

Complete Book List For UPSC IAS Preparation

The [UPSC Syllabus](#) for Civil Services Prelims and Mains examination is comprehensive and requires a lot of information sources to adequately address the challenges of the UPSC question paper. Here, we are giving the list of books for IAS Examination.

NCERT Textbooks

1. NCERT Text Books from Class 6 – 12th. NCERTs (also OLD NCERTs) are the first step towards IAS preparation. Download them for free [here](#).
2. Or check our free [NCERT notes](#) section.

Indian History and Culture

1. India's Ancient Past – R.S. Sharma.
2. History Of Medieval India – Satish Chandra
3. History Of Modern India – Bipan Chandra.
4. India's Struggle For Independence – Bipan Chandra. (For Mains only)
5. The Wonder That Was India – A.L. Bhasham (Ancient India and Culture)
6. Indian Art and Culture – Nitin Singhania. (For Prelims – Culture)
7. A Brief History of Modern India – Spectrum (For Prelims)

Indian Geography and World Geography

1. Oxford School Atlas or any good quality Atlas
2. Geography of India – Majid Husain.
3. World Geography – Majid Husain
4. Certificate Physical and Human Geography – Goh Cheng Leong. (Physical and Human Geography)

Indian Polity and Constitution

1. Indian Polity for Civil Services Examinations – M. Laxmikanth. (ESSENTIAL FOR UPSC)
2. Introduction to the Constitution of India – D. D. Basu (only for Mains)

Indian Economy

1. Indian Economy – Ramesh Singh.

2. Often questions on Indian Economy are linked with Current Affairs; more on Current Affairs prep later

Science and Technology

1. Science and Technology in India – Ravi P Agrahari.
2. Read NCERTs for S&T topics selectively and follow Current Affairs

Environment – Ecology, Biodiversity and Climate Change

1. Environment for Civil Services Prelims and Mains – Khuller.

Current Affairs

1. India Year Book
2. Yojana Magazine
3. Kurukshetra Magazine
4. Economic and Political Weekly
5. Science Reporter
6. The Hindu/ The Indian Express
7. RSTV
8. Press Information Bureau

CSAT

1. Analytical Reasoning – M. K. Pandey
2. Verbal & Non-Verbal Reasoning – R. S. Aggarwal

For all CSAT related information, preparation strategy and more, check [here](#).

Other important reference books

1. Essays for Civil Services – Pulkit Khare
2. India After Gandhi – Ramchandra Guha
3. Mastering Modern World History – Norman Lowe
4. Social Problems In India – Ram Ahuja.
5. Governance in India – Laxmikanth.
6. India and the World by Surendra Kumar.
7. Challenges to Internal Security of India – Ashok Kumar.
8. Lexicon for Ethics, Integrity, and Aptitude – Niraj Kumar.

IAS Books in Hindi Language

Hindi medium aspirants can check the book list [here](#).

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Importance of Current Affairs in UPSC can't be stressed enough. Even questions from traditionally static part of the syllabus have become increasingly linked with the current affairs in recent years.

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1. Gist Of Yojana
2. PIB Summary and Analysis
3. Daily Comprehensive News Analysis
4. Daily Video Analysis - The Hindu

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