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ANTHROPOLOGY OPTIONAL

FOR UPSC CIVIL SERVICES MAINS 2027

Knowledge is the start. Writing makes it count.

Anthropology Answer
Writing Program

2027



18

SECTIONAL TESTS

2

FULL-LENGTH TESTS

9

FACULTY SESSIONS

STARTS 10 OCTOBER 2026 / WEEKLY SATURDAY TESTS

01 / PURPOSEFUL PRACTICE

Build precision. Develop confidence.

For aspirants who have completed their Anthropology foundation and want to strengthen Mains answer writing.

01 Focused weekly tests

Practise a few chapters at a time through thematic sectional tests spanning Paper I and Paper II.

02 Detailed evaluation

Receive actionable feedback on content, analytical depth, diagrams where relevant, and presentation.

03 Sample answers for every question

Review detailed sample answers to strengthen structure, conceptual clarity and the flow of an argument.

04 Faculty interaction

Nine online doubt-clearing sessions, plus one-on-one discussion of evaluated scripts with prior scheduling.

05 UPSC-oriented questions

Engage with evolving exam trends and contemporary themes, including connections with General Studies.

A REPEATABLE LEARNING CYCLE**WRITE****REVIEW****DISCUSS****REFINE**

02 / YOUR TEST CALENDAR

Build the foundations. Strengthen the concepts.

OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2026 • All tests on Saturdays

TEST	FOCUS	DATE
01	Discipline & Research Methods Scope, branches, interdisciplinary links, fieldwork and research tools.	10 Oct 2026
02	Culture, Society & Kinship Culture, social institutions, marriage, family and kinship.	17 Oct 2026
03	Evolution & Fossil Evidence Evolution, primates and human origins; fossil evidence from India.	24 Oct 2026
04	Biological Foundations & Genetics Cells, DNA, heredity, population genetics and chromosomal conditions.	31 Oct 2026
05	Economy, Politics, Religion & Language Economic systems, power, social control, beliefs and communication.	07 Nov 2026
06	Ecology, Health & Demography Adaptation, disease, fertility and the demographic profile of India.	14 Nov 2026
07	Human Variation Human diversity, race and racism, genetic markers and physiology.	21 Nov 2026
08	Growth & Applied Anthropology Growth, ageing, physique, forensics, nutrition and applied genetics.	28 Nov 2026
09	Anthropological Theories I Evolutionism, particularism, diffusionism, functionalism and structuralism.	05 Dec 2026
10	Anthropological Theories II Culture and personality, materialism, interpretation, cognition and postmodernism.	12 Dec 2026

Topic summaries shown. Detailed coverage follows the programme schedule.

02 / YOUR TEST CALENDAR

Apply the perspective. Rehearse the full papers.

DECEMBER 2026 - FEBRUARY 2027 • All tests on Saturdays

TEST	FOCUS	DATE
11	Traditional Indian Social System Social values, caste, sacred complexes and religious influences.	19 Dec 2026
12	Social & Cultural Change in India Sanskritisation, Westernisation, modernisation, traditions, media and Panchayati Raj.	26 Dec 2026
13	Indian Anthropology, Villages & Minorities Contributions of scholars; village studies, agrarian life and minorities.	02 Jan 2027
14	Safeguards, Ethnicity & Social Movements SCs, STs, OBCs, constitutional protection, identity and regional movements.	09 Jan 2027
15	Tribal Communities & Change Diversity, deprivation, displacement, forests, welfare and religion.	16 Jan 2027
16	Tribes, Nation-State & Development Comparative tribal experiences, administration, policies, NGOs and development.	23 Jan 2027
17	Prehistoric Archaeology Dating methods and cultural sequences from the Palaeolithic to the Iron Age.	30 Jan 2027
18	Indian Culture & Ethno-Archaeology Indian prehistory, Harappan cultures, tribal contributions and ethno-archaeology.	06 Feb 2027
19	Full-Length Test: Paper I Forenoon	13 Feb 2027
20	Full-Length Test: Paper II Afternoon	13 Feb 2027

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03 / FEEDBACK THAT MOVES YOU FORWARD

Discuss. Clarify. Improve.

Nine interactive online faculty sessions, each covering two consecutive sectional tests.

SESSION	TESTS DISCUSSED	SUNDAY DATE
01	01 and 02	25 Oct 2026
02	03 and 04	08 Nov 2026
03	05 and 06	22 Nov 2026
04	07 and 08	06 Dec 2026
05	09 and 10	20 Dec 2026
06	11 and 12	03 Jan 2027
07	13 and 14	17 Jan 2027
08	15 and 16	31 Jan 2027
09	17 and 18	14 Feb 2027

HOW THE DISCUSSION CYCLE WORKS

Each session takes place on the Sunday after the next test. For example, Tests 01 and 02 are discussed on 25 October, after Test 03 on 24 October.

Individual guidance: discuss evaluated answers with faculty by prior scheduling.

If unavoidable circumstances require a date change, alternative dates will be communicated.



FROM PREPARATION TO EXAM EXECUTION

Make every answer more purposeful.

Bring conceptual clarity, analytical depth and disciplined presentation into your Anthropology answers.

STRUCTURE

Crisp introductions.
Coherent arguments.

SUBSTANCE

Relevant concepts.
Thoughtful analysis.

PRESENTATION

Clear expression.
Impactful conclusions.



ADMISSIONS & PROGRAMME DETAILS

Contact Vajiram & Ravi

Anthropology Optional Answer Writing Program 2027

20 TESTS / 9 ONLINE FACULTY SESSIONS / PERSONALISED GUIDANCE