

Articles 12 to 35: Fundamental Rights (Part III of Constitution) [Polity Articles & Schedules]

Known as the Magna Carta of India, justiciable in nature, enforceable by Supreme Court (Article 32) and High Courts (Article 226).

Top PYQ: Which Article cannot be suspended even during a National Emergency? -> Ans: Article 20 and Article 21

Articles 36 to 51: Directive Principles of State Policy (DPSP - Part IV) [Polity Articles & Schedule]

Borrowed from the Irish Constitution (Ireland), non-justiciable principles fundamental in governance to establish a Welfare State.

Top PYQ: Which Article of the Indian Constitution directs the state to secure a Uniform Civil Code? -> Ans: Ar

Article 51A: Fundamental Duties (Part IVA) [Polity Articles & Schedules]

Recommended by Swaran Singh Committee (1976), borrowed from USSR Constitution. Originally 10 duties added by 42nd Amendment; 11th duty added by 86th Amendment 2002.

Top PYQ: On the recommendation of which committee were Fundamental Duties included in the Constitution? -> Ans

The 12 Schedules of the Indian Constitution [Polity Articles & Schedules]

Originally 8 schedules in 1950, expanded to 12 schedules through constitutional amendments.

Top PYQ: Which 4 states are covered under the 6th Schedule of the Constitution? -> Ans: Assam, Meghalaya, Trip

Emergency Provisions (Articles 352, 356, 360 - Part XVIII) [Polity Articles & Schedules]

Borrowed from Government of India Act 1935 (Suspension of FR borrowed from Weimar Republic of Germany).

Top PYQ: How many times has Financial Emergency (Article 360) been declared in India? -> Ans: Zero (Never decl

Key Constitutional Amendment Acts (42nd, 44th, 73rd, 86th, 101st-106th) [Polity Articles & Schedules]

Crucial amendments frequently asked in SSC, Railways, and UPSC examinations.

Top PYQ: Which words were added to the Preamble by the 42nd Constitutional Amendment Act 1976? -> Ans: Sociali

The 5 Types of Writs Issued under Article 32 & Article 226 [Polity Articles & Schedules]

Supreme Court (Art 32) and High Courts (Art 226) issue writs to enforce fundamental rights.

Top PYQ: Which writ literally translates to "We Command"? -> Ans: Mandamus.

Constitutional Dignitaries: CAG, Attorney General & Election Commission [Polity Articles & Schedules]

Key constitutional functionaries, articles, tenure, and appointment.

Top PYQ: Who is the highest law officer in the country under Article 76? -> Ans: Attorney General of India.

President & Vice-President of India: Key Articles & Powers [Polity Articles & Schedules]

Executive head of the Union, election electoral college, and pardoning powers.

Top PYQ: Which Article of the Constitution deals with the Impeachment of the President? -> Ans: Article 61.

Parliamentary Procedures: Money Bill, Joint Sitting & Budget [Polity Articles & Schedules]

Crucial legislative articles, procedures, and quorum requirements.

Top PYQ: Who presides over a Joint Sitting of both Houses of Parliament under Article 108? -> Ans: Speaker of

Governor-Generals and Viceroys of India (Key Milestones) [Modern History Milestones]

High-yield chronological achievements and reforms under British administration.

Top PYQ: Who is known as the "Father of Local Self-Government" in India? -> Ans: Lord Ripon.

The 4 Buddhist Councils (Venue, Patron King & Chairman) [Modern History Milestones]

Standard high-yield question in every ancient history section of SSC and Railways.

Top PYQ: During the reign of which king did the 4th Buddhist Council take place in Kashmir? -> Ans: Kanishka (

Socio-Religious Reform Movements & Founders [Modern History Milestones]

Key 19th and 20th century reform organizations and publications.

Top PYQ: Who wrote the famous book "Gulamgiri" (1873)? -> Ans: Jyotirao Govindrao Phule.

Indian National Congress (INC) Milestone Sessions & Presidents [Modern History Milestones]

High-yield landmark sessions of the freedom movement.

