

## **MESSAGE FROM CHIEF INSTRUCTOR**

1. The Course has been made absolutely 'Student Friendly' and interactive as under : -
    - (a) **The Course application form has been made simpler and available on line on the Course site.** It can be downloaded with a click of the mouse.
    - (b) **The application procedure has been made student friendly.** You just have to download the form, and send the requisite amount through multicurrency cheque/draft/cash by courier and, the despatch of Course material from USI will start instantaneously.
    - (c) All correspondence/queries to be made on email to avoid loss of time. It will be replied within 72 hr.
  2. We are planning to make the **Corres Courses Interactive**. All officers, who have subscribed for the Course, and have any query and doubt in any subject, can email it to us with their Course Index No. They will be replied with an answer, or the question will be covered in subsequent question papers for every student's benefit, during the Corres Course.
  3. Corres Course for Command and Professional Management Examination has already commenced. Navy officers can subscribe immediately as the course is in progress.
  4. Keep visiting our site on internet. The information about dispatch of study material will be notified.
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HQ Northern Command (GS/Trg)  
HQ South Western Command (GS/Trg)  
HQ ARTRAC (GS/Trg)  
Andaman & Nicobar Command (Comd Trg Offr)

**CONDUCT OF CORRESPONDENCE COURSES FOR DSSC (ARMY/NAVY)  
& TSOC ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS &  
PART D & B PROMOTION EXAMINATIONS FOR 2018**

1. The next set of correspondence courses for Promotion Examinations Part B & D - 2017 and DSSC/TSOC (Army & Navy) Entrance Examination 2018, will again be conducted by the United Service Institution of India. The course has been remodeled to make it more useful, absolutely '**Student Friendly**' simplifying the long regn process and '**Interactive**' to give opportunity to offrs, who are badly located, a facility to prepare and clarify doubts on internet any time of the year. Full details of the courses are given in the prospectus enclosed and in the USI website [www.usiofindia.org](http://www.usiofindia.org).

2. We all appreciate that with the reduction of age profile of COs, the DSSC entrance exam has to be cleared by offrs within a particular service bracket. This has resulted into a compulsion for offrs to clear their promotion exams as early as possible. The shortage of offrs in units/finns and pressure of wk makes it difficult for our offrs to do much written work, specially under guidance. That is where the USI

corres course and the contact pgmes help our offr. The assignments submitted by the offr are carefully corrected and guidance provided, which helps them in writing during exams. The results mentioned in the website are given below:-

<u>DSSC</u>			
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
(a) Competitive Vacancies	17/20	18/20	18/20
(b) Nominated	202/239	208/239	212/240
(c) Reserve	10/12	16/17	19/25

PART D – 2016

(a) Pass percentage of all subjects	-	40.75 %
(b) Pass percentage of partially pass	-	53.50 %
(c) Failed percentage in all subjects	-	5.25 %
(d) Overall results	-	94.25 %

3. The contact pgmes are generally oversubscribed and allotted on first come first serve basis. We get instructors, who are updated and specialists in their subjects. Our website has been updated to incl all imp info about Corres Courses. The info about despatches is also being notified on the internet on our website.

4. In our collective effort to assist the young offr to prep for Promotion/Competitive exams, it is requested that the offr be guided to have a look at the website of USI of India, which has been updated with lot of new info about Corres Courses. It is requested that the Corres Course Prospectus be disseminated upto the unit level, a copy of which is enclosed with this letter.

5. It is requested to give that wide publicity be given to this facility offered by USI of India, which continues to be a facilitator of professional studies since 1857, and professional and competitive exams since 1957.

  
(S B Ashiana SM, VSM)  
Maj Gen (Retd)  
Chief Instructor

14 Aug 2017

Registrations for DSSC / TSOC – 2018, Part B - 2018 and Part D – 2017 open. Register immediately to commence prep through Systematic Study and guidance earliest.

Registration open for Contact Pgmes DSSC/TSOC – 2018. Register to gain max benefit of guidance. CP to be conducted in Jun and July 2018, on first come first serve basis. Contact : 011-26148682, 011-26146390, 09810885519.

