

2017

GEOGRAPHY

[**Honours**]

PAPER – II

Full Marks : 90

Time : 4 hours

The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary

GROUP – A

[Long answer type questions]

Answer any five questions selecting one from each Unit within 500 words : 10×5

Unit – I

1. Make an assessment on the Agro-climatic regions of India. 10

(Turn Over)

(2)

Or

What are the reasons behind the concentration of capital intensive plantation agricultural practice in the developing countries of tropical regions ? 10

Unit – II

2. Briefly elucidate the role of transport in the regional development of India with special reference to Golden Quadrilateral project, PMGSY and National Freight Corridor. 10

Or

Briefly discuss the process of development of Asansol-Durgapur industrial region and its impact on regional economy. 10

Unit – III

3. Discuss the context and significance of social geography as a distinct branch of Human Geography ? 10

(3)

Or

What are the different indicators of social well-being and how it can be secured? 5 + 5

Unit – IV

4. Classify major group of Languages in the world and illustrate their spatial distribution. 10

Or

Define social-cultural region. Describe the processes of evolution of social-cultural region. 2 + 8

Unit – V

5. Briefly discuss the geopolitical view of Houshofer and state its impact on world political affairs during 2nd World War. 5 + 5

Or

Elucidate the inter-state water disputes in South India. 10

GROUP – B

[Semi-Long answer types questions]

Answer any **five** questions, selecting **one** from
each Unit within **250** words : 5 × 4

Unit – I

6. Compare the characteristics of intensive subsistence agriculture and commercial grain farming. 4

Or

Write the causes of increasing dependency on the non-conventional energy sources. 4

Unit – II

7. What are the limitations of Weber's theory ? 4

Or

Briefly discuss the role of Economic Blocs on the regional development with special reference to SAARC. 4

Unit – III

8. What are the major causes of pogrom ? Cite relevant examples. 4

Or

Briefly narrate the importance of discussing gender issues in social-cultural geography. 4

Unit – IV

9. What cultural modifications are noticed among Santhals tribes in India ? 4

Or

Name the major ethnic groups of India. 4

Unit – V

10. Compare socio-political nature of boundary and frontier. 4

Or

Compare the characteristics of Heartland and Rimland. 4

GROUP – C

[Short answer types questions]

Answer ten questions within 50 words : 2 × 10

11. Define universal resource.
12. How do you define by sustainable development ?
13. What is the source of geo-thermal energy ?
14. Define bid-rent curve.
15. Define material index.
16. Define social-justice.
17. What is cultural pluralism ?
18. What do you mean by social space ?
19. What is cultural diffusion ?
20. Differentiate dialect from language.
21. Mention the livelihood characteristics of Lodhas.

22. Define linguistic region.
 23. What was the geostrategic formula of Mackinder in favour of Heartland ?
 24. Define Nation-state.
 25. Define 'lebensraum'.
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