



## **YASHWANTRAO CHAVAN ACADEMY OF DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION**

**Dr. Ambedkar Competitive Examination Centre (ACEC), Pune**

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### **About the YASHADA:**

Yashwantrao Chavan Academy of Development Administration (YASHADA) is the Administrative Training Institute of the Government of Maharashtra which meets the training needs of government departments and rural and urban non-officials. Human resource development has traditionally been one of Maharashtra's major strengths. The importance of evolving sound and responsive administrative systems was realized as far back as 1963 when the Administrative Staff College (ASC) was established in Mumbai. The ASC was relocated at Pune in 1984 and renamed "Maharashtra Institute of Development Administration" (MIDA). MIDA, constituted as an autonomous society under the Societies Registrations Act, 1860, was to serve as the apex body for promoting and developing modern management practices and was to function as the nodal state level training institute in the field of development administration. Aptly enough, it was rechristened, "Yashwantrao Chavan Academy of Development Administration" (YASHADA) in 1990, as a tribute to the pioneering spirit of the late Shri Y. B. Chavan, former Chief Minister of Maharashtra & Deputy Prime Minister of India, who had inspired the setting up of the ASC.

### **About the Dr. Ambedkar Competitive Examination Centre (ACEC): UPSC guidance and coaching Centre**

During the last couple of decades, awareness about the Civil Services as a rewarding career has been growing at a very fast pace. The number of candidates taking up these examinations is growing exponentially. However it is seen that majority of the candidates from rural areas of Maharashtra, especially those from the weaker sections of the society are still unaware of the Civil Services Examinations conducted by the UPSC.

Dr. Ambedkar Competitive Examination Center (ACEC) was set up at YASHADA, Pune under the Schedule Caste Sub Plan (SCSP) of Department of Social Justice and Special Assistance, Government of Maharashtra & Started functioning from 3rd July 2006 for providing guidance to the Candidates from weaker section of the society from Maharashtra.

In 2010, State Minority Commission & Minority Development Section, GoM has approved 10 seats for the Candidates of the Minority Community & provided financial support.

In 2012, Tribal Development Department, GoM has approved 10 seats for the Candidates of the Tribal.

ACEC aims at tapping the talent in Candidates, encouraging them and helping them to prepare for the Civil Services examination.

**Objectives:**

- To create awareness regarding examinations, particularly civil services examinations among the youth from the deprived sections of the Society in Maharashtra.
- To plan and conduct guidance and training programmes for selected candidates.
- To provide support with facilities like residence, library, study room, test series, internet facility etc with subject/Paper-Wise qualitative Guidance from eminent administrators, academicians, professional experts and successful ex-students for the examination.

**Scope of the Centre:**

Candidates who are Maharashtra domiciled only can take advantage of this Programme.

**Funds:**

The Centre is being funded by Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Research and Training Institute (BARTI), Minority Commission through Dept. of the Minority Development, GoM, and TRTI, Tribal Development Department, GoM.

**Total Intake:** 70 meritorious Candidates

**Seat Allocation:**

As decided by Selection Committee constituted under the guidelines of the Department of Social Justice, Department of Minority & Tribal Development Department, Government of Maharashtra, below mentioned is the seat allocation.

CATEGORY	NO. OF SEATS
S.C.	30 (06 reserved for females and 01 for Differently abled)
S.T.	12 (02 reserved for females and 01 for Differently abled)
V.J. (A)	01
N.T. (B)	01
N.T. (C)	01
N.T. (D)	01
S.B.C.	01
O.B.C.	04 (01 reserved for female)
General	09 (02 reserved for females and 01 for Differently abled)
<b>Total [A]</b>	<b>60</b>

Reservation Pattern for Minority Group (Total= 10 Seats)	
Muslim	05 (01 reserved for female)
Christian	01
Buddhist	01
Sikh	01
Parsi	01
Jain	01
<b>Total [B]</b>	<b>10</b>

**Total [A + B] = 60 + 10 = 70 Seats**

[Overall 12 seats reserved for females and 03 for Differently abled candidates]

### SELECTION OF CANDIDATES:

A State level entrance Examination is being held by the Centre every year. Advertisement in the month of August/ September is being published in leading Marathi / English newspapers. Advertisement is also published on our website: [www.yashada.org/acec](http://www.yashada.org/acec). Interested Candidates are asked to fill ONLINE application. Hall tickets are also being provided online. Examination Fee and all other details are being published on the website.

### A) NATURE OF ENTRANCE EXAM:

An Objective type (Multiple Choice Questions) examination as per new pattern introduced at UPSC-CSE- Preliminary Examination consisting of two parts will be conducted in the month of November.

Subject / Paper	No. of questions	Marks	Time
General Studies – PAPER-1	50	100	120 Mins. ( 02 hours)
General Studies – PAPER-2 CSAT	40	100	
TOTAL	--	200	

❖ Subject to change.

**Negative marking as per UPSC is applicable. 1/3rd marks will be deducted for each wrong answer.**

Above mentioned programme may be changed year to year. Hence, candidates are requested to follow the programme which has been published in the newspaper normally in the month of the August/September.

## **B) ELIGIBILITY OF CANDIDATE :**

- Any graduate from any faculty from a recognized University (Medical graduates, should have completed internship)
- **Age limit:** 21 to 32 years for General Candidates. Age relaxation OBC/VJ(A)/NT(B)/NT(C)/NT(D) & SBC 3 years and for SC/ ST 5 years.
- Domicile of Maharashtra.
- **An Ex- ACEC candidate who has availed the benefit of Coaching for Prelims or Mains in YASHADA will NOT be eligible.**
- Full time candidates will not be allowed to do any other courses / job simultaneously.

## **FACILITIES TO ADMITTED CANDIDATES PROVIDED AT ACEC, YASHADA:**

- Free Accommodation at YASHADA
- Financial Assistance : Rs.2500/- per month (based on attendance)
- Library and 24 X 7 Study Room
- Reference books, National & International Magazines
- Free Guidance & Counseling
- Computer / Internet
- Well-equipped Gym
- Meditation/Yoga
- Preliminary and Mains Test Series

## **GUIDANCE:**

- The Centre tries to provide qualitative guidance from available resources to the admitted candidates. Experienced resource persons who have knowledge of the UPSC Civil Service Examination's syllabus & pattern.
- Newly selected IAS, IFS, IPS, IRS & Other Civil Services Officers are being engaged as guest faculty in the Guidance Programme. Eminent & professional experts are also invited as guest speakers.

- Regular sessions, special workshops, Tests, its evaluation, Counseling, special Lectures for Motivation & Personality Development are being conducted under coaching activity.

**STUDY PLAN:**

Phase - I	
Preparation for Main Exam. (GS-I,II,III,IV, Essay, optional)	Jan to March
Preparation for Prelims Exam. Along with Tests for Prelims	March to May
Phase -II	
Preparation for Main Exam. (G.S. + Optional + Essay)  Including Tests, Tests feedback etc.	June to Nov
Phase -III	
Special Capacity Building Programme for UPSC personality test along with Mock Interview.	3rd week of Jan / Feb  (Based on result declaration of CSE- Mains Exam. by UPSC)

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The Course will consist of guidance on major components of General Studies & Selected Major optional Subjects namely, History, Political Science, Public Administration and Geography, Sociology along with Essay.

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