

Newspaper Topic List

Topics List from 6th Nov to 17th Dec 2021

International Relations Terms: GS Paper I

1. Foreign Policy of India,
2. Types of Relationships,
3. Geostrategy vs Geopolitics,
4. Hardpower Softpower diplomacy,
5. Hard State Soft State,
6. Superpower,
7. Regional Power,
8. Blue Water Navy,
9. Changing World Order

Africa: GS Paper II

1. Africa Mapping,
2. Horn of Africa crisis,
3. Eritrea vs Ethiopia,
4. Ethiopia vs Egypt,
5. Sudan vs South Sudan,
6. Sudan coup.
7. **AspireIAS Article** - <https://www.aspireias.com/current-affairs-news-analysis-editorials/Horn-of-Africa-crisis-Ethiopia-case-study>
8. <https://www.aspireias.com/current-affairs-news-analysis-editorials/Ethiopian-Tigray-Crisis>

Data - Privacy – Surveillance: GS Paper III

1. New Whatsapp Privacy Policy - <https://www.aspireias.com/current-affairs-news-analysis-editorials/New-WhatsApp-Privacy-Policy-2021-and-Its-Impact>
2. Legislations for Data Privacy in the World and India,
3. Steps taken by India and World for Data Privacy,
4. I-T guidelines for Social Media Intermediaries and Critical Analysis

Water Governance & Inter State Issues: GS Paper II

1. Power Generation Mapping from Orient Longman Atlas,
2. Why water disputes in India?
3. Mullaperiyar Dam issue,
4. India's Policies: Dam Safety Bill, DRIP, DHARMA, SHAISYS;
5. Parambikulam Aliyar issue

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6. **AspireIAS Article** - <https://www.aspireias.com/current-affairs-news-analysis-editorials/Rivers-Dams-and-Federal-issues>

Neo-Buddhism movement

1. <https://www.aspireias.com/current-affairs-news-analysis-editorials/Neo-Buddhist-movement-Sociological-perspective>

Climate Change: GS Paper III

1. What is Climate & Weather?
2. Definition of Climate Change (CC).
3. Debate of Natural CC and Man made CC.
4. Club of Rome. Stockholm Conference. IPCC. Brundtland Commission. Rio Summit.
5. **UNFCCC Summits:** Kyoto Protocol, Bali, Poznan, Copenhagen, Cancun, Durban, Doha, Warsaw, Lima, Paris, Bonn, Katowice, Madrid, Glassgow: India's new commitments in Glassgow
6. **India's Approach for Climate Change:** NAPCC, Other strategies
7. What is Net Zero Concept?
8. Global role in Climate Change
9. India's contribution in Climate Change (Facts)
10. India's Long term objective
11. Why India shouldn't join Net Zero concept?
12. Solutions by Sir, Antonio Gutierrez and other Article.
13. <https://www.aspireias.com/current-affairs-news-analysis-editorials/CLIMATE-CHANGE-AND-COP-26>
14. <https://www.aspireias.com/current-affairs-news-analysis-editorials/UNFCCC-COP-26-Glasgow-Scotland>

Health: GS Paper II Health & GS Paper III S&T

1. Mental Health
2. National Health Policy, 1983, 2002, 2017 (Article)
3. Problems of Healthcare in india
4. National Health Policy, 2017
5. Health Insurance: RSBY & Critical Analysis; Ayushman Bharat and Critical Analysis; Ayushman Bharat - Health Infrastructure Mission

India – China: GS Paper II

1. China's mapping,
2. Evolution of China's policies from Chinese Revolution to Xi Jinping,

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3. OBOR Policy & Critical Analysis,
4. India's strategy to counter OBOR (INSTC),
5. Different areas of Cooperation and Divergence.
6. India - China border disputes: past to present and Critical Analysis.
7. <https://www.aspireias.com/current-affairs-news-analysis-editorials/India-China-Border-dispute>
8. South China Sea Issue,
9. International Maritime Governance: IMO, UNCLOS, ISBA;
10. China's Land Boundary Law, Provisions and its impact over India

International Financial Institutions: GS Paper II

1. Introduction: WW2 till Bretten woods Conference
2. World Bank, Institutions, BIT, Role of World Bank
3. IMF, Objectives
4. Associated Topic: Hard currency, Current Account Deficit, Appreciation, Depreciation, Revaluation, Devaluation.
5. Asian Development Bank
6. Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank

India – Russia: GS Paper II

1. Russia Mapping from Orient Longman Atlas
2. Why India is important for Russia?
3. Why Russia is important for India?
4. Historical Perspective
5. Different areas of cooperation and divergence
6. India Russia Critical Analysis and current relations
7. Eastern Economic Forum
8. Articles
9. Way Forward
10. **AspireIAS Article** - <https://www.aspireias.com/current-affairs-news-analysis-editorials/Energy-Security-And-Russia>

India – Central Asia: GS Paper II

1. Central Asia Mapping from Orient Longman Atlas
2. Why Central Asia is important for World and India?
3. Look West Connecting Central Asia Policy of India
4. Hurdles for India in Central Asia relations
5. Way Forward

