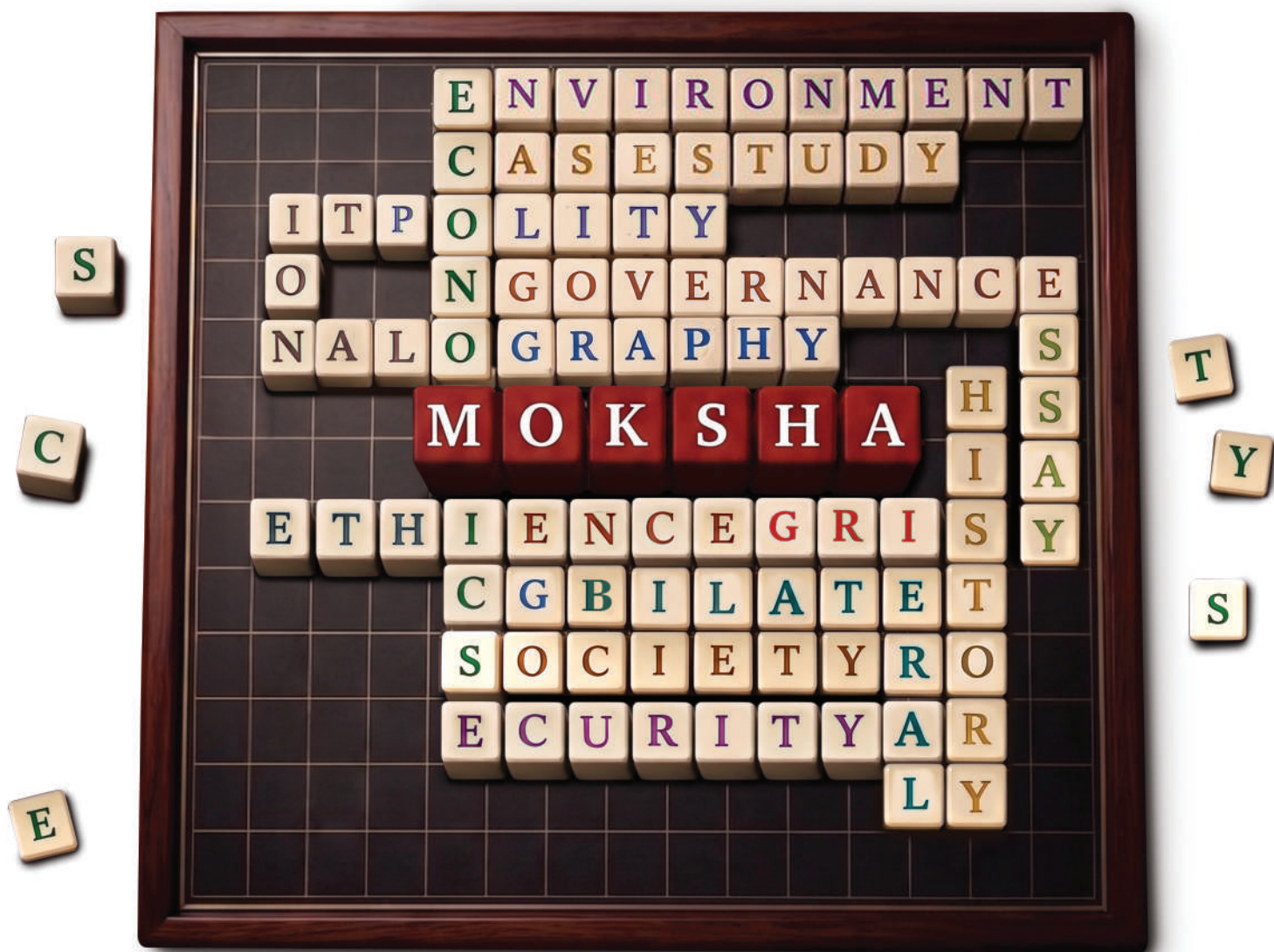




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TRACK RECORD

10+ Students in Top 100 consistently

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35-40% of our test questions reflected in UPSC Mains every year

PROGRAM DESIGN

Sequential design of test schedule helps build confidence & momentum in candidates to face the Mains exam

PROGRAM BREAKUP

Orientation

WHAT to study ?
HOW to study ?
From **WHERE** to study ?

