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GEOGRAPHY (853)

Aims

- 1. To enable candidates to acquire knowledge (information) and to develop an understanding of facts, terms, symbols concepts, principles, generalizations, hypotheses, problems, trends, processes and methods of Geography at the national and global level.
- 2. To apply the knowledge of the principles of Physical Geography in explaining the causes and
- consequences of natural hazards and suggest ways of coping with them through sustainable development.
- 3. To develop skills of drawing maps, surveying, and drawing statistical diagrams and thematic maps.
- 4. To develop an interest in Geography.

CLASS XI

There will be **two** papers in the subject:

Paper I – Theory (3 hours)70 marks

Paper II – Practical and Project Work ... 30 marks

PAPER I: THEORY (70 MARKS)

GEOGRAPHY AS A DISCIPLINE

1. Geography - its interdisciplinary approach and future prospects (not to be tested).

Geography as an integrating discipline. Physical Geography and natural sciences; Geography And Social Sciences.

Branches of Geography:

- (i) Systematic approach: Physical Geography (Geomorphology, Climatology, Hydrology); Human Geography (Historical, Social, Population and Settlement, Economic, Political).
 - The conceptual and intellectual ideas of a number of new approaches to contemporary human geography should be examined to understand the strengths and limitations of each approach within the context of Human Geography and Social Sciences.
- (ii) Regional approach: Regional/ Area Studies, Regional Planning, Regional Development.

Future prospects of Geography to be discussed:

- In the area of GPS, GIS, Remote Sensing for resource identification.
- Applied geography in town and country planning, environment management and law, cartography and mapping, geography education, map analysis, travel and tourism (to be taught only for the sake of awareness, not for testing).

PRINCIPLES OF PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY

2. Formation of the Earth

Theories of formation; Methods of measuring age of the earth; Structure and Composition; Rocks.

- (i) Theories of formation of the earth: the Big Bang theory; Planetesimal and Nebular hypothesis.
- (ii) Methods of measuring age of the earth: Radioactivity a brief understanding.
- (iii) Structure and composition of the earth's interior: crust, mantle, core; their properties temperature, pressure, thickness. Sources of information direct and indirect; seismic waves, their behaviour and inferences, the causes of earthquakes and distribution: effects; isoseismal and homoseismal lines, measuring earthquakes and their intensity.

Case study of earthquakes on a country like Nepal.

Vulcanicity-materials and processes; major volcanic forms.

Explanation of how volcanoes are formed; identification of the type of volcano; recognition of the properties of volcanic materials; explanation of why volcanoes are more in the areas of converging plates.

(iv) Rocks: The mineral groups responsible for different rocks formed on the earth: silicates, carbonates, sulphides, metals.

Classification of rocks by origin: igneous, metamorphic and sedimentary rocks — their distribution in India; characteristics, types, economic importance.

The rock cycle.

3. Changing Face of the Earth

Landforms and Processes of Gradation

(i) Endogenous processes: theory of plate tectonics and the process of drifting continents, theory of Isostasy by Pratt and A. Holmes.

Definition of endogenetic force, difference between slow and sudden forces, vertical and horizontal forces and their effects. Folding and Faulting – types, Sea floor spreading, continental drifting and isostasy.

(ii) Landforms – mountains, plateaus and plains and their types.

Meaning and differentiation between the three main landforms of the earth.

Classification of mountains on the basis of their origin or mode of formation: fold, block, volcanic and residual with examples from the world.

Classification of plateaus on the basis of their situation: intermontane, piedmont and continental with examples from the world.

Classification of Plains on the basis of formation: depositional with examples from the world.

- (iii)Exogenetic process and associated landforms.

 Weathering and gradation difference between the two. Role of weathering in
- gradation. Different types of weathering. (iv)Fluvial processes and associated landforms.

Work of rivers - concept of baselevel; processes of erosion, transportation and deposition. Types of erosion - headward, vertical, lateral; transportation mode and deposition.

Landforms made by the river - V shaped valley, gorges, waterfalls, levees, floodplains, meanders; braided channels, oxbow lakes, deltas - delta plains.

Diagrams and examples from India with photographs.

(v) Aeolian processes and associated landforms.

