

M.A/M.Sc. 4th Semester Examination, 2011

GEOGRAPHY

PAPER—GR-2403

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

1. Answer any *one* question : 8 × 1

- (a) Define functional region and state the methods adopted to solve the problems of delineating the functional regions.

(Turn Over)

- (b) Discuss the constraints and strategies of development of hilly region with illustrations from India.

GROUP – B

2. Answer any *two* questions : 4 × 2

- (a) Make an assessment of flood prone area as problematic regions.
- (b) “Regions are hierarchically arranged.” Explain.
- (c) In what respects the planning regions are different from Physiographic Regions ?
- (d) What are the major purposes of delineating Agro-climatic regions in India ?

GROUP – C

3. Answer any *two* questions : 2 × 2

- (a) What is meant by special purposive region ?
- (b) Elaborate the concept of region by Richard Hartshorne.

- (c) Mention the basic indicators appropriate for delineating city region.
- (d) State the importance of 'Distance Decay Law' in spatial analysis.

UNIT – XLII

(Regional Development and Multilevel Planning)

GROUP – A

1. Answer any *one* question : 8 × 1

- (a) Explain how the democratic right of general people is fulfilled through Panchayati Raj institute.
- (b) Discuss the regional disparities in India with special reference to demography and economy.

GROUP – B

2. Answer any *two* questions : 4 × 2

- (a) Explain the strategies adopted for decentralized regional development in India.

- (b) Discuss the methods of measuring regional disparity.
- (c) Analyse the rural development policies adopted in India with special reference to food security.
- (d) Differentiate regional planning from other types of planning.

GROUP – C

3. Answer any *two* questions : 2 × 2

- (a) What are the important goals of 73rd 74th Amendment of Constitution?
 - (b) Distinguish between physical planning and economic planning.
 - (c) Enlist five important indicators used for identification of backward districts.
 - (d) Explain the part played by Zilla Parishad in formulating micro-level planning at district level.
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