

2024

GEOGRAPHY — HONOURS

Paper : SEC-B-3 and SEC-B-4

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words
as far as practicable.*

SEC-B-3

(Rural Development)

Full Marks : 80

Category - A

Answer **any ten** questions (each within **50** words).

2×10

1. Give the full form of NABARD.
2. Write any two objectives of the Jan Dhan Yojana.
3. Write down two major objectives of the National Rural Health Mission.
4. State two basic challenges of rural development in India.
5. State any two benefits of SGSY scheme.
6. What is the significance of rural electrification?
7. Mention any two characteristics of Self Help Groups.
8. What is 'Gram Sabha'?
9. What is 'Spread Effect'?
10. What is 'Community Development Approach'?
11. What do you understand by 'Ideal Village' according to Mahatma Gandhi?
12. Mention two characteristics of MGNREGA.
13. Differentiate Marginal farmers from Small farmers.
14. What are the main objectives of TRYSEM?
15. What are the characteristics of a backward economy?

Please Turn Over

Category - B

Answer **any six** questions (each within **150** words).

5×6

16. What are the major hindrances behind the rural infrastructure development in India?
17. Analyse the role of the Panchayati Raj System in rural administration of India.
18. State the main characteristics of Area Based Approach in rural development.
19. Explain the role of rural co-operatives in the development of rural areas.
20. Why is integrated tribal development programme necessary for backward area development?
21. What are the important elements of the Drought Prone Area Programme?
22. Narrate the concept of Inclusive Rural Development Process.
23. Differentiate between the top-down and bottom-up approaches in rural development.

Category - C

Answer **any three** questions (each within **500** words).

24. What is meant by 'development'? Critically analyse the theory of Gunnar Myrdal with respect to rural development in India. 3+7
25. Critically discuss the objectives and strategies of the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana as adopted in India. Explain briefly the role of rural roads in rural development. 7+3
26. What are the advantages and disadvantages of rural micro-credit system? Critically discuss the role of Swarna Jayanti Gram Swaraj Yojana to overcome the seasonality in rural economic activity. 5+5
27. Discuss the dual economic model postulated by W.A. Lewis. Bring out the merits and demerits of this model. 7+3
28. Critically discuss the Gandhian model of rural development. 10

SEC-B-4
(Sustainable Development)
Full Marks : 80

Category - A

Answer *any ten* questions (each within 50 words).

2×10

1. What is IPCC?
2. What are the two major components of EIA?
3. State two advantages of agroforestry.
4. What is IUCN?
5. What is CSD?
6. State two causes of land degradation.
7. What is Agenda 21?
8. What is ecological footprint?
9. What is Green Data Book?
10. What are the two causes of desertification?
11. What is sustainable farming?
12. What is 'Limits to Growth'?
13. State two objectives of Joint Forest Management.
14. Define Smart City with suitable example.

Category - B

Answer *any six* questions (each within 150 words).

5×6

15. What do you understand by Integrated Development Model?
16. Highlight the various consequences of resource scarcity.

17. State the benefits of rainwater conservation.
18. State the causes of groundwater contamination.
19. Briefly discuss with suitable examples, the role of renewable energy in achieving sustainable development goals.
20. State the impact of Green Revolution in India.
21. State how food security can be achieved by sustainable agriculture.
22. Write in short the root causes of income inequality in India.

Category - C

Answer *any three* questions (each within **500** words).

10×3

23. Discuss in detail the pillars of sustainable development.
 24. Assess the importance of the National Environmental Policy in natural resource management.
 25. Elucidate the significance of carrying capacity in the context of sustainable development.
 26. Write in detail the contemporary urban planning measures followed in achieving sustainable development.
 27. Give a description of the role of innovation and technology in achieving sustainable development.
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