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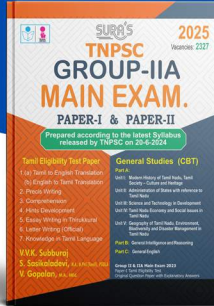
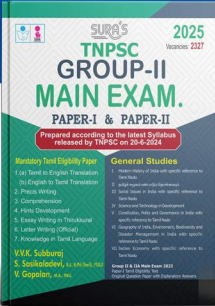
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3. Comprehension
4. Hints Development
5. Essay Writing in Thirukkural
6. Letter Writing (Official)
7. Knowledge in Tamil Language

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Unit I: Modern History of Tamil Nadu, Tamil Society – Culture and Heritage

Unit II: Administration of States with reference to Tamil Nadu

Unit III: Science and Technology in Development

Unit IV: Tamil Nadu Economy and Social Issues in Tamil Nadu

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Combined Civil Services Examination-II
Group-IIA**

SCHEME FOR MAIN WRITTEN EXAMINATION (DESCRIPTIVE TYPE)

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Paper-II PART-A GENERAL STUDIES (Degree Standard) (CBT) PART-B GENERAL INTELLIGENCE AND REASONING (SSLC Standard) (CBT) PART-C LANGUAGE (TAMIL / ENGLISH) (SSLC Standard) (CBT)	3 Hours	300	90

**Combined Civil Services (Main) Examination-II (Group IIA Services)
Paper - II**

[Single Paper consisting of General Studies (50% of questions - Degree Standard),
General Intelligence and Reasoning (20% of questions – SSLC Standard) and
Language (General Tamil or General English) (30% of questions – SSLC Standard)]

Part A - General Studies (Degree Standard - 100 Questions) CBT

Unit I: Modern History of Tamil Nadu, Tamil Society – Culture and Heritage (20 Questions)

Advent of Europeans-the Portuguese, the Dutch, the English, the Danish and the French-Anglo French Rivalry-Anglo-Mysore War-Anglo-Maratha War-The Polligar rebellion-Vellore Mutiny; Socio-religious reforms in the 18th and 19th centuries: Christian Missionaries-Brahma Samaj-Arya Samaj-Theosophical Society-Ramakrishna Mission; Reforms of British East India Company's rule in Tamil Nadu; Emergence of Freedom Struggle in Tamil Nadu-Madras Native Association-Madras Mahajana Sabha-Indian National Movement-Swedeshi Movement-Moderates and Extremists in Tamil Nadu-Home Rule Agitation-Non-Cooperation Movement-Civil Disobedient Movement-Quit India Movement; Ancient Tamil Society-Archeological excavation evidence-Arikamedu, Adichanallur, Keezhadi-Sangam Literature-advent of Sangam era; Thirukkural-Philosophical thoughts in Thirukkural for humanity and way of life-concepts in Thirukkural for betterment of humanity-life principles, social principles, management principles and other principles laid down in Thirukkural; Contribution of families in Freedom movement: Literary personalities-Journalists-Women activists-Types of struggles-revolutionary songs; Socio-political movements of 19th and 20th centuries: Justice Party, Development of Rationalism-Self-Respect Movement-Dravidian Movement-Tani Tamillyakkam (Pure Tamil Movement); Tamil Society Reforms personalities: Thanthai Periyar, Arignar Anna, and other scholars.