Freebies

1. Definition, Examples of States – TN, Delhi, AP & TS.
2. Forms of Freebies
3. Why is Freebies given in India?
4. Issues in Freebies
5. Still why it is high in India?
6. **AspireIAS Article** - <https://www.aspireias.com/current-affairs-news-analysis-editorials/Freebie-Culture-in-Politics-and-Democracy>

Europe Mapping

1. Nordic countries and Scandinavian countries Mapping
2. What are Fjords?
3. Iron and Coal regions of Europe?

Khel Ratna, Dronacharya and Arjuna Awards for Athletes

Q. What do you mean by Renewable Energy? What are the potential challenges associated with the Renewable Energy.

1. Potential of Renewable Energy Map
2. Challenges in the Renewable Energy
3. Way Forward

Electric Vehicles

1. FAME: Features, Objectives, Critical Analysis
2. National Electric Mobility Mission Plan
3. Issues in Electric Vehicles Sector
4. Govt efforts for EV sector and Way forward.
5. <https://www.aspireias.com/daily-news-analysis-current-affairs/FAME-NATIONAL-ELECTRONIC-MOBILITY-MISSION>
6. <https://www.aspireias.com/current-affairs-news-analysis-editorials/FAME-and-Electric-Mobility>

National Hydrogen Policy

1. What is a Hydrogen? Hydrogen Fuel Cell? <https://www.aspireias.com/daily-news-analysis-current-affairs/Hydrogen-Fuel-Cell>
2. How is Hydrogen as a fuel produced?
3. Types of Hydrogen? – Grey, Blue, Green
4. What is Hydrogen Economy and its Applications?
5. Advantages and Disadvantages of Hydrogen Fuel?

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6. Polymer Electrolyte Membrane Fuel Cells (PEMFCs)
7. Hydrogen Energy Mission 2021-22
8. India's 1st Green Hydrogen Mobility Mission and about NTPC?
<https://www.aspireias.com/daily-news-analysis-current-affairs/Indias-first-Green-Hydrogen-Mobility-Project-at-Leh>
9. New Delhi Dialogue 2021 on The Hydrogen Economy:
<https://www.aspireias.com/daily-news-analysis-current-affairs/New-Delhi-Dialogue-2021-on-The-Hydrogen-Economy>

Energy Security in India

1. Definition and Types of Energy
2. Significance of Energy security
3. Five Year Plans for Energy Security
4. Problems in Energy Security
5. Government efforts for Energy Security in India
6. Motor Vehicles Act, 2019: <https://www.aspireias.com/daily-news-analysis-current-affairs/Motor-Vehicles-Amendment-Act-2019>

Coal

1. Explanation and Types of Coal resources in India
2. Distribution in India: Anthracite, Bituminous, Lignite, Peat
3. Problems and Government efforts for Coal in India
4. Coal sector reforms: <https://www.aspireias.com/daily-news-analysis-current-affairs/Coal-sector-reforms>

Oil & Natural Gas

1. Explanation and Introduction: Petroleum and Natural Gas
2. Distribution of Petroleum reserves in India
3. Distribution of Natural Gas reserves in India
4. Distribution of Thorium reserves & Rare Earth minerals (allied topic)
5. Issues and Solutions for ONG
6. Article on AspireIAS: <https://www.aspireias.com/current-affairs-news-analysis-editorials/Energy-Sector-Reforms>
 - Kirit Parekh Committee,
 - C Rangarajan Committee:
 - Hydrocarbon Exploration and Licensing Policy
7. Strategic Petroleum Reserves in India: <https://www.aspireias.com/daily-news-analysis-current-affairs/Strategic-Petroleum-Reserves-in-India>

Renewable Energy

1. Distribution of Solar, Wind, Hydropower, Geothermal, Biomass, Biogas, Wave Energy, OTEC and Tidal Energy in India.
2. Challenges in the potential Renewable Energy
3. Policies for Renewable Energy
4. New Renewable Energy Policy
5. Wind Energy in India: <https://www.aspireias.com/upsc-related-facts-and-data/Wind-Energy-in-India-Renewable-Energy>
6. Renewable Energy Certificates: <https://www.aspireias.com/daily-news-analysis-current-affairs/Renewable-Energy-Certificates-RECs>
7. <https://www.aspireias.com/daily-news-analysis-current-affairs/Largest-floating-solar-PV-Project-at-Vishakhapatnam>
8. **Schemes for Solar Energy:** <https://www.aspireias.com/daily-news-analysis-current-affairs/Schemes-for-Solar-Energy>
 - PM Kusum,
 - International Solar Alliance,
 - National Solar Mission, and
 - other policies
9. Solar Power Parks in India: <https://www.aspireias.com/upsc-related-facts-and-data/Solar-Power-Park-in-India-UPSC-FACTS>
10. National Wind-Solar Hybrid Policy: <https://www.aspireias.com/daily-news-analysis-current-affairs/National-Wind-Solar-Hybrid-Policy>

