2019

GEOGRAPHY

[Honours]

PAPER - I

Full Marks: 90

Time: 4 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

GROUP - A

Answer any five questions:

 10×5

UNIT - I

Critically assess Nebula hypothesis in explaining origin of earth.

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Or

Illustrate internal structure of earth highlighting physical and chemical characteristics of different layers.

UNIT - II

2. Explain the nature and distribution of major tectonic events especially volcanism and earthquake with plate tectonics.

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Explain evidences and mechanism of Sea-Floor spreading with suitable diagrams. 10

UNIT - III

3. Describe the landforms resulted from weathering citing examples.

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Illustrate the landforms developed by interruption in fluvial cycle of erosion. 10

UNIT - IV

4. Briefly describe with illustration the landforms developed by deposition in coastal region.

Or

Explain the landforms developed by aeolian process in different stages of erosion.

UNIT - V

5. Explain the mechanism of flow of sub-surface water with Darcy's law. Classify aquifer. 7 + 3

Or

Assess the importance of river basin as a hydrological unit.

GROUP - B

Answer any five questions:

4 × 5

UNIT - I

6. Classify igneous rocks based on chemical composition.

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Or

Compare between the isostatic models of Pratt and Airy.

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7. How does continental drift differ from plate tectonics.

Or

Define strike, dip, axis and hinge of a fold with illustration.

UNIT - III

8. Define various concepts of equilibrium applied in evolution of landforms with illustration and examples.

Or

How does fault scarp differ from fault-line -scarp.

UNIT - IV

9. Describe with illustration, different types of channel pattern.

Or

Discuss on the mechanism of glacial erosion.

UNIT - V

10. What are the factors of infiltration?

Or

Illustrate the mechanism of tide.

GROUP - C

Answer any ten questions:

- 2×10
- 11. Mention major geological events in pleistocene period.
- 12. Define level of compensation.

- 13. How does 'P' wave differ from 'S' wave?
- 14. How does acidic igneous rock differ from basic igneous rock?
- 15. Define 'Benioff zone'.
- 16. What is 'low angle reverse fault'?
- 17. What is plunging fold?
- 18. Define Geosyncline.
- 19. How is system approach applied in Geomorphology?
- 20. Assess the relevance of Geomorphology as historical science.
- 21. Define Geomorphic threshold.
- 22. What is 'temporary base level of erosion'?
- 23. What is 'inversion of topography'?

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- 24. Define belted outcrop plain.
- 25. What is hygroscopic moisture?