

2015

M.A / M.Sc. Part-II Examination

GEOGRAPHY

PAPER—VII

Full Marks : 100

Time : 4 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 answer question of each module in separate books.

Module—13

(Global Environmental Issues – Pollution and Hazards)

[Marks : 50]

Group—A

Answer any two questions : 2×15

- 1. Differentiate between hazard and risk. Describe the processes of risk assessment for cyclone hazards.*
- 2. What is meant by Community preparedness? Give an account on the role of community preparedness for earthquake hazard with special reference to the incidence of Nepal earthquake.*

(Turn Over)

3. How do you differentiate social hazards from natural hazard? Elucidate why poverty is considered as a social hazard.
4. List the major components of non-degradable waste and explain the difficulties accompanying disposal of non-degradable wastes.

Group—B

Answer any *two* questions : 2×10

5. Give a brief account on Bhopal Gas Tragedy as a technological hazard. Who are environmental refugees? 7+3
6. Elaborate the technical and biological measures taken to check river-bank erosion with special reference to West Bengal. 5+5
7. What is eutrophication? Find out the point and non-point sources of water pollution. 3+7
8. Explain the mechanism of Acid rain and how does it impact on the ecology of an area. 5+5

Module—14

(Political & Economic Geography)

[Marks : 50]

Group—A

Answer any *two* questions : 2×15

1. What is the importance of Uruguay Round of Negotiations? Specify the impact of privatization and liberalization on industrial development in India. 5+10
2. Assess the relevance of Rimland theory in the light of containment policy of America. Differentiate frontier from boundary. 12+3
3. Discuss on the long and short term impacts of Partition of India. 15
4. What is meant by TRIPs? How far TRIPs is related to Globalization? Examine the impact of TRIPs on Indian economy. 3+5+7

Group—B

Answer any *two* questions : 2×10

5. Discuss on the indices for calculating connectivities of a Transport network. 10

6. State the importance of 'River Linking' programme in India. Highlight the causes and consequences of Cauveri water disputes. 3+7
7. Distinguish between buffer zone and buffer state. Enumerate the advantages and disadvantages of 'Land Locked Nation' with examples. 3+7
8. Compare the relative strength and outputs of major economic blocks of the world. 10