



UPSC CIVIL SERVICES EXAM – BOOK LIST

General Studies – CS Preliminary Exam

Subjects	Books	Author	Remarks
History	Ancient India	RS Sharma	Old NCERTS
	Medieval India	Satish Chandra	Old NCERTS
	Modern India	Bipin Chandra	Old NCERTS
	Themes in Indian History	Part I, II, III	New NCERTS
Geography	Certificate Physical Geography	G C Leong	Oxford Publications
	Fundamentals of Physical Geography	Class XI	New NCERTS
	India-Physical Environment	Class XI	New NCERTS
	India People and Economy	Class XII	New NCERTS
	Fundamentals of Human Geography	Class XII	New NCERTS
	World Atlas	Orient Black Swan	Any Atlas of your choice
Environment	Environment & Ecology	DR Khullar & JACS Rao	Any book of your choice
Economy	Indian Economy – Key Concepts	Sankar Ganesh IRS	McGraw Hill
	Economics (selected topics)	Class XI & II	TN SCERT
	Indian Economic Development	Class XI	New NCERT
	Introductory Macroeconomics	Class XII	New NCERT
Indian Polity	Constitution Of India	P.M Bakshi	Universal Law Publications
	Indian Polity	M Lakshmi Kanth	McGraw Hill
	Constitution of India at Work	Class XI	New NCERT
General Science	NCERTs for basics		Basic 10 th level books are enough
	Science Reporter Magazine	NISCAIR	Newspapers



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General Studies – CS Mains Exam

Subjects	Books	Authors	Remarks
History	India's Struggle for Independence	Bipin Chandra	Penguin Publications
	India Since Independence	Bipin Chandra	Penguin Publications
	Mastering Modern World	Norman Lowe	Palgrave Master
	An Introduction to Indian Art – Part 1	Class XI	New NCERT
	An Introduction to Indian Art – Part 2	Class XII	New NCERT
	Craft Traditions of India Past	Class XII	New NCERT
Society	Understanding Society	Class XI (Chap. 1, 2, 3)	New NCERT
	Indian Society	Class XII	New NCERT
Geography	Refer Prelims books		
Indian Polity	Introduction To The Constitution Of India	Durgadas Basu	Lexis Nexis
Governance	Citizen Centric Administration	2 nd ARC Reports	Selected chapters
International Relations	Challenge and Strategy: Rethinking India's Foreign Policy	Rajiv Sikri	SAGE Publications
	Newspaper Editorials		The Hindu / The New Indian Express
Economy	Economic Survey	CEA, Ministry of Finance	Current Year of the Exam
	Indian Economy	Dutt & Sundaram (or) Ramesh Singh (or) Sanjiv Verma	Any book of your choice
Environment	Refer prelims section		
Security Issues	Newspaper Editorials		The Hindu / The New Indian Express
Science & Technology	Science Reporter Magazine	NISCAIR	General Reading from current events is enough
Ethics, Integrity & Aptitude	Ethics in Governance	2 nd ARC Report	
	Lexicon	Niraj Kumar	Chronicle Publications