M.A./M.Sc. 3rd Semester Examination, 2019

GEOGRAPHY

PAPER - GEO-301.1+301.2

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

GEO-301.1

(Regional Approach in Geography)

[Marks : 20]

GROUP-A

- 1. Answer any one from the following questions: 8 x.1
 - (a) Devide India into Agro-Climatic Region and discuss the salient features of major agroclimatic regions.

(b) Explain the hierarchy of settlements in terms of centrality and their service areas following the ideas of Walter Christeller.

GROUP-B

- 2. Answer any *two* from the following questions: 4×2
 - (a) How far the Hartshorne's concept of region was different from that on Vidal.
 - (b) 'The urban sphere of influence is unifunctional but its sphere of dominance is multifunctional'— Explain the statement giving suitable examples.
 - (c) Elaborate the scheme for delineation of planning regions as proposed by V. Nath.
 - (d) Briefly discuss the applicability of PCA method in identifying the levels of development of regions.

GROUP-C

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

- (a) Define city region.
- (b) What do you understand by spatial organization?
- (c) What is ad-hoc region?
- (d) What are the basic indicators for identifying socio-cultural regions?

GEO-301.2

(Rural Development)

[Marks : 20]

GROUP-A

Answer any *one* from the following question: 8×1

(a) Give a brief account of agricultural reforms in India after independence.

(b) State the role of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana in overall development of Transport Network in Rural India.

GROUP-B

- 2. Answer any two from the following questions: 4×2
 - (a) Briefly explain the status of rural sanitation in India.
 - (b) Elaborate the structural and functional characteristics of rural markets dealing principally with rural crafts and locally processed agricultural commodities.
 - (c) Describe the structure and functions of Self-Help Groups (SHG) and state its role in women empowerment in rural areas.
 - (d) Highlight the role of MGNREGA in providing livelihood security to the rural poor.

GROUP-C

- 3. Answer any two from the following questions: 2×2
 - (a) Write down two major objectives of PURA.

- (b) Comment on the role of Export Processing Zones of India.
- (c) State the major programes considered for Urban poverty alleviation in India.
- (d) Differentiate Corporate Marketing system from Cooperative Marketing System (in terms of *two* issues only).