Daily Targets

Structurized Completion of syllabus with daily answer writing

Weekly Tests

Apply & test your preparation level

Discussions

Understand the question paper & its expectations

Evaluation

WHAT you got right?
WHAT went wrong?
Evaluation in **7 - 10 days**

Feedback | Mentorship

(In-person | Online)
HOW to improve ?
WHERE to improve?

TEAM

One of the best Mains Test Series team in India to guide you!

Senior Faculty

CSE Toppers

Experienced Mentors

Subject Matter Experts

MOKSHA 2027 – GS

TEST SCHEDULE (SHORT TERM)

Test #	Date	Day	Time	Paper	Subject
1	9th Oct 2026	Fri	2:30 pm to 4:00 pm	Essay 1	Essay half test
2	16th Oct 2026	Fri	2:30 pm to 5:30 pm	GS I (a)	History, Geography, Society (Part I)
3	23rd Oct 2026	Fri	2:30 pm to 5:30 pm	GS II (a)	Polity, Governance, Bilateral (Part I)
4	25th Oct 2026	Sun	2:30 pm to 4:00 pm	Essay 2	Essay half test
5	30th Oct 2026	Fri	2:30 pm to 5:30 pm	GS III (a)	Economics, Environment & Disaster Management
6	13th Nov 2026	Fri	2:30 pm to 5:30 pm	GS IV (a)	Ethics (Part I) & Case Studies
7	27th Nov 2026	Fri	2:30 pm to 5:30 pm	Essay 3	Essay Full Test
8	3rd Dec 2026	Thu	2:30 pm to 5:30 pm	GS I (b)	History, Geography, Society (Part II)
9	11th Dec 2026	Fri	2:30 pm to 5:30 pm	GS IV (b)	Ethics (Part II) & Case Studies
10	18th Dec 2026	Fri	2:30 pm to 5:30 pm	Essay 4	Essay Full Test
11	24th Dec 2026	Thu	2:30 pm to 5:30 pm	GS II (b)	Polity, Governance, Bilateral (Part II)
12	2nd Jan 2027	Sat	2:30 pm to 5:30 pm	GS III (b)	Agriculture, Internal Security, Science & Technology
13	8th Jan 2027	Fri	2:30 pm to 5:30 pm	GS I	GS I – Full Portions
14	22nd Jan 2027	Fri	2:30 pm to 5:30 pm	GS II	GS II – Full Portions
15	29th Jan 2027	Fri	2:30 pm to 5:30 pm	GS III	GS III – Full Portions
16	5th Feb 2027	Fri	2:30 pm to 5:30 pm	GS IV	GS IV – Full Portions
17	12th Feb 2027	Fri	9:00 am to 12:00 pm	Essay Mock	Essay Full Test
18	13th Feb 2027	Sat	9:00 am to 12:00 pm	GS I Mock	GS I – Full Portions
19	13th Feb 2027	Sat	2:30 pm to 5:30 pm	GS II Mock	GS II – Full Portions
20	14th Feb 2027	Sun	9:00 am to 12:00 pm	GS III Mock	GS III – Full Portions
21	14th Feb 2027	Sun	2:30 Pm to 5:30 pm	GS IV Mock	GS IV – Full Portions

- ▶ Only recorded discussion videos will be provided.
- ▶ For GS 4 only Indicative keys will be provided.

SUBJECT SPLIT UP (SHORT TERM)

Subject	Composition	Details
GS I	History I	Modern Indian History from about the middle of the eighteenth century until the present – significant events, personalities, issues The Freedom Struggle – its various stages and important contributors /contributions from different parts of the country Post-Independence Consolidation and Reorganization within the country
	History II	History of the world will include events from 18th century such as the Industrial revolution, world wars, redrawing of national boundaries, colonization, decolonization, political philosophies like communism, capitalism, socialism etc.- their forms and effect on the society Indian culture will cover the salient aspects of Art Forms, Literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times.
	Geography I	Salient features of world's physical geography Important Geophysical phenomena such as earthquakes, Tsunami, Volcanic activity, cyclone etc Geographical features and their location- changes in critical geographical features (including water bodies and ice-caps) and in flora and fauna and the effects of such changes.
	Geography II	Distribution of key natural resources across the world (including South Asia and the Indian sub-continent) Factors responsible for the location of primary, secondary, and tertiary sector industries in various parts of the world (including India).
	Society in India I	Salient features of Indian Society, Cultural Diversity of India Role of women and women's organization communalism & secularism, regionalism
	Society in India II	Poverty and developmental issues urbanization, their problems and their remedies Effects of globalization on Indian society Social empowerment population and associated issues

