

PSIR Optional for UPSC 2026

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PSIR

OPTIONAL FOR UPSC

About PSIR Optional: Political Science and International Relations, popularly called as PSIR amongst Civil Services Aspirants is one of the most popular Optionals in Civil services examination. According to the latest annual report of UPSC available at time of writing this article, in 2020, a total of 1863 candidates appeared in CSE main exam with PSIR optional, highest among all the Optional subjects.



Merits of PSIR Optional

Overlap with GS

- GS 3 - Security, Environment
- GS 1 - Freedom Struggle, Social Issues
- GS 4 - Moral Thinkers and Philosophical part
- Essay - Topics on Political and International issues are often asked
- GS 2 - Constitution, Polity, Social Justice and International Relations.

Helping in Interview

- It is also to be noted that certain questions with regards to International Relations are also asked in the UPSC-Civil Services Interview.





Features of the Course



Comprehensive Coverage of Syllabus



Over 250 hours Live Lectures



Detailed and well researched notes



Special lecture of two hours on "Art of answer writing".



6 Class Tests during the duration of course.



Previous Year Questions discussions



Course Info



PSIR Optional will be taken by **Dr. Vivek Kaushik**. He got his doctorate from Department of Political Science, Jamia Millia Islamia, Delhi (A central university and 3rd highest ranked university in India after IISc and JNU). He himself has cleared UPSC mains not once or twice, but four times. He was All India Rank 1 in UPSC CAPF exam 2010. Also, he has qualified UGC-NET and JRF. He has published many research papers in various journals. He has a teaching experience of over 12 years.

Starting from
30th June 2025

Classes
3 Days a Week [First month]
5/6 Days a Week [Rest period]

Fees
₹20,000.00
[If get Admission before 31st May]
₹25,000.00
[If get Admission after 31st May]

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