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INTERACTIVE PHILOSOPHY MAINS TEST SERIES 2013: MODULE VI (17 MOCK TESTS)

ONLINE CLASSROOM DISTANCE LEARNING

ANSWER WRITING EVALUATION PROGRAMME (Experts Support: Telephonic Discussion / Email Interaction)

+ Value Addition material

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Program Objective

: This is a comprehensive and intensive 'interactive' distance learning program focusing on sincere IAS Aspirants who will appear in Civil Service Exam 2013. Our experts provide step by step guidance to aspirants for understanding the concepts of the subject and preparing them for effective answer writing.

Approach & Strategy

: Our simple, practical and focused approach will help aspirants understand the demand of UPSC exam effectively. Our strategy is to constantly innovate to keep the preparation process dynamic and give personalized attention to individual aspirants based on factors like core competence, availability of time and resource and the requirement of Civil Service Exam. Our Interactive Learning approach (Email / Telephonic Discussion: Experts with Aspirants) will continuously improve aspirant's performance and move their preparation in the right direction.

Number of Mock Tests

: 17

: Rs 11000

Nature

Fee

: Flexible -Date of dispatch: Date of dispatch: Reschedule on the demand of the aspirants [Schedule A (15 Days) and Schedule B (Personalized scheduling)]

ADMISSION OPEN

-Mode of dispatch: Printed material via airmail / PDF material via email / download material from Vision IAS Mains test Series Platform (Login/ password)

What you will get:

■ Login id & Password for performance analysis of aspirants (Innovative Assessment System)

Mock Test Papers & answer sheet (17 Tests)

Evaluated Answer Booklet by experts with proper feedback, comments & guidance.

Answer format (Synopsis) of Mock Test paper

Analysis of Mock Test papers based on difficulty level & nature of questions.

Comprehensive analysis of previous year questions

Value Addition material

STARTING ON (Online - Distance Learning / Classroom)

Plan A (Schedule A: October 21, 2012)

Plan B (Schedule B: Personalized Scheduling)

Note: 1. Aspirants can <u>reschedule</u> the test date based on their plan.

2.Classroom Tests (flexible): Every day of the week, 10 AM & 2 PM

3. We have Class Room Test Series center in Dr. Mukherkee Nagar, New Delhi

only. We have no branch in Rajendra Nagar, New Delhi.

INNOVATIVE ASSESSMENT SYSTEM:

- ✓ Static & dynamic Potential of Mock test papers (Scoring Potential), Macro & Micro performance Analysis of aspirants, Section wise analysis, Comparison of your Marks vs Potential of each Question, Difficulty Analysis, All India Rank, comparison with toppers, Geographical Analysis, Integrated Score Card, Analysis of Mock Test papers based on difficulty level & nature of questions etc.
- ✓ Potential Potential of the Question will be determined by difficulty level (E, M, D, VD) & nature of Questions (F, CA, FCA), Expert Experience Value and Previous Year Data base Value

SCHEDULE, CONTENT & REFERENCE

	TEST	Date of	Topics covered	Primary References	Additional References
	No.	Mock Test			
		Schedule A			
		Schedule B			
			Schools of Buddhism: Pratītyasamutpāda; Ksanikavada, Nairātmyavāda	Introduction of Indian Philosophy: Dutta &	
Т	Test 1	October 21,		Chaterjee	
		2012	Jainism: Theory of Reality; Saptabhaňginaya; Bondage and Liberation.		Essentials of Indian Philosophy:

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	Schedule B (Personalized scheduling: reschedule the date of Mock tests based on aspirant's plan)	Sāmkhya: Prakrti; Purusa; Causation; Liberation		Books: M. Hiriyanna
Test 2	November 4 , 2012	Yoga: Citta; Cittavrtti; Klesas; Samadhi; Kaivalya. Nyāya- Vaiśesika: Theory of Categories; Theory of Appearance; Theory of Pramāna; Self, Liberation; God; Proofs for the Existence of God; Theory of Causation; Atomistic Theory of Creation.	Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy – C D Sharma	Essentials of Indian Philosophy: Books: M. Hiriyanna
		Cārvāka: Theory of Knowledge; Rejection of Transcendent Entities.	Introduction of Indian Philosophy: Dutta & Chaterjee	
Test 3	November 18 , 2012	Mimāmsā: Theory of Knowledge Schools of Vedānta: Brahman; Īśvara; Ātman; Jīva; Jagat; Māyā; Avidyā; Adhyāsa; Moksa; Aprthaksiddhi; Pancavidhabheda	Critical Survey of Indian Philosophy – C D Sharma	Essentials of Indian Philosophy: Books: M. Hiriyanna
		Aurobindo: Evolution, Involution; Integral Yoga.	Contemporary Indian Philosophy – B K Lal	
Test 4	December 2 , 2012	Rationalism (Descartes, Spinoza, Leibniz): Cartesian Method and Certain Knowledge; Substance; God; Mind-Body Dualism; Determinism and Freedom. Empiricism (Locke, Berkeley, Hume): Theory of Knowledge; Substance and Qualities; Self and God; Scepticism.	Critical History Of Western Philosophy by Y. Masih	Western Philosophy: A history of Philosophy: Frank Thilly

