

Important Current Affairs Themes for UPSC Prelims 2025

1. Polity & Governance

1. New Criminal Laws (BNS, BNSS, BSA)
2. Chief Election Commissioner Appointment (2024 Bill)
3. Electoral Bonds & Supreme Court Judgment
4. Data Protection Act, 2023 & DPDP Rules
5. Model Code of Conduct
6. Delimitation Commission (J&K Focus)
7. Functions of CBI, ED, NIA & Judicial Review
8. National Judicial Appointments Commission (NJAC) Debate
9. Online Gaming Regulation Framework
10. India's Anti-Trafficking Law Developments
11. Uniform Civil Code (UCC) Debates
12. Governor-CM Conflict Cases (Kerala, WB)
13. National Register of Citizens (NRC) & Assam
14. State of Panchayats Report
15. Role of NITI Aayog in Policy Reforms
16. Tribunal Reforms Act, 2021 - Status & Issues
17. Municipal Governance & Finance Commission Report
18. Digital India Act (Expected 2024/2025)
19. Cybersecurity Rules & CERT-In Mandates
20. One Nation One Election Debate
21. Sedition Law Scrutiny (Section 124A)
22. SC Verdict on Speaker's Powers (10th Schedule)
23. Lokpal Appointments & Status
24. National Medical Commission Bill Updates
25. Population Control Policies & Bills

26. RTI Act Amendments (Recent Challenges)
27. SC Verdict on Ordinance Power Misuse
28. Inter-State Water Disputes Act Amendments
29. Official Secrets Act Review
30. SC/ST Prevention of Atrocities Act (Trends)
31. Gram Nyayalayas – Current Performance
32. Lateral Entry in Bureaucracy – Debate
33. E-Courts & Digital Judiciary Initiatives
34. AI in Governance & Ethical Frameworks
35. National Digital Health Mission (NDHM)
36. PM Gati Shakti – Governance Integration
37. DPI (Digital Public Infrastructure) Push
38. India's SDG Progress (UN Reports)
39. Aspirational Districts Programme Review
40. Election Commission's Role in Social Media Monitoring
41. UAPA Act Implementation – SC Reviews
42. Forest Rights Act & Tribal Land Issues
43. Mission Karmayogi – Civil Services Reform
44. Lok Sabha/Assembly Disqualifications (Recent Cases)
45. Women's Reservation Act 2023
46. Right to Privacy Verdict Implementation
47. Urban Local Body Elections – Recent Issues
48. Citizens' Charters & Seva Mitra Portal
49. SC Verdict on Governor's Pardoning Power (Article 161)
50. Union Territories – J&K & Ladakh Administration

2. International Relations

1. India's Presidency of G20 – Key Outcomes

2. India–Middle East–Europe Corridor (IMEC)
3. QUAD & Indo-Pacific Strategic Developments
4. India–China Border Talks (LAC updates)
5. BRICS Expansion (Egypt, Iran, etc.)
6. SCO Developments & India's Role
7. ASEAN–India Comprehensive Strategic Partnership
8. India–EU Trade & Technology Council
9. India–UK FTA Negotiations
10. India–US iCET (Tech partnership)
11. UN Reforms – India's Push for UNSC
12. Chabahar Port & INSTC Updates
13. Neighbourhood First Policy – Sri Lanka, Maldives
14. BIMSTEC & SASEC Cooperation
15. Vaccine Diplomacy Post-COVID Review
16. India-Africa Forum Summit Outcomes
17. Rohingya Crisis & India's Response
18. Climate Change Diplomacy (COP28 Outcomes)
19. Indo-Pacific Economic Framework (IPEF)
20. India's Stand on Russia-Ukraine War
21. Indian Diaspora – Pravasi Bharatiya Events
22. Palestine–Israel Conflict: India's Position
23. India's Role in WHO & Pandemic Treaty
24. Global South & Voice of Global South Summit
25. India–Bangladesh River & Border Issues
26. Turkmenistan–Afghanistan–Pakistan–India (TAPI) Pipeline
27. India–Nepal Energy & Transport Deals
28. Sanctions & India's Import Policy (Russia, Iran)
29. FATF Review of India & Neighbouring Countries

