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यह एक स्वतंत्र परियोजना है, जो सरकार की आधिकारिक करियर-मार्गदर्शन सामग्री पर आधारित है। • An independent project based on the Government's official career-guidance content.

1 About this career

What a State Administrative Service is to a state, DANICS is to Delhi and some Union Territories. Its officers serve as Sub-Divisional Magistrate (SDM), Additional District Magistrate and Deputy Secretary in various departments — the ground-level administration people actually see: certificates, elections, revenue, disaster and law and order. The cadre is controlled by the Ministry of Home Affairs. Selection through the Civil Services Examination is to the Entry Grade, which is Group 'B'; on promotion officers reach Group 'A' posts and some are promoted into the Indian Administrative Service.

2 At a glance

Service type	Central Group-B (Gazetted)
Selection exam	UPSC Civil Services (CSE)
Minimum qualification	Graduation in any stream
Domain	Ground-level administration of Delhi and the Union Territories
Source status	The entry-grade pay level could not be confirmed from a primary government source — read the note in the pay section

3 What you need

INTERESTS

- Interest in solving people's problems
- Public life and responsibility
- Administration, revenue and law and order

ABILITIES

- Staying calm in a crowd and under pressure
- The patience to listen
- Deciding quickly

KEY SKILLS

- Revenue and land administration
- Election management
- Public grievance redressal
- Magisterial work
- Disaster management
- Noting and drafting

4 How to get there

- 1 Complete a bachelor's degree in any stream.
- 2 Apply for the UPSC Civil Services Exam (age 21–32).
- 3 Clear Prelims -> Mains -> Interview.
- 4 Based on rank, appointment is to the Entry Grade of DANICS.
- 5 Two-year foundation training conducted by the Union Territories Civil Services (UTCS), Delhi.

MAIN EXAMS

- UPSC Civil Services Examination (CSE)
- Examination Notice 05/2026-CSE lists this service as Group "B", not Group "A". That has a direct effect on the starting pay.
- The conditions of service are set out in the DANICS/DANIPS Rules, 2003 (Ministry of Home Affairs).

5 Where to study

GOVERNMENT INSTITUTES

- संघ राज्य क्षेत्र सिविल सेवा (यू.टी.सी.एस.) — प्रशिक्षण निदेशालय — Delhi (<https://utcs.delhi.gov.in/>)
- गृह मंत्रालय — कैडर नियंत्रक प्राधिकारी — Government of India (<https://www.mha.gov.in/>)
- राजस्थान विश्वविद्यालय — Jaipur, Rajasthan (<https://www.uniraj.ac.in>)

PRIVATE INSTITUTES

- Vajiram & Ravi — Private paid coaching — this portal does not endorse any institute. Look at the free options first: the Chief Minister Anuprati coaching scheme, and the recruiting board's own syllabus and past question papers. Check fees, facilities and success claims for yourself; no one can guarantee selection.

ONLINE

- SWAYAM / NPTEL — Online (Govt of India) (<https://swayam.gov.in>)
- स्वयं (SWAYAM) — भारत सरकार के निःशुल्क ऑनलाइन कोर्स — Free (<https://swayam.gov.in/>)
- राष्ट्रीय डिजिटल पुस्तकालय (NDLI) — Free books and study material (<https://ndl.iitkgp.ac.in/>)
- एन.सी.ई.आर.टी. — निःशुल्क पाठ्यपुस्तकें — The foundation for general knowledge, maths and science (<https://ncert.nic.in/>)
- BYJU'S IAS (Online) — Private paid coaching — this portal does not endorse any institute. Look at the free options first: the Chief Minister Anuprati coaching scheme, and the recruiting board's own syllabus and past question papers. Check fees, facilities and success claims for yourself; no one can guarantee selection. (<https://byjus.com/ias/>)

FEES

Graduation in any stream costs roughly ₹10,000–₹50,000 per year in government colleges. UPSC coaching may cost ₹1–2 lakh, while the UPSC exam fee itself is very low (about ₹100–₹200). Figures are indicative.

SCHOLARSHIPS

- National Scholarship Portal (NSP) (<https://scholarships.gov.in>)
- Buddy4Study (<https://www.buddy4study.com>)
- Rajasthan SJE Scholarships (<https://sje.rajasthan.gov.in>)
- Vidya Lakshmi (Education Loan) (<https://www.vidyalakshmi.co.in>)

6 What the work is like

WHERE YOU WORK

District and sub-divisional offices of the Delhi government, secretariat departments, and the administrations of the Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep, Daman & Diu and Dadra & Nagar Haveli.

WORK CULTURE

Both office and field — public hearings, inspections, election and disaster duty. Hours can be irregular, and a posting to the islands is a long way from home.

WHO HIRES

- Government of the NCT of Delhi
- Ministry of Home Affairs — UT Division

- The administrations of the Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep and DNH & DD

DEMAND (2026)

The administrations of Delhi and the Union Territories need officers every year, so posts come up regularly. It matters to keep two things apart: "demand" here counts the posts on offer, not your chance of getting one. In the UPSC Civil Services Examination 2025, 958 candidates in all were recommended across the Indian Administrative Service, the Indian Foreign Service, the Indian Police Service and every central Group A and Group B service combined; in 2024 the figure was 1,009. That is the whole country's intake for a year. So do not make this your only plan — keep a second route (a postgraduate degree, a skill, or another recruitment) moving alongside it.

7 Career growth

- 1 Entry Grade — Sub-Divisional Magistrate (SDM)
- 2 Additional District Magistrate / Deputy Secretary
- 3 Selection Grade
- 4 Junior Administrative Grade — District Magistrate / Joint Secretary
- 5 Promotion into the Indian Administrative Service

EARNINGS

Starting	समूह 'ख' राजपत्रित प्रवेश ग्रेड — स्तर पुष्ट नहीं
Mid level	टिप्पणी देखें
Senior level	टिप्पणी देखें

This is a Group 'B' (Gazetted) entry grade, not Group 'A', so it starts below the Level-10 entry of Group 'A' services like the IAS. This portal could not find the current pay level for this service's entry grade in any primary government source, so no figure is printed here — guessing one would have meant publishing a wrong number. For comparison: the Government of Puducherry's own list (position as on 1 August 2026) shows the Pondicherry Civil Service — the comparable Group 'B' service filled from this same examination — entering at Level-8 and moving to Level-10 after four years. That is that service's figure, not this one's. Check the pay level yourself in the current notification and service rules before applying. Dearness allowance (60% of basic since 1 January 2026) and house rent allowance are added on top of basic pay. The Terms of Reference of the 8th Central Pay Commission were approved on 28 October 2025 and it has not reported yet, so the pay scale will change.

8 The good parts · The challenges

The good parts

- Real authority and experience in ground-level administration
- A route to the IAS by promotion
- The chance to work in the national capital

The challenges

- A Group 'B' service — starting pay and seniority are below the IAS
- A posting to the islands can be very far from home
- Political and public pressure

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