Top PYQ: In which session did the Indian National Congress pass the "Purna Swaraj" resolution? -> Ans: 1929 La

Major Historical Battles in Indian History [Modern History Milestones]

Pivotal military clashes that altered the political landscape of India.

Top PYQ: The Battle of Plassey was fought in which year? -> Ans: 1757 (23 June 1757) between British EIC (Robe

Major Indian River Systems, Origins & Tributaries [Geography Rivers & National Parks]

Himalayan and Peninsular river basins tested in geography sections.

Top PYQ: Which river forms the world's largest inhabited riverine island "Majuli"? -> Ans: Brahmaputra River (

High-Yield National Parks & UNESCO Natural Heritage Sites [Geography Rivers & National Parks]

Key wildlife sanctuaries, tiger reserves, and biosphere reserves.

Top PYQ: Which is the world's only floating national park? -> Ans: Keibul Lamjao National Park on Loktak Lake,

Major Mountain Passes of India & Strategic Highways [Geography Rivers & National Parks]

Key Himalayan and Western Ghat passes connecting states and borders.

Top PYQ: Through which Himalayan pass does the Sutlej river enter India from Tibet? -> Ans: Shipki La Pass (Hi

Major Lakes & Ramsar Wetland Sites of India [Geography Rivers & National Parks]

Freshwater, brackish, and crater lakes of geographic significance.

Top PYQ: Which lake was created by a hyper-velocity meteorite impact in Maharashtra? -> Ans: Lonar Crater Lake

Soils of India & Agricultural Cropping Seasons [Geography Rivers & National Parks]

Alluvial, Black, Laterite soils and Rabi/Kharif crop classifications.

Top PYQ: Black soil is also popularly known by which name in India? -> Ans: Regur Soil (Cotton Soil).

The 8 Classical Dance Forms of India (Sangeet Natak Akademi) [Static Art & Culture]

Official classical dances, states of origin, and prominent exponents.

Top PYQ: Sattriya classical dance was introduced by which 15th-century Vaishnavite saint? -> Ans: Mahapurush S

Popular Indian Folk Dances & Martial Arts across States [Static Art & Culture]

High-frequency tribal and regional dances tested in TCS question banks.

Top PYQ: Kalbelia folk dance from Rajasthan is associated with which community? -> Ans: Kalbelia (Snake Charm)

Famous UNESCO World Heritage Monuments & Temple Architecture [Static Art & Culture]

Nagara, Dravida, and Vesara style temples and caves of India.

Top PYQ: The Sun Temple at Konark, Odisha was built by which dynasty? -> Ans: Eastern Ganga Dynasty (King Nara)

Key Economic Concepts: Inflation, Monetary Policy & Five-Year Plans [Economics & Budget Basics]

High-frequency banking and macroeconomics terms tested in central exams.

Top PYQ: The Second Five-Year Plan of India was based on which economic model? -> Ans: PC Mahalanobis Model (H)

Banking & Financial Institutions (RBI, SEBI, NABARD, SIDBI, IRDAI) [Economics & Budget Basics]

Regulatory statutory bodies governing India's financial system.

Top PYQ: NABARD was established in 1982 on the recommendation of which committee? -> Ans: B. Sivaraman Committ

Scientific SI Units, Vitamins & Diseases, and Chemical Names [Science & NCERT Units]

High-frequency physics, chemistry, and biology facts in SSC and Railway General Science.

Top PYQ: Which metal is an essential component of Vitamin B12 (Cyanocobalamin)? -> Ans: Cobalt (Co).

Atmospheric Layers, Greenhouse Gases & Ozone Depletion [Science & NCERT Units]

Earth atmospheric structure and environmental protocols.

Top PYQ: The ozone layer is found in which atmospheric layer of the Earth? -> Ans: Stratosphere.

Indian Nuclear Power Plants, Space Centres & Defence Research [Science & NCERT Units]

Strategic nuclear reactors, ISRO launch sites, and DRDO missile systems.

