

CA-VA

2026-27

PRELIMS cum MAINS Batch (PCM)

**CURRENT AFFAIRS-VALUE
ADDITION PROGRAM**

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AN INITIATIVE UNDER NEXT IAS ADVANCE COURSES

How will **CA-VA** add value to your preparation?

DIFFERENTIATED

Content to stand out among the peer group

DECLUTTERED

Help you streamline your preparation

DISCIPLINED

Strategically curated program

for **DEFINITIVE** Score Improvements

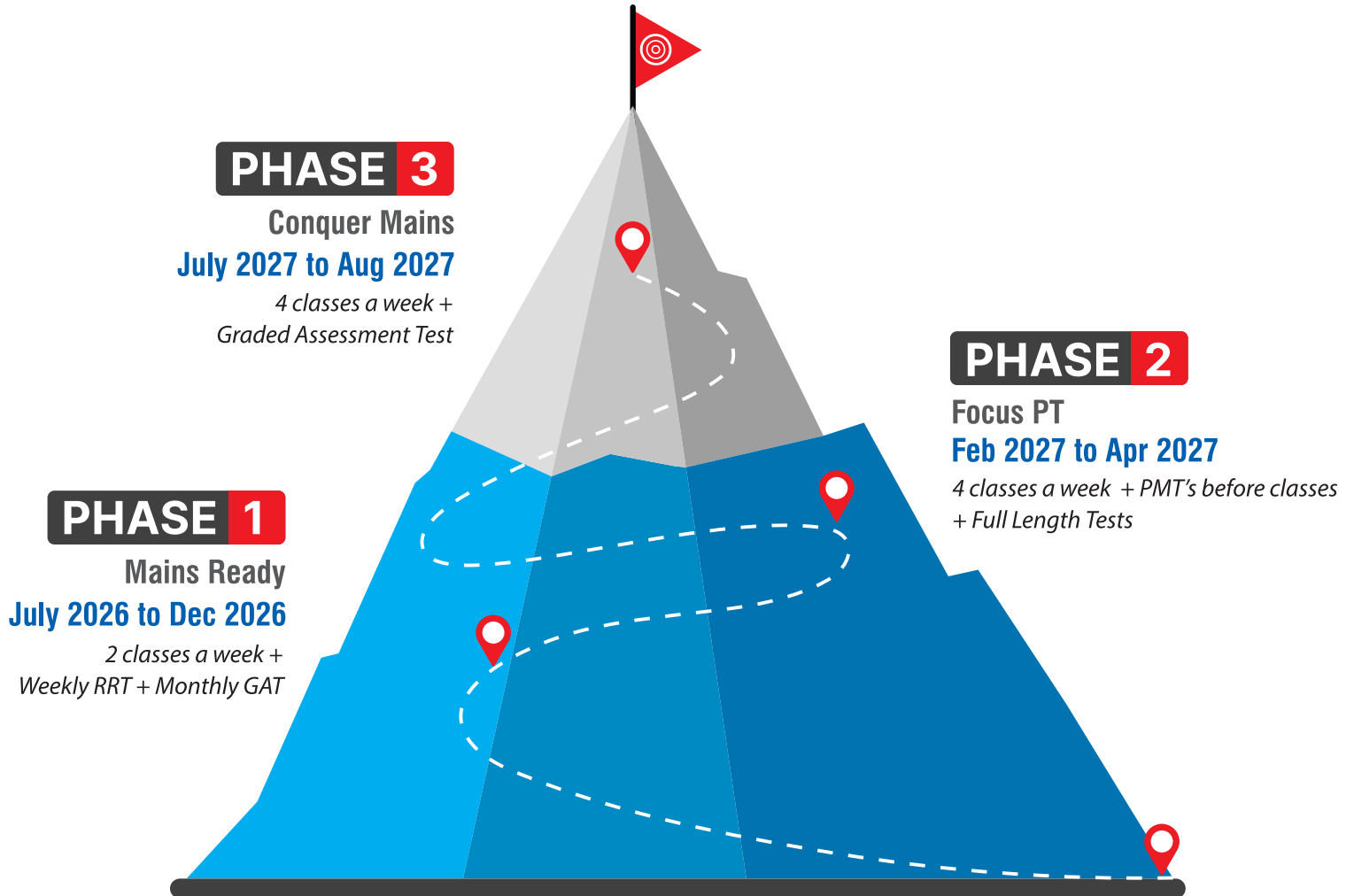
Current Affairs is the *buzz*. Value Addition is the *edge*.

