

Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission
Group VII A Services Executive Officer Grade – I (Main Examination)
Paper - I - General Studies (Degree Standard) Objective Type

UNIT – I - General science :

Physics - Universe - General Scientific laws-Scientific instruments-Inventions and discoveries-National scientific laboratories-Science glossary- Mechanics and properties of matter -Physical quantities, standards and units - electricity and magnetism – electronics and communication - Heat, light and sound-Atomic and nuclear physics-Solid State Physics – Spectroscopy – Geophysics-Astronomy and space science.

Chemistry - Elements and Compounds-Acids, bases and salts-Oxidation and reduction-Chemistry of ores and metals-Carbon, nitrogen and their compounds-Fertilizers, pesticides, insecticides-Biochemistry and biotechnology-Electrochemistry-Polymers and plastics

Botany - Main Concepts of life science-The cell-basic unit of life-Classification of living organism-Nutrition and dietetics-Respiration-Excretion of metabolic waste-Bio-communication

Zoology - Blood and blood circulation-Endocrine system-Reproductive system-Genetics the science of heredity -Environment, ecology, health and hygiene, Bio- diversity and its conservation-Human diseases, prevention and remedies-Communicable diseases and non-communicable diseases-Alcoholism and drug abuse-Animals, plants and human life

UNIT - II. Current Events

History - Latest diary of events – National - National symbols-Profile of States- Defence, national security and terrorism -World organizations-pacts and summits - Eminent persons & places in news - Sports & games - Books & authors - Awards & honours - Cultural panorama - Latest historical events - India and its neighbours - Latest terminology - Appointments-who is who? -

Political Science - India's foreign policy - Latest court verdicts – public opinion - Problems in conduct of public elections - Political parties and political system in India - Public awareness & General administration - Role of Voluntary organizations & Govt., - Welfare oriented govt. schemes, their utility.

Geography - Geographical landmarks - Policy on environment and ecology

Economics - Current socio-economic problems - New economic policy & govt. sector

Science - Latest inventions on science & technology - Latest discoveries in Health Science - Mass media & communication

UNIT - III. Geography - Earth and Universe - Solar system - Atmosphere hydrosphere, lithosphere - Monsoon, rainfall, weather and climate - Water resources - rivers in India -

Soil, minerals & natural resources - Natural vegetation - Forest & wildlife - Agricultural pattern, livestock & fisheries - Transport & communication - Social geography - population-density and distribution - Natural calamities - disaster management - Climate change - impact and consequences - mitigation measures - Pollution Control

UNIT - IV. History and culture of India - Pre-historic events- Indus valley civilization- Vedic, Aryan and Sangam age - Maurya dynasty - Buddhism and Jainism - Guptas, Delhi Sultans, Mughals and Marathas - Age of Vijayanagaram and the bahmanis - South Indian history - Culture and Heritage of Tamil people - Advent of European invasion - Expansion and consolidation of British rule - Effect of British rule on socio-economic factors - Social reforms and religious movements - India since independence - Characteristics of Indian culture - Unity in diversity -race, colour, language, custom - India-as secular state - Organizations for fine arts, dance, drama, music - Growth of rationalist, Dravidian movement in TN - Political parties and populist schemes - Prominent personalities in the various spheres - Arts, Science, literature and Philosophy - Mother Teresa, Swami Vivekananda, Pandit Ravishankar , M.S.Subbulakshmi, Rukmani Arundel and J.Krishnamoorthy etc.

UNIT - V. INDIAN POLITY - Constitution of India- Preamble to the constitution - Salient features of constitution - Union, State and territory - Citizenship-rights amend duties - Fundamental rights - Fundamental duties - Human rights charter - Union legislature - Parliament - State executive - State Legislature - assembly - Status of Jammu & Kashmir - Local government - panchayat raj - Tamil Nadu - Judiciary in India - Rule of law/Due process of law - Indian federalism - center - state relations - Emergency provisions - Civil services in India - Administrative challenges in a welfare state - Complexities of district administration - Elections - Election Commission Union and State - Official language and Schedule-VIII - Amendments to constitution - Schedules to constitution - Administrative reforms & tribunals - Corruption in public life - Anti-corruption measures - Central Vigilance Commission, lok-adalats, Ombudsman, Comptroller and Auditor General of India - Right to information - Central and State Commission - Empowerment of women - Voluntary organizations and public grievances redressal - Consumer protection forms.