30. Maritime Security – SAGAR Vision
31. Operation Kaveri & Indian Evacuation Missions
32. India & Arctic Council Engagement
33. India–Japan Strategic Dialogue
34. Global Digital Public Infrastructure (India's Leadership)
35. Trade Disputes at WTO – India's Cases
36. Global AI Summit & India's Role
37. UNHRC Resolutions – India's Votes
38. India–France Defence & Space Collaboration
39. Pacific Island Countries – India's Outreach
40. Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Status
41. India & Global Minimum Tax
42. South China Sea Disputes
43. India–Israel–UAE–US (I2U2) Grouping
44. Australia–India Strategic Ties (ECTA)
45. SAARC – Status & Revival Possibilities
46. Indo-Iran Relations & JCPOA
47. UN Peacekeeping – India's Contribution
48. Economic Corridors in Asia (BCIM, IMEC, etc.)
49. Border Agreements – India–Bhutan, India–Myanmar
50. Global Hunger Index & India's Response

3. Economy

1. Union Budget 2024-25 – Key Highlights
2. Economic Survey 2023-24 – Key Insights
3. India's GDP Growth – Projections by IMF, RBI
4. Inflation Trends – WPI, CPI, Core
5. RBI Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) Decisions

6. Fiscal Deficit Targets – FRBM Review
7. PM Gati Shakti & Infrastructure Pipeline
8. National Monetisation Pipeline (NMP)
9. Direct Tax Code – Expected Changes
10. 15th Finance Commission Report – Status & Review
11. GST Compensation Cess – Extension & Issues
12. Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC) Updates
13. Bank Consolidation & NPAs
14. Digital Rupee (CBDC) Rollout
15. Unified Payment Interface (UPI) Global Expansion
16. Financial Inclusion – Jan Dhan 2.0
17. Banking Regulations – PCA Framework
18. NBFC Crisis & Regulatory Measures
19. Startup Ecosystem & Fund of Funds
20. PLI Scheme Expansion (Semiconductors, Solar, etc.)
21. Make in India – New Sectoral Additions
22. National Logistics Policy 2022 – Implementation
23. E-Commerce Policy & Consumer Data Rights
24. FDI Policy Reforms – Defence, Space
25. Cryptocurrency Regulation in India
26. India's Forex Reserves Trends
27. Trade Deficit & Balance of Payments (BoP)
28. Global Supply Chain Diversification – China+1
29. Blue Economy & Coastal Economic Zones
30. Green Credit Programme & Carbon Market
31. Agricultural Credit & Kisan Credit Card Expansion
32. MSP Reforms & Committee Reports
33. e-NAM & Digital Agriculture

34. Food Inflation & Buffer Stock Management
35. Rural Employment Trends – MGNREGA Fund Cuts
36. Labour Code Reforms – Implementation Status
37. EPFO Interest Rate Trends
38. MSME Udyam Portal & Credit Scheme
39. Gig Economy & Code on Social Security
40. Sovereign Green Bonds
41. India's Ranking – Ease of Doing Business
42. National Infrastructure Pipeline – Sectoral Review
43. SEBI Reforms for Capital Markets
44. Disinvestment Policy – Recent PSU Sales
45. Core Sector Performance – Monthly Index
46. Agri Export Trends & New Markets
47. India's Export Promotion Councils & FTAs
48. E-way Bill System & GST E-invoicing
49. Unemployment Trends – PLFS Survey
50. UNCTAD, WEF, WTO – India-specific Reports

4. Environment & Ecology

1. COP28 Outcomes – UAE Consensus
2. Global Stocktake Report & India's Stand
3. Loss & Damage Fund – India's Demands
4. IPCC Synthesis Report 2023 – Key Findings
5. National Green Hydrogen Mission
6. Bio-Energy & Waste-to-Energy Initiatives
7. National Electricity Plan 2023
8. India's Net Zero by 2070 Roadmap
9. Green Credit Programme under Environment Ministry

10. Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Rules
11. India's Forest Survey Report 2023
12. Draft Forest Conservation Rules
13. Compensatory Afforestation Issues
14. PM-PRANAM Scheme (Fertilizer Rationalisation)
15. Carbon Trading Market Framework
16. Tiger Census 2022 & Project Tiger@50
17. Leopard, Dolphin, Elephant Census
18. India Cooling Action Plan (ICAP)
19. Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Norms
20. Fly Ash Utilization Rules
21. Single Use Plastics Ban – Enforcement Update
22. Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules
23. E-Waste Management 2022 Rules
24. Man-Animal Conflict – Eco Sensitive Zones
25. Biodiversity Hotspots in News (e.g., Western Ghats, Nicobar)
26. Wildlife Protection Act Amendment 2022
27. State of India's Environment 2024 Report
28. Ramsar Wetlands Sites – 2023 Additions
29. Tiger Reserves – New or in News
30. Amrit Dharohar Scheme – Wetland Conservation
31. Cheetah Reintroduction Programme (Kuno)
32. River Interlinking Projects (e.g., Ken-Betwa)
33. Jal Shakti Abhiyan & Catch the Rain
34. Namami Gange – Status & Funding
35. India's Green Grids Initiative – One Sun, One World
36. COP15 to CBD – India's Biodiversity Targets
37. Natural Farming & Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana

38. Air Quality Index – SAFAR & NCAP
39. Role of CAMPA Funds
40. Urban Climate Resilience – CITIIS 2.0
41. Heatwaves & Early Warning Systems
42. Urban Flooding – Smart Cities Preparedness
43. Environmental Clearance (EC) Reform
44. UNEP's Emission Gap Report
45. UN Convention on Migratory Species – India's Role
46. Lithium & Rare Earth Mining – Environmental Concerns
47. Land Degradation & Desertification Atlas
48. Arctic Council & India's Observer Role
49. Local Biodiversity Registers – Role of Gram Panchayats
50. Sustainable Development Goals – India's Progress

5. Science & Technology

1. ISRO Missions – Gaganyaan, Aditya-L1, Chandrayaan-3
2. Indian Space Policy 2023
3. National Quantum Mission
4. Semicon India Programme
5. National Research Foundation (NRF) Bill
6. Bharat 6G Vision & 5G Rollout
7. LIGO-India Project
8. National AI Portal & IndiaAI Missions
9. Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC)
10. DPI (Digital Public Infrastructure) Push
11. Cybersecurity Guidelines by CERT-In
12. National Cybersecurity Policy (Expected 2024)
13. DNA Technology (Use & Application) Bill

14. mRNA Vaccine Technology – Indian Developments
15. CERVAVAC – India's First HPV Vaccine
16. Genome Sequencing – INSACOG Developments
17. Green Hydrogen Electrolyzer Innovation
18. Hydrogen Valley Innovation Clusters
19. Solar PV Manufacturing under PLI
20. CRISPR Gene Editing & Bioethics
21. Agri-Tech Startups & Digital Agriculture
22. Drone Rules & PLI Scheme for Drones
23. Indigenous Chip Design – RISC-V Initiative
24. BharatNet & Internet for All
25. India Stack & Aadhaar Interoperability
26. Quantum Communication Network Trials
27. Deep Ocean Mission – Mining & Research
28. Samudrayaan Mission
29. National Geospatial Policy
30. Indigenous Defence Technology – LCA Tejas, UAVs
31. Bhuvan Platform by ISRO
32. Indigenous GPS – NavIC
33. Cyber Surakshit Bharat Initiative
34. ANIC-ARISE Program by Atal Innovation Mission
35. Project Dolphin, Project Lion – Tech Integration
36. Synthetic Biology & Ethics
37. Vaccine Diplomacy – India's Role
38. Rare Earth Extraction from E-Waste
39. Atal Innovation Mission – Top Innovations
40. IoT, Blockchain & AI in Governance
41. Smart Cities – Tech-Based Developments

- 42. Water Tech Solutions – Jal Jeevan Mission
- 43. Indigenous Missile Defence (e.g., Akash, Agni)
- 44. Surface Coating & Nano-Tech Innovations
- 45. WHO BioHub & Pandemic Preparedness
- 46. Deepfake Regulation & AI Governance
- 47. Citizen Science Initiatives (e.g., Meri LiFE)
- 48. Swachhata AI Challenge
- 49. Smart Farming Technologies – Real Use Cases
- 50. Supercomputing Mission & PARAM Siddhi

