General Studies
(Degree Standard) (Objective Type)

Subject Code: 003

UNIT-I: GENERAL SCIENCE

(i) Scientific Knowledge and Scientific temper - Power of Reasoning - Rote Learning Vs Conceptual Learning - Science as a tool to understand the past, present and future.


(iv) Main concepts of Life Science, Classification of Living Organisms, Evolution, Genetics, Physiology, Nutrition, Health and Hygiene, Human diseases.

(v) Environment and Ecology.

UNIT-II: CURRENT EVENTS

(i) History - Latest diary of events - National symbols - Profile of States - Eminent personalities and places in news – Sports - Books and authors.


(iii) Geography - Geographical landmarks.

(iv) Economics - Current socio - economic issues.

(v) Science - Latest inventions in Science and Technology.
UNIT - III: GEOGRAPHY OF INDIA

(i) Location – Physical features - Monsoon, rainfall, weather and climate - Water resources - Rivers in India - Soil, minerals and natural resources - Forest and wildlife - Agricultural pattern.

(ii) Transport - Communication.

(iii) Social geography – Population density and distribution - Racial, linguistic groups and major tribes.

(iv) Natural calamity – Disaster Management – Environmental pollution: Reasons and preventive measures – Climate change – Green energy.

UNIT - IV: HISTORY AND CULTURE OF INDIA

(i) Indus valley civilization - Guptas, Delhi Sultans, Mughals and Marathas - Age of Vijayanagaram and Bahmani Kingdoms - South Indian history.

(ii) Change and Continuity in the Socio - Cultural History of India.

(iii) Characteristics of Indian culture, Unity in diversity – Race, language, custom.

(iv) India as a Secular State, Social Harmony.

UNIT-V: INDIAN POLITY

(i) Constitution of India - Preamble to the Constitution - Salient features of the Constitution - Union, State and Union Territory.


(iii) Union Executive, Union legislature – State Executive, State Legislature – Local governments, Panchayat Raj.

(iv) Spirit of Federalism: Centre - State Relationships.

(v) Election - Judiciary in India – Rule of law.

UNIT-VI: INDIAN ECONOMY

(i) Nature of Indian economy – Five year plan models - an assessment – Planning Commission and Niti Ayog.

UNIT-VII: INDIAN NATIONAL MOVEMENT

(ii) Different modes of Agitation: Growth of Satyagraha and Militant movements.
(iii) Communalism and partition.

UNIT- VIII : History, Culture, Heritage and Socio - Political Movements in Tamil Nadu

(i) History of Tamil Society, related Archaeological discoveries, Tamil Literature from Sangam age till contemporary times.
(ii) Thirukkural: (a) Significance as a Secular literature
(b) Relevance to Everyday Life
(c) Impact of Thirukkural on Humanity
(d) Thirukkural and Universal Values - Equality, Humanism, etc
(e) Relevance to Socio - Politico - Economic affairs
(f) Philosophical content in Thirukkural
(iii) Role of Tamil Nadu in freedom struggle - Early agitations against British Rule - Role of women in freedom struggle.

(iv) Evolution of 19th and 20th Century Socio-Political movements in Tamil Nadu - Justice Party, Growth of Rationalism - Self Respect Movement, Dravidian movement and Principles underlying both these movements, Contributions of Thanthai Periyar and Perarignar Anna.

UNIT – IX: Development Administration in Tamil Nadu

(i) Human Development Indicators in Tamil Nadu and a comparative assessment across the Country – Impact of Social Reform movements in the Socio - Economic Development of Tamil Nadu.

(ii) Political parties and Welfare schemes for various sections of people – Rationale behind Reservation Policy and access to Social Resources - Economic trends in Tamil Nadu – Role and impact of social welfare schemes in the Socio - economic development of Tamil Nadu.

(iii) Social Justice and Social Harmony as the Cornerstones of Socio - Economic development.

(iv) Education and Health systems in Tamil Nadu.

(v) Geography of Tamil Nadu and its impact on Economic growth.

(vi) Achievements of Tamil Nadu in various fields.

(vii) e-governance in Tamil Nadu.

UNIT-X: APTITUDE AND MENTAL ABILITY

(i) Simplification – Percentage - Highest Common Factor (HCF) - Lowest Common Multiple (LCM).

(ii) Ratio and Proportion.

(iii) Simple interest - Compound interest - Area - Volume - Time and Work.

(iv) Logical Reasoning - Puzzles-Dice - Visual Reasoning - Alpha numeric Reasoning – Number Series.


UNIT – VI PRELIMINARY CONTROLLING AUTHORITIES

Short title, Extent and commencement – Power to extent Act to Jain Institutions - Power to extent 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 religious 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 and duties – Appointment of Office holders and servants in Religious Institutions – Punishment of Office holders and servants.

UNIT – X AUDIT AND FINANCE, MISCELLANEOUS

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


UNIT III - CONTRACTS


UNIT IV - LAW OF TORTS


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

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


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
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 Treasures Rules, 1973
12. The Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains (Amendments and Validation) Act, 2010