Top PYQ: Which was India's first atomic power station established in 1969? -> Ans: Tarapur Atomic Power Statio

Human Endocrine Glands, Hormones & Diseases [Science & NCERT Units]

Key biological regulatory systems frequently tested in SSC exams.

Top PYQ: Which hormone is secreted by the Beta cells of the Islets of Langerhans in the Pancreas? -> Ans: Insu

Major International Organizations, Headquarters & Key Reports [Economics & Budget Basics]

Global multilateral bodies, leadership, and flagship economic reports.

Top PYQ: Where is the headquarters of the International Court of Justice (ICJ) located? -> Ans: The Hague, Net

Major Constitutional Amendments (42nd, 44th, 52nd, 61st, 73rd, 86th, 101st-106th) [Polity Articles & Schedules]

Milestone amendments that altered the basic framework, voting age, local self-governance, education rights, and GST in India.

Top PYQ: Which Constitutional Amendment Act reduced the voting age from 21 years to 18 years? -> Ans: 61st Con

Parliamentary Procedures, Motions, Sessions & Financial Committees [Polity Articles & Schedules]

Rules of Lok Sabha & Rajya Sabha, Question Hour, Zero Hour, No-Confidence Motion, PAC, and Estimates Committee.

Top PYQ: Which is the largest Parliamentary Committee of the Indian Parliament? -> Ans: Estimates Committee (3)

Constitutional vs Non-Constitutional & Statutory Bodies of India [Polity Articles & Schedules]

Jurisdiction, constitutional status, appointment, and tenure of UPSC, Election Commission, CAG, Finance Commission, NITI Aayog, NHRC, and CIC.

Top PYQ: Which article of the Indian Constitution provides for the Finance Commission? -> Ans: Article 280.

Emergency Provisions & Governor's Discretionary Powers (Articles 352, 356, 360) [Polity Articles & Schedules]

National Emergency, President's Rule, Financial Emergency, grounds of invocation, parliamentary approval duration, and effect on fundamental rights.

Top PYQ: Which Fundamental Rights cannot be suspended even during a National Emergency? -> Ans: Article 20 and 21

Socio-Religious Reform Movements & 19th Century Renaissance Leaders [Modern History Milestones]

Founders, publications, and key social reforms of Brahmo Samaj, Arya Samaj, Ramakrishna Mission, Satyashodhak Samaj, and Theosophical Society.

Top PYQ: Who authored the book "Gulamgiri" and founded Satyashodhak Samaj? -> Ans: Jyotirao Govindrao Phule (1)

Indian National Congress (INC) Milestone Annual Sessions (1885-1947) [Modern History Milestones]

Presidents, historical venues, and landmark resolutions of INC from Bombay 1885 to Meerut 1946.

Top PYQ: Which was the only session of the Indian National Congress presided over by Mahatma Gandhi? -> Ans: B

Revolutionary Freedom Struggle, Organizations & Historic Conspiracy Cases [Modern History Milestones]

Anushilan Samiti, Ghadar Party, HRA/HSRA, Kakori Action, Lahore Conspiracy, and Chittagong Armoury Raid.

Top PYQ: Where was the Hindustan Socialist Republican Association (HSRA) founded in 1928? -> Ans: Feroz Shah K

Peasant, Tribal & Working-Class Uprisings in Colonial India [Modern History Milestones]

Santhal Hool, Munda Ulgulan, Indigo Revolt, Pabna Movement, Deccan Riots, Bardoli Satyagraha, and Moplah Rebellion.

Top PYQ: Who wrote the famous Bengali play "Nil Darpan" portraying the plight of Indigo cultivators? -> Ans: D

Major Himalayan Mountain Passes, Glaciers & Trans-Himalayan Ranges [Geography Rivers & National Park]

Strategic mountain passes connecting India with Tibet, China, and Pakistan, and major glaciers of Karakoram and Himalayas.

