

## **SYLLABUS FOR ORISSA CIVIL SERVICES (PRELIMINARY) EXAMINATION**

### **GENERAL STUDIES**

The nature and standard of questions in this paper will be such that a well-educated person will be able to answer them without any specialized study. The questions will be such as to test a candidate's general awareness of a variety of subjects, which will have relevance for a career in Civil Services.

#### **General Science**

**Current events and developments of national and international importance.**

**History of India and Indian National Movement.**

**Indian and World Geography**

**Indian Polity and Economy.**

#### **General Mental Ability**

#### **General Science**

1. Questions on General Science will cover general appreciation and understanding of science including matters of everyday observation and experience, as may be expected of a well educated person who has not made a special study of any particular scientific discipline.
2. Questions also may be set covering facts relating to modern important scientific discoveries and prominent Indian Scientists and their contributions.

#### **Current events and Developments of national and international importance.**

In current events knowledge of significant state, national and international events will be tested.

#### **History of India and Indian National Movement**

1. In History of India emphasis will be on;
  - a) General understanding on social, economic and political history of India.
  - b) General understanding of socio-cultural and political history of Orissa.

2. Indian National Movement.

- a) Nature and character of the 19<sup>th</sup> century resurgence, growth of nationalism and attainment of independence.
- b) Freedom movement in Orissa, Oriya nationalism and Formation of Orissa Province.

**Indian and World Geography –**

Emphasis will be on Geography of India and Orissa. Questions are to be set on the following;

1. Physical, Social and Economic Geography of India.
2. Main features of Indian agriculture and natural resources.
3. Natural resources of Orissa – Water, Forest and Minerals.
4. Natural disasters in Orissa, - Flood and Cyclone.

**Indian Polity and Economy –**

Questions on Indian polity and economy will test the candidate's knowledge on the following;

1. Indian Political system and Constitution of India.
2. Social system and economic development in India.
3. Local self Government – Urban and Rural Bodies in Orissa.
4. Orissa's economic development during the Plan periods; Agriculture, Industry, Social Sector.

**General Mental Ability**

The candidates will be tested on reasoning and analytical abilities.