

ESSAY Program

“EASE”

Enhance & Augment Scores in Essay

- For candidates requiring specialized mentoring assistance and supervision in general studies after clearing the prelims exam.
- **10 STIMULATOR ESSAY TESTS**
- **“REGULAR”** Discussion, **“DETAILED”** Analysis and **“PERSONALIZED”** Evaluation.
- Personalized weekly **“P2P” mentoring sessions** with the faculty after the test.
- Topic wise hand holding and assistance in understanding, in depth analysis and notes making **“MICRO MENTORING”**
- Limiting the learning paradigm to examination needs– **EXAMABLE APPROACH.**
- Personalized rescheduling of the test available- **“FLEXIBILITY”**.

SCHEDULE FOR ESSAY TEST SERIES

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| <p>Test 1</p> | <p>FLEXIBLE DATE</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">ESSAY THEME -1</p> <p>Governance, Politics and Democracy</p> <p>Focus: Essays on democratic values, political institutions, governance processes, federalism, rule of law, public administration, electoral reforms, political culture, corruption, transparency.</p> <p>PYQs include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• “Whither Indian democracy?”• “Politics without ethics is a disaster.”• “Need for transparency in public administration.”• Federalism and state-centre relations. |
| <p>Test 2</p> | <p>FLEXIBLE DATE</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">ESSAY THEME -2</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Society and Social Justice</p> <p>Focus: Topics on social inequality, gender issues, poverty, caste, marginalization, social justice, human rights.</p> <p>Examples from past papers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Women’s empowerment and gender equality.• Patriarchy as a structural inequality.• Poverty vs social justice.• “Greater political power alone will not improve women’s plight.” |

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| <p>Test 3</p> | <p>FLEXIBLE DATE</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">ESSAY THEME -3 Economy and Development</p> <p>Focus: Economic growth, inclusive development, globalization, liberalisation, unemployment, rural development, agriculture and industrial policy.</p> <p>Representative PYQs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• “Near jobless growth in India: an anomaly or outcome of reforms.”• “Can capitalism bring inclusive growth?”• “Regional imbalance in development.”• Poverty, social justice and economic prosperity. |
| <p>Test 4</p> | <p>FLEXIBLE DATE</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">ESSAY THEME -4 Environment, Ecology and Sustainability</p> <p>Focus: Climate change, forests and deserts, sustainable development, conservation, biodiversity, environmental justice.</p> <p>Past essay examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• “Forests precede civilisations and deserts follow them.”• “Alternative technologies for a climate-resilient India.”• Ecological development vs economic imperatives. |

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| <p>Test 5</p> | <p>FLEXIBLE DATE</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">ESSAY THEME -5</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Science, Technology and Innovation</p> <p>Focus: Impact of science and technology on society, ethics of AI, research culture, digital transformation, cyber issues.</p> <p>Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “The doubter is a true man of science.” • “Rise of AI: threat of jobless future or new opportunities.” |
| <p>Test 6</p> | <p>FLEXIBLE DATE</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">ESSAY THEME -6</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ethics, Values and Philosophy</p> <p>Focus: Abstract, proverb- or quote-based topics that probe values, morality, human purpose, and philosophical reasoning.</p> <p>Recurring topics (abstract or values based):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Wisdom finds truth.” • “Life is a journey between being human and being humane.” • “Simplicity is the ultimate sophistication.” <p>Many others based on quotes or metaphorical statements.</p> |

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| <p>Test 7</p> | <p>FLEXIBLE DATE</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">ESSAY THEME -7</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Culture, Identity and Civilizational Issues</p> <p>Focus: Cultural heritage, pluralism, identity, civilization vs culture, philosophy of life, role of history and traditions.</p> <p>Representative topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• "Culture is what we are; civilization is what we have."• "The world of the twenty-first century."• "Modernisation and Westernisation..." |
| <p>Test 8</p> | <p>FLEXIBLE DATE</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">ESSAY THEME -8</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Human Development, Education and Knowledge Systems</p> <p>Focus: Education policy, knowledge economy, creativity, learning, public health, skills development, human capital.</p> <p>Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• "Destiny of a nation is shaped in its classrooms."• Essays on knowledge systems, research, innovation culture. |