Process of wind erosion – abrasion, attrition, deflation. Ideal conditions for erosion in hot deserts; landforms resulting from erosion - deflation hollows, pedestal rocks, yardangs, desert pavement; landforms resulting from deposition - sand dunes and their types, loess. Diagrams and examples from India with photographs.

(vi) Glacial processes and associated landforms.

Continental and mountain or valley glaciers, processes of glacial erosion — plucking, abrasion, attrition; erosional features, e.g. cirque, depositional formations, moraines of various types. Diagrams and examples from India with photographs.

(vii) Work of ground water and associated landforms.

Process of erosion by groundwater solution, corrasion. Features formed by underground water (karst topography), depositional features – stalactites, stalagmites. Diagrams and examples from India with photographs.

(viii) Marine processes and associated landforms.

Erosional features; sea cliffs, sea caves, sea arch, headland inlet, stacks and depositional landforms, e.g. - bays, bars and lagoons. Diagrams and examples from India.

4. Atmosphere

(i) Composition and structure of atmosphere.

Layers of the atmosphere: troposphere, stratosphere, ozonosphere, mesosphere, ionosphere; their height; composition; special characteristics of each layer; ozone depletion.

(ii) Atmospheric temperature.

Heating and cooling of the atmosphere, radiation, advection, conduction, convection. Insolation and factors influencing it – angle of sun's rays, duration of day, transparency of atmosphere. Heat budget i.e. balance between insolation and terrestrial radiationareas of surplus and deficit heat in different latitudes resulting in latitudinal heat balance.

Factors controlling its horizontal and vertical distribution, temperature anomalies and their nature. Isotherms: their characteristics. Reasons for the variations in temperature.

Practical work on temperature measurement and graphs to show variations in temperature of one or more cities of India.

(iii) Atmospheric Pressure.

Its horizontal and vertical distribution, factors affecting the distribution, characteristics of isobars.

Pressure belts and winds – types of winds, air masses and atmospheric disturbances, cyclones of temperate and tropical areas; anticyclones.

(iv) Atmospheric Moisture.

Processes of evaporation, condensation and precipitation; relative and absolute humidity; forms of condensation - cloud, fog, dew, frost; precipitation - its forms: snow, hail, rain; types of rainfall: orographic, cyclonic, convectional.

(v) Climate change- causes/factors of climatic changes in the recent past.

Natural and man-made factors, with special reference to climatic changes in India.

Measures taken to adapt to these changes in urban and rural India.

Practical work on measuring rainfall and use of bar graphs to show variations in rainfall in one or more cities of India.

5. The Realms of Water

(i) Submarine relief of the Atlantic, Pacific and Indian Oceans.

The depth and the features. The sea floor deposits and their characteristics, the importance of marine resources. Ocean pollution and ways to overcome them.

(ii) Ocean water - salinity, temperature, density.

Composition of seawater and factors that control distribution of salinity, density and temperature.

(iii) Ocean water movements.

Direct and indirect tides — origin, time, spring and neap tides. Waves — parts, characteristics, formation. Currents - factors affecting currents, currents of Indian, Pacific and Atlantic oceans. Role of currents in modifying climates of coastal areas. Introduction to El Nino and La Nina as conditions that affect the intensity of the monsoons over India.

6. Biosphere – Life on the Earth

(i) Nature of Biosphere, concept of ecosystems, components of ecosystem.

Meaning, nature of interaction between the different components of the biosphere. Understanding the concept of biodiversity. To appreciate various reasons for valuing and conserving biodiversity (ethical, moral, economic, aesthetic).

(ii) Biodiversity for sustenance of mankind.

The various roles played by biodiversity in sustaining mankind - as a source of food, medicine, pollution control, etc.

(iii) India as a mega diversity nation.

A basic understanding that India with its varied climate and landscape is home to a variety of unique ecosystems and endemic species e.g. the largest mangrove forest in the world - the Sundarbans, vast mountain forests in the Himalayas, tropical evergreen forests in the Western Ghats and the North-East region, desert vegetation in Rajasthan, thorn and scrub forests in the plateaus, etc.

(iv) Strategies for conservation of biodiversity – in-situ and ex-situ.