Current Affairs play a vital role in the journey of every UPSC aspirant, with over half of GS Mains questions linked to contemporary issues. The **real challenge lies in filtering** through the flood of information to find what matters most. It is not just about gathering facts, but about **turning them into insights that strengthen your answers**. The Current Affairs–Value Addition (CA-VA) Programme by NEXT IAS meets this challenge by ***“Decluttering your preparation, Differentiating your content, and maintaining a Disciplined schedule.”***

It ensures that you don't miss out on the most important topics that matter in the exam. Whether you are a beginner or seeking to improve your rank, the CA-VA Programme adapts to your needs. Its modules will add value to your answers in GS Mains, Essay and even certain Optional subjects, offering a **comprehensive, paper-neutral approach**.

You say Current Affairs (CA) We say Value Addition (VA) CA-VA

CA-VA 2026-27 Schedule



What does **CA-VA** Program include?



In-Depth Current Affairs Coverage

The **10 month program** ensures that you have comprehensively covered issues of global and national importance, essential for CSE examination.



Integrated Prelims-Mains-Interview Classes

The Program will cover current affairs across all stages of exam preparation. **Prelims, Mains, and Interview** ensuring you're equipped with current oriented value addition at every step.



Theme-Oriented Syllabus Coverage

Our curriculum is structured around **key themes** covered under **syllabus keywords**, helping you connect concepts and apply them effectively in examinations



Answer Structuring with Visual Intelligence

Strategic use of diagrams, flowcharts, graphs, maps, and tables to **organise content, strengthen presentation, and deepen analysis.**



Paper Neutral Content

Our Content is **Paper Neutral** ensuring that you can use the value addition across all GS, Essay and even certain Optional Papers.



Exam Ready Content

Concise handouts built around the **content that matters. Exam-ready**, answer-worthy, and short enough to revise in one sitting.

Advanced Assessment with CA-VA



Randomness Ready Tests (RRTs)

We provide weekly assessments on **random yet relevant issues** through subjective and objective questions to broaden your knowledge base.



Live Answer Writing to Test

Students will practice **live answer writing** to test their ability to apply learned concepts in a fixed time frame.



Recall Work Sheet (RWS)

Post-session activity sheets that put the content to work, so each concept **moves from class to memory**.



Graded Assessment Tests (GATs)

Monthly **Graded Assessment Tests** to help track your progress, identify strengths, and reorient your preparation effectively.



Live Prelims Micro Tests (PMTs)

Focused exclusively on Current Affairs, every class in Phase - II begins with a **Live PMT**. This ensures systematic coverage of current affairs, through carefully designed objective questions.

CA-VA Questions Reflections CSE 2025 (GS - II)

