

All India **Ethics Test Series** & Mentoring Program 2025

(An Innovative Assessment System™ to Develop Advanced Ethics Writing Skills and Personalized Mentoring for UPSC Mains Examination)



Starts: 13th JULY, 2025

Medium: English

8
TESTS

4 ADVANCED SECTIONAL
+ 4 FULL LENGTH TESTS



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ABOUT THE PROGRAM



Answer writing is the cornerstone of UPSC Civil Services Examination (CSE) preparation, directly influencing an aspirant's success in the final merit list. Among the General Studies papers, the **Ethics paper**, carrying 250 marks, plays a vital role in shaping overall performance. This paper requires not just theoretical clarity but also the ability to analyze ethical dilemmas and articulate logical arguments effectively.

Ethics in UPSC Mains demands a blend of conceptual understanding, practical application, and nuanced thinking. Aspirants often face challenges in interpreting ethical ideas, addressing complex dilemmas, and structuring impactful answers under exam constraints.

To address these challenges, **VisionIAS** introduces the **All India Ethics Test Series and Mentoring Program 2025**, leveraging its **Innovative Assessment System™**. With a focus on strengthening analytical skills, conceptual clarity, and practical application, this test series aims to guide aspirants toward achieving excellence in the UPSC Ethics paper.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROGRAM



- Comprehensive coverage of the Ethics syllabus with a thorough focus on theory & case studies.
- 8 scientifically designed tests aligned with the latest UPSC patterns and trends.
- Includes basic, advanced & full-length tests for structured preparation & holistic exam readiness.
- Development of advanced answer writing skills for high-scoring Ethics answers.
- Detailed feedback on answer scripts to ensure consistent improvement.
- One-to-one personalized mentoring to identify strengths and address specific weaknesses.
- Performance analysis with all India rankings to gauge progress and competitiveness.
- Strategically designed test schedule for disciplined and time-bound preparation.
- Model answers for learning effective answer structuring & impactful presentation.
- Access to offline and online test discussions with Ethics faculty.

PROGRAM DETAILS

Date	Module No.	No. of Tests	Program Structure	Fees (Inclusive of all taxes)
13 th JULY, 2025	3246	8	4 Advanced Sectional + 4 Full Length Tests	₹ 11,000

CONCESSION DETAILS

Vision IAS Student: 15%	UPSC Interview Student: 20%	Vision IAS Classroom Student: 25%	Selected Students: 25%
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KEY FEATURES OF THE PROGRAM



Mock Tests Based on UPSC Exam Format

- » Systematically designed 8 tests covering the entire UPSC Ethics syllabus with 4-advanced and 4-full-length tests.

Simulates UPSC standards,

- » incorporating the latest patterns and trends for exam readiness.

Focused on strengthening

- » conceptual clarity, analytical ability, and practical application.



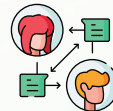
Development of Advanced Answer Writing Skills

- » Crafting high-scoring UPSC answers aligned with Ethics paper requirements.
- » Integrating ethical theories, logical reasoning, and examples to enhance answer quality.
- » Interpreting ethical ideas behind quotes & addressing ethical dilemmas effectively in case studies.



In-Depth Assessment and Feedback

- » Experienced Team of experts to assess student performance and provide valuable insights.
- » **VisionIAS** Innovative Assessment System™ provides detailed feedback on contextual understanding, language, content, structure-presentation and impactful introductions and conclusions.
- » Micro and macro-level analysis with all India rankings for benchmarking performance in Ethics answer writing.



Personalized One-to-One Mentoring

- » Targeted interventions to address strengths and weaknesses in Ethics Theory and Case Studies.
- » Insights into toppers' preparation strategies and effective writing approaches.
- » Psychological support and continuous assistance through in-person, telephone, and email mentoring.



Flexible Test Scheduling

- » Scientifically designed schedule for effective revision, practice, and performance.
- » Flexible test options allow students to postpone tests based on their preparation needs.
- » Tests can be attempted once in either offline or online mode for convenience.



Resource Accessibility

- » Model answers and topper copies for understanding impactful presentation and structure.
- » Access to test discussions, videos, and doubt-clearing sessions online and offline.
- » A student portal for uploading scripts, downloading evaluations, and accessing study material.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES



Advanced answer writing skills for high-scoring Ethics answers.



Strong foundation in ethical concepts & analytical application.



