

**ANALYSIS GS PAPER I****MAINS 2018**

Year wise weightage → Category ↓	2015	2016	2017	2018
Arts, culture and architecture	25	25	10	10
History	62.5	62.5	70	55
Society	87.5	62.5	55	100
Geography	75	100	115	85
Total marks	250	250	250	250

Topic	Subcategory	2015	2016	2017	2018
Arts, culture and architecture	Ancient culture and traditions	12.5	0	0	10
	Visual arts	12.5	0	10	0
	Performing arts	0	0	0	0
	Literature	0	12.5	0	0
	Architecture	0	12.5	0	0
Weightage in marks		25	25	10	10

History	Medieval	0	0	10	25 ↑
	Modern	25	37.5	40	0
	World History	25	12.5	10	15
	Post-independence	12.5	12.5	10	15
Weightage in marks		62.5	62.5	70	55

Society	Religion and secularism	0	0	30	20
	Caste and tribes	37.5	12.5	10	10
	Poverty and economic development	12.5	25	0	25
	Globalization Impact	12.5	12.5	0	15
	Women empowerment	12.5	0	15	15
	Urban planning	12.5	12.5	0	15

Weightage in marks		87.5	62.5	55	100 ↑
Geography	Macro-climate	0	12.5	25	0
	Urban climatology	12.5	12.5	15	0
	Oceanography	12.5	0	15	25
	Physical geography	0	12.5	10	10
	Human geography	0	12.5	0	0
	Economic Resources (India and Asia)	12.5	25	0	20
	Industrial Location	0	0	15	15
Env. Geography	37.5	25	35	15	
Weightage in marks		75	100	115	85

**ANALYSIS OF GS I QUESTION PAPER  
(MAINS-2018)**

1. **Safeguarding the Indian art heritage is the need of the moment. Comment**

**AFTER PRE TEST 2, QUES. 11**

Q. "India has lack of not only scientific awareness for conservation of its architectural heritage but also their preservation and maintenance is not satisfactory." In the context of this statement, examine the decision of the government to hand over conservation of the heritage sites to the corporates.

**AFTER PRE 2018 ED 29 TOPIC 5: ADOPT A HERITAGE: PROJECT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF TOURIST FRIENDLY DESTINATIONS**

2. **Assess the importance of the accounts of the Chinese and Arab travellers in the reconstruction of the history of India.**

3. **Throw light on the significance of the thoughts of Mahatma Gandhi in the present times.**

**BEFORE PRE 2017 ED 22 TOPIC 1: CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF CHAMPARAN 1917**

4. **Why is Indian Regional Navigational Satellite System (IRNSS) needed? How does it help in navigation?**

**AFTER PRE 2018 ED 20 TOPIC 10: IRNSS - ISRO COMPLETES FIRST PHASE OF NAVIC  
2016 ED 5 TOPIC 11: LAUNCH OF IRNSS 1E**

5. **Why is India taking keen interest in the Arctic region?**

6. **Define mantle plume and explain its role in plate tectonics.**

7. What are the consequences of spreading of 'Dead Zones' on marine ecosystem?
8. "Caste system is assuming new identities and associational forms. Hence, caste system cannot be eradicated in India." Comment.

**BEFORE PRE TEST 2, QUES. 18**

Q. Examine the causes of caste persisting in India for centuries together. Why the role of caste in politics has resulted in large scale surveys and studies whereas caste has equally important role in social structure and economy?

**AFTER PRE 2018 TEST 2, QUES. 5**

Q. Caste conflict in recent times is more about economy and less about caste. Illustrate.

**AFTER PRE 2018 ED 28 TOPIC 3: THE ISSUE OF THE CASTE DISCRIMINATION IN HIGHER EDUCATION**

9. 'Despite implementation of various programmes for eradication of poverty by the government in India, poverty is still existing'. Explain by giving reasons.

**BEFORE PRE 2018 TEST 2, QUES. 14**

Q. Comment on the statement, on the one hand there is unprecedented wealth and affluence in the world today but poverty has also increased. Why in the most acutely poor areas along with Sub – Sahara states of Niger, Chad, and Mozambique etc. South Asian countries are also included?

10. How the Indian concept of secularism different from the western model of secularism? Discuss.

**BEFORE PRE 2018 TEST 2, QUES. 14**

Q. What are the differences between concept of secularism in USA and India? How the concept has helped to promote unity in diversity in India?

11. The Bhakti movement received a remarkable re orientation with the advent of Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu. Discuss.

12. Discuss whether formation of new states in recent times is beneficial or not for the economy of India.

13. Why indentured labour was taken by the British from India to their colonies? have they been able to preserve their cultural identity over there?

14. "The ideal solution of depleting ground water resources in India is water harvesting system." How can it be made effective in urban areas?

**BEFORE PRE 2018 TEST 3, QUES. 9**

Q. "Sustainable development and inclusive growth shall remain a dream unless we judiciously use our soil and underground water resources." Elucidate.

**AFTER PRE MOCK TEST 1, QUES. 11**

Q. With the nation suffering from severe water crisis every year, the solutions can be found in the ancient and medieval Indian architecture. Argue the statement and justify your view.

**AFTER PRE 2018 ED 19 TOPIC 9: WATER CRISIS: THE ALARM BELL HAS RUNG**

**BEFORE PRE 2017 ED 16 TOPIC 4: WASTE WATER MANAGEMENT**

15. Defining blue revolution, explain the problems and strategies for pisciculture development in India.

16. What is the significance of Industrial Corridors in India? Identifying industrial corridors, explain their main characteristics.

AFTER PRE 2018 ED 4 TOPIC 6: DELHI–MUMBAI INDUSTRIAL CORRIDOR: ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES

17. Mention core strategies for the transformation of aspirational districts in India and explain the nature of convergence, collaboration and competition for its success.

AFTER PRE 2018 ED 30 TOPIC 3: RASTRIYA GRAM SWARAJ ABHIYAN

18. 'Women's movement in India has not addresses the issues of women of lower social strata.' Substantiate your view.

BEFORE PRE TEST 4, QUES. 6

Q. Discuss the factors including economic and political behind the empowerment of women in India. Which serious obstacles are still blocking their way for full equality with men?

19. 'Globalisation is generally said to promote cultural homogenisation but due to this, cultural specificities appear to be strengthened in the Indian society.' Elucidate.

BEFORE PRE TEST 4, QUES. 3

Q. Discuss the nature of globalization over the world. Elaborate the impact of globalization on the aged people in India. Has globalization affected the core of Indian culture?

20. 'Communalism arises either due to power struggle or relative deprivation.' Argue by giving suitable illustrations.