



National Officers Academy
Final Mock for CSS-2026
January 2026
ANTHROPOLOGY

TIME ALLOWED: THREE HOURS PART-I(MCQS): MAXIMUM 30 MINUTES	PART-I (MCQS) PART-II	MAXIMUM MARKS = 20 MAXIMUM MARKS = 80
NOTE: <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. Part-II is to be attempted on the separate Answer Book.ii. Attempt ONLY FOUR questions from PART-II. ALL questions carry EQUAL marks.iii. All the parts (if any) of each Question must be attempted at one place instead of at different places.iv. Write Q. No. in the Answer Book in accordance with Q. No. in the Q. Paper.v. No Page/Space be left blank between the answers. All the blank pages of Answer Book must be crossed.vi. Extra attempt of any question or any part of the question will not be considered.		

PART-II

- Q. 2:** Explain Consanguineal, Affinal, Fictive kinship and discuss the concept of ego with its significance in kinship analysis, support your arguments with anthropological examples.
- Q. 3:** Compare Talal Asad's views on religion with Clifford Geertz's symbolic approach. Moreover explain, how does Talal Asad's work reshape the boundaries between religion, politics, and secularism?
- Q. 4:** Analyze how evolutionism shaped early anthropological thought and discuss its major limitations, also, critically examine the concept of culture as a "text."
- Q. 5:** Analyze Clifford Geertz's interpretive anthropology as a shift from positivism, also discuss the implications of reflexivity for anthropological research.
- Q. 6:** Discuss cultural relativism in the context of human rights debates, also analyze the tension between universalism and relativism in anthropological thought.
- Q. 7:** Discuss anthropology's relevance and contribution in understanding globalization and public policy formulation.
- Q. 8:** Write a short note on **FOUR** of the following:-
 - 1. Participant observation
 - 2. Ethnography
 - 3. Key informant
 - 4. Genealogical method
 - 5. Case study method
 - 6. Comparative method

Best of Luck for CSS2026