Development of sound reasoning & logical arguments.



Effective handling of ethical dilemmas & case studies.



Improved time management and revision strategies.



Enhanced confidence & preparedness for the UPSC Ethics paper.

Important Notes

- » Validity of the Test series will remain until UPSC Mains 2025.
- » Online/distance learning students can download Question-Cum-Answer Booklets and approach-answer-analysis of mock test papers from Vision IAS student platform.
- » Question-Cum-Answer Booklet, Approach-Answer-Analysis of mock test papers will not be dispatched.
- » Value Added/ Supplementary material will be provided in the soft copy only.
- » Information related to test discussions will be notified through email, text messages and student's portal.
- » **VisionIAS** material is for the individual subscriber only. In case of copyright violation, the admission to the test series may be revoked.
- » It is required for students to provide UPSC Roll No and other pertinent details whenever requested by **VisionIAS**.
- » Fees once paid are non-refundable and non-transferable under any circumstances.
- » **VisionIAS** reserves all rights to make any changes in test series schedule, its timing, etc., if need arises.
- » **VisionIAS** Test Centers remain open 7 days a week for writing Tests, except on notified holidays.

ADVANCED LEVEL (TESTS 1-8): SCHEDULE, CONTENT, REFERENCE

Test No [Code]	Date of Mock Test	Topics Covered [Max Marks: 250, Duration of Test: 3Hrs]	Primary (Essential) References
Test-1 [3625]	13 th July, 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Ethics and Human Interface: Essence, Determinants and Consequences of Ethics in - Human Actions; Dimensions of Ethics; Ethics - in Private and Public Relationships. b. Human Values - Lessons from the Lives and Teachings of Great Leaders, Reformers and Administrators; c. Role of Family Society and Educational Institutions in Inculcating Values. d. Contributions of Moral Thinkers and Philosophers from India and World. (quote-based questions) e. Case Studies on above issues. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. 2nd ARC - 4th Report – Ethics in Governance b. 2nd ARC - 12th Report - Citizen Centric Administration c. NCERT Class 11- Political theory d. Justice: What's the Right Thing to Do? by Michael J. Sandel e. Ethics, Integrity & Aptitude by G.Subbarao f. VisionIAS Ethics Classroom material g. Vision IAS Value Addition Material h. Vision IAS Case Study Compilation
Test-2 [3626]	16 th July, 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Attitude: Content, Structure, Function; its Influence and Relation with Thought and Behaviour; Moral and Political Attitudes; Social Influence and Persuasion. b. Emotional Intelligence-Concepts, and their Utilities and Application in Administration and Governance. c. Ethical Issues in International Relations and Funding; d. Corporate Governance. e. Contributions of Moral Thinkers and Philosophers from India and World. (quote-based questions) f. Case Studies on above issues. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. 2nd ARC - 4th Report – Ethics in Governance b. 2nd ARC - 12th Report - Citizen Centric Administration c. NCERT Class 11- Political theory d. Justice: What's the Right Thing to Do? by Michael J. Sandel e. Ethics, Integrity & Aptitude by G.Subbarao f. Emotional Intelligence by Daniel Goleman g. VisionIAS Ethics Classroom material h. Vision IAS Value Addition Material i. Vision IAS Case Study Compilation
Test-3 [3627]	19 th July, 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Aptitude and Foundational Values for Civil Service, Integrity, Impartiality and Non-partisanship, Objectivity, Dedication to Public Service, Empathy, Tolerance and Compassion towards the weaker-sections. b. Public/Civil Service Values and Ethics in Public Administration: Status and Problems; Ethical Concerns and Dilemmas in Government and Private Institutions; Laws, Rules, Regulations and Conscience as Sources of Ethical Guidance; Accountability and Ethical Governance; Strengthening of Ethical and Moral Values in Governance; c. Contributions of Moral Thinkers and Philosophers from India and World. (quote-based questions) d. Case Studies on above issues. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. NCERT Class 11- Political theory b. Justice: What's the Right Thing to Do? by Michael J. Sandel c. Ethics, Integrity & Aptitude by G.Subbarao d. VisionIAS Ethics Classroom material e. Vision IAS Value Addition Material f. Vision IAS Case Study Compilation

