





Top Strategy & Tips for SSC MTS General Awareness Preparation

With the SSC MTS exam scheduled to take place 16th April onwards, you have around **one and half months** to prepare. If you clear the exam, it opens multiple gates for you to get a stable government job in **General Central Service Group** 'C' Non – Gazetted, Non – Ministerial posts in various Central Government Ministries / Departments / Offices, in different States/ Union Territories. The general awareness section in SSC MTS exam carries **50 marks**. Scoring well in the SSC MTS General Awareness section will improve your chances of making it to the next level of the exam.

In fact, if you study hard for the General Awareness section now, it will help you in the next stage of the SSC MTS exam i.e. **descriptive exam**. If you are wondering how to prepare for the SSC MTS general awareness section, read this article and download it as PDF after reading, to revisit time and again.

General Awareness Section - Time, Marks and Scope

Before you begin your preparation, you should be familiar with the exam pattern of the SSC MTS exam 2017. Here is the SSC MTS Exam Pattern 2017:

Subject	Max Marks	Total Time	Total Time (VH & Cerebral Palsy)
Reasoning	25	2 Hrs	2 Hrs 40 Min
Numerical Aptitude	25		









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English	50	
General Awareness	50	

- Negative Marking **0.25 marks** for each wrong answer.
- Once you qualify this paper, you become eligible to appear for the 2nd stage descriptive paper.
- Since the 2nd Paper is of qualifying nature only, **your final selection** depends on your performance in this Common Written Exam.

Now that you know that the General Awareness section has one-third weightage of the total exam, let is now find out what exactly to study.

What to Study for SSC MTS General Awareness Section

The General Awareness section of SSC MTS exam will test your knowledge of current events, general awareness of environment around you, your everyday observation skills and basic science. The questions will be mainly related to:

- India & its neighboring countries
- Sports
- History
- Culture
- Geography
- Economic scene
- General Polity including Indian Constitution
- General Science
- Computers

To know the syllabus in detail (topics, sub-topics, topic-wise mark distribution) etc. click here:

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<u>Detailed Syllabus, Mark Distribution & Difficulty Level - SSC</u> <u>MTS 2017</u>

Preparation strategy - SSC MTS General Awareness Section

As you might already have noticed, various topics can be divided into multiple subtopics. Out of these subtopics, some carry more marks (weightage) and some are not very important. Here is how to study various sub-topics and score:

1. General Science:

Most of the questions asked in SSC MTS General Awareness are from science. The questions can be based on biology, chemistry, physics, etc and will be of **9th and 10th standard** level. Some of these questions are very easy and some are a bit tough to answer. Thus, the general awareness section is pretty **balanced**; it is neither very tough nor very easy.

You can study from 9th and 10th level NCERT books in the 40-45 days left for the exam. Make sure you study each chapter carefully and try to understand various topics dedicatedly. Numericals are generally not asked in the SSC MTS science portion. Pay attention to important terms, definitions, scientists and their discoveries, processes, etc.

Especially in physics, application based questions can be asked, *E.g. the metal used in common wire, linear expansion based questions*, etc. In biology and chemistry, mostly fact based questions appear. However, there is a chance that application based questions will dominate in chemistry portion of the GA section.

Here are some articles that can help you:

1. Human Bogy & Functions









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- 2. <u>Deficiency Diseases & Malnutrition</u>
- 3. Nutrition & Deficiency
- 4. Solar System

2. Social Science:

Again, you can benefit from reading 9th and 10th standard NCERT books. The questions asked are majorly:

History: Indian Freedom Struggle and Ancient History make most part of the social science based questions. These questions are easy to moderate in difficulty. In ancient history, questions on *tools used and their materials*, etc. are asked. Make small notes while reading, note down eras, various practices, developments, etc. in a timeline.

Similarly, for Indian struggle and all other sub-topics of history like medieval history, modern history, etc. make notes of major points and try to answer the questions given at the back of every chapter.

Here are some notes:

- 1. <u>Important Acts during East India Company</u>
- 2. Indian National Congress Session
- 3. Indian Freedom Struggle Updated Notes

<u>Polity and Economics:</u> Polity and Economics are of basic level and careful reading of various chapters can help you score good marks. You can expect easy questions from polity and economy, based on current affairs and facts. In economics, carefully read various definitions and examples. Also, make maps and flow-charts to understand various cause and effects.

In polity, pay special attention to Constitution, Parliament, President and facts. Polity is a less time consuming topic and can help you score good marks. Here are some article:













1. Updated List of Cabinet Ministers

Geography and Environment: Basic geography is asked and you can safely score 5-10 marks. SSC MTS geography also consists of questions based on astronomy, rivers and dams, etc. To perform well in Environmental science, make sure you are aware of the relevant current affairs of the last 6-10 months. It will also help you to read about global warming, climate change, wildlife conservation in India, etc.

Here are some notes that will help you:

- 1. Types of Habitats
- 2. Know your States Facts, Culture, History, Geography, etc.
- 3. Famous Sites in India
- 4. Indian Towns on Rivers

3. Computers:

Computers questions can be easy to moderate. Make sure you know about hardware, internet, e-mails, chips, latest technology, etc. You can also solve mock tests and get an idea of what kind of questions to expect in SSC MTS computers.

4. Current Affairs:

If you do not have the good habit of reading the newspaper, you should start reading newspapers at once! Strengthen your knowledge of sports, news, latest developments in the country, disputes and hot topics. Here you will find the news and events for the last few months:

December Current Affairs

November Current Affairs

Union Budget









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Economic Survey

Demonetization

Practice Tests for SSC MTS General Awareness

To become perfect, you need to practice! Attempt a few mock tests and a model question paper to understand the level of questions. In the Testbook test series, we have especially provided detailed solutions of each and every question so that you can learn as you analyse your mock test.

Here are mock tests and Live Leaks:

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