

COMBINED CIVIL SERVICES (MAIN) EXAMINATION - II 2025-2026

GROUP - IIA SERVICES

UNIT	SUBJECT	MARKS		
Unit I	Modern History of Tamil Nadu, Tamil Society - Culture and Heritage	30 Questions		
Unit II	Administration of States with reference to Tamil Nadu 45 Questions			
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Unit IV	Tamil Nadu Economy and Social Issues in Tamil Nadu	30 Questions		
Unit V	Geography of Tamil Nadu, Environment, Biodiversity and Disaster Management in Tamil Nadu	25 Questions		
PART:B	General Intelligence and Reasoning	gence and Reasoning 50 Questions		

PAPER DETAILS	STANDARD	ТҮРЕ	NO.OF QUESTIOS	MARKS			
Paper – I							
Tamil Eligibility	SSLC	Descriptive		100			
Paper – II							
A. General Studies	Degree	Objective	150	225			
B. General Intelligence & Reasoning	SSLC	Objective	50	75			
Total			200	300			

PART - A

Unit I: Modern History of Tamil Nadu, Tamil Society - Culture and Heritage (30 Questions)

Advent of Europeans

- Portuguese
- Dutch
- English
- Danish
- French

War:

- Anglo French Rivalry
- Anglo-Mysore War
- Anglo-Maratha War

Revolt:

- The Polligar rebellion
- Vellore Mutiny

Reform Movements:

Socio-religious reforms in the 18th and 19th centuries

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- Christian Missionaries
- Brahma Samaj
- Arya Samaj
- Theosophical Society
- Ramakrishna Mission
- Madras Native Association
- Madras Mahajana Sabha

Reforms of British East India Company's rule in Tamil Nadu

Ancient Tamil Society

Archeological excavation evidence

- Arikamedu
- Adichanallur
- Keezhadi

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Sangam Literature

• Advent of Sangam era

Thirukkural

- Philosophical thoughts
- Concepts
- Life principles
- Social principles
- Management principles
- Other principles

Emergence of Freedom Struggle in Tamil Nadu

- Indian National Movement
- Swedeshi Movement
- Moderates and Extremists in Tamil Nadu
- Home Rule Agitation
- Non-Cooperation Movement
- Civil Disobedient Movement
- Quit India Movement
- Journalists
- Women activists
- Revolutionary songs

Socio-political movements of 19th and 20th centuries:

- Justice Party
- Development of Rationalism
- Self-Respect Movement
- Dravidian Movement
- Tani Tamil Iyakkam (Pure Tamil Movement)
- Literary personalities

Tamil Society Reforms personalities:

- Thanthai Periyar
- Arignar Anna
- Other scholars

Unit II: Administration of States with reference to Tamil Nadu (45 Questions)

Constitution of India:

- Philosophical features
- Salient features
- Sources
- Preamble
- Union, States and Union Territories
- Citizenship
- Fundamental Rights
- Fundamental Duties
- Directive Principles of State Policy

Union Government:

- President
- Vice-President
- Prime Minister
- Council of Ministers

Parliament:

- Lok Sabha
- Rajya Sabha

State Government:

- Chief Minister
- Council of Ministers

Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly:

- Structure
- Powers
- Functions

Local Governments:

- Three-tier system
- 73rd and 74th Constitutional amendments
- Tamil Nadu Panchayat Act 1994
- Grama Sabha

Tamil Nadu Administration:

- Nature
- Evolution
- Functions
- Salient features

Organisational structure:

- Secretariat
- Chief Secretary
- Additional Chief Secretary
- Principal Secretary

District Administration: Role, Functions of

- District Collector
- District Revenue Officer
- Revenue Divisional Officer
- Tahsildar
- Block Development Officer
- Revenue Inspector
- Village Administrative Officer

E-Governance

- E-Governance Policy
- Mobile-Governance initiatives

Tamil Nadu State's Specialised Undertakings and Agencies

Welfare Schemes:

Tamil Nadu Government sponsored welfare schemes and measures (Since 1990) - objectives, issues and challenges in the implementation - Impact of welfare schemes and measures on the socio-economic development of the people;

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Unit III: Science and Technology in Development (20 Questions)

- Atomic and Nuclear Physics
- Applications of nuclear energy
- Electronics and Communication
- Robotics and applications
- Nanotechnology and its applications
- Electrochemical cells & Batteries
- Gaseous fuels & LPG
- Polymers
- Carbohydrates
- Vitamins
- Antibiotics
- Applications of Geographic Information System (GIS)

Biotechnology:

- Applications of biotechnology
- Concepts
- Tools used

Plant genetic engineering:

- Concepts
- Transgenic plants
- Edible vaccines
- BT cotton
- Golden rice
- Social and ecological impact of genetically modified crops
- Biotechnological methods for crop improvement
- Application of plant tissue culture in forestry and horticulture

DNA fingerprinting

Applications of Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) and Enzyme-Linked Immuno Sorbent Assay (ELISA) in disease diagnosis

Advanced reproductive techniques:

