UPSC GURUS
EMPOWERING ASPIRANTS

OPTIONAL SUBJECT · SOCIOLOGY PAPER I AND PAPER II · 500 MARKS

Sociology School

Not just an optional. A way of seeing.

A test series, daily answer writing and real-paper evaluation for both papers, from an educator whose own discipline is Sociology. All three are open now, each with written evaluation and one-to-one mentoring.

01 — From ₹5,999

Test Series

"Let me write under real conditions."

Sectional and full-length tests, each with model answers, evaluation, a discussion session and a one-to-one mentoring session.

Plans on page 3 →

02 — From ₹849

Daily Answer Writing

"Help me write every day."

One Paper I and one Paper II question every weekday, evaluated, with a weekly mentoring session.

Plans on page 4 →

03 — ₹1,499 a paper

PYQ Paper Evaluation

"Where do I stand on a real paper?"

Write an actual UPSC Sociology paper under the clock and receive written evaluation and a one-to-one feedback session.

Details on page 5 →

04 — Free

Free Sociology resources

"Let me begin free."

Every Sociology paper from 2017 in Mains Replay, and the 2026 papers decoded question by question.

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Explore Sociology School →

Fees are final and include GST. Test series and answer writing cycles begin on the second Monday of every month.

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WHY SOCIOLOGY OPTIONAL

A subject that prepares you for the examination and for the service.

"Help me bring sociological understanding into my answers."

Sociology carries 500 marks: Paper I on sociological theory and Paper II on Indian society. It overlaps directly with GS Paper I, the Essay and the Interview. Strong Sociology answers require more than recalling concepts and thinkers. They require you to use sociological ideas accurately, connect theory with Indian society and respond directly to what the question asks. That integration is a skill, built through practice, evaluation and mentoring.



PAPERS

UPSC pattern

Sections A and B, compulsory questions, 10- and 20-mark parts, as in the examination.

BENCHMARK

Model answers

Showing how theory and application come together.

FEEDBACK

Written evaluation

On concepts, theoretical integration, contemporary application, structure and language.

MENTORING

One-to-one sessions

After every test, and every week in Daily Answer Writing.

THE PAPERS YOU ARE PREPARING FOR

2
papers: theory, and Indian society

250
marks each, 500 in all

3 hrs
for each paper

3
overlaps: GS I, Essay, Interview

FROM AN EDUCATOR IN HER OWN DISCIPLINE

Guranchal Ma'am, Founder, UPSC Gurus, studied at Miranda House and the Delhi School of Economics (MA Sociology), is UGC NET qualified in Sociology and Economics, and has guided UPSC aspirants for over eight years. She leads Sociology School herself.

> Sociology trains us to question what society takes for granted. That habit brings greater depth to our answers.
>
> **Guranchal Ma'am, Founder, UPSC Gurus**

All plans, fees and the next start date. **upscgurus.in/sociology →**

SOCIOLOGY TEST SERIES · OPEN FOR ENROLMENT

Understand what your writing already does well, and where it can become stronger.

Tests are scheduled approximately every two weeks from the start of your enrolled cycle. New cycles begin on the second Monday of every month. After each one: model answers, written evaluation, a discussion session and a one-to-one mentoring session. Valid for 24 months from purchase; unused tests can be taken in later cycles. Move up a plan by paying only the difference.

Sectional test
Covers selected units of Paper I or Paper II, so you can build them properly before the full paper.

Full-length test
One complete paper, Paper I or Paper II, in exam format: 250 marks, three hours.

Standard

₹5,999

final fee, including GST · ₹1,500 a test

4 full-length tests

- Full papers: Paper I and Paper II
- Model answers and written evaluation
- A discussion session per test
- 4 one-to-one mentoring sessions
- Valid 24 months from purchase

Pay now →
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Advance

₹11,499

final fee, including GST · ₹1,437 a test

Sectionals first, then full papers

4 sectional + 4 full-length

- 2 Paper I and 2 Paper II sectionals
- Then four full-length papers
- Model answers, evaluation, discussion session
- 8 one-to-one mentoring sessions
- Valid 24 months from purchase

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Full

₹16,599

final fee, including GST · ₹1,383 a test

Eight sectionals, then four full papers

8 sectional + 4 full-length

- 4 Paper I and 4 Paper II sectionals
- Then four full-length papers
- Model answers, evaluation, discussion session
- 12 one-to-one mentoring sessions
- Valid 24 months from purchase

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WHICH ONE?

Standard if you have covered the syllabus and want full papers under time. **Advance** for two sectional tests in each paper before moving to full-length tests. **Full** to build both papers unit by unit, then sit four full papers.

GOOD TO KNOW

New cycles begin on the second Monday of every month. Tests, evaluation and sessions are online.

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DAILY ANSWER WRITING · OPEN FOR ENROLMENT

Sociology rewards the aspirant who writes every day.

"Help me write every day."

On each scheduled practice weekday, you receive two questions: one from Paper I and one from Paper II. The one-week, one-month and three-month plans include 5, 20 and 60 active practice days; your cycle schedule confirms the dates. Model answers for every question, written evaluation on every answer, and a one-to-one mentoring session every week. Weekends are for revision and reflection.



