

# Bengali Literature Books for UPSC

The Bengali Literature optional subject is a part of the UPSC Mains Syllabus, and it is divided into two papers. Each paper carries 250 marks, and both of them contribute a total of 500 marks out of 1750 in the UPSC Mains exam. That is why it is important for the candidates to fetch good marks in this paper which will increase their chances of securing a good rank in the UPSC Mains exam.

Paper-1 of the UPSC Bangali Syllabus includes topics from the history of the Bangla language and the history of Bangla Literature. Paper-2 contains topics namely Vaishnava Padavali, Chandimangal, Chaitanya Charitamrita, Chhinnapatravali, Aranyak, etc. following is the UPSC Bengali literature booklist to cover these topics from both Paper-1 and Paper-2.

- The Oxford India Anthology of Bengali Literature (1941-1991) – Volume 2 (1941-1991) by Kalpana Bardhan
- Bangla Sahityer Sankshipta Itihas By Bhudeb Chaudhuri
- The Epic City: The World on the Streets of Calcutta Paperback by Kushanava Choudhuri
- Bengali Prose Style: 1800-1857 by Dinesh Chandra Sen
- Types of Early Bengali Prose by Mitra
- Bangla Natak Itihash By Ajit Kumar Ghosh
- The Bengalis: A Portrait of a Community by Sudeep Chakravarti