Top PYQ: Through which mountain pass does the Sutlej river enter India from Tibet? -> Ans: Shipki La (Himachal)

Ramsar Wetland Sites, Mangroves & Biosphere Reserves of India [Geography Rivers & National Parks]

Montreux Record wetlands, UNESCO MAB Biosphere Reserves, Sundarbans, Loktak Lake (Keibul Lamjao), and Bhitarkanika.

Top PYQ: Which is the world's only floating national park, and where is it located? -> Ans: Keibul Lamjao Nati

Soil Types of India (ICAR Classification) & Cropping Seasons (Rabi, Kharif, Zaid) [Geography Rivers]

Characteristics, mineral deficiencies, distribution, and crop suitability of Alluvial, Black (Regur), Red/Yellow, and Laterite soils.

Top PYQ: Which soil is also known as "Regur Soil" and is best suited for cotton cultivation? -> Ans: Black Soil

Indian Monsoon Dynamics, ITCZ, Jet Streams, El Niño & La Niña [Geography Rivers & National Parks]

South-West vs North-East Retreating Monsoon, Western Disturbances, Tropical Cyclones, and Southern Oscillation (ENSO).

Top PYQ: Which Indian coast receives the majority of its rainfall during the winter / retreating monsoon season

Monetary Policy Instruments of Reserve Bank of India (RBI) [Economics & Budget Basics]

Quantitative (Repo, Reverse Repo, MSF, SDF, CRR, SLR, OMO) and qualitative credit control mechanisms of RBI.

Top PYQ: What is the inflation targeting band mandated to the RBI Monetary Policy Committee? -> Ans: 4% with a

Fiscal Deficit Concepts, Union Budget Classifications & FRBM Act [Economics & Budget Basics]

Definitions and formulas of Fiscal Deficit, Revenue Deficit, Primary Deficit, Capital vs Revenue Receipts/Expenditure.

Top PYQ: How is Primary Deficit calculated in the Union Budget? -> Ans: Primary Deficit = Fiscal Deficit - Int

Five Year Plans of India (1951-2017) & Planning Models [Economics & Budget Basics]

Key focus areas, growth models (Harrod-Domar, Mahalanobis, Gadgil formula), rolling plans, and NITI Aayog transition.

Top PYQ: Which economic growth model was the 2nd Five Year Plan of India based on? -> Ans: P.C. Mahalanobis Model

Inflation Indices (CPI vs WPI), GDP Deflator & Economic Curves [Economics & Budget Basics]

Base years, commodity weightages, publishing agencies (NSO, DPIIT), Core vs Headline inflation, and Philips/Lorenz/Kuznets curves.

Top PYQ: Which agency releases the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and Wholesale Price Index (WPI) in India? -> Ans

Human Endocrine System, Hormones, Blood Groups & Vitamins [Science & NCERT Units]

Glands (Pituitary, Thyroid, Adrenal, Pancreas), hormone functions, Landsteiner ABO/Rh blood groups, and vitamin deficiency syndromes.

Top PYQ: Which blood group is known as the Universal Donor? -> Ans: O Negative (O^{-ve}).

Important Chemical Compounds, Common Names, Ores & Everyday Chemistry [Science & NCERT Units]

Formulas and industrial uses of Baking Soda, Washing Soda, Bleaching Powder, Plaster of Paris, Epsom Salt, and major metallic ores.

Top PYQ: What is the chemical formula and scientific name of Plaster of Paris? -> Ans: CaSO₄ · ½ H₂O (Calcium Sulfate Hemihydrate)

Optics, Wave Phenomena, Electromagnetic Spectrum & Modern Physics Laws [Science & NCERT Units]

Total Internal Reflection, Rayleigh Scattering, Lens Maker applications, EM spectrum wavelengths, and nuclear fission/fusion.

Top PYQ: Which optical principle explains the working of Optical Fiber cables? -> Ans: Total Internal Reflection

Indian Classical Music Gharanas, Instrumental Maestros & Folk Theatres [Static Art & Culture]

Hindustani Gharanas (Gwalior, Agra, Kirana, Patiala), legendary instrumentalists (Sitar, Sarod, Shehnai, Santoor), and traditional folk theatres (Yakshagana, Nautanki, Tamasha, Bhavai).

