

**M.A/M.Sc. 2nd Semester Examination, 2010**

**GEOGRAPHY**

PAPER—GR - 1203

*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 questions of each Unit in separate books**

**UNIT—XVII**

*(Principles of Landuse Planning)*

[ Marks : 20 ]

**GROUP—A**

1. Answer any *one* from the following : 8 x 1

- (a) Assess the role of soil physical and chemical properties in causing variability of land utilization.

( Turn Over )

- (b) Discuss the geomorphological, hydrological and ecological impacts of land reclamation as experienced in West Bengal part of Sundarban.

GROUP—B

2. Answer any *two* from the following : 4 × 2

(a) Highlight the principles of landuse after L.D.Stamp.

(b) Discuss how land can be classified for planning their future utilization as suggested by A.B. Lewis.

(c) Explain the concept of landscape ecology.

(d) Explain the role of landuse planning in regional development.

GROUP—C

3. Answer any *two* from the following : 2 × 2

(a) Specify the socio-economic impact of land reform in West Bengal.

- (b) Identify the types of land tenancy system prevalent in different parts of India during the colonial period.
- (c) Distinguish between soil conservation and land reclamation.
- (d) What are the objectives of reconnaissance survey?

UNIT—XVIII

(Political Geography)

[ Marks : 20 ]

GROUP—A

1. Answer any *one* question : 8 x 1
- (a) Discuss the bases of re-organization of Indian States since independence.
  - (b) How does the regional difference in Indian territory lead to the development of federal system?

GROUP—B

2. Answer any *two* questions : 4 × 2

(a) Highlight the salient features of Rimland theory.

(b) Analyze in brief the role of WTO to regulate and promote international trade.

(c) Critically assess the 1996 Agreement as a step towards permanent solution to Indo-Bangladesh water dispute.

(d) Explain the mechanism of garrymandering.

GROUP—C

3. Answer any *two* questions : 2 × 2

(a) How would you clarify core-periphery relations ?

(b) What was the decision of Krishna-Godavari tribunal of 1976 regarding diversion of water outside the basin ?

(c) Comment on modern Geo-strategic views.

(d) Define the policy of Allegiance.

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