UNIT - VI. INDIAN ECONOMY - Nature of Indian economy - Need for economic planning - Five-year plan models-an assessment - Land reforms & agriculture- Application of science in agriculture -Industrial growth-Capital formation and investment-Role of public sector & disinvestment-Development of infrastructure- National income - Public finance & fiscal policy- Price policy & public distribution - Banking, money & monetary policy - Role of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) - WTO-globalization & privatization - Rural welfare oriented programmes -Social sector problems - population, education, health, employment, poverty - HRD - sustainable economic growth - Economic trends in Tamil Nadu - Energy Different sources and development - Finance Commission - Planning Commission - National Development Council.

UNIT VII - INDIAN NATIONAL MOVEMENT - National renaissance - Early uprising against British rule - 1857 Revolt - Indian National Congress - Emergence of national leaders -

Gandhi, Nehru, Tagore, Netaji - Growth of militant movements -Different modes of agitations-Era of different Acts & Pacts - World war & final phase struggle - Communalism led to partition - Role of Tamil Nadu in freedom struggle - Rajaji, VOC, Periyar, Bharathiar & Others - Birth of political parties /political system in India since independence -

UNIT - VIII. APTITUDE & MENTAL ABILITY TESTS - Conversion of information to data - Collection, compilation and presentation of data - Tables, graphs, diagrams - Parametric representation of data - Analytical interpretation of data - Simplification - Percentage - Highest Common Factor (HCF) - Lowest Common Multiple (LCM) - Ratio and Proportion - Simple interest - Compound interest - Area - Volume - Time and Work - Behavioral ability - Basic terms, Communications in information technology - Application of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) - Decision making and problem solving.

Logical Reasoning - Puzzles- Dice - Visual Reasoning - Alpha numeric Reasoning - Number Series - Logical Number/Alphabetical/Diagrammatic Sequences

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GROUP VII –A SERVICES EXECUTIVE OFFICER GRADE – I MAIN EXAMINATION

PAPER II : HINDU RELIGIOUS AND CHARITABLE ENDOWMENTS ACT, 1959

(DEGREE STANDARD – OBJECTIVE TYPE)

Code No.224

Unit – I: *Hinduism, Hindu Scriptures – Origin and development - Vedas, Upanishads, Bhagavad Gita – Puranas, Agamas, 4000 Prabhandams, Thevaram, Thiruvassagam, Thirumanthiram, Periyapuramam*

Unit – II: *Hindu Religion – Saivism, Vaishnavism, Saktam, Kaumaram, Ganapatyam and Sauram.*

Unit – III: *Hindu Saints and Sages, Socio-Religious Reformists: – Alvars, Nayanmars, Ramalinga Swamigal, Sankara, Ramanuja, Madhva - Contemporary Hindu Movements – Ramakrishna Mission - Sri Aurobindo, Ramana Maharishi. Siddhars, pattinathar, Thayumanavar.*

Unit – IV: *Basic concepts of Hindu Philosophical system, Hindu Ethics: Orthodox – Nyaya – Vaishesika; Samkhya – Yoga Mimamsa – Vedanta; Saiva Siddhanta; Heterodox - Basic concept of Jainism – Professional Ethics for temple administrators – Maintenance of temples – Public relations .*

Unit – V: *Hindu Culture, Temple: Cultural heritage of the Hindus - Temple Architecture and Sculpture – Temple Icons - Fine Arts – Music, Dance, Drama, Discourses – Temple – Temple structure, Sthala Vriksham, Sthala Puranas, Temple Ponds, Special Sannatis and Murtis.*

Temple worship – Temple Poojas and Festivals – Custom and usage of Hindus.

Unit – VI: Preliminary; Controlling Authorities – *Short title, Extent and commencement – Power to extend Act to Jain Institutions - Power to extend Act to Charitable endowments – Exemptions - Definitions – Advisory Committee – District committee – Commissioner and other controlling authorities – Powers of Commissioner and other Controlling authorities.*

Unit – VII: General Provisions of Religious Institutions: – Powers and duties of Commissioner in respect of religions institutions – Power to enter Religious Institutions - Qualification of Trustees – Trustees and their number and terms of office - Chairman – Power to suspend dismiss or remove trustees.

