

IIS (deemed to be University) Jaipur CIVIL SERVICES PREPARATORY CLASSES 2019-20

The new batch began on 1 August 2018. Mr. Akshat Jain, IAS, All India Rank 2, 2018 addressed the Open Session on 27 July 2019. He is an alumnus of the IIS(India International School), Jaipur. This young dynamic speaker not only inspired and motivated the students but also gave them valuable guidance on how to prepare step by step for the Civil Services.

Integrated classes for the Prelims-cum-Mains were held regularly during the session. Special classes for current affairs and English comprehension and skills were also held.

The course of 300 hours has been completed by taking online classes also after the Lockdown. Tests were conducted regularly. Answer writing practice was given and written answers of the students were evaluated.

Dr. Ashok Gupta, Vice Chancellor, IIS (deemed to be University) announced concessions/ scholarships for the students of the preparatory classes.

- PratibhaChoudhary BA/B.Ed was given a 100% waiver on need-cum-merit basis.
 - **Students Enrolled :** 20

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Centre for Civil Services Preparatory Classes
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A Report of Open Session

An open session was organized by the Civil Services Preparatory Classes on 27th July 2019 in the A.V. Hall. The speaker was Mr. Akshat Jain, All India Rank 2, UPSC 2018 Topper. He was welcomed by Associate Professor, Ridhsidh Singh, Coordinator, Civil Services Preparatory Classes and given a floral welcome & memento of gratitude by Dr. Raakhi Gupta, Rector & Registrar of the University.



Ms. Ridhsidh Singh introduced Mr. Akshat Jain to the audience. He is UPSC 2018 topper with All India Rank 2. He graduated from IIT Guwahati in 2017 and did his engineering in designing. He was able to clear the exam in his second attempt with the support from his parents who are also civil servants. He chose anthropology as his optional subject.

Ms. Singh also shared the methodology followed by Civil Service Preparatory Classes of IIS University. The strategy followed consists of **3R's**. i.e. **Read, Revise** and **Repeat**. The three year integrated course facilitates the students to develop a deep sense of understanding and learning of the subjects. Guidance of the outstanding faculties helps students in cracking various UPSC exams.

Mr. Akshat Jain strongly recommended the 3R's method of preparation strategy followed at the University. He then shared his strategy that helped him to secure AIR-2.



According to him, hardwork and consistent motivation are the key elements to overcome failure and face ups and downs during the journey. The most important thing during the whole preparation is a "well formulated strategy". One should set achievable daily goals. The ultimate aim should be to complete Mains syllabus before Prelims. Preparation should be Mains centric. General science and optional subject should be given equal importance. Maximum syllabus of GS papers should be covered before prelims exam. He stressed on "**three key elements** for the preparation namely **note making, answer writing and self analysis**".



Note making is the most important step. Concise notes play an important role in revision before exams. One should overcome laziness and prepare consolidated notes with hardwork. Notes should not only be precise but should also cover data from multiple sources. A daily habit of note making is important.

Answer writing and notes making are inter related. One should devote adequate time of the day to develop a habit of answer writing on current affairs and editorial from newspaper. One must write atleast three answers daily.

Last but not the least, **self analysis**. Regular practice through mock tests and daily practice of answer writing help to eliminate errors which increases accuracy. Self analysis is of utmost importance.



While interacting with students he added, one should rely on only one newspaper and journal when it comes to current affairs. A regular habit of newspaper reading should be developed and editorial analysis should be given equal importance. For prelims, one should read NCERTs followed by advance books. Current affairs are very important and the best way to check your preparation is by solving previous years question papers and mock tests. It will not only enhance speed and writing skills but also improve accuracy.

He concluded by quoting **"No Pain, No Gain"**. Sustained efforts and consistent hardwork is necessary to achieve one's goals. Positive results will surely come if one utilizes time smartly and devotes energy consistently.

Dr. Harshita Upadhyaya, Asst. Coordinator, Civil Services Preparatory Classes thanked Mr. Akshat Jain for his motivational and inspiring talk.