

**LAW OPTIONAL
TEST SCHEDULE
(MAINS ASPIRANTS 2026)**



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MAINS - LAW OPTIONAL TEST SERIES 2026

INSTRUCTIONS

➤ **Portions**

1. Each exam has its respective syllabus on the lines of UPSC CSM Syllabus.
2. Each exam will be based on the pattern, trend and thematic analysis of the UPSC Mains PYQs.
3. A candidate is expected to write conceptually sound, contextually relevant and on the lines of demand of UPSC CSM Exam.

➤ **Test format**

1. Sectional tests are for 250 marks each and is for 3 hours.
2. FOUR FINAL MOCK EXAMS for 250 marks/ 3 hours.
3. If you are writing on plain A4 sheets at home, please write the question number, full question and the mark value on the answer paper.

➤ **Test Schedule**

1. All tests are on **Sunday**. Please return duly written answer sheets in pdf format with clear images of answers within 48 hours of the release of the respective tests and with test number and name.
2. Try to write the tests on specific dates as given in the schedule.
3. Evaluation of the tests will be prioritised on the basis of tests being written on their specific dates.
4. All candidates are advised to be prompt and follow the test schedule on priority basis.

Fees

New Students Rs.8,999/-

Old Students Rs.7,999/-



TEST NO. AND DATE	SYLLABUS OF THE TEST
TEST 1 [June 24]	<p>Constitutional Law: -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Constitution and Constitutionalism: The distinctive features of the Constitution.2. Fundamental Rights—Public interest litigation; Legal Aid; Legal services authority.3. Relationship between Fundamental Rights, Directive Principles, and Fundamental duties.4. Constitutional Position of the President and relation with the Council of Ministers.5. Governor and his powers.6. Supreme Court and the High Courts:<ol style="list-style-type: none">(a) Appointments and transfer.(b) Powers, functions, and jurisdiction.7. Centre, States, and local bodies:<ol style="list-style-type: none">(a) Distribution of legislative powers between the Union and the States.(b) Local Bodies.(c) Administrative relationship among Union, State, and Local Bodies.(d) Eminent domain-State property-common property-community property.8. Legislative powers, privileges, and immunities.9. Services under the Union and the States:<ol style="list-style-type: none">(a) Recruitment and conditions of services; Constitutional safeguards; Administrative tribunals.(b) Union Public Service Commission and state public Service Commissions—Power and functions.(c) Election Commission—Power and functions.10. Emergency provisions.11. Amendment of the Constitution.
TEST 2 [July 01]	<p>Administrative Law and International Law: -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Principle of Natural Justice—Emerging trends and judicial approach.



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	<ol style="list-style-type: none">2. Delegated legislation and its constitutionality.3. Separation of powers and constitutional governance.4. Judicial review of administrative action.5. Ombudsman: Lokayukta, Lokpal etc.6. Nature and Definition of International Law.7. Relationship between International Law and Municipal Law.8. State Recognition and State Succession.9. Law of the sea: Inland Waters, Territorial Sea, Contiguous Zone, Continental Shelf, Exclusive Economic Zone, and High Seas.10. Individuals: Nationality, statelessness; Human Rights, and procedures available for their enforcement.11. Territorial jurisdiction of States, Extradition, and Asylum.12. Treaties: Formation, application, termination, and reservation.
TEST 3 [July 8]	<p>International Law and Contemporary Legal Developments: -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. United Nations: Its principal organs, powers and functions, and reform.2. Peaceful settlement of disputes—different modes.3. Lawful recourse to force: aggression, self-defense, intervention.4. Fundamental principles of international humanitarian law—International conventions and contemporary developments.5. Legality of the use of nuclear weapons; ban on testing of nuclear weapons; Nuclear nonproliferation treaty, CTST.6. International Terrorism, State-sponsored terrorism, Hijacking, International Criminal Court.7. New International Economic Order and Monetary Law: WTO, TRIPS, GATT, IMF, World Bank.8. Protection and Improvement of the Human Environment: International Efforts.9. Public Interest Litigation.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">10. Intellectual property rights—Concept, types/prospects.11. Information Technology Law including Cyber Laws—Concept, purpose/prospects.12. Competition Law—Concept, purpose/prospects.13. Alternate Dispute Resolution—Concept, types/prospects.14. Major statutes concerning environmental law.15. Right to Information Act.16. Trial by media.
TEST 4 [July 15]	<p>Law of Crimes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">1. General principles of Criminal liability: mens rea and actus reus, mens rea in statutory offences.2. Kinds of punishment and emerging trends as to abolition of capital punishment.3. Preparations and criminal attempt.4. General exceptions.5. Joint and constructive liability.6. Abetment.7. Criminal conspiracy.8. Offences against the State.9. Offences against public tranquility.10. Offences against human body.11. Offences against property.12. Offences against women.13. Defamation.14. Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.15. Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955 and subsequent legislative developments.16. Plea bargaining.



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TEST 5 [July 22]	Law of Torts: - <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Nature and definition.2. Liability based upon fault and strict liability; Absolute liability.3. Vicarious liability including State Liability.4. General defences.5. Joint tort fessors.6. Remedies.7. Negligence.8. Defamation.9. Nuisance.10. Conspiracy.11. False imprisonment.12. Malicious prosecution.13. Consumer Protection Act, 1986.
TEST 6 [July 29]	Law of Contracts and Mercantile Law: - <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Nature and formation of contract/E-contract.2. Factors vitiating free consent.3. Void, voidable, illegal and unenforceable agreements.4. Performance and discharge of contracts.5. Quasi-contracts.6. Consequences of breach of contract.



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	7. Contract of indemnity, guarantee and insurance. 8. Contract of agency. 9. Sale of goods and hire purchase. 10. Formation and dissolution of partnership. 11. Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881. 12. Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996. 13. Standard form contracts.
TEST on [August 03]	MOCK TEST 1 [Full syllabus Paper 1]
TEST on [August 04]	MOCK TEST 2 [Full syllabus Paper 2]
TEST on [August 9]	MOCK TEST 3 [Full syllabus Paper 1]
TEST on [10 August]	MOCK TEST 4 [Full syllabus Paper 2]

♣ **All the best** ♣