Test-4 [3628]	22nd July, 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Probity in Governance: Concept of Public Service; Philosophical Basis of Governance and Probity; Information Sharing and Transparency in Government, Right to Information, Codes of Ethics, Codes of Conduct, Citizen's Charters, Work Culture, Quality of Service Delivery, Utilization of Public Funds, Challenges of Corruption. b. Contributions of Moral Thinkers and Philosophers from India and World. (quote-based questions) c. Case Studies on above issues. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. 2nd ARC - 1st Report - Right to Information: Master Key to Good Governance b. 2nd ARC - 4th Report - Ethics in Governance c. 2nd ARC - 12th Report - Citizen Centric Administration d. NCERT Class 11- Political theory e. Justice: What's the Right Thing to Do? by Michael J. Sandel f. Ethics, Integrity & Aptitude by G.Subbarao g. VisionIAS Ethics Classroom material h. Vision IAS Value Addition Material i. Vision IAS Case Study Compilation
Test-5 [3629]	25th July, 2025	Complete Syllabus of G.S. Paper IV (Full Length Test) Ethics, Integrity, and Aptitude + Current Affairs	
Test-6 [3630]	27th July, 2025	Complete Syllabus of G.S. Paper IV (Full Length Test) Ethics, Integrity, and Aptitude + Current Affairs	
Test-7 [3631]	29th July, 2025	Complete Syllabus of G.S. Paper IV (Full Length Test) Ethics, Integrity, and Aptitude + Current Affairs	
Test-8 [3632]	31st July, 2025	Complete Syllabus of G.S. Paper IV (Full Length Test) Ethics, Integrity, and Aptitude + Current Affairs	

ETHICS

PREPARATION APPROACH & STRATEGIES

Insights from Ethics Answer Scripts of UPSC Toppers



ADITYA SRIVASTAVA
Rank 1, 2023



Aditya Srivastava's approach to Ethics answer writing, which secured him a highest score of **143 marks** in UPSC CSE 2023, is a benchmark of excellence characterized by **comprehensive analysis, conceptual understanding, and practical reasoning**.

- ★ **Theory-Based Questions:** Addressed all relevant **dimensions** with a multi-faceted approach, using **precise** statements and diverse **examples**. Effectively integrated **ethical theories and ideas** of thinkers.
- ★ **Quote-Based Questions:** Accurately **interpreted** quotes, offering balanced **analysis** with both arguments and counter-arguments. Connected quotes to current events for immediate relevance and provided concise explanations with relevant examples.
- ★ **Case Studies:** Explained the ethical framework in the introduction, demonstrated clarity of thought and **conceptual reasoning**. Used standard subject vocabulary, maintained a smooth flow of logical arguments, and justified solutions rooted in **ethical principles** and values.

Moreover, his answers were **well-structured** with clear bullet points and underlined keywords. **Illustrations** were used to highlight decision-making priorities, and conclusive statements emphasized the ethical implications of the solutions.

Aditya's approach reflected an **objective and exact understanding of each question**, making his answers exemplary.

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MEDHA ANAND
Rank 13, 2023



Medha Anand's approach to Ethics answer writing, which earned her a high score of **140 marks** in UPSC CSE 2023, showcases her excellence through well-structured responses, clear thought processes, and innovative illustrations.

- ★ **Well-Structured Answers:** Answers were organized with headings and keywords were underlined for emphasis.
- ★ **Concise and Coherent Arguments:** Answers were concisely written, presenting multiple arguments and examples while maintaining clarity and coherence.
- ★ **Creative Illustrations:** Employed a variety of creative illustrations to enhance the presentation and convey complex ideas effectively.
- ★ **Precise Definitions:** Provided precise definitions of key terms and values, demonstrating strong conceptual clarity.
- ★ **Case Studies:** Introduced case studies with current-based context, used sound reasoning for analysis, and referenced ethical ideas of thinkers in the conclusion.



SRISHTI DABAS
Rank 6, 2023



Srishti Dabas's strategy in Ethics answer writing, which achieved her an impressive rank in UPSC CSE 2023, highlights her excellence by effectively weaving ethical ideas, demonstrating conceptual clarity, and articulating points precisely.

- ★ **Conceptual Clarity:** Demonstrated clear understanding and precise definitions of key concepts, ensuring her arguments were both concise and accurate.
- ★ **Relevant Examples:** Used relevant examples from public life to illustrate her points, adding depth and practical relevance to her answers.
- ★ **Effective Conclusions:** Utilized popular phrases, quotes, and ethical principles in her conclusions, reinforcing the ethical dimensions of her answers.
- ★ **Case Study:** Identified underlying ethical issues and stakeholders in case studies, providing an ethical stand (vision statement) in the introduction. Her analysis combined sound legal and ethical reasoning.



