

Geography Paper II

Time Allowed: Three Hours | Maximum Marks: 250

Question Paper Specific Instructions

- There are EIGHT questions divided in TWO SECTIONS.
- Candidate has to attempt FIVE questions in all.
- Question Nos. 1 and 5 are compulsory and out of the remaining, THREE are to be attempted choosing at least ONE question from each Section.
- The number of marks carried by a question/part is indicated against it.
- Word limit in questions, wherever specified, should be adhered to.
- Illustrate your answers with suitable sketches/maps and diagrams, wherever considered necessary.

SECTION A

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| 1(a) | On the outline map of India provided to you, mark the location of all of the following. Write in your QCA Booklet the significance of these locations, whether physical/commercial/economic/ecological/environmental/cultural, in not more than 30 words for each entry: (i) Lothal (ii) River Beas (iii) Chikhaldara (iv) Narora (v) Lengpui (vi) Kuldiha Wildlife Sanctuary (vii) Thenmala (viii) Anamudi (ix) Barren Island (x) Durgaduani creek [Outline map of India provided] | 20 |
| 1(b) | Examine the major causes of ground water depletion in India. | 10 |
| 1(c) | Why is the Indian Monsoon erratic in nature? Explain. | 10 |
| 1(d) | Explain the significance of dry farming in drought prone areas of India. | 10 |
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| 2(a) | Correlate the agro-climatic zones with agro-ecological regions of India. | 20 |
| 2(b) | Critically analyse the role of multinational corporations in India's economic development with suitable examples. | 15 |
| 2(c) | Discuss how watershed management has become a tool in eradication of rural poverty in India. | 15 |
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| 3(a) | Discuss the use of chemical fertilizers, pesticides and insecticides in agriculture and its impact on human health. | 20 |
| 3(b) | Examine ongoing space programmes of India and their implications for national security in future. | 15 |
| 3(c) | Discuss the rainfall pattern and correlate it with spatial distribution of natural vegetation in India. | 15 |

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| 4(a) | Discuss the political aspects of Himalaya. Explain how it has affected the geo-strategy, geo-politics and regional consciousness of Indian federalism. | 20 |
| 4(b) | Examine the development of information technology in India and its influence on work culture and society. | 15 |
| 4(c) | Explain the present status of age-structure and availability of workforce in India. | 15 |

SECTION B

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| 5 | Answer the following questions in about 150 words each: | 50 |
| 5(a) | Present the salient features of West flowing rivers of India. | 10 |
| 5(b) | Discuss the problems of wildlife conservation and management in India. | 10 |
| 5(c) | Correlate the price of land, vertical growth of cities and the growth of slums in large cities of India. | 10 |
| 5(d) | Assess the importance of foot-loose industries in the development of backward regions in India. | 10 |
| 5(e) | Examine the problems of Glacial Lake Outburst Flood (GLOF) in India. | 10 |
| 6(a) | "Intrabasins linkages of rivers are more feasible economically, socially and ecologically". Discuss with suitable examples from India. | 20 |
| 6(b) | Provide a reasoned account on emerging conurbations in India and explain with suitable examples the problems associated with it. | 15 |
| 6(c) | Explain the relevance of green tourism for sustainable development of mountain environment in India. | 15 |
| 7(a) | Analyse the role of interstate migration in regional disparity in India. | 20 |
| 7(b) | Give a reasoned account of high level of pollution in North Indian cities as compared to South Indian cities. | 15 |
| 7(c) | Analyse the incentive oriented programmes for removing regional imbalances in socio-economic development of India. | 15 |
| 8(a) | With special reference to India examine the changes in the nature and patterns of international trade. Mention the major influencing factors. | 20 |
| 8(b) | Describe the altitudinal and spatial geo-environmental hazards in the Himalayas. | 15 |
| 8(c) | "India is emerging as global power in relation to Indian ocean realm." Elaborate. | 15 |

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