Unit II: Administration of States with reference to Tamil Nadu (30 Questions)

Constitution of India: Preamble and Philosophical features-Salient features and Sources-Union, States and Union Territories; Citizenship-Fundamental Rights, Fundamental Duties, Directive Principles of State Policy; Union Government: President, Vice-President, Prime Minister and Council of Ministers-Parliament (Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha); State Government: Chief Minister and Council of Ministers-Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly: Structure, Powers and Functions; Local Governments: Three-tier system-73rd and 74th Constitutional amendments-Tamil Nadu Panchayat Act 1994-Grama Sabha; Tamil Nadu Administration: Nature, evolution and organisational structure and functions-Salient features of Tamil Nadu administration-Secretariat, Chief Secretary, Additional Chief Secretary, Principal Secretary to Government of Tamil Nadu; District Administration: Role and functions of District Collector, District Revenue Officer, Revenue Divisional Officer, Tahsildar, Block Development Officer, Revenue Inspector, and Village Administrative Officer; E-Governance Policy of Government of Tamil Nadu-E-Governance and Mobile-Governance initiatives of Government of Tamil Nadu-Tamil Nadu State's Specialised Undertakings and Agencies; Tamil Nadu Government sponsored welfare schemes and measures (Since 1990)-objectives, issues and challenges in the implementation-Impact of welfare schemes and measures on the socio-economic development of the people; Current Affairs.

Unit III: Science and Technology in Development (15 Questions)

Atomic and Nuclear Physics-Applications of nuclear energy-Electronics and Communication-Robotics and applications; Nanotechnology and its applications; Electrochemical cells-Batteries-Gaseous fuels-LPG-Polymers-Carbohydrates-Vitamins-Antibiotics; Applications of Geographic Information System (GIS); Biotechnology: Applications of biotechnology-concepts-tools used-plant genetic engineering-concepts-transgenic plants, edible vaccines, BT cotton, Golden rice-social and ecological impact of genetically modified crops-Biotechnological methods for crop improvement-Application of plant tissue culture in forestry and horticulture-DNA fingerprinting-Applications of Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) and Enzyme-Linked Immuno Sorbent Assay (ELISA) in disease diagnosis; Advanced reproductive techniques: In-Vitro Fertilisation (IVF)-Artificial insemination-test tube baby; Vaccines: types-vaccination schedule in humans; Contribution of the scientists from Tamil Nadu; Digital Computer Fundamentals: Hardware Components-Input/Output Devices; Memory types: RAM, ROM, PROM, EPROM, EEPROM; Secondary Storage Devices: HDD, SSD, CD Type-CPU: Control Unit-Arithmetic Logic Unit-Software types: System Software: OS-System Commands of Windows and Linux-Application Software: DBMS-Database Creation, Queries-Word Processor, Spreadsheet, Presentation Software-Communication Software: Browser, Email: Sending and receiving email, Document sharing and Folder Management-Computer Network: Classification of Networks-Topology-Multimedia and Applications: Image, Audio, Video File types - Network Security: User Authentication; Current Affairs.

Unit IV: Tamil Nadu Economy and Social Issues in Tamil Nadu (20 Questions)

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–FarmersProducersOrganisation(FPO)–AgriculturalMarketing–IssuesofMarketing–OnlineMarketing–AgricultureBudgetinginTamilNadu–Features;Education:Illiteracy–GrossEnrolmentRatio(GER)inschoolsandcolleges–Measureandrecentdata–Studentwelfareschemes–Recent schemesforeducation–Linkagebetweeneducationandsocialdevelopment;PovertyandUnemployment:UnemploymentissuesinTamilNadu–State Governmentpovertyalleviationschemesandemploymentgenerationschemes;Labourmigration;Populationgrowthrate–Sexratio–Densityof population–Causesforpopulationgrowth–Populationcontrolprogrammes–Familyplanninganditsachievements;ChildLabourissues;Health:Vital Statistics–Recenthealthschemes;WomenEmpowerment:Domesticviolence–Dowryproblems–Sexualassault–Lawsandawarenessprogrammes –Womenwelfareschemes–Self-HelpGroups;MarginalisedGroups:Problems–ScheduledCastesandScheduledTribes–Elderly–Peoplewithdisability – Transgender – Religious minorities – State Government welfare programmes to marginalised groups; Current Affairs.