Understanding the implications of loss of biodiversity;

Looking at various in-situ and ex-situ strategies for their efficacy and viability;

In-situ strategies - protected areas (biosphere reserves, national parks, wildlife sanctuaries).

Ex-situ strategies - captive breeding, zoo, botanical garden, gene banks and their use.

7. Map Work

A question on map work will be set to identify, label and locate any of the following items studied in topics from **Principles of Physical Geography**.

MAP LIST

Mountains (To mark and label):

Himalayas, Hindukush, Elburz, Zagros, Kirthar, Caucasus, Alps, Pyrenees, Carpathians, Urals, Khingan, Kunlun, Drakensburg, Kjolen, Andes, Rockies, Appalachian, Great Dividing Range.

Plateaus (To mark and label): Tibetan, West Australian, Iranian, Anatolian, Pamirs, Ethiopian, Deccan, Guiana, Brazilian, Arabian.

Water Bodies (bays, gulfs, straits, sea, oceans) (To mark and label): Arctic Ocean, Atlantic Ocean, Indian Ocean, Pacific Ocean, Southern Ocean, Hudson bay, Gulf of Mexico, Bering Sea, Sea of Japan, South China Sea, Yellow Sea, Timor Sea, Persian Gulf, Red Sea, Black Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Caspian Sea, Arabian Sea,

North Sea, Suez Canal, Strait of Magellan, Bay of Bengal.

Rivers (To identify): Mississippi, Amazon, Parana, Orange, Nile, Zaire, Rhine, Danube, Volga, Euphrates, Tigris, Ob, Yenisei, Lena, Hwang Ho, Yangtze Kiang, Irrawaddy, Ganga, Murray, Darling.

Ocean Currents (To identify): North Atlantic Drift, Gulf Stream, Labrador current, Peru current, West wind drift, Southwest Monsoon current, West Australian current, KuroShio current, Oyashio current, East Australian current.

Islands (To identify): Greenland, Hawaii, West Indies, Tierra del Fuego, Baffin, Newfoundland, Iceland, Madagascar, Sri Lanka, Philippines, Papua New Guinea, Indonesia, Japan, New Zealand.

PAPER II: PRACTICAL WORK AND PROJECT WORK (30 MARKS)

Candidates will be required to undertake the following Practical work and Project work:

1. Practical Work

Any *two* of the following four topics to be undertaken.

- (a) Surveying elementary principles; preparing plans of the school compound or a small area with the help of chain and tape.
- (b) Statistical diagrams line graphs (simple and multiple), composite bars, pie diagram, flow and star diagram, (the data used will be that used in Paper I).
- (c) Map projections uses, construction and properties of the following:
 - (i) Cylindrical equal area.
 - (ii) Simple conical with one standard parallel.
 - (iii)Zenithal equidistant.
- (d) Aerial photographs Introduction; definition; difference between map and an aerial photographs; uses of aerial photographs, advantages of aerial photography.

Types of Aerial Photographs:

- (i) Based on the position of the cameral axis vertical photographs, low oblique, high oblique (only definition and explanation).
- (ii) Based on Scale (a) Large scale photographs (b) Small scale photographs. Scale of Aerial Photograph (a) by establishing of relationship between photo distance and ground distance; (b) by establishing relationship between photo distance and map distance.

2. Project Work (Assignment)

One topic as an assignment. Sketches and drawings will be given credit).

- (i) Take any physical feature in your immediate locality:
 - (a) draw sketches or take photograhs to highlight physical features.
 - (b) survey how these features have been used and prepare a report.
 - (c) suggest ways by which the area of study could be better used keeping in view the needs of the people of the region.
- (ii) Choose any island area of the world or India and:
 - (a) trace the map of the area and show physical features, towns and port cities.
 - (b) prepare a project report using photographs and pictures from brochures and magazines to show:
 - its origin and formation.
 - soil types, vegetation.
 - human occupations.

(iii) Any natural hazard like drought, flood, erosion, landslides, etc. in a local area.

Choose a natural hazard in the local area. Describe the nature of damage by consulting newspaper reports, studies, interviews with local people. Identify the nature of damage before and after – land, building, public property, soil, vegetation, animals, etc. What are the chances of it occuring again and what precautions are being taken?