AISHWARYAM PRAJAPATI
Rank 10, 2023



Aishwaryam Prajapati's technique in Ethics answer writing, which led to her notable rank in UPSC CSE 2023, exemplifies excellence through simple language, creative presentation, and practical reasoning.

- ★ **Simple and Lucid Language:** Used simple and clear language to effectively communicate complex ideas, ensuring the answers were easily understandable.
- ★ **Contextual Introductions:** Utilized data and definitions in introductions to contextualize the question, setting a solid foundation for the answers.
- ★ **Creative Presentation:** Employed creative schematics to present arguments and used different illustrations to highlight stakeholders, enhancing the visual appeal and clarity of the responses.
- ★ **Case Study Analysis:** Provided an ethical stand in the introduction, followed by thorough analysis and practical reasoning to propose feasible solutions.



ANIMESH PRADHAN
Rank 2, 2023



Animesh Pradhan's method for Ethics answer writing, securing him a notable rank in UPSC CSE 2023, demonstrates excellence with a thorough integration of ethical theories, precise expression, and organized presentation.

- ★ **Referring Ethical ideas:** Consistently referenced ethical theories and ideas of philosophers to support his arguments, providing a strong theoretical foundation.
- ★ **Multiple Arguments with Examples:** Presented multiple arguments supported by relevant examples, enhancing the depth and credibility of his responses.
- ★ **Use of Schematics:** Incorporated schematics to visually represent information, making complex ideas more accessible and easier to understand.
- ★ **Case Study Analysis:** Introduced case studies by referring to relevant articles, judgments, or quotes, linking them to the case. Identified ethical issues accurately, analyzed options, and applied practical reasoning to propose feasible solutions.



ISHITA KISHORE
Rank 1, 2022



Ishita Kishore, had shown a remarkable proficiency in ethics answer writing as evident in her attempted copies of mains test series

- ★ **Meticulous Understanding:** Displayed a deep understanding of the question by pausing to grasp its demand before writing.
- ★ **Structured Answers:** Organized answers with precise introductions, headings, subheadings, and conclusions, ensuring fluid information flow.
- ★ **Creative Introductions:** Used varied tools like quotes and statistics to make lasting first impressions.
- ★ **Relevant Arguments:** Presented relevant arguments substantiated by fresh and imaginative examples, showcasing depth and research.
- ★ **Case Study Solutions:** Demonstrated profound understanding of ethical issues, adeptly identifying themes and articulating underlying principles.



VIDUSHI SINGH
Rank 13, 2022



Vidushi Singh, who achieved remarkable success in her maiden attempt, boasts of a deep-rooted understanding of ethical concepts. Her responses in the ethics paper stand as evidence of her clear comprehension and strong reading habits

- ★ **Deep Understanding:** Exhibited a strong grasp of ethical concepts, reflecting clear comprehension and strong reading habits.
- ★ **Simplicity and Informativeness:** Organized writings into sections that directly addressed the crux of the questions, ensuring simplicity and informativeness.
- ★ **Concise Presentation:** Presented arguments concisely, using succinct sentences and uncluttered paragraphs.
- ★ **Balanced Approach:** Balanced use of concise paragraphs and bullet points, underlining crucial keywords.
- ★ **Logical and Moral Reasoning:** Bolstered arguments with apt and novel examples, reflecting logical prowess and a strong moral compass.
- ★ **Case Study:** Blended systematic analysis with real-world relevance in case studies, offering practical and ethically grounded solutions.



SIDDHARTH SHUKLA
Rank 18, 2022



Siddharth Shukla, with his notable achievement in the exam, demonstrates an impeccable strategy of answer writing in ethics.

- ★ **Defining Terms:** Artfully defined terms in introductions, setting the stage for detailed exploration.
- ★ **Diverse Examples:** Enriched content with diverse examples, current affairs references, and citations from notable reports.
- ★ **Reinforcing Arguments:** Referred to personalities from varied domains to reinforce arguments.
- ★ **Lucid Perspectives:** Ensured clarity in language, lucidly conveying perspectives.
- ★ **Interdisciplinary Approach:** Crafted unique conclusions, intertwining concepts from different general studies papers.
- ★ **Case Studies:** Innovatively integrated current affairs into case studies, rooting actions in legislation and historical references.



