

M.A./M.Sc. 4th Semester Examination, 2015

**GEOGRAPHY**

PAPER — GEO-402

*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*

**Write the answers to questions of each Unit  
in separate books**

**UNIT — XXXIX**

*( Landuse Management )*

**GROUP — A**

1. Answer any *one* from the following questions :8 × 1  
(a) Discuss the environmental effects of  
landuse changes in the peri-urban and rural  
areas with examples.

*( Turn Over )*

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- (b) Explain the types of soil erosion and their mechanisms in the tropical hot and humid environment dominated by lateritic terrain.

GROUP – B

2. Answer any *two* from the following questions : 4 × 2
- (a) Explain how the wetlands of deltaic areas are threatened by human activities.
- (b) Identify various strategies for the management of salt affected lands.
- (c) What is the role of social forestry in minimizing the effects of Landuse conversions in rural areas ?
- (d) Suggest various measures suitable to check soil erosion in the coastal region.

GROUP – C

3. Answer any *two* questions : 2 × 2
- (a) Identify the functions of wetlands.
- (b) What are the suitable measures for amelioration of alkali soil ?

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- (c) Highlight the consequences of reduction of urban wetlands.
- (d) Define badland topography.

UNIT -- XL

(*Social and Cultural Geography*)

GROUP -- A

1. Answer any *one* question : 8 × 1

- (a) Identify and discuss the social-economic and psychological factors responsible for social exclusion in the *developed* and *developing* countries of the world.
- (b) Elaborate the concept of social wellbeing and assess the status of wellbeing in India.

GROUP -- B

2. Answer any *two* questions : 4 × 2

- (a) How has the process of globalization affected traditional folk culture ?

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- (b) "Religion acts as a factor for national integrity' –Do you agree? Justify your answer.
- (c) Bring out the significance of ethnic conflict in NE India.
- (d) Differentiate *tribes* from *scheduled tribes*.

GROUP – C

3. Answer any *two* questions : 2 × 2

- (a) What is the connotation of multi-culturalism?
- (b) Explain the significance of Social Stratification.
- (c) What is meant by regionalism?
- (d) Distinguish between *class* and *caste*.