(iv) World Climatic types

Low latitude/tropical climates:

(a) Equatorial (b) Monsoon and trade wind littoral (c) Dry tropical (desert).

Mid latitude/temperature climates:

(a) Medditerranean (b) Marine west coast (c) Dry sub-tropical (d) Dry mid latitude (cold deserts).

High latitude/polar climates –

(a) Borreal (b) Tundra

For each of the above climatic types, the following is to be studied:

- Location, climatic conditions and areas:
- Description of major human activities (both farming and forestry).

CLASS XII

There will be **two** papers in the subject:

Paper I – Theory (3 hours) ...70 marks

Paper II – Practical and Project Work ...30 marks

PAPER I: THEORY (70 MARKS)

INDIA IN THE WORLD'S CONTEXT

1. Physical Environment

(i) Locational setting - India: size and area. Present importance of the location of India with reference to the Indian Ocean Rim countries.

Extent, position with reference to latitude and longitude, length of coastline and frontiers with neighbouring countries. The locational advantages of India in the Indian Ocean and as a subcontinent.

- (ii) Structure of India Geological formation, relief and drainage; major physiographic divisions and their characteristics.
 - (a) Outline of the geological evolution and structure:

Names of the main Standard and Indian geological eras with reference to Indian Geology.

Geological evolution of: the Peninsular Plateau, the Himalayas and the Great Plains. Difference between the Peninsular Plateau and the Himalayas.

- (b) The five-fold physiographic divisions: the Himalayan Mountain complex, the Indus-Ganga-Brahmaputra Plains, the Peninsular Plateau, Coastal plains and the Islands of India.
 - Himalayan mountain complex: (orthoclinal structure)

The three parallel ranges, the northwest and northeast offshoots, comparison between Western and Eastern Himalayas.

Regional divisions of the Himalayas (Kashmir/ Punjab Himalayas, Himachal/ Uttaranchal/ Kumaon

Himalayas, Nepal Himalayas, Assam Himalayas).

• Indus-Ganga-Brahmaputra Plains

The relief features — bhabar, tarai, bhangar, khadar, doabs. Regional divisions of the plains: Rajasthan plain (the Great Indian desert), Punjab plain, Ganga plain, Brahamaputra/Assam plain.).

• The Peninsular Plateau

The Malwa plateau, Chotanagpur Plateau and Deccan Plateau: the relief features - badland, Western Ghats, Eastern Ghats, Aravalis. Comparison between the Western Ghats and the Eastern Ghats.

Coastal Plains

Comparison between Western and Eastern Coastal Plains and their divisions. The relief features: Lagoons, deltas.

Islands

Difference between Andaman and Nicobar and Lakshadweep islands.

The above five physical divisions are to be studied with reference to their extent, altitude, slope and landform characteristics.

(c) Drainage (i.e. rivers) and drainage systems: Names and sources of the main rivers (Ganga, Yamuna, Indus, Sutlej, Brahmaputra, Mahanandi, Godavari, Kaveri, Krishna, Narmada, Tapi).

Comparison of Himalayan and Peninsular rivers.

(iii) Climate: India - Factors affecting India's climate: Temperature - factors affecting temperature. Atmospheric pressure conditions during the year; origin and mechanism of the monsoon, Jet streams, Southern Oscillations; wind and rainfall distribution during the year; characteristics of the four main seasons - hot and dry, hot and

wet, cool and dry, cool and wet with reference to temperature distribution in north and south India, pressure, wind conditions – distribution of resultant rainfall; variability of rainfall, incidence of droughts and floods. Temperature and rainfall graphs of Mumbai, Delhi, Chennai, Jaisalmer and Leh.

Role of various factors affecting Indian climate – latitudinal extent, distance from the sea, northern mountain ranges, physiography, monsoon winds, upper air circulation, western disturbances and tropical cyclones, southern oscillation, El Nino; understanding of the concept and mechanism of monsoon; Indian Monsoonal Regime – onset, rain bearing system, break in the monsoon, retreat of the monsoon;

Seasons of India – with reference to temperature, pressure distribution, wind systems and local winds (loo, kalbaisaki/Norwesters, Mango showers; explanation of the variability of rainfall in different areas over different seasons.

