

**Combined Civil Services Examination –II**  
**(Interview Posts and Non-Interview Posts)**  
**Main Written Examination (Descriptive type)**

**Paper-I**  
**Titles for Examination**

Title 1 - Tamil to English translation

Title 2 - English to Tamil translation

**Paper-II**  
**Titles for Examination**

Title 1 - Precis writing

Title 2 - Comprehension

Title 3 - Hints Development

Title 4 - Essay writing on the following topics from 'Thirukkural'

- (a) Significance as a Secular literature
- (b) Relevance to Everyday Life
- (c) Impact of Thirukkural on Humanity
- (d) Thirukkural and Universal Values - Equality, Humanism, etc.
- (e) Relevance to Socio - Politico - Economic affairs
- (f) Philosophical content in Thirukkural

Title 5 - Letter writing - Official

**Syllabus for Examination**

**History, Culture and Heritage of Tamil Nadu**

**[This syllabus applies for Paper-I (Title 1 and 2) and Paper-II (only for Titles 1 to 3 given above)]**

- 1.1 **Origin and Development of Tamil Civilization** - From classical antiquity to modernity.
- 1.2 **Sangam Period Literature** along with the historical events related to Language Development.

- 1.3 **Musical Tradition of Tamil Nadu** - Folklore - music, dance, Musical instruments and folk drama - From classical age to post-modern age with its modifications.
- 1.4 **Dramatic Art Form** - Street Theatre - Folk Theatre - Conventional Theatrical techniques.
- 1.5 **Socio-Economic History** - Overseas trade - evidence from classical literature like "Pattinapalai".
- 1.6 **Rationalist Movements** - Dravidian Movement and Self Respect Movement.
- 1.7 **Contribution of Social Reform Movements** in the implementation of Social Welfare Measures and Socio-Economic Development of Tamil Nadu - Reservation Policy and its Benefits - Contribution of Social Justice and Social Harmony in the Socio Economic Development of Tamil Nadu.
- 1.8 **Feminism** - Socio - feminism, Literary feminism - Different Concepts and Perceptions.
- 1.9 **Contemporary Tamil Language** - Computer Tamil Diction - Legal Tamil - Tamil as Administrative Language - New genres.