation and regionalization; patterns of coalition politics; trends in electoral behaviour; Pressure groups;. 10. Class, caste, backward class and Dalit movements.; Tribal people's movements, gender in Indian politics and women's movements; ethnicity, communalism, and politics of regionalism. 11. Planning and Socio- Economic Development : Role of the Planning Commission; Socio- political dimensions of economic reforms. 12. Local Governance: Panchayati Raj and municipal government; significance of 73rd and 74th Amendments. Women's empowerment. 13. State Politics in Odisha: Social bases of Odia Nationalism; Freedom Movement and Praja Mandal Movements in Odisha; Integration of Princely States in Odisha; Coalition Politics, People's Movement and Women's Movement.
4	TEST ID: 04	30th December 2025	Paper II Section n-B India and the World 1. Indian Foreign Policy : Historical origins, determinants; the institutions of policymaking; continuity and change. 2. The Non-Alignment Movement : India's Contribution to NAM; Its contemporary relevance. 3. India and the major powers : USA, EU, China, and Russia. 4. India and its neighbours: Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Nepal. 5. Conflict and co-operation in South and South East Asia : Kashmir, SAARC. ASEAN

			6. India's Nuclear Policy: PNE, NPT, CTBT 7. India and the UN System : India's role in UN Peace Keeping and global disarmament. 8. India and the international economic order; WTO, IMF, IBRD, Globalization
5	TEST ID: 05	11 th January 2026	FULL LENGTH TEST PAPER I
6	TEST ID: 06	11 th January 2026	FULL LENGTH TEST PAPER II