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M.Sc

1st Semester Examination GEOGRAPHY AND E.M.

PAPER—GEO-101

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-I (Geotectonics)

[Marks: 20]

Group-A

1. Answer any one question:

1×8

- (a) Explain the origin of earth's magnetic field and what is the role of paleomagnetism in construction of paleomagnetic polar wandering curves for the earth?
- (b) Identify the major tectonic landforms of arc-trench system and Accretionary prism with special reference to the formation of Andaman Nicobar Islands and Andaman Trench. 8

Group-B

2. Answer any two questions:

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- (a) Narrate the vies of Stephen W. Hawking on Bl Holes.
- (b) Explain the tectonic set up of Andes Mountain wit the Circum-Pacific system.
- (c) Identify the Internal zones of the earth, the subdivisions, composition and dynamics as eviden by the study of seismic waves.
- (d) Discuss the tectonic landforms of MOR.

Group-C

3. Answer any two questions:

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- (a) What is Big Bang?
- (b) Define sedimentary basin.
- (c) What is Transform Fault?
- (d) What do you understand by sea-floor spreading

Unit-II

(Theoretical Geomorphology)

[Marks : 20]

Group-A

1. Answer any one question:

1×8

- (a) Enumerate the elements of slope and discuss the mechanism for development of wasing and waning slopes.
- (b) Explain how a profile of equilibrium can develop in a fluvial system with reference to its controlling parameters.

Group-B

2. Answer any two questions:

2×4

- (a) Establish the linkage between temporal and functional approaches to landform study.
- (b) Explain the role of chemical processes in landform evolution.
- (c) Assess the role of weathering for reducing shear strength of materials.
- (d) What are the principal mechanisms of base level change?

Group-C

3.	Answer any two questions:		2×2
	(a)	Define the concept of 'Complex response'.	2
	(b)	What is the practical applicability of shear measurement in rocks?	stress 2
	(c)	What is 'Geomorphic Stress'?	2
	(d)	What are the chief slope elements in parallel r	etrea

model?