

M.A./M.Sc. 4th Semester Examination, 2013

GEOGRAPHY

PAPER—GEO-403 (XLI + XLII)

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2 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

UNIT – XLI

(Regional Planning : Concepts and Methods)

GROUP – A

[Marks : 20]

1. Answer any *one* question from the following : 8 × 1

- (a) Differentiate Agro-Climatic regions from physiographic regions and elaborate the methods of delineation of Agro-Climatic regions of India.

(Turn Over)

- (b) Account for the changing pattern of optimum location of industries in India after adoption of the New Economic Policy (NEP)..

GROUP – B

2. Answer any *two* questions from the following : 4 × 2
- (a) What are the principal methods adopted to demarcate functional region ?
- (b) Make an assessment of hilly region as a problematic region.
- (c) Enumerate some pressing problems of coastal areas in West Bengal.
- (d) Discuss the need for identification of Socio-Cultural regions of India.

GROUP – C

3. Answer any *two* questions from the following: 2 × 2
- (a) State the concept of region as forwarded by R. Hartshorne.

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- (b) What do you mean by agglomeration economics ?
- (c) Distinguish between area of influence and area of dominance of city region.
- (d) What do you mean by special purpose regions ?

UNIT – XLII

(*Regional Development and Multilevel Planning*)

GROUP – A

[Marks : 20]

1. Answer any *one* question : 8 × 1
- (a) Explain how the voice of grass root people is represented in decentralized planning process.
 - (b) Give an account about the nature and extent of social disparity in India.

GROUP – B

2. Answer any *two* questions : 4 × 2

- (a) Bring out two important methods adopted to classify India into different planning regions.
- (b) Explain how people's participation has been ensured in urban planning in India.
- (c) Discuss the various approaches to rural development in India.
- (d) Account for the different levels of planning based on hierarchical order.

GROUP – C

3. Answer any *two* questions : 2 × 2

- (a) What are principal objectives of Regional Planning?
- (b) What are various steps or actions of planning?

(c) What do you mean by ad hoc planning ?

(d) What do you mean by decentralized planning ?