UPSC CSE 2025 MAINS QUESTIONS	CA-VA RRT/GAT QUESTIONS
<p>Compare and contrast the President's power to pardon in India and in the USA. Are there any limits to it in both the countries? What are 'preemptive pardons'? (UPSC 2025, GS II)</p>	<p>What are the constitutional provisions regarding the pardoning power in India? Discuss the issues associated with the exercise of pardoning power in India. How does it differ from the pardoning power of the U.S. President? (RRT9-Phase-1)</p>
<p>"The Attorney General of India plays a crucial role in guiding the legal framework of the Union Government and ensuring sound governance through legal counsel." Discuss his responsibilities, rights and limitations in this regard. (UPSC 2025, GS II)</p>	<p>"The Attorney-General is the chief legal adviser and lawyer of the Government of India." Discuss. (Mains - GAT 2 - Phase-3)</p>
<p>e-governance projects have a built-in bias towards technology and back-end integration than user-centric designs. Examine. (UPSC 2025, GS II)</p>	<p>What is PRAGATI platform and explain its key features. Discuss its significance in addressing infrastructure challenges in India and transforming governance. (RRT9-Phase-1)</p>
<p>"Constitutional morality is the fulcrum which acts as an essential check upon the high functionaries and citizens alike..." In view of the above observation of the Supreme Court, explain the concept of constitutional morality and its application to ensure balance between judicial independence and judicial accountability in India. (UPSC 2025, GS II)</p>	<p>Identify the key values that have shaped India's constitutional culture and evaluate their relevance in contemporary times. (RRT5-Phase-1)</p>
<p>Discuss the evolution of collegium system in India. Critically examine the advantages and disadvantages of the system of appointment of the Judges of the Supreme Court of India and that of the USA. (UPSC 2025, GS II)</p>	<p>Discuss the pros and cons of the collegium system and critically evaluate the National Judicial Appointments Commission (NJAC) as an alternative. (RRT1-Phase-1)</p>
<p>What are environmental pressure groups? Discuss their role in raising awareness, influencing policies and advocating for environmental protection in India. (UPSC 2025, GS II)</p>	<p>What are the key challenges India faces in addressing climate change while balancing economic growth and social equity? Evaluate the effectiveness of India's current climate policies and suggest measures to enhance a multi-stakeholder approach for sustainable development. (RRT 7 -Phase-1)</p>
<p>The National Commission for Protection of Child Rights has to address the challenges faced by children in the digital era. Examine the existing policies and suggest measures the Commission can initiate to tackle the issue. (UPSC 2025, GS II)</p>	<p>'Despite the growing harmful impact of online spaces on adolescents, curbing these negative effects remains a significant challenge'. Discuss the factors responsible for this challenge and suggest measures to protect adolescents in the digital age (Mains - GAT 4 - Phase-3)</p>

CA-VA Questions Reflections CSE 2025 (GS - III)

UPSC CSE 2025 MAINS QUESTIONS	CA-VA RRT/GAT QUESTIONS
<p>What are the challenges before the Indian economy when the world is moving away from free trade and multilateralism to protectionism and bilateralism? How can these challenges be met? (UPSC 2025,GS III)</p>	<p>The rise of inward-looking economic strategies in developed countries, such as the Reciprocal Tariff Plan of the USA, reflects a shift in global trade patterns. Analyse their geopolitical and economic implications for developing economies like India. (Mains-GAT1 -Phase -3)</p>
<p>Elaborate the scope and significance of supply chain management of agricultural commodities in India. (UPSC 2025,GS III)</p>	<p>Analyse the opportunities for enhancing agricultural exports from India and the challenges impeding their growth. Also, suggest measures needed for a stable and effective Agri-export policy in India. (Mains- GAT5 - Phase -3)</p>
<p>How can India achieve energy independence through clean technology by 2047? How can biotechnology play a crucial role in this endeavour? (UPSC 2025,GS III)</p>	<p>Despite their potential, second-generation biofuels pose several challenges in India. In this context, discuss the steps taken by India to promote and scale up 2G biofuels (Mains- GAT 6 - Phase-3)</p>
<p>What is Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage (CCUS)? What is the potential role of CCUS in tackling climate change? (UPSC 2025,GS III)</p>	<p>Examine the significance of Carbon Capture, Utilisation, and Storage (CCUS) as a tool for decarbonization in India, highlighting its potential to contribute to a circular economy and reduce import dependency. Evaluate the challenges related to its implementation, including technology, financing, and infrastructure, and suggest measures to enhance its adoption (RRT7 - Phase -1)</p>
<p>The Government of India recently stated that Left Wing Extremism (LWE) will be eliminated by 2026. What do you understand by LWE and how are the people affected by it? What measures have been taken by the government to eliminate LWE? (UPSC 2025,GS III)</p>	<p>Left Wing Extremism has witnessed a steady decline in recent years, yet continues to pose challenges in certain regions. Identify the key measures that have contributed to this decline. In this context, critically examine whether the objective of a Naxal free India by 2026 is attainable? (Answer in 250 words) 15 marks (Mains- GAT7 - Phase3)</p>
<p>Write a review on India's climate commitments under the Paris Agreement (2015) and mention how these have been further strengthened in COP26 (2021). In this direction, how has the first Nationally Determined Contribution intended by India been updated in 2022? (UPSC 2025,GS III)</p>	<p>Examine the role of developed countries in the weakening of global climate agreements, from the Kyoto Protocol to the Paris Agreement. How has this affected the responsibilities of developing countries? (RRT10 - Phase -1)</p>
<p>Why is maritime security vital to protect India's sea trade? Discuss maritime and coastal security challenges and the way forward. (UPSC 2025, GS III)</p>	<p>"The Indian Ocean is evolving as a critical geostrategic theatre, yet regional maritime security cooperation remains fragmented." In this context, evaluate the potential of the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) in fostering a collective maritime security architecture in the Indian Ocean region. (Mains - GAT1 - Phase 3)</p>

