ANTHROPOLOGY SYLLABUS FOR COMMON ENTRANCE TEST FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-25

UNIT-1

- a) Meaning and scope of Anthropology
- b) History of Anthropology
- Branches of Anthropology : Social-Cultural, Biological, Archaeological and Linguistic

UNIT-2

Relationship between Anthropology and other disciplines

a) Life Sciences b) Earth Sciences c) Medical Sciences d) Social Sciences
 e)Environmental Sciences and f) Humanities

UNIT-3

Fundamentals in Biological Anthropology

- a) Human Evolution
- b) Human Variation
- c) Human Genetics
- d) Human Growth and Development

UNIT-4

Fundamentals in Social-Cultural Anthropology

- a) Culture, Society, Community, Group and Institution
- b) Basic Human Institutions : Family, Marriage, Kinship
- c) Development and Change in Human Society and Culture

UNIT-5

Fundamentals in Archaeological Anthropology and Linguistic Anthropology

- a) Prehistoric Cultures
- b) Chronology, Technology and Tool Typology
- c) Evolution of Language
- d) Speech, Language and Dialect



UNIT-6

- Economic Organisation: Modes of Production, Distribution and Consumption in Simple Societies
- Law and Political Organisation: Concept of law in simple societies, stateless political systems

UNIT-7

- a) Religion and Magic: Theories of origin of religion(animism, animatism, totemism)
- Religion and Magic: Functionaries of religion and magic in simple societies(Shaman, Priest, Witch and Sorcerer)

UNIT-8

- a) Social and Cultural Change: Diffusion and Innovation
- b) Social and Cultural Change: Acculturation and Cultural lag
- c) Planned change in human society

UNIT-9

- a) Man's place in the animal kingdom
- b) Order of primate
- c) Comparative anatomy of apes and man

UNIT-10

- a) Salient features of anthropological research: Bio-cultural, synchronic, diachronic, comparative and holistic
- Salient features of anthropological research: Field Work, participant-observation, use of native language, rapport establishment, use of key-informants