24 July 2017

### **WALK IN REGISTRATION FOR CP – FOR PART D**

Offrs wanting to attend Contact Pgme for Part D and have not been able to register can come directly to Seminar Room No 1 on 07 Aug 17 at 0900 hr. Registration will be done on the spot. Send email to keep a seat for you on [ci@usiofindia.org](mailto:ci@usiofindia.org).

30 Jun 17

### **CLARIFICATION OF SOME QUERRIES ASKED DURING CONTACT PGME – 1**

1. Ref Books for Law. As some offrs found that that Law books are out of print, the offrs who do not have original Law Books can use the photocopies of the new Law Books. Law books sold by vendors with only English version will not be allowed. An advisory will be issued by MT Dte to clarify the issue. Offrs having old Law Books can take photocopy of AFT and RTI, made from new Law Books.
2. Map Mking. Use of highlighter on map/sketches is permitted. Florescent colours and stickers are NOT permitted.

01 June 2017

**CONTACT PROGRAMME FOR**

**PART D FROM 07 AUG to 11 AUG 2017**

<b><u>Ser No</u></b>	<b><u>Day</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Subject &amp; Date</u></b>	<b><u>Timing &amp; Events</u></b>
1.	Mon	07 Aug	1 <sup>st</sup> Day  Tac  MH  CA	(a) Briefing by CI 1000-1100 hr.  (b) Tea 1100- 1130 hr.  (c) Guidance on Entire Syllabus  Tac - 1130 - 1300 hr  MH - 1400 - 1500hr  CA - 1500 - 1600 hr
2.	Tue	08 Aug	2 <sup>nd</sup> Day  Tac	Mock test under exam conditions 1000 – 1300hr  Guidance on Tac 1400- 1530 hr
3.	Wed	09 Aug	3 <sup>rd</sup> Day  MH	Mock test under exam conditions 1000-1300 hr  Guidance on MH 1400- 1530 hr
4.	Thu	10 Aug	4 <sup>th</sup> Day  CA	Mock test under exam conditions 1000-1300 hr  Guidance on CA 1400- 1530 hr
5.	Fri	11 Aug	5 <sup>th</sup> Day	Discussion on answer sheets of mock test  Tac - 1000 to 1100 hr  MH - 1115 to 1215 hr  CA - 1215 to 1315 hr

(a) Officers must report at 0930 hr on first day for registration. The class on answering technique will be taken by CI, which will not be repeated, hence it's very imp to attend that.

- (b) Tea break daily 1100-1115 hr.
- (c) Lunch break 1300 hr.
- (d) Strict time schedule is followed at USI.

Part D/CP/2017/USI

Jun 2017

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(All fmn Headquarters , Cat A Ests)

HQ Delhi Area (GS Branch)

### **CONTACT PROGRAMME (CP) FOR PART –D EXAM- 2017**

1. Based on the feedback from a large No of Part D aspirants, USI will be conducting a Contact Pgme for three subjects of Part D i.e. Military History, Current Affairs and Tactics. The Contact Pgme can be attended by any Part D aspirants and is most advised especially those offr, who are on the verge of loosing seniority or first mandatory chance for DSSC. The three subjects chosen are the ones, in which max of such offr are failing.
2. The CP for Part D will be conducted from 07 Aug 2017 to 11 Aug 2017 for the first time. The CP will be conducted only if a min of 50 students apply for it. Normally CPs are highly oversubscribed and well appreciated for DSSC preparations, which has been the reasons for such requests coming from the affected offr for Part D as well.
3. **Withdrawal/Cancellation.** Request for withdrawal/cancellation is not permissible. However, if the CP has to be cancelled due to inadequate No of candidates, the entire amount will be returned to the offr.
4. The aim of these CPs is as follows:-
  - (a) Mock test, correction and discussion.
  - (b) Guide students on exam technique.
  - (c) Clarify doubts.
  - (d) Discussion on the question papers issued by the USI or from any other source.
  - (e) Highlight imp subjects/issues.
5. Detailed schedule for the CPs is as given at Appx att.
6. After each mock test, experienced DSs will correct the papers, and discuss these with the offr, highlight their weak areas and guide the student offr for further improvement.