Droughts and Floods – meaning, causes, affected areas and mitigation programmes. Temperature and rainfall graphs of Mumbai, Delhi, Chennai, Leh and Jaisalmer.

(iv) Natural vegetation:

Forest – area covered, importance, use, misuse and potential both for exploitation and conservation. Present forest policy.

Importance of forest to man; Impact of human activity on vegetation. Forest area and forest cover in India. Forest Conservation – need, Social Forestry (Agro forestry, community forestry, commercial farm forestry, urban forestry); Forest Conservation Movement: Van Mahotsav, Chipko Movement.

National Forest Policy (1988): objectives of the Forest Policy.

2. Population and Human settlements

(i) Population of India

Population of India with reference to percentage of world population and India's position in the world.

(ii) National and State level patterns of population distribution.

Definition of census. Index of concentration (highest and lowest index of concentration as per the latest census), density of population – arithmetic and physiological.

Spatial distribution of population in India and explanation of the factors influencing it – landforms, climate, accessibility and level of development that result in this pattern. Comparison of the density at the State level and factors influencing it.

(iii) Pattern of population growth in the last three decades; implications for development.

Meaning of terminologies such as population, birth rate, death rate, population growth rate, natural growth rate and migratory growth.

Population growth of India at national level – trends of 1921, 1951 and 1981 to the latest Census. Demographic characteristics of India at the National level- birth rate, death rate, and natural growth rate from 1991 to the latest Census.

Drawing general conclusions about the:

Impact of rapid growth rate on economic development, on environment; need for planned development (to maintain the ecological balance).

(iv) Migration trends over the last 25 years.

Explanation of the important terms – stepwise migration and migrant, push and pull factors.

Types (National and International migration, inter migration and intra migration.

Streams of migration: (rural-rural, rural-urban, urban-urban and urban-rural).

Causes for migration - natural, economic, political and social.

(v) Demographic attributes at National level - trends and patterns of: 1. Rural urban population 2. Age and sex composition 3. Literacy levels 4. Working and non-working population; implications for development.

Study of the causes and trends of rural urban composition, age and sex ratio, literacy level, working and non-working population at the National level (highest and lowest figures for each of the above) in the latest census. Implications for development.

(vi) Rural settlements –Types and patterns in hill areas, plains and coastal locations.

Distinction between Rural and Urban settlements; Rural and Urban Population.

Factors affecting the types (distinction between compact and dispersed) and patterns (linear, circular, star shaped, rectangular, shapeless) of rural settlements in plains, coastal areas, mountains and plateau areas.

(vii) Urban settlements – size, classification of towns as per the latest census.

Definition of an Urban area according to the latest census; Urban agglomeration, conurbation, urban sprawl, slums.

Factors that influence the growth of urban centres in India. Problems and advantages of urban growth.

3. Resources of India and their Utilisation

(i) Need for environmental management vis-àvis development.

Understanding that from the development point of view, environment may mistakenly be seen as a 'resource' to be exploited, whereas, environment needs to be viewed as a 'capital' that needs to be managed carefully.

(ii) Land resources: Land use pattern in India – quality of cultivable land, size of land holdings.

Defining the term land resource; its importance and problems. Land use pattern—net sown area, area sown more than once, land not available for cultivation, permanent pastures and other grazing lands, culturable

(cultivable) waste, fallow land, quality and size of cultivable land holdings. Methods to reduce fragmentation of land holdings.

(iii) Water resources and types of irrigation.

Water Resources: Their demand and utilization. Types of water resources: surface and ground water.

Meaning, importance and need for irrigation in India.

Sources of irrigation:

Modern methods: sprinkler irrigation, drip irrigation, Perennial canals - Advantages and disadvantages.

Use and misuse of water for irrigation. Overwatering - reasons and regions affected by it; dangers of overwatering;

Conservation of water resources including their management; rain water harvesting.

- (iv) Agriculture: Types, development and problems.
 - (a) Wet and dry farming, crop rotation, intensity of cropping, problems of Indian agriculture; use of technology in agriculture. Modern inputs, change over from subsistence to commercial agriculture, need for Green Revolution. Diversifying Indian agriculture importance of animal husbandry.

