

CDS 2 2026 • GENERAL KNOWLEDGE ANSWER KEY

Combined Defence Services Examination (II), 2026 — All Sets A, B, C & D

Exam Date: 13 September 2026 (Sunday) | Shift: 12:30–14:30 hrs | Paper Code: 12 | 120 Questions • 100 Marks

MARKING SCHEME

Correct: +5/6 mark (0.833)
Wrong: -1/3 of 5/6 (-0.278)
Unattempted: 0

HOW TO USE THIS KEY

Identify your booklet set
(A / B / C / D) printed on the
question paper. Match Q. Nos.

SCORE FORMULA

Score = (Correct × 5/6)
– (Wrong × 5/18)
OTA candidates: English + GK only

ANSWER KEY — QUESTIONS 1 TO 80

Q.	SET A	SET B	SET C	SET D
1	C	C	B	B
2	A	C	D	C
3	D	D	C	C
4	B	D	D	B
5	A	B	C	C
6	B	C	C	A
7	A	A	C	D
8	C	D	C	A
9	B	C	B	B
10	C	A	A	A
11	A	D	C	B
12	A	C	A	B
13	B	D	B	B
14	D	B	B	B
15	C	C	A	B
16	A	C	B	B
17	C	A	B	C
18	C	B	C	B
19	C	D	C	A
20	A	B	B	A
21	C	B	C	C
22	C	A	D	C
23	D	A	A	D
24	D	C	B	D
25	D	C	D	B
26	C	B	C	C
27	A	C	C	A

Q.	SET A	SET B	SET C	SET D
28	B	C	D	D
29	C	B	D	C
30	C	C	D	A
31	A	A	C	D
32	D	D	A	C
33	B	A	B	D
34	C	B	C	B
35	D	A	C	C
36	A	B	A	D
37	B	B	D	B
38	B	B	B	B
39	B	B	C	D
40	B	B	D	C
41	B	B	A	C
42	B	C	B	B
43	C	B	B	C
44	C	A	B	A
45	B	A	B	D
46	C	D	C	B
47	D	B	A	B
48	A	B	D	C
49	B	D	B	C
50	D	C	A	B
51	B	C	B	C
52	D	B	A	D
53	C	C	C	A
54	D	A	B	B

Q.	SET A	SET B	SET C	SET D
55	C	D	C	D
56	C	B	A	C
57	C	D	A	C
58	C	C	B	D
59	B	D	D	D
60	A	C	C	D
61	C	C	A	C
62	A	C	C	A
63	B	C	C	B
64	B	B	C	C
65	A	A	A	C
66	D	C	C	A
67	B	A	C	D
68	B	B	D	B
69	D	B	D	C
70	C	A	B	D
71	C	B	C	A
72	B	B	A	B
73	C	C	D	B
74	A	C	C	B
75	D	B	A	B
76	B	C	D	B
77	C	D	C	D
78	C	A	D	C
79	B	B	B	D
80	C	D	C	C

ANSWER KEY — QUESTIONS 81 TO 120

Match the booklet series printed on your question paper with the corresponding SET column.

Q.	SET A	SET B	SET C	SET D
81	A	C	C	C
82	D	C	A	C
83	A	D	B	C
84	B	D	D	B
85	A	D	B	A
86	B	C	B	C
87	B	A	A	A
88	B	B	A	B
89	B	C	C	B
90	B	C	C	A
91	B	A	B	C
92	C	D	C	A
93	B	B	C	D
94	A	C	B	B
95	A	D	C	A
96	C	A	A	B
97	A	B	D	A
98	B	B	A	C
99	D	B	B	B
100	B	B	A	C

Q.	SET A	SET B	SET C	SET D
101	B	C	B	A
102	A	A	B	A
103	A	D	B	B
104	C	B	B	D
105	C	A	B	C
106	C	B	B	A
107	C	A	C	C
108	D	C	B	C
109	D	B	A	C
110	B	C	A	A
111	C	A	D	C
112	A	A	B	A
113	D	B	B	B
114	C	D	D	D
115	A	C	C	B
116	D	A	C	B
117	C	C	B	A
118	D	C	C	A
119	B	C	A	C
120	C	A	D	C

Paper Snapshot — CDS 2 2026 General Knowledge

- Standard CDS GK pattern: 120 objective items covering current affairs, polity, history, geography, economy, science, environment and defence.
- Questions typically mix static GK with recent events; several items may remain under expert review until the official UPSC key is issued.
- Use this key only after confirming your SET code. Do not mix columns across booklet series.
- Keep a running tally of attempted, correct and incorrect responses before applying the marking formula given on page 1.
- Candidates targeting OTA need only English and General Knowledge; IMA / INA / AFA candidates must also account for Elementary Mathematics.
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