

Capital: Bengaluru

Formation / statehood: 1 November 1956 (as Mysore State; renamed Karnataka on 1 November 1973)

Official language(s): Kannada

Public Service Commission: KPSC

Flagship exam: KAS / Gazetted Probationers / Group A-C

OVERVIEW

Karnataka lies in the Deccan region of South India with Bengaluru as the capital. Formed in 1956 and renamed in 1973, the state combines coastal, malnad, and plateau regions and is a major technology and coffee-producing centre.

FOCUS TOPICS

- Deccan plateau and Western Ghats
- Vijayanagara and Hoysala heritage
- 1956 formation and 1973 renaming
- IT and biotechnology economy
- KAS examination pattern

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. What is the capital of Karnataka?

Answer: Bengaluru

2. On which date was Karnataka (then Mysore State) formed under States Reorganisation?

Answer: 1 November 1956

3. In which year was Mysore State renamed Karnataka?

Answer: 1973

4. Which language is the official language of Karnataka?

Answer: Kannada

5. Which Public Service Commission conducts KAS exams in Karnataka?

Answer: Karnataka Public Service Commission (KPSC)

6. Which UNESCO site in Karnataka preserves the ruins of a Vijayanagara capital?

Answer: Hampi

7. Which coastal region of Karnataka is known for beaches and temple towns like Udupi?

Answer: Karavali (coastal Karnataka)

8. Which river is associated with the Jog Falls in Karnataka?

Answer: Sharavathi

9. Which hill region produces much of Karnataka's coffee?

Answer: Coorg (Kodagu)

10. Which city in Karnataka is known as a major IT hub?

Answer: Bengaluru

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