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COMBINED COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION (MAIN)

GEOGRAPHY

Paper-II

Time : 3 Hours

Full Marks : 200

- Note :** (1) The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks for the questions.
(2) Attempt five questions in all.
(3) Question No. 1 is compulsory.

1. Answer any *ten* questions from the following : 4×10=40
- (a) Divide India into physiographic regions.
 - (b) Why has Indian monsoon been so erratic?
 - (c) Write a short note on the North-Eastern Plateau Region.
 - (d) What may be the positive and negative impacts of dividing India into different time zones?
 - (e) Why North-Eastern Corner of Arunachal Pradesh is strategically important?
 - (f) Why are North-Indian rivers flood prone?
 - (g) What are the negative impacts of Jhum cultivation?
 - (h) Classify transport networks of India.
 - (i) Why is jute industry in India under threat?
 - (j) What are the activities planned for block level planning in India?
 - (k) Write a short note on major crops of Arunachal Pradesh.
 - (l) What are the environmental impacts of rubber plantation in Tripura?
 - (m) What is Blue Revolution?

2. Answer any *eight* questions from the following : 5×8=40
- (a) Why is Narmada river geographically important?
 - (b) Why is North-East India earthquake prone?
 - (c) Write the objectives of Indian National Forest Policy, 1952.
 - (d) Give an account of the spatial distribution of Negrito racial stock in India.
 - (e) Define monsoon trough and write its significance on Indian climate.
 - (f) What is the significance of practicing dry zone agriculture?
 - (g) Divide India into macro-economic regions.
 - (h) What are the causes of regional imbalances in India?
 - (i) Justify the relevance of national water grid in India.
 - (j) Write a short note on the hydro-power potential of Brahmaputra river basin.
 - (k) Write the importance of multi-level planning in India.
3. Answer any *five* questions from the following : 8×5=40
- (a) Discuss the potential of cultivating medicinal plant on commercial basis in NE India.
 - (b) Assess the proposal of the linking of Indian rivers.
 - (c) Classify soils of extra-Penisular India and discuss their importance.
 - (d) What are the causes of low productivity in Indian agriculture?
 - (e) Elaborate the problems of the road transport in India.
 - (f) Briefly discuss the indicators of regional inequalities in India.
 - (g) Describe the structure of Panchayat Samitis and Zilla Parishads in Assam.
4. Answer any *four* questions from the following : 10×4=40
- (a) Discuss the structure and tectonics of Indo-Gangetic basin.
 - (b) What are the vagaries of monsoon? Discuss the impacts of such vagaries on Indian agriculture.
 - (c) Write an essay on the marine resources of India.
 - (d) Discuss the causes of shifting the location of footloose industries in India.
 - (e) Give an account of the distribution of population in North-East India.

5. Answer any *two* questions from the following : 20×2=40
- (a) Give an account of the distribution of vegetation in India with the help of a map.
 - (b) Discuss the causes and consequences of uneven population distribution in India and its changing pattern over time.
 - (c) State the nature and distribution of small scale industries in Arunachal Pradesh. Discuss the problems and prospects of small scale industry in the State.
6. Answer any *four* questions from the following : 10×4=40
- (a) Discuss the geological and geomorphological significance of Peninsular India.
 - (b) Highlight the key features of 74th Amendment of the Indian Constitution on Nagarpalika Act.
 - (c) Define social forestry. Discuss the success and failures of social forestry with reference to NE India.
 - (d) Give an account of tourism potential in NE India. What measures should be taken to improve rural tourism in this part of India?
 - (e) What are the key features of the Tribal Upliftment Scheme of 1954 of the Govt. of India? Critically assess the Tribal Development Blocks project.
7. Classify Indian rivers on the basis of their sources. Discuss the major river systems of India. Why are most of the rivers in India in dying condition? 5+25+10=40
8. Discuss the role of language, religion and culture in the formation of regions in India. Bring out the consequences of such regionalizations. 10+10+10+10=40
9. Give an account of the evolution and development of Golden Quadrilateral Highway Network Project in India. What are the expected socio-economic benefits of such project? Elaborate the future plans for the Golden Quadrilateral and the NHDP. 20+10+10=40
10. State the pattern of industrialization in Colonial and Post-Independence India. Discuss the indicators of agglomerated and dispersed patterns of industrialization. Discuss the problems faced by the industries of Indian origin. 10+10+10+10=40