7. The offer is required to send his acceptance along with a demand draft for Rs 3000/- for three subjects (MH, CA & Tac) only of Part D -2017. Payment may be made by cash, multicity or local cheque/bank draft drawn in favour of the 'Director USI of India' payable at New Delhi or through netbanking. Offrs should register for the CP latest by 25 Jul 2017, to avoid disappointment later.
8. The offrs will be reqd to come to Delhi and stay under own arngs. Further adm instrs will be fwd to the registered offrs.
9. USI membership is mandatory to attend CPs, as in case of CPs for DSSC.
10. It is requested that the a/m info may please be disseminated upto the unit level at the earliest so that max affected offrs can be benefited from this Contact Pgme.

17 Jan 2017

**CONDUCT OF PROMOTIONS AND  
DSSC/TSOC ACTUAL EXAM – 2017**

1. **Promotion Exam Part B**

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|-----|-------------------|---|------------------------------|
| (a) | 05 Jun 2017 (Mon) | - | Administration & Morale.     |
| (b) | 06 Jun 2017 (Tue) | - | Military Law.                |
| (c) | 07 Jun 2017 (Wed) | - | Military History.            |
| (d) | 08 Jun 2017 (Thu) | - | Current Affairs and Science. |
| (e) | 09 Jun 2017 (Fri) | - | Tactics.                     |

2. **Promotion Exam Part D**

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|-----|-------------------|---|--------------------------|
| (a) | 23 Oct 2017 (Mon) | - | Current Affairs.         |
| (b) | 24 Oct 2017 (Tue) | - | Tactics.                 |
| (c) | 25 Oct 2017 (Wed) | - | Special to Corps.        |
| (d) | 26 Oct 2017 (Thu) | - | Administration & Morale. |
| (e) | 27 Oct 2017 (Fri) | - | Military Law.            |
| (f) | 28 Oct 2017 (Sat) | - | Military History         |

3. **Combined Entrance Exam DSSC and TSOC**

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|-----|-------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| (a) | 04 Sep 2017 (Mon) | - | Tactics A.                       |
| (b) | 05 Sep 2017 (Tue) | - | Science and Military Technology. |
| (c) | 06 Sep 2017 (Wed) | - | Administration and Military Law. |
| (d) | 07 Sep 2017 (Thu) | - | Current Affairs.                 |
| (e) | 08 Sep 2017 (Fri) | - | Military History.                |
| (f) | 09 Sep 2017 (Sat) | - | Tactics B                        |

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02 Dec 2016

### **ADVISE FROM CI FOR COMPETITIVE AND PROMOTION EXAMS**

1. The DSSC results of 2016 reflect that out of Approx 603 offrs, who were registered for DSSC/TSOC Corres Course with USI of India, out of 1602 offrs who appeared for DSSC/TSOC exam **in 2016, 18 out of 20 Competitive vacancies, 212 out of 240 total vacancies, and 69 out of 80 of TSOC vacancies were secured by USI students is very encouraging and speaks volumes of efforts of student offrs in the right direction.** A heartiest congratulations to all students who succeeded from our side, and the offrs who did not succeed must restart the effort imdt, in systematic manner.
2. The above result also indicates out of remaining offrs, who did not take USI Corres Course, only 41 offrs got though, despite all having done pre-staff courses, having got all publications issued by the Army and other orgs, and most of offrs managing copies of USI course mtrl through some source or the other.
3. **It therefore clearly indicates that correct guidance and effort in right direction is more important than accumulating volumes of course mtrl through whatever means.** The USI of India can assist you in this aspect, if you register yourself with USI and **your prep is monitored and guided in right direction, in planned, systematic manner throughout the remaining part of the year.** The **interactive part of the Course is more relevant than volume of study mtrl.** Guidance to students, clarifications of doubts, letting students know about their weaknesses and correct answering technique makes all the difference.
4. The fact that **18 out of 20 Competitive vacancies of the Army** were captured by students who physically come to attend the **contact pgme at USI, clearly indicates the value of one to one guidance, and a dry run before exam to know your weaknesses, which you may not find yourself.** I would therefore strongly suggest that if you are serious about getting through the exam, register imdt and start with focussed prep for DSSC/TSOC imdt.

