PSIR TEST **SERIES** 2023

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- 8 Tests (4 Sectional + 4 Full Length Tests)
- Test Series will Include 12 Test judiciously subdivided into 8 sectional Test and 4 full Length
- **☞** Focus on key metrics to ensure 300+ Marks in PSIR.
- ▼ Timely copy evaluation with robust feedback mechanism.
- Detailed and holistic explanation of each question that will help to upgrade your knowledge.
- Intensive coverage and thorough revision to help in the preparation.
- → High-quality questions complying with the latest pattern of UPSC CSE Mains.



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- **◄** Quality questions and intensive coverage.
- Robust feedback mechanism through copy evaluation in a time bound manner.
- Detailed test paper discussion by Piyush Chaubey
- → Flexible schedule; write anytime after scheduled date.
- Ensuring improvement in aspirants' performance by inculcating time management skills, handling pressure, rendering real-time exam experience, along with making them understand the craft of answer writing.



TEST SCHEDULE

| DATE | PAPER | DETAILED SYLLABUS |
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| 10-06-2023 2 to 5 PM (Saturday) | Test Paper-1 (Sectional Test - 2A) | Approaches to the Study of International Relations: Idealist, Realist, Marxist, Functionalist and Systems theory. Key Concepts in International Relations: National interest, security and power; Balance of power and deterrence; Transnational actors and collective security; World capitalist economy and globalisation. Comparative Politics: Nature and major approaches; Political economy and political sociology perspectives; Limitations of the comparative method. State in Comparative Perspective: Characteristics and changing nature of the State in capitalist and socialist economies, and advanced industrial and developing societies. Politics of Representation and Participation: Political parties, pressure groups and social movements in advanced industrial and developing societies. Globalisation: Responses from developed and developing |
| | | societies. |
| 24-06-2022 2 to 5 PM (Saturday) | Test Paper-2 (Sectional Test - 2A) | Changing International Political Order: Rise of superpowers; Strategic and ideological Bipolarity, arms race and cold war; Nuclear threat; Non-aligned Movement: Aims and achievements Collapse of the Soviet Union; Unipolarity and American hegemony; Relevance of non-alignment in the contemporary world. Evolution of the International Economic System: 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. United Nations: Envisaged role and actual record; Specialized UN agencies—aims and functioning; need for UN reforms. Regionalisation of World Politics: EU, ASEAN, APEC, AARC, NAFTA. Contemporary Global Concerns: Democracy, human rights, environment, gender justice terrorism, nuclear proliferation. |



| | | Indian Nationalism: |
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| 08-07-2023 2 to 5 PM (Saturday) | Test Paper-3 (Sectional Test - 1B) | Political Strategies of India's Freedom Struggle : Constitutionalism to mass Satyagraha, Noncooperation, Civil Disobedience; Militant and Revolutionary Movements, Peasant and Workers Movements. |
| | | Perspectives on Indian National Movement; Liberal, Socialist and Marxist; Radical Humanist and Dalit. |
| | | Making of the Indian Constitution: Legacies of British rule; different social and political perspectives. |
| | | • Salient Features of the Indian Constitution: The Preamble, Fundamental Rights and Duties, Directive Principles; Parliamentary System and Amendment Procedures; Judicial Review and Basic Structure doctrine. |
| | | Federalism: Constitutional provisions; changing nature of centre-state relations; integrationist tendencies and regional aspirations; inter-state disputes. |
| | | Principal Organs of the Union Government: Envisaged role and actual working of the Executive, Legislature and Supreme Court. |
| | | Principal Organs of the State Government: Envisaged role and actual working of the Executive, Legislature and High Courts |
| | | Grassroots Democracy: Panchayati Raj and Municipal Government; Significanc of 73rd and 74th Amendments; Grassroot movements. |
| 15-07-2023 2 to 5 PM (Saturday) | Test Paper-4 (Sectional Test - 1B) | • Statutory Institutions/Commissions: 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. |
| | | Planning and Economic development: Nehruvian and Gandhian perspectives; Role of planning and public sector; Green Revolution, land reforms and agrarian relations; liberalization and economic reforms. |
| | | Party System: National and regional political parties, ideological and social bases of parties; Patterns of coalition politics; Pressure groups, trends in electoral behaviour; changing socio-economic profil of Legislators. |
| | | Caste, Religion and Ethnicity in Indian Politics. |
| | | Social Movement: Civil liberties and human rights movements; women's movements; environmentalist movements. |
| 22-07-2023 2 to 5 PM (Saturday) | Test Paper-5 (Sectional Test - 1A) | Political Theory: Meaning and approaches. Theories of state: Liberal New Liberal Marvist Pluralist post |
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| | | Political Ideologies: Liberalism, Socialism, Marxism, Fascism, Gandhism and Feminism |

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| | | Indian Political Thought: Dharamshastra, Arthashastra and Buddhist Traditions; Sir Syed Ahmed Khan, Sri Aurobindo, M. K. Gandhi, B. R. Ambedkar, M. N. Roy. Western Political Thought: Plato, Aristotle, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke, John S. Mill, Marx, Gramsci, Hannah Arendt. |
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| 29-07-2023 2 to 5 PM (Saturday) | Test Paper-6 (Sectional Test - 1A) | Justice: Conceptions of justice with special reference to Rawl's theory of justice and its communitarian critiques. Equality: Social, political and economic; relationship between equality and freedom; Affirmativ action. Rights: Meaning and theories; different kinds of rights; Concept of Human Rights. Democracy: Classical and contemporary theories; different models of democracy—representative, participatory and deliberative. Concept of Power: Hegemony, ideology and legitimacy. |
| 05-08-2023 2 to 5 PM (Saturday) | Test Paper-7 (Sectional Test - 2B) | Indian Foreign Policy: Determinants of foreign policy; the institutions of policy-making; Continuity and change. India's Contribution to the Non-Alignment Movement Different phases; Current role India and South Asia: Regional Cooperation: SAARC-past performance and future prospects. South Asia as a Free Trade Area. India's "Look East" policy. Impediments to regional cooperation: River water disputes; illegal cross border migration; Ethnic conflict and insurgencies; Border disputes. |
| 12-08-2023 2 to 5 PM (Saturday) | Test Paper-8 (Sectional Test - 2B) | India and the Global South: Relations with Africa and Latin America; Leadership role in the demand for NIEO and WTO negotiations. India and the Global Centres of Power: USA, EU, Japan, China and Russia India and the UN System: Role in UN Peace-keeping; Demand for Permanent Seat in the Security Council. India and the Nuclear Question: Changing perceptions and policy. Recent developments in Indian Foreign Policy: 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. |
| 19-08-2023 2 to 5 PM (Saturday) | Test Paper-9 (Full Length Test - Paper-1) | Full Syllabus of 2A & 2B |
| 26-08-2023 2 to 5 PM (Saturday) | Test Paper-10 (Full Length Test - Paper-2) | Full Syllabus of 2A & 2B |