

Capital: Lucknow

Formation / statehood: 26 January 1950 (Uttar Pradesh; Uttarakhand separated on 9 November 2000)

Official language(s): Hindi (Urdu as second official language)

Public Service Commission: UPPSC

Flagship exam: UPPCS (Provincial Civil Services) / RO-ARO / Combined

OVERVIEW

Uttar Pradesh is a large northern state in the Gangetic plain with Lucknow as the capital. It contains major pilgrimage centres like Varanasi and Ayodhya and has deep Mughal and Nawabi cultural layers alongside UPPCS as a major state exam.

FOCUS TOPICS

- Ganga-Yamuna doab geography
- Mughal and Nawabi history of Lucknow
- Pilgrimage centres Varanasi and Ayodhya
- UPPCS examination
- 2000 separation of Uttarakhand

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. What is the capital of Uttar Pradesh?

Answer: Lucknow

2. Which language is the official language of Uttar Pradesh?

Answer: Hindi

3. Which Public Service Commission conducts UPPCS exams?

Answer: Uttar Pradesh Public Service Commission (UPPSC)

4. Which city on the Ganga is among the oldest living cities in Uttar Pradesh?

Answer: Varanasi (Kashi)

5. Which state was carved out of Uttar Pradesh in 2000?

Answer: Uttarakhand

6. Which monument in Agra is a UNESCO World Heritage Site built by Shah Jahan?

Answer: Taj Mahal

7. Which river pair forms the fertile doab heartland of Uttar Pradesh?

Answer: Ganga and Yamuna

8. Which city is associated with the Nawabi cultural heritage of Uttar Pradesh?

Answer: Lucknow

9. Which Buddhist site near Varanasi marks the place of Buddha's first sermon?

Answer: Sarnath

10. Which city in western Uttar Pradesh lies near the Taj Mahal and Agra Fort?

Answer: Agra

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