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Test 5	December 16 , 2012	 Kant: Possibility of Synthetic a priori Judgments; Space and Time; Categories; Ideas of Reason; Antinomies; Critique of Proofs for the Existence of God Hegel: Dialectical Method; Absolute Idealism Plato and Aristotle: Ideas; Substance; Form and Matter; Causation; Actuality and Potentiality. 	Critical History Of Western Philosophy by Y. Masih	The Critique of Pure Reason by Immanuel Kant Western Philosophy: A history of Philosophy: Frank Thilly
Test 6	December 30 , 2012	 Logical Positivism: Verification Theory of Meaning; Rejection of Metaphysics; Linguistic Theory of Necessary Propositions. Moore, Russell and Early Wittgenstein: Defence of Commonsense; Refutation of Idealism; Logical Atomism; Logical Constructions; Incomplete Symbols; Picture Theory of Meaning; Saying and Showing. Later Wittgenstein: Meaning and Use; Language-games; Critique of Private Language. 	A Hundred Years of Philosophy - John Passmore	Internet
Test 7	January 13, 2013	 Phenomenology (Husserl): Method; Theory of Essences; Avoidance of Psychologism. Existentialism (Kierkegaard, Sartre, Heidegger): Existence and Essence; Choice, Responsibility and Authentic Existence; Being-in-the –world and Temporality. Quine and Strawson: Critique of Empiricism; Theory of Basic Particulars and Persons. 	A Hundred Years of Philosophy - John Passmore	Internet

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Test 8	January 27, 2013	Comprehensive Full Length Mock test (Paper I)		
Test 9	February 10 , 2013	 Notions of God: Attributes; Relation to Man and the World. (Indian and Western). Problem of Evil. Proofs for the Existence of God and their Critique (Indian and Western). Reason, Revelation and Faith. Religious Experience: Nature and Object (Indian and Western). 	Philosophy of Religion: Religion Philosophy: Y Masih Philosophy of Religion: John H. Hick	Philosophy: The Power of Ideas Brooke Noel Moore, Kenneth Bruder
Test 10	February 24 , 2013	 Soul: Immortality; Rebirth and Liberation. Religion without God. Religion and Morality. Religious Pluralism and the Problem of Absolute Truth. Nature of Religious Language: Analogical and Symbolic; Cognitivist and Noncognitive 	Philosophy of Religion: Religion Philosophy: Y Masih Philosophy of Religion: John H. Hick	Philosophy: The Power of Ideas Brooke Noel Moore, Kenneth Bruder
Test 11	June 9 , 2013	Social & Political Ideals: Equality, Justice, Liberty. Sovereignty: Austin, Bodin, Laski, Kautilya. Individual and State: Rights; Duties and Accountability Forms of Government: Monarchy; Theocracy and Democracy.	An Introduction To Political Theory - O P Gauba Social Political Philosophy: Political Theory: O P Gauba	Politics - Andrew Heywood Internet

	June 30	Political Ideologies: Anarchism; Marxism and Socialism Humanism; Secularism; Multiculturalism.	An Introduction To Political Theory - O P Gauba	Politics - Andrew Heywood
Test 12	2013	Crime and Punishment: Corruption, Mass Violence, Genocide, Capital Punishment. Development and Social Progress.	Social Political Philosophy: Political Theory: O P Gauba	Internet
		Gender Discrimination: Female Foeticide, Land and Property Rights; Empowernment.		
		Caste Discrimination: Gandhi and Ambedkar		
Test 13	July 21 2013	Comprehensive Full Length Mock test (Paper II)		
Test 14	August 11 2013	Complete Syllabus of Paper I (Full Length Test)		
Test 15	Sept 1 2013	Complete Syllabus of Paper II (Full Length Test)		

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Test 16	Sept 22 2013	Complete Syllabus of Paper I (Full Length Test)
Test 17	October 6 2013	Complete Syllabus of Paper II (Full Length Test)

FOCUS

: Answer writing skill development, Structure & presentation of answer, How to present facts, information & knowledge in the answer, Understanding actual requirement (key words, Context & Content) of the UPSC in the different marks types questions (30 Marks, 20 marks, 15 marks, 12 marks, 10 marks) and which questions should be attempted for good score (strategy & approach), Understanding your current state preparedness & required action plans and Framing your mind towards actual pattern, toughness and timing of the actual UPSC Examination.