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| <p>Test 9</p> | <p>FLEXIBLE DATE</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">ESSAY THEME -9</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Global Affairs and International Relations</p> <p>Focus: India's role in a changing world, global order, geopolitics, diplomacy, globalization versus localization.</p> <p>Past YOEs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• NAM's relevance in a multipolar world.• India's vision of world order.• Globalization's impact on culture. |
| <p>Test 10</p> | <p>FLEXIBLE DATE</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">ESSAY THEME -10</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Leadership, Character, Governance Ethics</p> <p>Focus: Leadership qualities, public service ethos, ethical governance, integrity and accountability.</p> <p>Essay examples and themes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• "Character of an institution is reflected in its leader."• "Nearly all men can stand adversity ... to test character, give him power."• Human values linked with ethical leadership. |

| Day | Focus Area | Description |
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| Day 1 | Current Affairs – Economy | Economy-specific and miscellaneous issues covering newspapers, editorials, and MCQs |
| Day 2 | Current Affairs – Polity | Polity-specific and miscellaneous issues covering newspapers, editorials, and MCQs |
| Day 3 | Current Affairs – Science & Technology | Science & Technology-specific and related issues covering newspapers, editorials, and MCQs |
| Day 4 | Current Affairs – Environment | Environment-specific and related issues covering newspapers, editorials, and MCQs |
| Day 5 | International Relations | International relations-specific and related issues covering newspapers, editorials, and MCQs |
| Day 6 | 1:1 Doubt Resolution & Weekly Test | One-to-one mentorship and doubt resolution along with weekly tests |

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| <p>ESSAY ENRICHMENT WORKSHOPS</p> | <p>Essay Enrichment Workshops</p> <p>The Essay Enrichment Workshops are specially curated academic sessions aimed at strengthening the foundational understanding of essay writing as demanded by UPSC. These workshops focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Understanding the philosophical, ethical, socio-economic, political, and interdisciplinary dimensions of essay topics• Developing the ability to decode essay themes, identify core demands, and avoid common pitfalls• Structuring essays with a strong introduction, multi-dimensional body, and a forward-looking conclusion• Incorporating thinkers, constitutional values, current affairs, examples, case studies, and Indian context <p>These workshops act as a conceptual backbone for aspirants, ensuring that essay writing moves beyond superficial content and reflects intellectual maturity and originality.</p> |
| <p>“MAINS STUDIO”</p> | <p>“Mains Studio” – Essay Writing and Evaluation</p> <p>The Mains Studio is a dedicated academic ecosystem that simulates the real UPSC Mains examination environment. Under this module, aspirants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Write essays in time-bound, exam-like conditions• Receive detailed, question-specific evaluations based on UPSC marking parameters• Get feedback on content depth, coherence, flow, language, presentation, and relevance <p>Each evaluated essay is accompanied by personalized faculty remarks, highlighting strengths, areas of improvement, and specific actionable inputs. This ensures continuous refinement of writing style and thought articulation</p> |

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| <p>LEARNING AIDS AND RESOURCES</p> | <p>“Learning Aids and Resources” – Hard Copy & Digital</p> <p>To support structured learning, SAARTHI IAS provides high-quality learning resources in both hard copy and digital formats. These include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Theme-wise essay notes and enrichment material• Model introductions, conclusions, and frameworks• Quotations, data points, constitutional references, and case studies• Value addition content aligned with current UPSC trends <p>These resources are crisp, concise, and consolidated, enabling aspirants to revise effectively and apply content seamlessly during essay writing.</p> |
| <p>10 THEME-BASED ESSAY TESTS</p> | <p>10 Theme-Based Tests with Micro-Mentoring</p> <p>The program includes 10 carefully designed theme-based essay tests, covering the most recurrent and high-probability UPSC essay themes such as governance, ethics, society, philosophy, economy, environment, science and technology, and internal security.</p> <p>Each test is followed by micro-mentoring sessions, where aspirants receive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• One-to-one or small-group guidance• Clarification of conceptual gaps |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategy inputs to improve structure, argumentation, and balance <p>This ensures personal attention and targeted improvement, rather than generic feedback.</p> |
| <p>MY PERFORMANCE DASHBOARD</p> | <p>The My Performance Dashboard is a transparent and data-driven monitoring system that tracks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Essay test scores and progress trends • Strengths and areas requiring improvement • Consistency and participation levels <p>This dashboard empowers both students and parents to stay informed about academic progress, ensuring accountability and sustained motivation throughout the preparation journey.</p> |
| <p>“LET’S TALK” ACADEMIC SUPPORT HUB</p> | <p>The LET’S TALK Academic Support Hub serves as a centralized platform for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academic counseling and guidance • Resolution of course-related concerns • Continuous student support and mentoring coordination <p>This ensures that every aspirant receives timely assistance, clarity, and academic direction, reinforcing SAARTHI IAS’s commitment to a student-centric UPSC preparation ecosystem.</p> |

**“P2P”
MENTORSHIP
PODS AND
DOUBT
RESOLUTION
DESK**

The **P2P Mentorship Pods** foster a supportive academic culture where aspirants can:

- Discuss essay ideas and frameworks
- Share feedback on writing styles
- Learn from peers at different stages of preparation

Additionally, the **Doubt Resolution Desk** ensures that academic queries related to essay topics, evaluation feedback, or resources are addressed promptly by mentors and faculty.



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