EVERY WEEKDAY
Questions released
One Paper I and one Paper II question, Monday to Friday.

YOUR PRACTICE
Write and submit
Submit both answers for written evaluation.

EVALUATION
Model answers and feedback
Written evaluation on every answer.

EVERY WEEK
Mentoring session
One-to-one, online, on your writing and next focus.

1 Week

₹849

final fee, including GST

5 practice weekdays · 10 questions

- Model answers for every question
- Written evaluation on all answers
- 1 one-to-one mentoring session
- Can be repeated with a new purchase

Pay now →

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1 Month

₹2,999

final fee, including GST

Save ₹397 vs weekly rate

20 practice weekdays · 40 questions

- Model answers for every question
- Written evaluation on all answers
- 4 one-to-one mentoring sessions
- Can be repeated with a new purchase

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3 Months

₹8,299

final fee, including GST

Save ₹1,889 vs weekly rate

60 practice weekdays · 120 questions

- Model answers for every question
- Written evaluation on all answers
- 12 one-to-one mentoring sessions
- Can be repeated with a new purchase

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Already writing daily? Upgrade by paying only the fee difference. Practice days, evaluations and sessions already completed count towards the longer plan, and we confirm your remaining entitlement and end date before you upgrade. Daily Answer Writing builds the habit; the Test Series tests it under full conditions.

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PYQ PAPER EVALUATION · ₹1,499 A PAPER

Write a real UPSC Sociology paper. Understand what your answers reveal.

"Where do I stand on a real paper?"

Choose any actual UPSC Sociology Paper I or Paper II from 2017 to 2026, write it on paper under the clock, and upload your answers. You receive written evaluation of every answer and a one-to-one feedback session. The evaluation shows your current answer-writing patterns; it does not predict the marks UPSC would award.



HOW IT WORKS

1. Open the paper free in Mains Replay and write it on paper, under exam time.
2. Pay ₹1,499 for that paper on the Sociology School page.
3. Upload your answers on the programme page as a PDF or clear photos, with your payment reference.
4. Receive written evaluation by email, then book your feedback session.

Pay ₹1,499 for one paper →

Tap or scan to pay on Razorpay

A good first step: write one real paper before you choose a plan. The feedback shows what to work on first.

FREE FOR EVERY ASPIRANT

Sociology PYQ Deep Decode

Every 2026 Sociology Paper I and Paper II question, decoded: what it demanded, the thinkers and the Indian examples that fit.

Free Sociology lecture series

Guranchal Ma'am is preparing a free Sociology Optional lecture series for the UPSC Gurus YouTube channel. Lectures and notes will be added to the Sociology School page as each one is published.

Mains Replay

Every UPSC Sociology paper from 2017 to 2026, free to read and attempt under the exam clock.
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Start free, or test yourself on a real paper.

Open Mains Replay →

COMPARE THE OPTIONS

Which one is right for you?

Three separate options. Choose one, or combine them. All fees are final and include GST.

	Test Series	Daily Answer Writing	PYQ Paper Evaluation
What it is	Sectional and full-length tests	Two questions every weekday	One real UPSC paper
Best for	Writing under exam conditions	Building a daily writing habit	Checking where you stand
Evaluation and mentoring	Every test, plus a session per test	Every answer, plus a weekly session	Whole paper, plus a feedback session
Starts	Second Monday of every month	Second Monday of every month	Whenever you are ready
Fee	₹5,999 · ₹11,499 · ₹16,599	₹849 · ₹2,999 · ₹8,299	₹1,499 a paper

QUESTIONS ASPIRANTS ASK

I am new to Sociology. Where do I begin? With the free Sociology PYQ Deep Decode, to see what UPSC asks and how concepts are applied, and earlier papers in Mains Replay. Guranchal Ma'am's free syllabus-order lecture series is being prepared and will be published progressively. The three paid options focus on evaluated writing practice, not a teaching course: begin Daily Answer Writing or attempt a full paper once you have covered enough of the syllabus.

When can I start? Test Series and Daily Answer Writing cycles begin on the second Monday of every month. PYQ Paper Evaluation can start any day.

Can I join both the Test Series and Daily Answer Writing? Yes. They are separate and work well together.

Can I upgrade later? Yes, within the Test Series or to a longer Daily Answer Writing plan, by paying the difference.

Is everything online? Yes: tests, evaluation, discussion sessions and mentoring sessions.

What if I change my mind? A full refund is available if requested within 7 calendar days of payment, provided the service has not started: no paid test accessed and no answers submitted for evaluation. Full terms: upscgurus.in/refund-and-cancellation-policy.

Preparing GS and Essay too? Mains + Sociology and Essay + Sociology combos keep every included evaluation and session. The CSE 2027 Mentored Programme (GS + Sociology) adds the Sociology Full Test Series to one guided plan. Details on upscgurus.in/our-courses.

Not sure where to begin? Book your free Mentor's Desk call. **Know more and book →**

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YOUR NEXT STEP

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Four separate options

Interview Edge
Profiling session and panel mock
Complimentary

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GS and CSAT test series
From ₹1,999

Mains Mastery
GS Papers I to IV, evaluated
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Essay paper, evaluated
From ₹1,499

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GS Paper IV, theory and case studies
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GS, or GS with Sociology
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