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Syllabi for TNPSC Group I Main Written Examination (Descriptive type)

General Studies

PAPER -I

- 1. Modern history of India and Indian Culture
- 2. Current events of National and International importance
- 3. Statistical analysis, graphs and diagrams
- 4. Social Problems and other current sensitive issues.

PAPER -II

- 1. Indian Polity
- 2. Indian Economy and Geography of India
- 3. Role and impact of science and technology in the development of India
- 4. Tamil Language, Tamil Society, its culture and heritage
- 5. Tamil Nadu Administration.

Modern history of India and Indian culture will cover the broad history of the country from about the middle of the nineteenth century (advent of European invasion) and would include questions on Gandhi, Tagore, Nehru and Periyar.

Statistical analysis, graphs and diagrams will include exercises to test the candidates ability to draw commonsense conclusions from information presented in statistical, graphical and diagrammatical form and to point out deficiencies, limitations and inconsistencies therein. Social problems and sensitive issues will include problems like bonded labour, child labour, gender bias, minorities, SC/ST, illiteracy, poverty, employment etc.

Indian polity will include questions on constitution of India and Political system in India

On Indian economy and geography, questions will be put on planning in India and the physical, economic, social Geography of India

On role and impact of science and technology, questions will be asked to test the candidate's awareness of the latest developments in science and technology with special emphasis on applied aspects

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Under Tamil language and culture questions will be put to test the candidate's general awareness on those topics. Tamil Nadu administration will cover topics in general administration like organizational structure, functions, control, social welfare oriented programmes etc.

Exercising of options

Candidates should exercise their options regarding post preferences in column 23 of the OMR application form. However, Fresh/Revised option regarding Post preferences including the names of the post for which they do not wish to be considered will be obtained from all the candidates who are qualified in the Main Written Examination at the time of Oral Test.