Renewable Energy Facts and Future Prospects: <https://www.aspireias.com/upsc-related-facts-and-data/Renewable-Energy-in-India-Facts-and-Future-prospect>

1. Introduction and Recent Facts
2. Why Renewable Energy?
3. Installed Capacity of Renewable Energy: Diagram
4. Initiatives taken to promote Renewable Energy
5. Energy Statistics
6. 12th Five Year Plan Strategy for Renewable Energy
7. Challenges with Renewable Energy and Way Forward

Issues related to Child

1. Structure of the topic: Early Childhood, Adolescence, Youth and Schemes related to them.
2. Early Childhood Education and Learning and its significance
3. ICDS Programme: Components, Features and Critical Analysis

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4. <https://www.aspireias.com/daily-news-analysis-current-affairs/Integrated-Child-Development-Service-ICDS-Scheme-1975>

Drug Abuse in India

- Introduction
- Map showing the prominent areas of Drug abuse in India
- Reasons for Drug addiction in India
- Impact of Drug abuse in India
- Can it be controlled in India?
- Government efforts to control the Drug abuse in India: NDPS Act, 1985; Customs dept and Narcotics Control Bureau.
- Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985
<https://www.aspireias.com/current-affairs-news-analysis-editorials/NDPS-Act-1985-Narcotic-Drugs-Act>

MGNREGA and Decentralised Governance

- Introduction and Articles related to MGNREGA
- Features of MGNREGA: <https://www.aspireias.com/daily-news-analysis-current-affairs/Mahatma-Gandhi-National-Rural-Employment-Guarantee-Act-MGNREGA>
- Critical Analysis and issues involved in MGNREGA
- <https://www.aspireias.com/current-affairs-news-analysis-editorials/MGNREGA-A-Detailed-Overview>

Sedition Law and Recent Controversies

- Introduction, History and Articles related to Sedition Law
- Cases related to Sedition in India: Brij Bhushan and Kedarnath Singh case
- Critical Analysis of Section 124 A in India: Pros and Cons
- Sedition in India: <https://www.aspireias.com/daily-news-analysis-current-affairs/Sedition-in-India>
- Unlawful Activities Prevention Act: <https://www.aspireias.com/daily-news-analysis-current-affairs/Unlawful-Activities-Prevention-Act> and comparison with Sedition Act
- Controversies associated with Sedition law and Conclusion

India-Myanmar

- Myanmar and South east Asia Mapping from Orient Longman Atlas
- Significance of Myanmar for India

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- Critical Analysis of India-Myanmar relations
- Government policies for Myanmar

NPR, NRC, SECC and Census

- <https://www.aspireias.com/current-affairs-news-analysis-editorials/Census-SECC-Socio-Economic-Caste-Census-NRC-NPR>
- Comparison with each other
- Critical Analysis of Census
- Critical Analysis of SECC

Public Expenditure and Management

1. History and Definition of Public Expenditure
2. Fiscal Policy and Components of Public Expenditure
3. Why Fiscal Deficit is high in India?
4. FRBM Act, 2003 and Escape Clause: <https://www.aspireias.com/current-affairs-news-analysis-editorials/FRBM-act-and-escape-clause>
5. N C Kelkar Committee recommendations on Taxation
6. Why we always modify target of F.D of 3% in India?
7. N K Singh Committee recommendations on FRBM Act

G7 and G20: Critical Analysis

- Historical evolution of G7 and G20
- G7
 1. Countries, Objectives and Summits
 2. Challenges of G7 and Critical Analysis
 3. Carbis Bay Declaration of 2021: UK
 4. Build Back Better concept
 5. Democracy – 11
 6. India's stand vis-à-vis G7 countries
- G20
 1. Data, Countries, Objectives and Summits
 2. 2 Tracks of G20 and Troika
 3. Recent G20 Summit: Italy – 4T given by India, 3P by Italy
 4. Issues in G20
 5. G20 and Climate Change: Rome Declaration
 6. India's stand
- Global Minimum Corporate Tax Rate: <https://www.aspireias.com/current-affairs-news-analysis-editorials/G7-G20-and-Global-Minimum-Tax-Explained>

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Biodiversity

- What do you mean by Biodiversity? Discuss the threats associated with Biodiversity especially associated with Invasive species. How India can control the problem of Invasive species?
- Biodiversity & Environment: <https://www.aspireias.com/upsc-study-notes/Biodiversity-and-Environment-UPSC>
- <https://www.aspireias.com/daily-news-analysis-current-affairs/National-Mission-on-Biodiversity-and-Human-Well-being>
- <https://www.aspireias.com/current-affairs-news-analysis-editorials/Biodiversity-governance-The-agreements-and-laws-that-help-enforce-it>
- <https://www.aspireias.com/daily-news-analysis-current-affairs/Biodiversity-Heritage-Sites-in-India-UPSC-PRELIMS>
- <https://www.aspireias.com/daily-news-analysis-current-affairs/Intergovernmental-Science-Policy-Platform-on-Biodiversity-and-Ecosystem-Services-IPBES>