Top PYQ: Which musical instrument was Ustad Bismillah Khan famous for playing, and when was he awarded the Bharat Ratna?

12 Schedules of Indian Constitution: "TEARS OF OLD PM" Master Mnemonic [Polity Articles & Schedules]**Memory Trick Code: T-E-A-R-S O-F O-L-D P-M**

Master memory trick to memorize all 12 schedules of the Indian Constitution in 30 seconds.

*Top PYQ: Which schedule of the Indian Constitution contains the Anti-Defection Law? -> Ans: 10th Schedule (add***Emergency Provisions: Articles 352, 356, 360 (+4 Interval Rule) [Polity Articles & Schedules]****Memory Trick Code: 352 (+4) -> 356 (+4) -> 360**

Recall National, State/President Rule, and Financial Emergencies through the +4 Article Interval Rule.

*Top PYQ: Which fundamental rights cannot be suspended even during a National Emergency under Article 352? -> A***Delhi Sultanate Dynasties Chronology: "Gul Khile Toh Saans Lo" [Modern History Milestones]****Memory Trick Code: Gul -> Khile -> Toh -> Saans -> Lo (G-Kh-T-S-L)**

Chronological sequence of all 5 dynasties of the Delhi Sultanate from 1206 to 1526 AD.

*Top PYQ: Which dynasty ruled Delhi for the longest duration during the Sultanate period? -> Ans: Tughlaq Dynas***Mughal Empire Chronology: "BHAJSA" Dynasty Blueprint [Modern History Milestones]****Memory Trick Code: B - H - A - J - S - A**

Sequential memory code for the 6 Great Mughal Emperors from Babur to Aurangzeb (1526-1707 AD).

*Top PYQ: Which Mughal Emperor was known as "Zinda Pir" (Living Saint)? -> Ans: Aurangzeb (Alamgir I).***Tropic of Cancer (23.5°N) States: "Mitra Par Gamcha Jhar" [Geography Rivers & National Parks]****Memory Trick Code: Mi - Tra - Par - Gam - Cha - Jhar (8 States)**

Memory code to instantly recall all 8 Indian States through which the Tropic of Cancer passes.

*Top PYQ: Which is the only river in India that cuts the Tropic of Cancer twice? -> Ans: Mahi River.***8 Classical Dances of India Recognized by Sangeet Natak Akademi [Static Art & Culture]****Memory Trick Code: Classical 8: B-K-K-K-O-S-M-M**

Complete state association, origin treatises, and distinguished exponents of all 8 Indian classical dance forms.

*Top PYQ: Who introduced the Sattriya dance form of Assam in the 15th century? -> Ans: Mahapurush Srimanta Sank***OSI 7-Layer Architecture Model: "All People Seem To Need Data Processing" [Computer Awareness & IT]****Memory Trick Code: A - P - S - T - N - D - P (Layer 7 down to Layer 1)**

Standard 7-layer networking model from Layer 7 (Top) down to Layer 1 (Physical).

*Top PYQ: At which layer of the OSI model does a Network Router operate? -> Ans: Network Layer (Layer 3).***High-Yield MS Office Keyboard Shortcuts (Excel & Word Master List) [Computer Awareness & IT]****Memory Trick Code: F-Keys & Ctrl Commands Blueprint**

Essential shortcuts tested repeatedly in SSC CGL Tier 2 Computer Proficiency Module and Bank Mains.

*Top PYQ: What is the keyboard shortcut to insert the AutoSum formula in MS Excel? -> Ans: Alt + = (Alt plus Eq***Computer Storage Hierarchy & Memory Units Conversion Ladder [Computer Awareness & IT]****Memory Trick Code: B - N - B - K - M - G - T - P - E - Z - Y**

Conversion formulas from Bit to Yottabyte tested in all technical screening exams.

Top PYQ: A group of 4 consecutive bits is technically known as a? -> Ans: Nibble (Half byte).