PHILOSOPHY

:The pattern of UPSC Mains exam is very dynamic and unpredictable. Therefore Mock Test papers should be designed based on latest pattern of UPSC. Our team frame the questions (F, CA, FCA, U) with different difficulty level (E, M, D, V) in the Mock test papers. So that the aspirants can simulate the UPSC exam in real sense, understand the demand of the exam and develop effective writing skills.

Difficulty Level (DL)

: Easy (E), Medium (M), Difficult (D), Very Difficult (V)

Nature of Question (Nature): Fundamental /Conceptual /Conventional (F), Current Affairs (CA), Fundamental + Current Affairs (FCA) and Unconventional (U)

Concept behind designing Mock Test Question Paper with proper consideration of latest pattern of UPSC DOWNLOAD: Analysis / Approach / Source / Strategy: Philosophy Mains 2011 ~ www.visionias.wordpress.com

UPSC CRITERIA

:Criteria for assessment of candidate performance in the written IAS exam as per UPSC instruction:

"The main Examination is intended to assess the overall intellectual traits and depth of understanding of candidates rather than merely the range of their information and memory". -Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)

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METHODOLOGY

: Methodology for evaluation of Answer sheet: Our expert will evaluate aspirant's answer sheet on following indicators and their experience in the field UPSC.

EVALUATION INDICATORS	QUESTION No. Score (1-5)
1. Alignment Competence	
2. Context Competence	
3. Content Competence :	
4. Language Competence	
5. Introduction Competence	
6. Structure – Presentations	
Competence	
7. Conclusion Competence	
MARKS	

Score: Scale: 1-5 5 – Outstanding

- 4 Excellent
- 3 **–** Good
- 2 Averag
- 1 Poor
- Total Marks in the question has been given on proper consideration of weightage of every evaluation indicators based on nature of the questions and UPSC experience of the expert.
- The score of every indicator for any question will highlight candidate's competence performance (for understanding of the level of quality of the question and required action plans).

BASIC UNDERSTANDING OF FOLLOWING DESIGNED COMPETENCES:

♦ Alignment Competence:

- Writing the answer according to the actual requirement of the questions
- Focus on Key words & Tail words effectively (Elucidate Explain, Comment, Examine, Critically examine, Discuss, Analyze, Illustrate, Review, Argue, Justify etc.)

♦ Context Competence:

- Contextual understanding of the Questions
- Present relevant information, choice of words and proper statement

♦ Content Competence :

- Content of the answer in the contextual framework

♦ Language Competence :

- Optional Subject Specific Language not used general words in the optional paper (but In General Studies language should be simple and clear)
- Appropriate words at proper place, Word limits

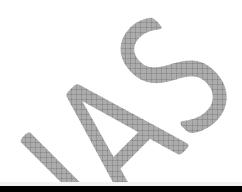
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♦ Structure – Presentation Competence:

- Proper systematization in the structure of the answer, Proper consideration of priority and focus of given ideas.
- Logical structure of sentence and their connectivity
- proper visibility of idea through facts, data, diagram, figure, illustration according to the requirement of the question

♦ Introduction – Conclusion Competence:

- Impressive beginning and Ending of the answer, Give your opinion only when asked for it.
- Incorporate your opinion from different perspective in a balance manner.



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Philosophy # Psychology # Hindi Lit.

CSAT (G.S. PRE. & APTITUTE TEST)

Essay &Interview Enrichment Programme

One year Integrated Programme # Two Years Integrated programme

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~ CLASSROOM~

By Team Vision IAS

(General Studies, Sociology, Public Administration, Geography, Philosophy, Psychology & Hindi Lit., GS PRELIM & APTITUTE TEST)

NATURE: Flexible, cyclic, Personalized Interactive Discussion

TIMING: 10 AM & 2 PM, Every day of the week

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