28 Nov 2016

**For Part D – Dec 16** - You can still get entire USI Corres Course package including précis and pamphlets for Part D Dec16 if you subscribe now, in case you have missed out subscribing earlier. Latest study mtrl, handouts being issued in addition to the existing study mtrl.

28 Oct 2016



The fresh dates for Part 'D' exam, earlier scheduled in last week Oct 16 has been postponed to Dec 16. The old and fresh dates are given below :-

**FOR (Old Dates)**

<b><u>Ser No</u></b>	<b><u>Date of Exam</u></b>	<b><u>Subject</u></b>	<b><u>Remarks</u></b>
(a)	24 Oct 2016 (Mon)	Current Affairs	
(b)	25 Oct 2016 (Tue)	Tac	
(c)	26 Oct 2016 (Wed)	Special to Corps	
(d)	27 Oct 2016 (Thu)	Adm and Morale	Adm in peace and Mil Law for SL Offrs
(e)	28 Oct 2016 (Fri)	Mil Law	
(f)	29 Oct 2016 (Sat)	Mil History	

**READ (Fresh Dates)**

<b><u>Ser No</u></b>	<b><u>Date of Exam</u></b>	<b><u>Subject</u></b>	<b><u>Remarks</u></b>
(a)	19 Dec 2016 (Mon)	Current Affairs	
(b)	20 Dec 2016 (Tue)	Tac	
(c)	21 Dec 2016 (Wed)	Special to Corps	
(d)	22 Dec 2016 (Thu)	Adm and Morale	Adm in peace and Mil Law for SL Offrs
(e)	23 Dec 2016 (Fri)	Mil Law	
(f)	24 Dec 2016 (Sat)	Mil History	

30 Aug 2016

**RECENT JUDGEMENT OF SC ON AFSPA**

1. Supreme Court of India gave an important judgment while hearing a petition from the families from Manipur regarding extra judicial killings of civilians in Manipur. The court indicted the Government for continuing with AFSPA even after 60 Years of its promulgation.

2. One must distinguish between opinion/comments and executive orders contained in the judgment as latter is to be implemented expeditiously by the Government.
3. Opinions/comments of the Court are however for the guidance of the Government and all of them may not be implemented. The Court called the CBI a 'Caged Parrot'; it however did not change anything with regard to control over CBI.
4. Court in its Judgment has given following imp rulings:-
  - (a) Every death in disturbed area, be it of a common person or insurgent should be thoroughly enquired into by the CID at the instance of NHRC.
  - (b) Not every armed person violating prohibitory order in a disturbed area is an enemy, even if enquiry finds the victim an enemy, a probe should look into whether excessive or retaliatory force was used.
  - (c) No concept of absolute immunity for a security personal who commits a crime.

### Implications

5. While promulgation of Disturbed area and AFSPA is the prerogative of the Govt and is being debated. Ministry of Defence has strongly supported the continued need for AFSPA and its provisions, a final call may be taken by the Govt after detailed consideration of various opinions.
6. Supreme Court directives as given at Para 4 above would impose restrictions and cautions on conduct of operations by the security forces. A large number of complaints are expected to be lodged against the killings of terrorists by security forces which could be subjected to investigations by NHRC.
7. Use of right quantum of force must be left at the tactical acumen/discretion of the cdr on the spot; it will be difficult to evaluate/determine the right quantum of force needed by an investigation team later.
8. A cautious or defensive approach would be self defeating for the security forces. It will affect the effectiveness of Security Forces in J&K and North East adversely.

**Walk in Registration for Contact Pgmes.** To help the offrs appearing for DSSC – Sep 2016, who have not been able to register so far, they can join on first day of Contact Pgme by coming 30 mines earlier and will be registered as the spot.

