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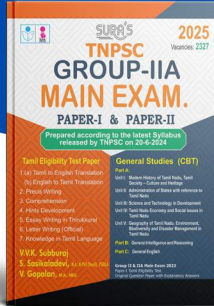
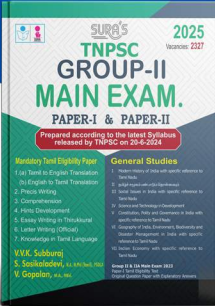
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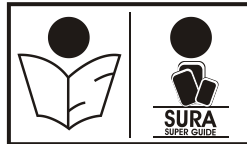
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Paper-II GENERAL STUDIES (Degree Standard) (Descriptive Type)	3 Hours	300	90

**Combined Civil Services (Main) Examination – II (Group – II Services)
General Studies (Degree Standard) [300 marks]**

Unit I: Modern History of India with specific reference to Tamil Nadu (40 marks)

Advent of Europeans: The Portuguese, the Dutch, the English, the Danish and the French; Expansion of British rule: Carnatic Wars; Early uprisings against British Rule: Revolt of Poligars, South Indian Rebellion, Vellore Mutiny, Indian National Movements - Moderates, Extremists and Terrorist Movements - Gandhian Era; Early stage of freedom movement in Tamil Nadu - First voice for freedom struggle from Tamil Nadu - Protests by Pulithevar, Veerapandya Kattabomman, Dheeran Chinnamalai, Velunachiar, Kuyili and others; Role of Tamil Nadu in freedom struggle - V.O. Chidambaram, Bharathiyar, V.V. Subramanian, Vanchinathan, Subramania Siva, T.S. Rajan, Rajaji, Sathyamoorthy, Kamaraj, Rukmani Lakshmi Pathi, Ambujammal and others; Types of freedom struggle - Sacrifices - Magazines - Literature - Plays/Drama - Songs - Film setc.; Contribution of women in the freedom struggle and social work: Dr. Muthulakshmi Ammaiyar, Muvalur Ramamirtham, Cuddalore Anjalai Ammal, Thillaiyadi Valliammai, and others; Impact of British Rule: Christian Missionaries, Development of Education, Judiciary, Local Self Governance System, Police, Transport and Communication - Disappearance of Indigenous Industries - Spread of Western Culture; Origin and Growth of 'Social-Justice' ideology, Socio-Religious Movements, Political Parties and Achievements.

Unit II: Tamil Society – Culture and Heritage (30 marks)

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Unit III: Social Issues in India with specific reference to Tamil Nadu (50 marks)

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Unit V: Constitution, Polity and Governance in India with specific reference to Tamil Nadu (60 marks)

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Unit VI: Geography of India, Environment, Biodiversity and Disaster Management in India with specific reference to Tamil Nadu (40 marks)

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Unit VII: Indian Economy with specific reference to Tamil Nadu (40 marks)

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