



Syllabus for PG Entrance (MA Anthropology)

Unit 1: Basics of Anthropology

- Anthropology as a discipline, and Major Branches of Anthropology
- Anthropology and Colonialism: Historical Background
- Relationship between Anthropology and Social Sciences.
- Anthropology in India: Key Anthropologists and their work

Unit 2: Culture and Society

- Concept of Society and Culture: Key definitions
- Norms, Values, Status and Role
- Kinship and Classification

Unit 3: Social Institutions

- Basics of Social Institutions: Concepts and Definitions
- Social Structure: Group, Systems
- Family: Types and Functions
- Marriage and Religion

Unit 4: Caste and Class

- Concept of Class and Class Struggle
- Workers Movements in India
- Concept and History of Caste in India
- Social Movements for Inclusion (Ambedkar, Phule)

Unit 5: Gender

- Concepts of Gender: Biological and Social
- Patriarchy
- Feminism
- Gender and Development

Unit 6: Tribes and Peasants in India

- Concept of Tribe and features of Tribes in India
- Tribal Administration and Development Schemes
- Concept of Peasantry and Approaches to Study of Peasants
- Tribal and Peasant Movements in India (Santhal and Moplah, and Telangana)

Unit 7: Reform Movements

- History and Agenda of Reform Movements in India
- Brahmo Samaj and Arya Samaj
- Ramakrishna Mission
- Aligarh Movement

Unit 8: History of Freedom Movement in India

- Foundation of British Rule in India
- Role of Early Nationalists
- Indian Nationalists and the Caste Question
- Freedom and Partition

Unit 9: Rural and Urban Development

- Village Community
- Role of Panchayats and Gram Sabha
- Urbanisation, Housing and Slums
- Migrants and Migrations

Unit 10: Archaeological Anthropology

- Paleolithic Culture
- Mesolithic Culture
- Neolithic Culture
- Glaciation

Unit 11: Population and Evolution

- Human Evolution
- Chromosomes and Genes: Basic Concepts
- Concept of Human Variation
- Census, Population Density and Sex Ratio

Unit 12: General Awareness I

- Directive Principles
- Fundamental Rights and Duties
- Legislative Bodies: Parliament, and State Assemblies

Unit 13: General Awareness II

- Development Programmes: MGNREGA and Direct Cash Transfer
- Public Health: Nutrition, Deficiencies and Programmes
- World Bodies: UN, ASEAN and SAARC, WHO
- Environmental Policies and Legislation

Unit 14: Research Methods

- Research Design
- Qualitative, Quantitative Research, & Historiography
- Ethnography and Participant Observations
- Case Study, Life History and Interviews

Unit 15: Society and Culture in Jammu and Kashmir

- Ethnic groups in Kashmir
- Languages and Dialects
- Kashmiri Shaivism, and Sufism
- Folk, Music, Art, Literature