Unit – VIII: Property - Preparation of Registers – Property and Thittam – Alienation of immovable trust property – Utilisation of surplus funds - Procedure and mode of eviction, Penalty and Recovery – Appeal.

Unit – IX: Executive Officer- Appointment and duties – Appointment of Office holders and servants in Religious Institutions – Punishment of Office holders and servants.

Unit – X: Audit and Finance; Miscellaneous – Budgets of Religious Institutions - Accounts and Audit report and rectification - Contribution and Audit fees – Legal proceedings fee – Common good fund – Religious and Charitable Endowments Administration fund - Power to inspect – putting trustee or Executive Officer in possession – Power of Government to call for records – Power of Government to review – Limitation – Power to make rules.

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PAPER III : LAW (DEGREE STANDARD – OBJECTIVE TYPE)

Code No.225

Unit I - JURISPRUDENCE:

1. Sources of Law Legislation, Precedent and custom
2. Schools of Jurisprudence; Analytical, Historical, Philosophical and Sociological
3. Concepts; Rights and Duties, Person, Possession and Ownership.

Unit II - CONSTITUTIONAL LAW:

Definition and meaning of Constitution- Fundamental Rights-Directive Principles of State Policy and Fundamental Duties -Separation of Powers-Doctrine of Checks and Balances-Doctrine of Judicial Review-Essentials of Federalism- - Emergency provisions.

Unit III- CONTRACTS

Nature of contract-Essentials of Contract-valid, voidable, void agreements-Performance of Contract-Discharge of contracts-Quasi contracts-Indemnity and Guarantee-Bailment-Sale of Goods-Partnership

Unit IV- LAW OF TORTS:

Nature and scope-definition-foundation of tortious liability-general defences-vicarious liability-Nuisance-Negligence- Assault- battery-distress-defamation.

Unit V- LAW OF CRIMES:

Definition of crime-essential elements of crime- General Defences-offences against state-offences against human body-offences against property

Unit VI- HUMAN RIGHTS LAW

United Nations Charter based Human rights Institutions- Commission on Human rights, Human rights committee- Human rights and International Judicial bodies-Role of Indian judiciary in the development of Human rights Law - The National Commission for Minorities Act, 1992- The Protection of Human rights Act 1993-The Persons with Disabilities Act 1995 and rules 1996

Unit VII- ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

Origin and development of administrative law –Delegated legislation- Procedural fairness and Judicial review-Judicial control of administration discretion-m Liability of states-ombudsman, lokpal, lokayukta and central vigilance commission.

Unit VIII- ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

Environment and Environmental Law- factors responsible for environmental pollution- Water prevention and control of pollution act 1974- EPAAct 1986- Air act 1981- Wildlife protection Act 1972- Forest conservation Act 1980- Biodiversity act 2002- Municipal solid waste- Ground water Authority Act 1987.

Unit IX - TRANSFER OF PROPERTY ACT

1. Lease, and tenancy
2. Mortgage
3. Sale Gift etc.,
4. Tamil Nadu Revenue Recovery Act, 1864
5. Tamil Nadu Buildings (Lease and Rent Control) Act, 1960
6. Tamil Nadu Court of Wards Act, 1902

Unit X - PERSONAL LAW & HERITAGE AND ARCHAEOLOGY

Personal Law relating Hindus, Muslims and Christians;

1. Sources of Hindu Law
2. Creation of Charitable and Religious Endowments
3. Adoption and Maintenance
4. Minority and Guardianship
5. Succession
6. Tamil Nadu Temple Entry Authorization Act, 1947
7. The Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958
8. The Madras Ancient and Historical Monument and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1966
9. The Tamil Nadu Ancient and Historical Monument and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1971
10. The Antiquities and Art Treasures Act, 1972
11. Antiquities and Treasures Rules, 1973
12. The Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains (Amendments and Validation) Act, 2010
13. The Tamil Nadu Heritage Commission Act, 2012