

## **Ph.D. Entrance Test Syllabus for Department of Peace Studies**

The PET (Ph.D. Entrance test) for Ph.D. in Peace Studies consists of two parts:

- **Part-I:** Research Methodology (50 marks)
- **Part-II:** Subject Specific (Related to the domain for 50 marks)
- **Total Marks for PhD Entrance Test: 100 Marks**

### **SYLLABUS**

#### **PART-I: Research Methodology (50 Marks)**

1. Defining research problem, Thematic literature review
2. Formulating research problems and research questions
3. Hypotheses/Assertion
4. Types of data (Primary and Secondary)
5. Importance of Participants
6. Sample size and Sampling Strategies
7. Qualitative Research Methods: ethnography, narrative, phenomenological, grounded theory, and case study
8. Quantitative Research Methods- Surveys and questionnaires, Experiments, and quasi-experiments
9. Data Collection and Management
10. Bibliography and referencing
11. Objectivity
12. Research Ethics

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## **Part-II: Subject Specific (Related to the domain for 50 marks)**

1. Understanding Peace: Inner and Social Peace; Positive and Negative Peace; Peace in Indian Traditions
2. Working with conflict: Conflict Management; Conflict Resolution; Dialogue; Communication; Restorative Justice;
3. UN Agenda of Peace: UN Agenda for Peace 1992, A new Agenda for Peace (2023)
4. Gandhian Legacy of Conflict Resolution: Satyagraha: Truth and Non-Violence; Nonviolent Communication
5. Climate Change and Environmental Conflicts: Resource scarcity, ecological crises, displacement
6. Digital Technologies and Peace: Role of Social-media, Misinformation
7. Women's role in Peacebuilding
8. Peace Education

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