- In-Vitro Fertilisation (IVF)
- Artificial insemination
- Test tube baby

Vaccines:

- Types
- Vaccination schedule in humans

Contribution of the scientists from Tamil Nadu

Digital Computer Fundamentals:

- Hardware Components
- Input / Output Devices

Memory types:

- RAM
- ROM
- PROM
- EPROM
- EEPROM

Secondary Storage Devices:

- HDD
- SDD
- CD Type

CPU:

• Control Unit

Arithmetic Logic Unit

Software types

System Software:

- OS
- System Commands of Windows and Linux
- Application Software

DBMS

• Database Creation

Queries

• Word Processor

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- Spread sheet
- Presentation Software

Communication Software:

- Browser
- Email: Sending and receiving email
- Document sharing and Folder Management

Computer Network:

- Classification of Networks
- Topology

Multimedia and Applications:

- Image
- Audio
- Video File types

Network Security:

• User Authentication

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Unit IV: Tamil Nadu Economy and Social Issues in Tamil Nadu (30 Questions)

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Tamil Nadu Economy:

Features

State Budget:

- Major revenue and expenditure
- State Income types

State's Economic growth:

- Agriculture
- Industry
- Service Sector

Agriculture:

• Major crops

- Food grains
- Cash crops

Types of farming:

- Organic farming
- Inorganic farming
- Contract farming

Farmers Producers Organisation (FPO)

- Agricultural Marketing
- Issues of Marketing
- Online Marketing

Agriculture Budgeting

Features

Education:

- Illiteracy
- Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) in schools and colleges
- Measure and recent data
- Student welfare schemes
- Recent schemes for education
- Linkage between education and social development

Poverty and Unemployment:

- Unemployment issues
- State Government poverty alleviation schemes and employment generation schemes
- Labour migration

Population:

- Population growth rate
- Sex ratio
- Density of population
- Causes for population growth
- Population control programmes
- Family planning and its achievements

Child Labour issues

Health:

- Vital Statistics
- Recent health schemes

Women Empowerment:

- Domestic violence
- Dowry problems
- Sexual assault
- Laws and awareness programmes
- Women welfare schemes
- Self Help Groups

Marginalised Groups:

- Problems
- Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes
- Elderly
- People with disability
- Transgender
- Religious minorities
- State Government welfare programmes to marginalised groups

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Unit V: Geography of Tamil Nadu, Environment, Biodiversity and Disaster Management in Tamil Nadu (25 Questions)

Geography:

- Location
- Administrative units
- Relief features
- Major Rivers

Climate:

- Temperature
- Rainfall
- Monsoon

Soil:

- Classification
- Distribution

Forests:

- Classification
- Distribution
- Wildlife
- Bird's sanctuaries
- Forest products

Livestock:

- Cattle
- Dairying

Fishing:

- Freshwater
- Saline water fishing

Irrigation:

- Types and distribution of canal
- Tank
- Well irrigation
- Watershed
- Minor irrigation projects / CE IN CO

Minerals:

Distribution and production of

- Iron ore
- Bauxite

Power

Resources:

- Coal
- Petroleum

Industries:

• Iron and steel

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- Textiles
- Cement
- Automobile
- Sugarcane
- Cotton industries

Transport:

- Road
- Railway
- Air
- Sea transport

Environment:

• Environmental issues

Pollution:

- Air
- Water
- Soil
- Thermal
- Radioactive
- Noise

Natural resource types:

- Renewable
- Non-renewable energy resources

Biodiversity and Conservation:

- Definition
- Types
 - 1. Genetic
 - 2. Species
 - 3. Ecosystem diversity
- Values
- Threats to biodiversity
 - 1. Habitat destruction
 - 2. Invasive species
 - 3. Anthropogenic activities

- Biodiversity conservation: in-situ and ex-situ
- Biodiversity conservation strategies
- State Biodiversity action plan
- Biodiversity hotspots in Tamil Nadu

Causes and consequences of species extinction

Climatic change and forest fire

Sustainable development:

- Goals and targets
- Green energy

Climate Change:

- Paris Agreement and COP28
- Global warming and climate change issues
- Climate change governance
- Mitigations and adaptations
- State action plan

Disaster Management:

- Overview of disasters
- Definitions
- Types
- Natural calamities
- Anthropogenic disaster
- Tamil Nadu State Disaster Management Authority
- Tamil Nadu Disaster Management Plan
- Role of NGO and Civil society organisation
- Mitigation in Tamil Nadu

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PART - B General Intelligence and Reasoning (SSLC Standard - 50 Questions)

Analogy	Inserting the missing characters	
Classification	Logical reasoning	
Coding and decoding	Figural series	
Relationship Concepts	Numerical Operations	
Puzzles	Symbolic operations	
Dice	Word building	
Direction and Distance	Statement and Conclusion	
Logical Venn diagrams	Address matching	
Alpha-numeric reasoning	Mirror images	
Arithmetical reasoning	Embedded figures	
Verification of Truth of the	Visual reasoning	
Statement	C	
Similarities and Differences	Figural classification	
Calendar	Square completion	
Permutation Combination	7	

