

GS1 Daily Answer Writing Programme — May 2026

Civil Services Examination · General Studies Paper I

Section-Wise Flow

Dates	Section
May 1–3	Indian Heritage & Culture
May 4	Rest & Self-Revision
May 5–14	History
May 15–23	Indian Society
May 24–25	Rest & Self-Revision
May 26–29	Geography
May 30–31	Revision & Full Tests

Day-Wise Schedule

Date	Day	Section	Sl. No.	Topic / Description	No. of Qs
May 1	Thursday	Indian Heritage & Culture	1	Indian culture — salient aspects of Art Forms, Literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times.	3
May 2	Friday	Indian Heritage & Culture	2	Contributions of ancient Indian thinkers — philosophy, mathematics, astronomy and medicine.	2
May 3	Saturday	Indian Heritage & Culture	3	Temple architecture, cave paintings, classical dance forms and folk traditions across regions.	2

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May 4	Sunday	Rest & Self-Revision	—	Rest & Self-Revision Day	—
May 5	Monday	History	4	Modern Indian history from about the middle of the eighteenth century until the present — significant events, personalities and issues.	2
May 6	Tuesday	History	5	The role of the Press and intellectual movements in shaping Indian national consciousness during colonial rule.	2
May 7	Wednesday	History	6	The Freedom Struggle — its various stages and important contributors/contributions from different parts of the country.	3
May 8	Thursday	History	7	Gandhi, Nehru and Ambedkar — ideological perspectives and their lasting impact on the Indian polity and society.	2
May 9	Friday	History	8	Post-independence consolidation — reorganization of states, integration of princely states and administrative challenges.	1
May 10	Saturday	History	9	History of the World — events from the 18th century such as industrial revolution, world wars and redrawing of national boundaries.	2
May 11	Sunday	Rest & Self-Revision	—	Rest & Self-Revision Day	—
May 12	Monday	History	10	Colonization, decolonization, political philosophies like communism, capitalism, socialism — their forms and effect on society.	1
May 13	Tuesday	History	11	Cold War era, Non-Aligned Movement and India's foreign policy from independence to liberalization.	2
May 14	Wednesday	History	12	Rise of nationalism in Asia and Africa; anti-colonial movements and their resonance with Indian freedom struggle.	2
May 15	Thursday	Indian Society	13	Salient features of Indian Society, Diversity of India — caste, religion, language and regional identities.	2

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May 16	Friday	Indian Society	14	Role of women and women's organisations, population and associated issues, poverty and developmental issues, urbanization.	3
May 17	Saturday	Indian Society	15	Problems of urbanization and their remedies; urban governance, smart cities and migration trends in India.	2
May 18	Sunday	Rest & Self-Revision	—	Rest & Self-Revision Day	—
May 19	Monday	Indian Society	16	Effects of globalization on Indian society — changing family structures, consumerism and cultural homogenization.	3
May 20	Tuesday	Indian Society	17	Social empowerment, communalism, regionalism and secularism — challenges to national integration.	2
May 21	Wednesday	Indian Society	18	Tribal communities, scheduled castes, minorities and their rights — constitutional provisions and ground realities.	2
May 22	Thursday	Indian Society	19	Education system and social mobility; role of NGOs and civil society in social transformation in India.	2
May 23	Friday	Indian Society	20	Contemporary issues: gender inequality, child labour, human trafficking and their policy responses in India.	2
May 24	Saturday	Rest & Self-Revision	—	Rest & Self-Revision Day	—
May 25	Sunday	Rest & Self-Revision	—	Rest & Self-Revision Day	—
May 26	Monday	Geography	21	Salient features of world's physical geography — landforms, climatic zones, ocean currents and vegetation belts.	2
May 27	Tuesday	Geography	22	Distribution of key natural resources across the world including South Asia and the Indian subcontinent; factors for location of industries.	2
May 28	Wednesday	Geography	23	Important Geophysical phenomena — earthquakes, Tsunami, Volcanic activity, cyclones and their geographical distribution.	2

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May 29	Thursday	Geography	24	Changes in critical geographical features including water-bodies, glaciers and ice-caps; changes in flora and fauna and their effects.	2
May 30	Friday	Revision & Full Test	25	Comprehensive revision — Indian Heritage, Culture and History. Full-length practice test covering all topics covered in Weeks 1–2.	5
May 31	Saturday	Revision & Full Test	26	Comprehensive revision — Indian Society and Geography. Full-length practice test covering all topics covered in Weeks 3–4.	5

Quick Question Count Summary

Section	Approx. No. of Questions
Indian Heritage & Culture	7
History	17
Indian Society	18
Geography	8
Revision & Full Tests	10
Total	60