GAMINI SINGLA
Rank 3, 2021



Gamini Singla, with her distinguished achievement, epitomizes excellence in answer writing. Her approach truly stands as a masterclass in Ethics.

- ★ **Impeccable Structuring:** Structured answers with precision, ensuring comprehensive and informative content.
- ★ **Quote based question:** Exhibited keen sensitivity to the thinker's context in quote-based questions, weaving in relevant interpretations.
- ★ **Holistic Case Study Analysis:** Focussed on core issues and key stakeholders, followed by holistic analysis grounded in sound reasoning.
- ★ **Language and Writing Prowess:** Demonstrated impeccable language usage and overall writing prowess, ensuring clarity and minimal errors.



**UTKARSH
DWIVEDI**

Rank 5, 2021



Utkarsh Dwivedi, with his distinguished achievement, exemplifies unparalleled expertise in ethics answer writing. As a diligent student of the **Vision IAS General Studies Classroom Foundation course**, his approach to ethics answers truly sets him apart.

- ★ **Meticulous Approach:** Displayed a clear and objective grasp of a question's demand, ensuring compact yet comprehensive answers.
- ★ **Contextually Apt Introductions:** Provided contextually apt and insightful introductions.
- ★ **Deep Analysis:** Delved deep into the thinker's intent in quote-based questions, emphasizing contemporary relevance.
- ★ **Practical and Ethical Reasoning:** Pinpointed exact ethical issues in case studies, blending practical and ethical reasoning.



**SHUBHAM
KUMAR**

Rank 5, 2020



Shubham, **the 2020 topper** and an IIT Bombay alumnus who pursued research in the US, was drawn to Civil Services due to his experiences and self-reflection. He is a student of **Vision IAS General Studies Classroom Foundation course** and his ethics answer writing is particularly commendable.

- ★ **Standard Definitions:** Leaned on standard definitions and invoked stories of prominent personalities for illustrative examples.
- ★ **Effective Illustrations:** Employed effective illustrations like pyramids to elucidate ethical codes.
- ★ **Multi-Dimensional Solutions:** Integrated relevant schemes into social-issue-based scenarios, demonstrating analytical skills with multi-dimensional solutions.
- ★ **Decision-Making:** Demonstrated commendable decision-making complemented by use of diagrams to depict issues comprehensively and engagingly.



**DIVYA
MISHRA**

Rank 28, 2020



Divya Mishra, with her notable achievement, became one of the top scorers in the Ethics paper.

- ★ **In-Depth Grasp:** Demonstrated a thorough understanding of the syllabus, exhibiting mastery over foundational concepts.
- ★ **Invoking Renowned Thinkers:** Interlaced answers with insights from eminent thinkers like Gandhi and Marx, as well as classical philosophers such as Aristotle and Plato.
- ★ **Wide Range of References:** Drew upon contemporary events and mythological narratives to add richness to her answers.
- ★ **Meticulous Presentation:** Enhanced readability and engagement through meticulous presentation style, incorporating tables, pie charts, and delineated sections for thinkers.
- ★ **Holistic Case Studies:** Took a holistic stance in case studies, providing solutions anchored in ethical frameworks, making answers both insightful and actionable.



**VISHAKHA
YADAV**

Rank 6, 2019



In 2019, Vishakha Yadav outshone others by clinching the top spot in the ethics paper with an impressive score of **162 marks**. Delving into her answer-writing technique, we find:

- ★ **Deep Understanding and Simplicity:** Blended deep understanding with simplicity, rooted in robust foundational knowledge and logical reasoning.
- ★ **Conceptual Clarity:** Ensured answers were articulated with precision and avoided unnecessary jargon.
- ★ **Skillful Language Command:** Demonstrated a skillful command over language and the ability to discern the essence of questions.
- ★ **Quote-Based Questions:** Captured the essence of quotes succinctly while relating them to contemporary contexts, linking historical or philosophical perspectives to modern scenarios.
- ★ **Case Study:** Provided meticulous introductions for case studies, ensuring diverse openings. Placed significant emphasis on analyzing the ethical dilemmas presented in case studies, ensuring comprehensive and thoughtful responses.

Heartiest Congratulations

to all Successful Candidates

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in **TOP 10** Selections in **CSE 2024**

from various programs of **Vision IAS**



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Selections

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