17 Mar 2016

### **RESULTS : PROMOTION EXAM PART D - 2015**

1. The Part D results of 2015 reflect that out of **490 offrs appeared** out of 520 offrs, registered for **Part D Corres Course with USI of India**, out of a total of 6443 offrs who appeared in the Army for Part D exam in 2015, **199 passed in all subjects and 253 partially passed and only 38 failed which is very encouraging and speaks volumes of efforts of student offrs in the right direction.** This works out to almost 92% success at compared to 76.58% of the overall sucess of offrs appearing in the Army. A heartiest congratulations to all students who succeded from our side, and the offrs who did not succed must restart the effort imdt, in systematic manner.

2. **It therefore clearly indicates that correct guidance and effort in right direction is more important than accumulating volumes of course mtrl through whatever means, and makes all the difference.** The USI of India can assist you in this aspect, if you register yourself with USI and **your prep is monitored and guided in right direction, in planned, systematic manner throughout the remaining part of the year. The interactive part of the Course is more relevant than the volume of study mtrl collected.**

3. USI Corres Course for Part D – 2016 is commencing forthwith. The eligible offrs are advised to subscribe the course immediately.

10 Feb 2016

Heartiest congratulations to offrs who have cleared Part D – 2015. Now its opportunity for all of you to appear for DSSC without wasting any time or chance. The Correspondence Course is already in progress. Register yourself imdt.

### **Info on Despatches**

Following dispatches have been sent as per the dates mentioned against each.

- |     |                                 |                    |
|-----|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| (a) | Part B – 2016 (Second Dispatch) | <u>05 Jan 2016</u> |
| (b) | DSSC 2016 (Second Dispatch)     | <u>19 Jan 2016</u> |
| (c) | Part B – 2016 (Third Dispatch)  | <u>10 Feb 2016</u> |

Register yourselves for Part B. Only three months left for exam. You will get the complete Course (Study Material and five papers) and **guidance on complete syllabus even if you register now.**

**Register imdt.**

17 Dec 2015

### **ADVISE FROM CI FOR FUTURE DSSC/TSOC ASPIRANTS**

1. The DSSC results of 2015 reflect that out of Approx 600 offrs, who were registered for DSSC/TSOC Corres Course with USI of India, out of 1445 offrs who appeared for DSSC/TSOC exam **in 2015, 18 out of 20 Competitive vacancies, 208 out of 239 total vacancies, 16 out of 17 res vacancies and 67 out of 84 of TSOC vacancies were secured by USI students is very encouraging and speaks volumes of efforts of student offrs in the right direction.** A heartiest congratulations to all students who succeeded from our side, and the offrs who did not succeed must restart the effort imdt, in systematic manner.

2. The above result also indicates out of remaining 780 offers, who did not take USI Corres Course, only 34 offers got through, despite all having done pre-staff courses, having got all publications issued by the Army and other orgs, and large No of offers managing copies of USI course mtrl through some source or their friends etc.

3. **It therefore clearly indicates that correct guidance and effort in right direction is more important than accumulating volumes of course mtrl through whatever means.** The USI of India can assist you in this aspect, if you register yourself with USI and **your prep is monitored and guided in right direction, in planned, systematic manner throughout the remaining part of the year.** The **interactive part of the Course is more relevant than volume of study mtrl.** Guidance to students, clarifications of doubts, letting students know about their weaknesses and correct answering technique makes all the difference.

4. The fact that **16 out of 20 Competitive vacancies of the Army** were captured by students who physically come to attend the **contact pgme at USI, clearly indicates the value of one to one guidance,** and a **dry run before exam to know your weaknesses, which you can't find yourself.** I would therefore strongly suggest that if you are serious about getting through the exam, register imdt and start focussed prep for DSSC/TSOC imdt.

24 Nov 2015

**The first set of Course mtrl for DSSC/TSOC Exam 2016 dispatched to registered students on 24 Nov 2015. Students are advised to register for the course imdt to draw max benefit from systematic study through the Corres Course. Students can also register for Contact Pgmes 2016.**

06 Nov. 2015

First set of Part B Course mtrl despatched on 03 Nov 2015. Please register fast to start your prep for Part B exam 2016.