GS II	Polity I	Indian Constitution – historical underpinnings, evolution, features, amendments, significant provisions and basic structure Functions and responsibilities of the Union and the States, Issues and challenges pertaining to the federal structure, devolution of powers and finances up to local levels and challenges therein Separation of powers between various organs dispute redressal mechanisms and institutions Comparison of the Indian constitutional scheme with that of other countries.
	Polity II	Parliament and State Legislatures – structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers & privileges and issues arising out of these Structure, organization and functioning of the Executive and the Judiciary Ministries and Departments of the Government, pressure groups and formal/informal associations and their role in the Polity Salient features of the Representation of People's Act Appointment to various Constitutional posts, powers, functions and responsibilities of various Constitutional Bodies Statutory, regulatory and various quasi-judicial bodies.
	Governance I	Important aspects of governance, transparency and accountability, e-governance- applications, models,successes, limitations, and potential, citizens charters, transparency & accountability and institutional and other measures Role of civil services in a democracy Disaster management Right to Information.Government policies and interventions for development in various sectors and issues arising out of their design and implementation Development processes and the development industry the role of NGOs, SHGs, various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional and other stakeholders
	Governance II	Ethical governance Corporate governance Challenges of corruption Welfare schemes for vulnerable sections of the population by the Centre and States and the performance of these schemes; mechanisms, laws, institutions and bodies constituted for the protection and betterment of these vulnerable sections Issues relating to development and management of Social Sector/Services relating to Health, Education, Human Resources Issues relating to poverty and hunger
	Bilateral Relations I	India and its neighbourhood– relations Bilateral, regional and global groupings and agreements involving India and/or affecting India's interests Effect of policies and politics of developed and developing countries on India's interests, Indian diaspora Important International institutions, agencies and fora, their structure, mandate.
	Bilateral Relations II	India and developed nations and others

SUBJECT SPLIT UP (SHORT TERM)

GS III	Economics	Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, growth, development and employment Inclusive growth and issues arising from it Government Budgeting National Income, Public Finance Money, Inflation, Banking. Mobilization of resources External Sector, Capital Market Effects of liberalization on the economy, changes in industrial policy and their effects on industrial growth Investment models Infrastructure: Energy, Ports, Airports, Railways, Sectors of Economy.
	Agriculture	Major crops cropping patterns in various parts of the country, different types of irrigation and irrigation systems storage, transport and marketing of agricultural produce and issues and related constraints; e-technology in the aid of farmers Land reforms in India. Technology missions; economics of animal-rearing Food processing and related industries in India - scope and significance, location, upstream and downstream requirements, supply chain management Issues related to direct and indirect farm subsidies and minimum support prices; Public Distribution System objectives, functioning, limitations, revamping; issues of buffer stocks and food security.
	Internal Security	Linkages between development and spread of extremism Role of external state and non-state actors in creating challenges to internal security Security challenges and their management in border areas; linkages of organized crime with terrorism Challenges to internal security through communication networks, role of media and social networking sites in internal security challenges, basics of cyber security; money-laundering and its prevention Various Security forces and agencies and their mandate.
	Environment	Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment, Disaster and disaster management.
	Science & Technology	Developments and their applications and effects in everyday life Achievements of Indians in science & technology; Indigenization of technology and developing new technology Awareness in the fields of IT, Space, Computers, robotics, nano-technology, bio-technology and issues relating to intellectual property rights.

GS IV	Ethics I	Ethics and Human Interface: Essence, determinants and consequences of Ethics in-human actions; dimensions of ethics; ethics – in private and public relationships. Human Values – lessons from the lives and teachings of great leaders, reformers and administrators; role of family society and educational institutions in inculcating values. Aptitude and foundational values for Civil Service, integrity, impartiality and nonpartisanship, objectivity, dedication to public service, empathy, tolerance and compassion towards the weaker-sections. Emotional intelligence-concepts, and their utilities and application in administration and governance. Contributions of moral thinkers and philosophers from India and world.
	Ethics II	Attitude: content, structure, function; its influence and relation with thought and behaviour; moral and political attitudes; social influence and persuasion. Public/Civil service values and Ethics in Public administration: Status and problems; ethical concerns and dilemmas in government and private institutions; laws, rules, regulations and conscience as sources of ethical guidance; accountability and ethical governance; strengthening of ethical and moral values in governance; ethical issues in international relations and funding; corporate governance. Probity in Governance: Concept of public service; Philosophical basis of governance and probity; Information sharing and transparency in government, Right to Information, Codes of Ethics, Codes of Conduct, Citizen's Charters, Work culture, Quality of service delivery, Utilization of public funds, challenges of corruption.

