

CLASS-XI
DEFENCE STUDIES
SYLLABUS (2025-26)

Theory: 80 Marks
INA: 20 Marks

1. Definition and scope of Defence Studies, its relationship with other social and Physical Sciences.
2. Warfare: Evolution of warfare since primitive time to modern times. Definition and concepts of war, origin of war, Feudal war, Dynastic war, People's war, Modern war.
3. (a) Give Strategic importance of following places:
 - (i) Suez-canal
 - (ii) Panama Canal
 - (iii) Straits of Malacca
 - (iv) Korakoram- Sinking Highway
 - (v) Laddakh
 - (vi) Kathmandu
 - (vii) Kodar Highway
 - (viii) Chumbi Valley(b) Defence Potential of India:
 - (i) Strategic location frontiers of India;
 - (ii) Boundaries;
 - (iii) India's strategic Mineral Commodities;
 - (iv) Industrial potentials, transport and communication in India: Physical and Cultural factors determining the defence potential.
4. Psychological Aspects of War :-
 - (i) Morale: Concept and definition, factors, controlling to morale and importance of morale.
 - (ii) Discipline: Definition, importance factors contributing to discipline, relation of discipline to morale. Leadership: Definition, Importance, Types and Qualities of leadership.
 - (iii) Fear and Panic: Causes and effects of fear and panic, methods of recovery from fear and panic.
 - (iv) Man Management: What is man management and its purpose.

PROJECT WORK

Note: The students will give a lecture in presence of audience for 5-10 minutes on the topic of his own choice out of the topics given in the syllabus.

1. Lecture: Each student will be required to give a talk (and not paper reading) for 5-10 minutes on any one of the under-mentioned topic:
 - (i) Suez Canal
 - (ii) Geo-strategic location of India
 - (iii) Modern War
 - (iv) Morality
 - (v) Defence Studies
 - (vi) Korakoram - Sinking Highway
 - (vii) Leadership
2. Interview or Viva Voce: The examiner may ask the candidate any question from topic mentioned in the list of topics for lecture.