Unit V: Geography of Tamil Nadu, Environment, Biodiversity and Disaster Management in Tamil Nadu (15 Questions)

Geography:Location–Administrativeunits–Relieffeatures–MajorRivers;Climate:temperature,rainfallandmonsoon;Soil:classificationand distribution;Forests:classification,distribution,wildlifeandbirdssanctuaries,forestproducts;Livestock:cattleanddairying;Fishing:freshwaterand salinewaterfishing;Irrigation:typesanddistributionofcanal,tankandwellirrigation,watershedandminorirrigationprojects;Minerals:distribution andproductionofironoreandbauxite;PowerResources:coalandpetroleum;Industries:ironandsteel,textiles,cement,automobile,sugarcaneand cottonindustries;Transport:road,railway,airandseatransport;Environment:EnvironmentalissuesinTamilNadu–pollution–air,water,soil,thermal, radioactive,noise;Naturalresourcetypes–renewableandnon-renewableenergyresources;BiodiversityandConservation:Definition,types–genetic, speciesandecosystemdiversity–values–threatstobiodiversity–habitatdestruction,invasivespeciesandanthropogenicactivities–climaticchange andforestfire.Causesandconsequencesofspeciesextinction;Biodiversityconservation:in-situandex-situ–Biodiversityconservationstrategies– StateBiodiversityactionplan–BiodiversityhotspotsinTamilNadu,Sustainabledevelopment–Sustainabledevelopmentgoalsandtargets;Greenenergy –ParisAgreementandCOP28;DisasterManagement:Overviewofdisasters–definitionsandtypes.NaturalcalamitiesinTamilNadu;Anthropogenic disaster–globalwarmingandclimatechangeissuesinTamilNadu–Climatechangeandadaptation–mitigationsandadaptations–Stateactionplanfor climatechange;TamilNaduStateDisasterManagementAuthority–TamilNaduDisasterManagementPlan–RoleofNGOandCivilsocietyorganisation in disaster management and mitigation in Tamil Nadu; Current Affairs.

Part B: General Intelligence and Reasoning (SSLC Standard - 40 Questions)

1.Analogy2.Classification3.Codinganddecoding4.RelationshipConcepts5.Puzzles6.Dice7.DirectionandDistance8.LogicalVenn diagrams 9.Alpha-numericreasoning10.Arithmeticalreasoning11.VerificationofTruthoftheStatement12.SimilaritiesandDifferences13.Calendar 14.PermutationCombination15.Insertingthemissingcharacters16.Logicalreasoning17.Figuralseries18.NumericalOperations19.Symbolic operations20.Wordbuilding21.StatementandConclusion22.Addressmatching23.Mirrorimages24.Embeddedfigures25.Visualreasoning 26. Figural classification 27. Square completion

Part C: General English (SSLC Standard - 60 Questions)

1.MatchthefollowingwordsandphrasesgiveninColumnAwiththeirmeaningsinColumnB.2.ChoosethecorrectSynonymfortheunderlinedword fromtheoptionsgiven.3.ChoosethecorrectAntonymfortheunderlinedwordfromtheoptionsgiven.4.Selectthecorrectword(Prefix,Suffix). 5.FillintheblankswithsuitableArticle.6.FillintheblankswithsuitablePreposition.7.SelectthecorrectQuestionTag.8.Selectthecorrect Tense.9.SelectthecorrectVoice.10.Fillintheblanks(Infinitive,Gerund,Participle).11.Identifythesentencepatternofthefollowingsentence (Subject,Verb,Object...).12.FillintheblankswithcorrectHomophones.13.FindouttheError(Articles,Preposition,Noun,Verb,Adjective,Adverb). 14.Selectthecorrectsentence.15.Findouttheoddwords(Verb,Noun,Adjective,Adverb).16.SelectthecorrectPluralforms.17.Identifythe sentence(Simple,Compound,ComplexSentence).18.IdentifythecorrectDegree.19.Formanewwordbyblendingthewords.20.Formcompound words(eg.: Noun+Verb, Gerund+Noun). 21. British English – American English. 22. General Comprehension.