Wet and dry agriculture: Crop rotation. Intensity of cropping – concept and crops associated; problems of Indian agriculture; Use of new technology – Green revolution: Need, second green revolution - its strategies. Diversification of Indian agriculture – Animal Husbandry: meaning and its importance in Indian Agriculture.

- (b) Study of crops:
 - (i) Conditions of growth (soil, temperature, rainfall requirements, crop seasons.
 - (ii) Major producing States in India of the following crops:

Food grains – Rice, Wheat, Coarse grains – Sorghum (Jowar), Pennisetum

(Bajra or Camboo), Eleusine (Ragi), Pulses.

Commercial and Industrial crops – Coffee, Tea, Cotton, Sugarcane, Jute, Groundnut, Coconut.

Conditions of growth: For each crop, the type of soil, temperature range, rainfall range, the crop seasons are to be done.

Main areas of growth of the above crops and reasons for growth are to be studied.

Name of the leading States in India for each of the above crops (Food grains, commercial and industrial crops).

Importance of Market Gardening and Orchard Farming – reasons and trends in development in recent years.

Self-explanatory

(v) Fishing in India

Methods, factors affecting the importance and development, major fishing areas, need and methods of fish conservation.

Understanding of marine and inland fisheries; deep sea and inshore fishing; pelagic and demersal fishing. Problems affecting fishing in India.

Two fishing states (Andhra Pradesh and Kerala) in India should be studied and factors affecting the development of fishing in the given areas.

(vi) Sources of Energy

(a) Minerals and power resources.

Distinguishing between metallic and non-metallic minerals; ferrous and non-ferrous minerals.

Production and distribution (one leading State and one leading centre in each State) of Iron ore, mica, coal and petroleum; their uses. Factors affecting the exploitation of mineral resources, effects of mining on the national economy.

The main power resources – Nuclear, thermal, hydel. Factors influencing its development.

Any three centres for generation of nuclear power in India.

(b) Conventional energy sources - fossil fuels, potential in industrialisation (Indian context) and limitations of each source, methods of harnessing and environmental consequences of their use

Conventional energy sources:

Coal, Petroleum-their potential in industrialisation and limitations in India. Environmental concerns with regard to their use (global warming, thermal pollution in waters, fly ash, atmospheric pollution, etc.).

(c) Non-conventional energy sources - types of non-conventional sources (bio-mass, solar, wind, tidal, geothermal), potential (Indian context); their environmental consequences; need to promote non-conventional energy sources.

Advantages and limitations of each nonconventional energy source.

Understanding the need to promote nonconventional energy sources.

- **4. Infrastructural Resources** (Development of Transport and Communication).
 - (a) Railways, Roadways, Water transport (inland and coastal), Air transport, Pipelines these modes of transport are to be studied with regard to –

Factors that govern their distribution, density and growth.

The present position, areas well and poorly served by each mode.

Problems and advantage of each mode of transport, national goals to be achieved in the development of modes of transport (The Golden quadrilateral - its north-south and east-west corridor).

The major trading Ports (Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata, Kochi), their location and advantage; major exports and imports of different ports and factors affecting the nature and direction of trade from the ports.

International trading patterns and products in the last five years.

Distinguishing between harbour and port; natural and artificial harbours. Location of major ports in India (Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata, Kochi) and their advantage; main items of export and import from different ports and the factors affecting the nature and direction of trade from the ports. International trading patterns in the last five years.

(b) Communication – importance of communication in rural and urban development and its policy. Importance of infrastructure as key to the development of an industrial economy.

Modern means of communication - satellites and remote sensing - Geographic Information Systems (GIS), cellular phones, radio, doordarshan, internet; difference between mass communication and tele communication.

5. Industries

(a) Study of the location and distribution of important industrial centres; a general comparison of disparities.

Self-explanatory.

(b) Major industrial regions – factors governing their growth.

Reasons for the spread of industrial areas; Understand how the distribution of heavy and consumer industries varies in the different regions; Understanding why certain industries are more in a particular region.

