

Course Objectives:

- To provide a comprehensive understanding of the core concepts of Ethics, Integrity, and Aptitude.
 - To equip students with analytical tools to tackle case studies and real-life scenarios in the KAS GS-IV Ethics paper.
 - To enhance ethical decision-making skills and apply theoretical knowledge to practical situations.
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Course Outline:

Module 1: Introduction to Ethics (4 hours)

- Definition and Scope of Ethics.
- Ethical Theories and Concepts (Utilitarianism, Deontology, Virtue Ethics, etc.).
- Role of Ethics in Public and Personal Life.

Module 2: Human Values (5 hours)

- Essence, Determinants, and Consequences of Ethics in Human Actions.
- Role of Family, Society, and Educational Institutions in Inculcating Values.
- Case Studies on Value-based Conflicts and Resolution.

Module 3: Attitude (5 hours)

- Content, Structure, and Function of Attitudes.
- Influence of Attitudes on Behavior and Ethics.
- Moral and Political Attitudes; Social Influence and Persuasion.
- Case Studies on Ethical Dilemmas Stemming from Attitudinal Conflicts.

Module 4: Aptitude and Foundational Values for Civil Services (5 hours)

- Integrity, Impartiality, and Non-partisanship.
- Objectivity, Dedication to Public Service, Empathy, Tolerance, and Compassion.
- Examples from Public Service – Importance of Ethical Leadership.

Module 5: Emotional Intelligence (5 hours)

- Concept of Emotional Intelligence and Its Use in Governance.
- Application of Emotional Intelligence to Problem Solving and Decision Making.
- Case Studies – Emotional Intelligence in Public Administration.

Module 6: Ethics in Public Administration (6 hours)

- Public/Civil Service Values and Ethics in Governance.
- Probity in Governance; Accountability and Ethical Governance.
- Laws, Rules, Regulations, and Conscience as Sources of Ethical Guidance.
- Case Studies: Examples of Ethical and Unethical Behavior in Government.

Module 7: Ethical Issues in International Relations (4 hours)

- Ethics in International Relations and Global Ethics.
- Human Rights, Environmental Ethics, and Responsibilities of Global Institutions.
- Case Studies on Ethical Challenges in Global Governance.

Module 8: Case Studies and Ethical Decision Making (6 hours)

- Approaches to Solving Case Studies in Ethics.
- Developing a Structured Framework for Ethical Decision-Making.
- Practice Sessions: Solving Case Studies.