

# Topic Wise General Studies Preparation Guidelines

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## Civil Services Examination Paper-3 General Studies- 2

### Governance, Constitution, Polity, Social Justice and International Relations.

Before starting the preparation for this section prepare the following NCERT books.

NCERT Class 11<sup>th</sup>- Indian Constitution at Work

NCERT Class 12<sup>th</sup> – Political science II

NCERT Class 10<sup>th</sup> – Democratic Politics

**Note: Keep your eyes and ears open for issues in everyday news, relating to these topics.**

*Indian Constitution- Historical underpinnings, evolution, features, amendments, significant provisions and base structure.*

#### **What does the word underpinning mean?**

It literally means a set of ideas, motives, or devices which justify or form the basis for something. That something here is Indian constitution.

The best source for preparing this section is

#### **Introduction to the Constitution of India** by D.D Basu

This section of the syllabus is specifically dealt within the first five chapters of the book. This section will be important for both prelims and mains, so make you notes accordingly.

For getting a clear understanding about the Basic structure of the constitution and how it came about, visit the weblink mentioned below.

<http://www.constitutionnet.org/vl/item/basic-structure-indian-constitution>

Besides, keep your eyes and ears open for anything in the news which relates to this section.

Making notes doesn't mean collecting bullet points in your notebooks, or collecting Xerox copies. Develop a habit of writing phrases, framing your own sentences, your paragraphs.

**REMEMBER, WHILE MAKING NOTES, YOU ARE ALSO PRACTICING FRAMING YOUR OWN ANSWERS.**

Again, make your own notes (**do not buy notes from market, somebody else's hard work will not reap benefits for you**). Once you have covered all of it and made your notes, just keep revising it, repeating it, as much as possible, up till your exam.

***"Your notes are your hard work, stay loyal to them"***

***If you are reading anything beyond the ones stated above, you are either wasting your time or over studying.***

*We will be providing you a list of reference books that you need to pick up and read, once you finish the ones we are mentioning here.*

Note: Reading means understanding while pronouncing, do not move further unless you have understood a line of text.

Note: While reading anything during your civil services preparation, the moment you come across a new word, of which you don't know the meaning, look it up in the dictionary, once you understand the meaning of that word, use that word in your sentences while making your notes. This way, you will simultaneously **improve your vocabulary** and your answers in your GS mains paper will be more mature in language.

**That's all, this topic is done, do not waste your time digging for any more data.**