CA-VA Questions Reflections CSE 2025 (Prelims)

UPSC CSE 2025 PRELIMS QUESTIONS	CA-VA LIVE PMT QUESTIONS
<p>Consider the following statements about turmeric during the year 2022–23:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">I. India is the largest producer and exporter of turmeric in the world.II. More than 30 varieties of turmeric are grown in India.III. Maharashtra, Telangana, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu are major turmeric producing States in India. <p>Which of the statements given above are correct?</p> <p>a) I and II only b) II and III only c) I and III only d) I, II and III</p>	<p>Consider the following statements.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. India is the largest producer, consumer and importer of Pulses in the world.2. India is the largest producer, consumer and exporter of turmeric in the world.3. India is the largest producer and consumer of cotton.4. India is the largest producer of Silk. <p>Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?</p> <p>a) 1 and 2 b) 1 and 4 c) 2, 3, and 4 d) 1, 2, 3, and 4</p>
<p>Consider the following statements in respect of BIMSTEC:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">I. It is a (regional) organization consisting of seven member States till January 2025.II. It came into existence with the signing of the Dhaka Declaration, 1999.III. Bangladesh, India, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Nepal are founding member States of BIMSTEC.IV. In BIMSTEC, the sub sector of 'tourism' is being led by India. <p>Which of the statements given above is/are correct?</p> <p>a) I and II b) II and III c) I and IV d) I only</p>	<p>How many of the following countries are member of both SAARC and BIMSTEC?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Sri Lanka2. Nepal3. Thailand4. Bhutan5. Maldives <p>Select the correct answer from the codes given below:</p> <p>a) Only one b) Only two c) Only three d) Only four</p>
<p>Consider the following statements with regard to BRICS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">I. 16th BRICS Summit was held under the Chairship of Russia in Kazan.II. Indonesia has become a full member of BRICS.III. The theme of the 16th BRICS Summit was Strengthening Multiculturalism for Just Global Development and Security. <p>Which of the statements given above is/are correct?</p> <p>a) I and II b) II and III c) I and III d) I only</p>	<p>Consider the following statements about the 16th BRICS Summit:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. It was the first summit with expanded BRICS membership.2. The expanded membership includes Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran and the United Arab Emirates.3. The Charter of the BRICS provides the constitutional basis for the involvement of non-Western economies. <p>How many of the above statement(s) is/are incorrect?</p> <p>a) Only one b) Only two c) All three d) None</p>

What do we commit to Provide in **CA-VA**?

