



## Mains Notes for IAS and PCS

### GS-4 Aptitude and Foundation Values of Civil Services

#### Last year Question papers

1. Why should impartiality and non – partisanship considered as foundational values in public service especially in present day socio – political context. Illustrate your answer with examples.  
(Civil Services Examination 2016)
2. What do you understand by ‘probity’ in public life? What are the difficulties in practicing it in the present times? How can these difficulties be overcome? (Civil Services Examination 2014)
3. What does ‘accountability’ mean in the context of public service? What measures can be adopted to ensure individual and collective accountability of public servants? (Civil Services Examination 2014)
4. (a) What do you understand by the following terms in the context of public services?  
(Civil Services Examination 2013)
  - (i) Integrity
  - (ii) Perseverance
  - (iii) Spirit of service
  - (iv) Commitment
  - (v) Courage of conviction
- (b) Indicate two more attributes which you consider important for public service. Justify your answer.  
(Civil Services Examination 2013)