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<u>DATE</u>	<u>TEST</u>	<u>SYLLABUS</u>
<b><u>PAPER 1</u></b>		
Customized as per candidate	<b>Sectional TEST 1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Political Theory</b> – Meaning and Approaches</li> <li>• <b>Justice</b> - Conceptions of justice with special reference to Rawl's theory of justice and its communitarian critiques</li> <li>• <b>Equality</b> - Social, political, and economic; the relationship between equality and freedom; Affirmative action</li> <li>• <b>Rights</b> - Meaning and theories; different kinds of rights; Concept of Human Rights</li> <li>• <b>Democracy</b> - Classical and contemporary theories; different models of democracy—representative, participatory and deliberative</li> </ul>
Customized as per candidate	<b>Sectional TEST 2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Political Ideologies</b> - Liberalism, Socialism, Marxism, Fascism, Gandhism, and Feminism</li> <li>• <b>Theories of State</b> - Liberal, Neo-liberal, Marxist, Pluralist, Post-colonial, and Feminist</li> <li>• <b>Concept of Power, Hegemony, Ideology and Legitimacy</b></li> <li>• <b>Indian Political Thought</b> - Dharmashastra, Arthashastra, and Buddhist Traditions; Sir Syed Ahmed Khan, Sri Aurobindo, M. K. Gandhi, B. R. Ambedkar, M. N. Roy</li> <li>• <b>Western Political Thought</b> - Plato, Aristotle, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke, John S. Mill, Marx, Gramsci, Hannah Arendt</li> </ul>
Customized as per candidate	<b>Sectional TEST 3</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Political Strategies of India's Freedom Struggle:</b> Constitutionalism to mass Satyagraha, Noncooperation, Civil Disobedience; Militant and Revolutionary Movements, Peasant and Workers Movements</li> <li>• <b>Perspectives on Indian National Movement;</b> Liberal, Socialist, and Marxist; Radical Humanist and Dalit</li> <li>• <b>Making of the Indian Constitution:</b> Legacies of the British rule; different social and political perspectives</li> <li>• <b>Salient Features of Indian Constitution</b> - The Preamble, Fundamental Rights and Duties, Directive Principles;</li> </ul>

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		<p>Parliamentary System and Amendment Procedures; Judicial Review and Basic Structure doctrine</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Principal Organs of Union and State Government</b> - Envisaged role and actual working of the Executive, Legislature, and High Courts Supreme Court</li> <li>• <b>Grassroots Democracy</b> - Panchayati Raj and Municipal Government; Significance of 73rd and 74th Amendments; Grassroot movements</li> </ul>
Customized as per candidate	<b>Sectional TEST 4</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Statutory Institutions and Commissions</b> - Election Commission, Comptroller and Auditor General, Finance Commission, Union Public Service Commission, National Commission for Scheduled Castes, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes, National Commission for Women; National Human Rights Commission, National Commission for Minorities, National Backward Classes Commission</li> <li>• <b>Federalism</b> - Constitutional provisions; changing nature of center-state relations; integrationist tendencies and regional aspirations; inter-state disputes</li> <li>• <b>Planning and Economic Development</b> - Nehruvian and Gandhian perspectives; Role of planning and public sector; Green Revolution, land reforms and agrarian relations; liberalization and economic reforms</li> <li>• <b>Caste Religion and Ethnicity</b> in Indian Politics</li> <li>• <b>Party System</b> - National and regional political parties, ideological and social bases of parties; Patterns of coalition politics; Pressure groups, trends in electoral behavior; changing socio-economic profile of Legislators</li> <li>• <b>Social Movements</b> Civil liberties and human rights movements; women's movements; environmentalist movements</li> </ul>
<b><u>PAPER 2</u></b>		
Customized as per candidate	<b>Sectional TEST 5</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Comparative Politics</b> Nature and major approaches; Political economy and political sociology perspectives; Limitations of the comparative method</li> <li>• <b>State in Comparative Perspective</b> Characteristics and changing nature of the State in capitalist and socialist economies, and advanced industrial and developing societies</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Politics of Representation and Participation</b> Political parties, pressure groups and social movements in advanced industrial and developing societies</li> <li>• <b>Globalisation</b> Responses from developed and developing societies</li> <li>• <b>Changing International Political Order</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Rise of superpowers; Strategic and ideological Bipolarity, arms race and cold war; Nuclear threat.</li> <li>(b) Non-aligned movement: Aims and achievements.</li> <li>(c) Collapse of the Soviet Union; Unipolarity and American hegemony; Relevance of non-alignment in the contemporary world.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Customized as per candidate	<b>Sectional TEST 6</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Approaches to Study of International Relations</b> Idealist, Realist, Marxist, Functionalist and Systems theory</li> <li>• <b>Key Concepts in International Relations</b> National interest, security and power; Balance of power and deterrence; Transnational actors and collective security; World capitalist economy and globalisation</li> <li>• <b>Evolution of International Economic System</b> From Bretton woods to WTO; Socialist economies and the CMEA (Council for Mutual Economic Assistance); Third World demand for new international economic order; Globalisation of the world economy</li> <li>• <b>United Nations</b> Envisaged role and actual record; Specialized UN agencies—aims and functioning; the need for UN reforms</li> <li>• <b>Regionalisation of World Politics</b> EU, ASEAN, APEC, AARC, NAFTA</li> <li>• <b>Contemporary Global Concerns</b> – Democracy, Human Rights, Environment, Gender Justice, Terrorism, Nuclear Proliferation</li> </ul>
Customized as per candidate	<b>Sectional TEST 7</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Indian Foreign Policy</b> Determinants of foreign policy; the institutions of policy-making; continuity and change</li> <li>• <b>India's Contribution to Non-Alignment Movement</b></li> <li>• <b>India and South Asia -</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Regional Co-operation: SAARC-past performance and future prospects.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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		<p>(b) South Asia as a Free Trade Area.</p> <p>(c) India's "Look East" policy.</p> <p>(d) Impediments to regional co-operation: River water disputes; illegal cross-border migration; Ethnic conflicts and insurgencies; Border disputes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>India and Global South</b> Relations with Africa and Latin America; Leadership role in the demand for NIEO and WTO negotiations</li></ul>
Customized as per candidate	<b>Sectional TEST 8</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>India and Global Centres of Power</b> USA, EU, Japan, China and Russia</li><li>• <b>India and the UN System</b> Role in UN Peace-keeping; Demand for Permanent Seat in the Security Council</li><li>• <b>India and the Nuclear Question</b> Changing perceptions and policy</li><li>• <b>Recent Developments of India Foreign Policy</b> India's position on the recent crises in Afghanistan, Iraq, and West Asia, growing relations with US and Israel; Vision of a new world order.</li></ul>
Customized as per candidate	<b>Full Length TEST 1</b>	<b>Syllabus of Sectional 1-4 (Paper 1)</b>
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Customized as per candidate	<b>Full Length TEST 3</b>	<b>Syllabus of Sectional 1-4 (Paper 1)</b>
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