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**Uttar Pradesh Public**

**Service Commission**

**(UPPCS Mains)**

**Exam Syllabus**

**Subject: General Studies - II**

1- Indian Constitution- historical underpinnings, evolution, features, amendments, significant provisions and basis structure, Role of Supreme Court in evolution of basic provisions of Constitution.

2- 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 .

3- Role of Finance Commission in Centre- State financial relations.

4- Separation of powers, dispute redressal mechanisms and institutions. Emergence and use of alternative dispute redressal mechanisms.

5- Comparison of the Indian constitutional scheme with that of other major democratic countries.

6- Parliament and State legislatures- structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers and privileges and concerned issues.

7- 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. Public Interest Litigation (PIL).

8- Salient features of the Representation of People's Act.

9- Appointment to various Constitutional posts, Powers, functions and their responsibilities.

10- Statutory, regulatory and various quasi-judicial bodies including NITI Aayog, their features and functioning.

11- Government policies and interventions for development in various sectors and issues arising out of their design, implementation and Information Communication Technology (ICT).

12- Development processes- the role of Non Governmental Organizations (NGOs), Self Help Groups (SHGs), various groups and associations, donors, charities, institutional and other stakeholders.

13- 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.

14- Issues relating to development and management of Social Sector/Services relating to Health, Education , Human Resources.

15- Issues relating to poverty and hunger, their implication on body politic.

16- Important aspects of governance. Transparency and accountability, e-governance applications, models, successes, limitations, and potential, citizens, charters and institutional measures.

17- Role of Civil Services in a democracy in the context of emerging trends.

18- India and its relationship with neighbouring Countries.

19- Bilateral, Regional and Global groupings and agreements involving India and/ or affecting India's interest.

20- Effect of policies and politics of developed and developing countries on India's interests- Indian diaspora.

21- Important International Institutions, Agencies their structure, mandate and functioning.

22- Specific knowledge of Uttar Pradesh regarding Political, Administrative, Revenue and Judicial System.

23- Current affairs and events of Regional, State, National and International importance.