Major Industrial regions: Mumbai-Pune, Hooghly, Bengaluru-Tamil Nadu, Gujarat, Chota Nagpur, Vishakhapatnam-Guntur, Gurgaon-Delhi-Meerut.

Factors governing the growth of the above to be studied.

- (c) Location, production and growth of the following industries:
 - (i) **Agro based industries** Sugar, cotton textile

Sugar Industry:

Maharashtra (Ahmednagar and Pune), Uttar Pradesh (Muzaffarnagar and Saharanpur),

Cotton Textiles:

Maharashtra (Mumbai and Pune), Gujarat (Ahmedabad and Surat).

(ii) **Mineral based industries** – Iron and steel, Petrochemicals, including refineries.

The following industrial centres of each industry are to be studied.

Iron and Steel:

TISCO (Jamshedpur), Vishweshvarya Iron and Steel Plant (Bhadravati), Bhilai Iron and Steel Plant (Bhilai). Rourkela (Rourkela). Iron and Steel Plant Hindustan Steel Limited Plant (Durgapur), Bokaro Iron and Steel Plant (Bokaro), Salem Iron and Plant (Salem), Vishakhapatnam Iron and Steel Plant (Vishakhapatnam).

(Integrated and mini steel plants: meaning, advantages and disadvantages also to be studied.)

Petro Chemicals:

UDEX (Koyali), IPCL (Vadodara).

Oil refineries:

IOCL (Barauni, Haldia and Digboi), HPCL (Mumbai and Vishakhapatnam).

NOTE: Factors responsible for the location, development and present status of the Agro and Mineral based industries mentioned above, as well as the distribution centres are to be studied.

Difference between key and footloose industry; industrial clusters and indices to identify industrial clusters.

Maps and sketches of Industrial regions and centres (location of agro based and mineral based industries) should be the basis for explaining the pattern of industrial development. (d) Tourism industry – Major natural and cultural tourist areas in India. Their special features and level of development - impact on environment and local economy. Tourist flows.

Definition of tourism, growth of tourism, advantages of tourism, important places — both natural and cultural. Positive and negative impact of tourism, problems of tourism and measures for developing ecotourism.

6. Regional Economic Development

(Case studies)

Case studies will be preceded by a brief understanding of the meaning of development, multilevel planning and planning regions. These case studies will be undertaken with reference to the advantages and disadvantages that have accrued to the people and area - aspects covered will be their geographical location, resource base, developmental history, agriculture and industrial activities, issues of development.

- 1. Area development in Chhattisgarh region mining, silk industry and farming.
- 2. Electronics industry in Bengaluru– reasons for its development, extent, national and international linkages and problems.
- 3. Growth of Haldia port, its industries and hinterland.

7. Map Work

A question on map work will be set to identify, label and locate any of the following items studied in topics 1-6.

MAP LIST:

Locational setting of India (To identify):

8°4'N-37°6'N, 68°7'E- 97°25'E (Latitudinal and longitudinal extent of India); 23°30' N (Central latitude) and 82°30'E (Central longitude); Indira Col and Cape Comorin (Northern and Southern point of mainland India).

Mountains (To mark and label):

3 parallel ranges of Himalayas (Greater, Lesser, Outer), Trans Himalayan range – Karakoram, Aravallis, Vindhyas, Satpura, Western and Eastern Ghats, Nilgiris, Cardamom hills, Garo,

Khasi, Jaintia hills, Patkoi hills, Naga hills, Mizo hills.

Plains (To mark and label):

Indus-Ganga-Brahmapurtra region, Konkan, Kanara, Malabar, Coromandel, Northern Circars.

Plateaus (To mark and label):

Malwa, Chota Nagpur, Deccan, Meghalaya.

Peninsula (To mark and label):

Kathiawar, Kachchh.

Lakes (To mark and label):

Chilika, Pulicat.

Waterbodies (To mark and label):

Arabian Sea, Bay of Bengal, Palk Strait, Gulf of Kachchh, Gulf of Khambat,

Passes (To mark and label):

Karakoram, Shipki La, Nathu La, Bomdi La, Palghat, Bhorghat, Thalghat.