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RAJESHWARI SUVE M
AIR 2 - CSE 2025

Securing AIR 2 in UPSC CSE 2025 was greatly supported by the mentorship at Shankar IAS Academy. Essay guidance transformed my approach to writing — from structuring introductions to developing multi-dimensional perspectives and effective paragraph flow through detailed weekly feedback. Their guidance played a crucial role in my Mains preparation.



DR. A. R. RAJAH MOHAIDEEN
AIR 7 - CSE 2025

Shankar IAS Academy took me from having zero knowledge of UPSC to AIR 7. The GPCM foundation batch made my base strong. I am incredibly grateful for their suggestions and support.



S. RESHMA
AIR 181 - CSE 2025

My journey to AIR 181 began at Shankar IAS Academy through the 2022–23 Foundational Batch. I am deeply grateful for the constant mentorship and support throughout my preparation. With consistent revisions, monthly targets, and focused preparation I was able to secure AIR 181 in my third attempt.



MALAVIKA.G.NAIR
AIR 45 - CSE 2024

I have been a student of Moksha test series of Shankar IAS. I found the program very useful in covering the syllabus in a systematic manner. I use the answer keys because they were very comprehensive in nature. Then there was a constant way in which you could track the level of your paper and the staff was also very responsive and you could comfortably complete the papers as well as your preparation within the schedule mentioned.



AKSHAY DILEEP
AIR 246 - CSE 2024

Moksha test series by Shankar IAS Academy has helped me to constantly improve and test my writing skills during my UPSC Mains preparation. Special regards to their Sociology test series which helped me to boost my optional score from last year.



S. SAIKIRAN
AIR 298 - CSE 2024

I had enrolled in Moksha test series for General studies and I must say it is a wonderful answer writing initiative. The nature of questions are thought provoking and relate to those asked in actual UPSC exam. Followed by test, detailed answer key and answer review in personalised manner are enriching that helped in creating a good feedback loop.



VISHNU SASIKUMAR
AIR 31 - CSE 2023

I have enrolled in the GS and optional test series at Shankar IAS Academy. Timely evaluation and thorough reviews have significantly strengthened my mains preparation and boosted my confidence. Therefore, I would like to extend a big thank you to Shankar IAS Academy for assisting me in reaching this stage.

OUR TOPPERS' TESTIMONIALS



VINOTHINI C
AIR 64 - CSE 2023

For mains, I have opted for the test series from Shankar IAS Academy, and it was really helpful.



VENKATESHWARAN R
AIR 152 - CSE 2023

I have enrolled in Shankar IAS Academy mains test series. Feedback from experienced mentors and teachers has not only helped me improve my scores but has also played a significant role in shaping my personality.



ANIRUDDH YADAV
AIR 8 - CSE 2022

I enrolled in the Shankar Mainstorming test series for CSE 2022. The tests were comprehensive, covering the syllabus well and questions were also repeated in the actual UPSC papers. I'm grateful to Shankar IAS Academy for their support and guidance.



RAMAKRISHNASAMY R
AIR 117 - CSE 2022

This year (2022), I scored 824 marks in the Mains and 168 in the interview. This is one of the highest marks in Tamil Nadu. Consistent support from Shankar IAS Academy by providing inputs to improve marks in both the optional subjects and General Studies helped me to arrive at this marks.



MEERA P R
AIR 160 - CSE 2022

Throughout my preparation, Shankar IAS Academy has been of great help. Starting from mains subject experts, faculty as well as individuals in service provided targeted nuanced feedback on answers who offered comprehensive and constructive feedback.



YAKSH CHAUDHARY
AIR 6 - CSE 2021

I have secured AIR 6 in CSE 2021. I was part of the Mains test series and interview programme of Shankar IAS, which was very useful for my preparation.



V SANJANA SIMHA
AIR 37 - CSE 2021

I secured AIR 37 in CSE 2021. I was a part of Shankar IAS Academy's Mains test series programme, which helped me to improve my rank from AIR 207 to AIR 37.

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