Deliverables	Online	Offline
Classes	Live streamed on NEXT IAS app	Physical classes at NEXT IAS premises
Class duration	Each classes will be of 2.5 Hours Duration	
Assessment Test	Sunday@Portal	Sunday@Next IAS test centre
Class Handout & Recall Worksheets (RWS)	PDF uploaded prior to the classes	Printed handout distributed in class
Live Answer writing in class	Question shared on live class	Question provided in the class
Weekly Randomness Ready Tests (RRTs)	Test paper for Self Evaluation will be provided on portal	Test paper for Self Evaluation will be provided on portal
Monthly Graded Assessment Tests (GATs)	Graded Assessment Test provided for Submission on portal	Graded Assessment Test conducted in Offline mode
Prelims Micro Tests (PMTs)	Test Paper Provided for Submission on Portal during Prelims phase	Question Paper will be provided before class during Prelims phase
Course Validity	Until last day of CSE 2027 Mains	
Course starts	14 th July 2027 5:00 PM	

**Students enrolled in online mode will have access to classes in both Live online and recorded mode (only 2 views per class).*

**If Students attending classes in offline mode miss any class due to an unforeseen circumstance, they can seek access to such classes in recorded mode, limited to 2 requests per month.*

CA-VA Fees Structure

CA-VA 2026-27

₹ 30,000 (incl. GST)

Admission Fee	6,000
Tuition Fee	24,000
Program Duration	10 Months
Access Mode	Offline/Online
Medium	English

AIM 2026-27 + CA-VA 2027 (PCM)

₹ 97,500 (incl. GST)

Admission Fee	16,000
Tuition Fee	81,500
Program Duration	15 Months
Access Mode	Offline/Online
Medium	English Only

Important QR Code



Class Handout Sample



Enroll in CA-VA Program



Prelims Reflections



Mains Reflections



Topper Testimonials

Term & Conditions

- All payments made are final and non-refundable. The course cannot be transferred to another individual.
- The course is valid until August 30, 2027.
- Each NEXT IAS program is linked to a specific NEXT IAS account and mobile number. Program sharing is strictly prohibited. If participants are discovered sharing content, NEXT IAS reserves the right to revoke access to any or all programs without issuing a refund.
- Legal action may be taken against individuals involved in unauthorized sharing or selling of course materials.
- NEXT IAS retains full authority to close admissions based on capacity limits and can adjust the program schedule if unforeseen circumstances arise.

Toppers Testimonials

I am really grateful to be the part of the CA-VA classes for mains 2025. One stop solution for mains and the format in which sir gives notes is really good. The international relations notes were excellent. The CA classes for interview stage were also good.

A R Rajah Mohaideen - AIR 7

Current affairs is differential in value addition which gives you the extra mile. Just make sure that input of current affairs is as good as output.

Akansh Dhull - AIR 3

For Mains current affairs. I relied on Dipin sir. Whatever taught in CA-VA. I did that religiously this year, last year i did mistake not doing that religiously but this time made notes, understood everything, read them reiteratively.

Zinnia Aurora - AIR 6

Dipin sir's CA-VA has been an absolute game changer. CA-VA has helped me beyond GS, as 3-4 questions directly appeared over in PSIR as well. Thank you Dipin sir and Thank you Next IAS.

Kiran Kamate - AIR 53

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I was so impressed with the content that we had in CA-VA classes. I still remember the first class, it was about Bangladesh issue and it was amazing. From that point onwards I blindly followed Dipin sir's content.

Yashaswi Raj Vardhan - AIR 11

Sir provided to the point and mains ready notes. It helped me in building conceptual clarity and revision of current affairs also became easy as notes were consolidated at one place. Sir comprehensively covers topics across all papers and only continuous revision of sir's notes is needed for getting through exam.

Prachi Honey - AIR 28

I had enrolled into CA-VA course for CSE 2025 mains and prelims. Dipin sir's content and way of teaching has been immensely helpful in my journey. Specially the test series integrated with the CA-VA has been very helpful in ensuring ample practice of answer writing in structured manner.

Shubham Singh - AIR 21



Scan for more Testimonials