

UPSC Polity Syllabus

Topic-Wise UPSC Polity Syllabus

Indian Polity sum up the entire constitutional framework and function of the political system. Below we have broken down the UPSC Polity Syllabus into smaller sub-topic, which would make your preparation easier. Make sure you go through all these topics in detail with the help of the best Polity Books for UPSC and other NCERT Books for UPSC.

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Topic	Sub-topic
Constitutional Framework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Historical Background Fundamental Duties Amendment of the Constitution Basic Structure Constitutional Development Making of the Constitution Features of the Constitution Preamble The Union & Its Territories Citizenship Fundamental Rights Directive Principles of State Policy
System of Government	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parliamentary System Inter-state Relations Federal System Center-state Relations
State Government	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Governor State Council of Ministers State Legislature Chief Minister High Courts Subordinate Courts Special Provisions for Some States
Central Government	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> President Vice-President Parliament Central Council of Ministers Cabinet Committee Parliamentary Committee & Forums

	Supreme Court Prime Minister
Constitutional Bodies	Election Commission UPSC Comptroller & Auditor General of India National Commission for SCs National Commission for STs Attorney General of India Advocate General of State State PCS Finance Commission
Union Territories & Local Government	Union Territories Municipalities Scheduled & Tribal Areas Panchayati Raj
Non-Constitutional Bodies	Planning Commission National Development Council Lokpal & Lokayukta NITI Aayog Central Information Commission Central Vigilance Commission National Human Rights Commission State Human Rights Commission Central Bureau of Investigation
Emergency Provisions	National Emergency Role of President in the Time of Emergency Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha Financial Emergency The 44th Amendment Act Effects and Implications of Emergency Revoking Emergency President's Rule or State Emergency
Miscellaneous	Cooperative Societies Official Language Tribunals
Current Affairs	Important Schemes (both Central & State)

UPSC Polity Syllabus for Prelims

The UPSC CSE general studies-paper-I Indian polity and governance syllabus is very precise. But it covers a wide range of important concepts and issues to understand. Indian polity is also a part of the UPSC Prelims Syllabus, and below, we have provided the syllabus of Indian polity for UPSC Prelims.

- Indian polity and governance – Constitution
- Political system
- Panchayati Raj Public Policy, Rights Issues etc. The syllabus for the preliminary examination is epigrammatic.

Polity Syllabus for UPSC Mains

The General Studie Paper-II of the UPSC Mains Syllabus includes the Indian Polity section. Candidates must go through the Indian polity syllabus for UPSC mains before starting their preparation.

- Indian Constitution
- Functions and responsibilities of the Union and the States
- comparison of the Indian constitutional scheme with that of other countries
- Parliament and State Legislatures
- Appointment to various Constitutional posts
- Structure, organization and functioning of the Executive
- Salient features of the Representation of People's Act
- Government policies and interventions
- Health, Education, Human Resources
- Development processes and the development industry
- Issues relating to poverty and hunger
- Role of civil services in a democracy
- Important aspects of governance