2010

M.Sc

1st Semester Examination

GEOGRAPHY AND E.M.

PAPER-GEO-103

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.

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

Write the answers of each Unit in separate books.

Unit-V

(Climatological Processes)

[Marks : 20]

Group-A

1. Answer any one question:

1×8

- (a) Explain the conditions for stability and instability of the atmosphere.
- (b) How is global atmospheric circulation instrumental in transferring heat and westerly angular momentum across the latitudes?

(Turn Over)

Group-B

2. Answer any two questions:

2×4

- (a) The atmosphere is heated chiefly by reradiation from Earth's surface, rather than directly by solar radiation." Explain briefly.
- (b) Explain the relationship between temperature of a radiating body and the wavelengths it emits. Give examples.
- (c) Describe the characteristics of Rossly waves in relation to general circulation of the atmosphere.
- (d) How is La Nina different from El Nino?

Group—C

3. Answer any two questions:

 2×2

- (a) Define 'Bowen Ratio.'
- (b) Why is saturation vapour pressure above ice crystals lower than above super cooled water droplets?
- (c) How does a gradient wind maintain its circular pathway?
- (d) Differentiate between 'anafront' and 'Katafront'.

Unit-VI

(Population Geography)

[Marks : 20]

Group-A

1. Answer any one question:

1×8

- (a) Explain how different traits of population affect the stages of development.
- (b) Give an account of evolution and development of the discipline of population geography as a systematic branch of human geography.

Group-B

2. Answer any two questions:

 2×4

- (a) Discuss the factors affecting fertility.
- (b) Specify the significance of population equilibrium.
- (c) Write the role of technology and innovation in changing the limit of carrying capacity over time.
- (d) Bring out the differential nature of sex ratio in Indian population.

3. Answer any two questions:

- 2×2
- (a) What do you understand by Cohort fertility rate?
- (b) State the significance of logistic population growth.
- (c) Distinguish between absolute and relative over population.
- (d) Specify the importance of exogenetic factors that determine the mortality patterns.