History, Art, Culture, Literature and Heritage of Rajasthan

- Ancient Civilizations of Rajasthan and its major sites.
- Major dynasties of Rajasthan and its rulers through the Ages and their cultural achievements (1000-1800 A.D.).
- Political resistance of Rajput rulers against Muslim Power.
- (i) Bhakti Movement and Sufism in Medieval Rajasthan, Saints and Sects. (ii) Folk gods and goddesses.
- (i) Folk Culture: Fairs and Festivals, Different Schools of Painting, Folk Tales and Gathas, Folk Songs, Folk Dances, Folk Music and Instruments. (ii) Dress and Ornaments, Handicrafts.
- Rajasthani Language: Origin and Development.
- Main Dialects and Region.
- Rajasthani Scripts: Mudia and Devnagari.
- (a) Rajasthani Literature: Its Evolution.  
  (i) Early Period  
  (ii) Pre-Medieval Period  
  (iii) Post-Medieval Period  
  (iv) Modern Period.

  (b) Famous Writers and their Works.

Geography of Rajasthan

- Physical features, Geological structure, Drainage system and Geographical regions.
- Climate, Natural vegetation, Soil resources, minerals and Power resources.
- Population- Characteristics, Live-Stock and Fisheries, Wildlife and Biodiversity.
- Agriculture, Irrigation system and Irrigation-Projects, Industries and Industrial Development.
- Special Area Development Programmes, Drought and Famines, Desertification Hazard in Rajasthan.

Political and Administrative System of Rajasthan

- Governor, Chief Minister and Council of Ministers.
- State Legislative Assembly, High Court and Judicial System of Rajasthan.
- Chief Secretary, Government Secretariat, Chief Minister’s Office (CMO), Divisional Commissioner, District Administration, Panchayati Raj Institutions and Local- Self Government.
- Government Policies and Developmental Programmes, Legal Rights, Citizen Charters, Social Audit.

Economy of Rajasthan

- Rajasthan Economy- Characteristics, compositional trend of SDP, Occupational Distribution.
- Major Issues –
  (a) Agriculture Sector- Major Rabi and Kharif Crops, Irrigated and Non-Irrigated Area, Land Holding.
  (b) Industrial Sector- obstacles, role and problems of Small-Scale Industries, State Public Enterprises, SEZ, RIICO, RFC.
(c) Service Sector- Child Education, Health Programmes, Mid-Day Meal Programme, Banking and Insurance Services, Out sourcing, Agriculture and Industrial Finance, Agricultural Insurance.

- Growth, Development and Planning- State Five Year Plans, State Budget, State Planning Board, Growth Rate of Agriculture, Industrial and Service Sector, Use of Renewable Resources, Resurgent Rajasthan.
- Major Development Projects- State River Valley Projects, other State’s River Valley Projects for Rajasthan, D.F.C.C., Rural Electrification, Rural Roads Development Programmes, National Highways and State Highways, Power Projects, Projects financed by Foreign Institutions.
- Programmes and Schemes of Government for Economically and Socially Backward Classes, Disabled Persons, Old Aged People, Women Empowerment and Child Development.

**Contemporary Events**

- Major Contemporary events and issues of Rajasthan.
- Persons and Places in News.
- Sports and Games.

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Note :- **Pattern of Question Paper**

1. Objective type paper
2. Maximum Marks : 50
3. Number of Questions : 100
4. Duration of Paper : Two Hours
5. All questions carry equal marks.
6. There will be Negative Marking.