Sep 2015

Registrations for DSSC / TSOC - 2016 and Part B - 2016 open. Register immediately to commence prep through Corres Course earliest.

Please read Time of India, Times Nation, 20 August 2015 about Strategic Force Command, Cyber Command, Aerospace Command, Special operations Command.

# Govt gets cracking on three new tri-Service commands

EXISTING: ONLY 2 JOINT COMMANDS		PROPOSED:	
<b>ANDAMAN &amp; NICOBAR COMMAND</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>&gt; Only theatre command set up in October 2001</li><li>&gt; Crucial to counter China's strategic moves in Indian Ocean</li><li>&gt; Ensures security of sea lanes converging towards Malacca Strait</li></ul>	<b>STRATEGIC FORCES COMMAND</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>&gt; Set up in Jan 2003 to handle country's nuclear arsenal</li><li>&gt; Agni missiles &amp; fighters to deliver nuclear weapons. But no submarine-launched missiles yet</li><li>&gt; Only PM-led Nuclear Command Authority can 'authorise' a nuclear strike</li></ul>	<b>AEROSPACE COMMAND</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>&gt; Satellites vital for surveillance, communication, missile early-warning, precision-targeting etc</li><li>&gt; 1st dedicated military satellite Rukmini (GSAT-7) for Navy in 2013. Satellite for Army-IAF in pipeline</li><li>&gt; China has potent military space programme, including ASAT (anti-satellite) capabilities</li></ul> <b>CYBER COMMAND</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>&gt; Cyber weapons can cripple strategic, financial, energy, communication networks</li><li>&gt; Ensure cyber security due to mounting online espionage attacks by China, Pakistan etc</li><li>&gt; Chinese Army has specialized cyber warfare units</li></ul>	 <b>SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>&gt; Para-SF (Army), Marcos (Navy), Garud (IAF), NSG (home ministry), SFF (cabinet secretariat) etc</li><li>&gt; But no unity of politico-military command or tasking for larger geopolitical objectives</li><li>&gt; The US has huge SOC with Delta Force, Green Berets, naval SEAL units. SEAL Team 6 took out Osama bin Laden at Abbottabad in May 2011</li></ul>

**BELETED FORWARD MARCH**

Aug 2015

The prospectus will be revised after Part D exam and declaration of results of DSSC Exams. Imp info given in front page of Courses Pgme of website of USI of India.

DSSC – Final dispatch sent on 07 Aug 15, Part D- Fourth dispatch sent on 20 Jul 15.  
Fifth dispatch will be sent shortly.

20 Jul 2015

As per offrs request and to give max time to offrs subscribing the course, the last International Scene/Domestic Scene (IS/DS) is being sent on email. All student offrs who are old member (LM/OM) are requested to fwd their email ID with Index No to Course Sec imdt on ci@usiofindia.org . For offrs whose email ID is not available with this sec will be given IS/DS on CD.

30 Jun 2015

**CONTACT PGME FOR DSSC ENTRANCE**  
**EXAM SEP 2015, (WALK IN REGN)**

You can attend any of the Contact Pgmes by walking in directly with necessary documents. Regn will be done on the spot.

17 Jun 2015

One of the student offr has suggested that a sample of ideally marked map be given for Tac B. Although the marked map can not be issued due to security reasons, however we are trying to send a handout on good map marking. A demo marked map will be shown to students during contact pgme and the practical pts to improve map marking will be briefed during interaction.

I will once again advice that max offrs prep for DSSC Sep 15 should avail the opportunity of contact pgme, as interaction with specialist DS and panel of instructors will be of immense use in getting the practical hints for putting in your best on the answer sheets, in required time, in a competitive exam.

12 Jun 2015

- (a) Third & Fourth dispatch of DSSC Sep 15 sent on 13 Apr & 08 Jun 15 respectively.
- (b) Third dispatch of Part D Course mtrl dispatch on 11 Jun 15.