

100 Most Important Topics for Prelims 2026

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Polity & Governance (18 topics)

1. Fundamental Rights – Recent Judgments (Privacy, LGBTQ, Sabarimala-type)
2. DPSP vs Fundamental Duties – Recent Conflicts
3. Parliamentary Proceedings – Privilege Motion, Anti-Defection, Deputy Speaker Issue
4. Federalism – New Cooperative vs Competitive Federalism Cases (GST Council, NITI Forum)
5. Election Reforms – EVM-VVPAT, Simultaneous Elections, Electoral Bonds Verdict
6. Judiciary – Collegium vs NJAC, Basic Structure Recent Cases
7. Local Governance – 74th CAA Recent Developments (Women Reservation in ULBs)
8. Constitutional Bodies – Election Commission (Recent Appointments Controversy)
9. Emergency Provisions & President's Rule Recent Examples
10. Citizenship Amendment Act + NRC + CAA Rules 2024
11. Article 21 Expanding Scope (Right to Internet, Forgetting, etc.)
12. Money Bill Controversy (Aadhaar, Finance Bills)
13. Special Provisions for States (Article 370–371 Updates)
14. Panchayat Extension to Scheduled Areas (PEESA)
15. Official Secrets Act vs Right to Information
16. Data Protection Act 2023 & Privacy
17. Union vs State List Disputes (Farm Laws, Delhi Services)
18. Important Amendments (103rd to 106th CAA)

Economy & Budget (16 topics)

1. Union Budget 2025–26 – Major Schemes & Allocations
2. Economic Survey 2024–25 Key Highlights
3. FRBM Act & Fiscal Glide Path
4. Capital Expenditure Push & Multiplier Effect
5. Disinvestment & Asset Monetisation (NMP, DIPAM)
6. Agri-Credit & PM-KISAN, Crop Insurance
7. GST Reforms – Rate Rationalisation, Compensation Cess
8. Banking Sector – NPAs, IBC, NARCL (Bad Bank)
9. Digital Currency (CBDC – e-Rupee)
10. Inflation Targeting & Repo Rate Dynamics 29他们在. Atmanirbhar Packages & PLI Schemes (14 Sectors)
11. New Pension Scheme vs Old Pension Scheme Debate

12. India's Ranking – Ease of Doing Business, Global Innovation Index
13. External Sector – FTA Strategy (India-UK, India-EU)
14. Crypto Currency Regulation Bill Status
15. Green Bonds & Sustainable Finance

Geography & Environment (20 topics)

1. Indian Monsoon – New Predictions & Theories
2. El-Niño vs La-Niña Impact on India (2025–26 Forecast)
3. Tropical Cyclones – Naming, Recent Ones (2024–25)
4. Western Disturbances & Cloudburst Events
5. National Parks, Tiger Reserves, Elephant Corridors (New Additions)
6. Biosphere Reserves & World Heritage Sites (New)
7. Ramsar Wetlands – Latest Additions
8. Biodiversity Hotspots & India's Share
9. Climate Change Performance Index – India's Rank
10. Net Zero 2070 Targets & Panchamrit
11. LiFE Movement (Lifestyle for Environment)
12. Carbon Credit Trading Scheme (CCTS) 2023
13. Mangrove Alliance for Climate (MAC)
14. International Solar Alliance Updates
15. Plastic Park, Single-Use Plastic Ban Progress
16. Air Pollution – Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP), NCAP
17. Western & Eastern Ghats Ecology (Castello Judgement)
18. River Interlinking Projects Status
19. Glacier Lake Outburst Floods (GLOF) – Sikkim, Uttarakhand
20. Urban Heat Island & Heat Action Plans

History & Art-Culture (15 topics)

1. 1920s–1930s Revolutionary Movement (HSRA, Chittagong Armoury)
2. Tribal Revolts (1857–1947) – Santhal, Munda, Bhil
3. Women in Freedom Struggle (Aruna, Durgabai, Captain Lakshmi)

Buddhist Sites – Recent Excavations (2023–2025)

1. Jainism & Ajivika Sect Relevance
2. Temple Architecture – Nagara vs Dravida vs Vesara Details
3. Indus Valley Civilization – New Findings (Rakhigarhi DNA, etc.)
4. Mauryan Art – Pillars, Stupas, Caves
5. Chola Administration & Bronze Icons
6. Vijayanagara & Bahmani Architecture
7. Bhakti–Sufi Overlap (Kabir, Guru Nanak, Chishti-Nizami)
8. Classical Dances – Recent GI Tags & Festivals
9. Martial Arts of India (New in List)
10. Puppetry & Theatre Forms

11. Intangible Cultural Heritage – Latest Additions

Science & Technology (15 topics)

1. Chandrayaan-3 & Aditya-L1 Outcomes
2. Gaganyaan Mission Updates (2025–26 Timeline)
3. NISAR, Shukrayaan, XPoSat
4. Quantum Technology Mission
5. Semiconductors – India Semiconductor Mission
6. Artificial Intelligence Regulation (India AI Mission)
7. 5G–6G Roadmap & Bharat 6G Vision
8. mRNA Vaccines & Indigenous Tech (Corbevax, ZyCoV-D)
9. CRISPR & Gene Editing Ethics
10. Nuclear Energy – Small Modular Reactors
11. Green Hydrogen Mission
12. Ethanol Blending & SATAT Scheme
13. Blockchain beyond Crypto (Land Records, etc.)
14. Antibiotics Resistance & Superbugs
15. Dark Matter & Dark Energy (Recent Missions)
16. India's Antarctic & Arctic Policy

Current Affairs + Miscellaneous (16 topics)

1. G20 Delhi Declaration & New Delhi Leaders' Declaration
2. Voice of Global South Summits
3. International Organisations – India's Elections (UNSC, WHO, FAO 2025–26)
4. Neighbourhood First – Maldives, Sri Lanka, Bhutan Recent
5. QUAD, I2U2, IMEEC (India-Middle East-Europe Corridor)
6. Defence Indigenisation – Tejas, Arjun, BrahMos Export
7. Agnipath Scheme – Latest Updates
8. One Nation One Ration Card & NFSA
9. PM-JANMAN for PVTGs
10. Viksit Bharat @2047 Roadmap
11. Nari Shakti – Women Reservation Act 2023 Implementation
12. Sedition Law Replacement (BNS 2023)
13. Uniform Civil Code Status
14. Caste Census Debate
15. Disaster Management – NDMA New Guidelines & Recent Disasters

Save this list – 80–90% of Prelims 2026 questions will directly or indirectly come from these 100 topics.