KERALA ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE (Main Examination)

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GENERAL STUDIES

PAPER -I

(A) History (India and Kerala)

1) Ancient and Medieval Period :-
   (i) Salient features and major landmarks of ancient and medieval India
   (ii) Art, culture, literature and Architecture
   (iii) Major Dynasties, their administrative system, social, religious and economic conditions prominent movements

2) Modern Period :-
   (i) Modern Indian History (from the 18th century upto the present)
      significant events, personalities and issues
   (ii) India – Struggle for independence
   (iii) Social and religious reform movements in the 19th and 20th century
   (iv) India after Independence, Post independent consolidation and reorganisation
   (v) Independent India and her neighbours.

3) Kerala History (from 18th century):
   (i) Pre-Independence socio-political movements.

(B) History of the World (from mid 18th century)
   (i) Industrial revolution
   (ii) World wars
   (iii) Redrawal of National boundaries
   (iv) Colonialisation and decolonialisation
   (v) Globalisation
   (vi) Communism, Capitalism, Socialism – their forms and effects in society.

(C) Cultural Heritage of Kerala:

   1) Cultural Heritage of Kerala Art Forms, literature, sculpture, architecture, salient features of society
   2) Kerala Tribal culture, Pilgrimage, Tourist places, Folk Culture, Cinema, Theatre
   3) History and revolution of Malayalam language and literature.

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(A) Indian Constitution, Public Administration, Political System, Governance, Social Justice and International Relations


(B) Science and Technology


Institutes and Organization in India promoting integration of S&T and Innovation, their activities and contributions, Contribution of Prominent Indian Scientists.

3) Technology in Space and Defence: Evolution of Indian Space Programme, ISRO – it's activities and achievements, various Satellite Programmes – DRDO-vision, mission and activities.

4) Energy requirement and efficiency: India's existing energy needs and deficit, India's energy resources and dependence, Renewable and Non-renewable energy resources, Energy Policy of India – Govt.Policies and Programmes, Energy Security and Nuclear Policy of India.

5) Environmental Science: Issues and concerns related to environment, its legal aspects, policies and treaties for the protection of environment at the National and the International level, Environment protection for sustainable development.
   Biodiversity – its importance and concerns, Climate change, International initiatives (Policies, Protocols) and India's commitment, Western Ghats, Features, Characteristics and issues.
   Forest and wildlife – Legal framework for Forest and Wildlife Conservation in India.
   Environmental Hazards, Pollution, Carbon Emission, Global Warming. National action plans on climate change and Disaster Management.
   Developments in Biotechnology, Green Technology and Nanotechnology.

(C) Current Issues in given topics

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GENERAL STUDIES

PAPER -III

(A) Economy and Planning


5) Trends and Patterns in structure of population over time – Growth rate, Gender Rural-Urban Migration, Literacy, Regional Structure and trends of Poverty and Inequality, Unemployment – trends, Structure and National Rural Employment policies. Indicators of development – Physical Quality of Life Index, Human Development Index, Human Poverty Index, Gender Development Index, National Happiness Index.

7) Trend, Composition, Structure and direction of India's Foreign Trade. India's Balance of payments situation in post reforms period.


(B) Geography


(C) Current Issues in Economy and Planning & Geography

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