Rivers (To identify):

Indus, Jhelum, Chenab, Ravi, Beas, Sutlej, Ganga, Yamuna, Gomti, Ghaghara, Gandak, Kosi, Chambal, Betwa, Ken, Son, Damodar, Luni, Narmada, Tapi, Mahanadi, Godavari, Krishna, Kaveri, Brahmaputra.

Population (To identify):

The States of India (according to the latest Census) for the following: The Lowest density of population, highest density of population, highest level of urbanization, lowest level of urbanisation, highest Index of Concentration of population, the highest sex ratio, the lowest sex ratio, the highest literacy, the lowest literacy;

Urban cities of Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata, Bengaluru, Ahmedabad.

Agriculture (To identify):

Main producing States/regions of India for: Rice, Wheat, Coffee, Tea, Cotton, Jute, Sugarcane, Groundnut, Coconut.

Power resources (To identify):

Nuclear Power Stations (Kaiga, Kalpakkam, Tarapur, Rawatbhata, Narora, Kakrapara),

Industries (To identify):

Sugar Industry: Ahmednagar, Pune

Cotton Textiles: Mumbai, Ahmedabad, Surat

Iron and Steel: TISCO(Jamshedpur), Bhilai Iron and Steel Plant (Bhilai), Vishakhapatnam Iron and Steel Plant (Vishakhapatnam).

Petro Chemicals: UDEX (Koyali) and IPCL (Vadodara);

Oil refineries: IOCL (Digboi, Barauni and Haldia);

Transport (To identify):

Trace the route of: Golden Quadrilateral - 4 sides, North South Corridor, East West Corridor; State with the Highest Density of roads.

Ports (To identify):

Mumbai, Kochi, Haldia, Chennai, Kolkata.

SKETCH MAPS

Candidates should be able to draw, label, understand and interpret the sketch maps related to the following topics:

- Locational setting of India;
- *Relief of India;*
- Climate;
- Population;
- Industries:
- Transport

PAPER II: PRACTICAL WORK AND PROJECT WORK (30 MARKS)

Candidates will be required to undertake the following Practical work and Project work .

1. Practical Work:

Any *two* of the following topics to be undertaken:

- (i) Drawing of scales: linear, graphic scales showing primary and secondary divisions; representative fractions and statement of scale methods.
- (ii) Drawing of cross-section or profiles of important contours, viz. ridge, plateau, escarpment, valley, conical hill, types of slope, sea cliffs, waterfalls, spurs, by using vertical exaggeration and horizontal equivalent.
- (iii) Understanding and illustrating location references of SOI maps.
- (iv) Map reading and interpretation of survey of India maps: Study will be based on representative portions of any **two**

topographical sheets. It will include the description of location, extent, relief features, drainage, land use, settlement patterns, communications and inferences about human occupations and stage of economic development of the area.

(v) Introduction to Geographic Information System: Elements of visual interpretation of remote sensing maps/images.

Colour significance in the image and true colour (false colour composition): texture; size; shape; shadow; association.

(Reference material – Wikipedia, Google. earth, IIRS Hyderabad).

(vi) Elementary principles of surveying an area: preparing two plans of school compound and/or a small area using Plane table/ GPS.

2. Project Work (Assignment):

Local field surveys on any *one* of the following will be submitted as Project Report. These surveys should be organized with a table of contents, sample taken and statistical methods used, interview schedule. The report should be organized systematically, and the conclusions should be clearly stated.

(i) Agricultural land use survey.

Choose a district or topographical map of an area 1: 250000 and make a sketch map showing land use; compare the patterns of these. Alternatively, a local village could be chosen and the fields mapped from the cadastral map with information on the crops grown in different seasons and the location of the village, its roads and landmarks, if any.

(ii) Household survey of about 30-60 households of a village or locality.

Family size, age structure, educational background, occupation, involvement of men and women in economic activity, educational service. Draw conclusions to reflect the economic development of the households.

(iii) Amenity study.

Study of hospitals in a city, schools (school where you studied), post offices, municipal zones within the city (blocks in a village study) – reasons for travel (based on the

- importance and demand for the place), travel time, travel distance, mapping the hinterland of the service.
- (iv) Study of a manufacturing industry or a selfemployed person.
 - Visit a manufacturing unit or self-employed person cycle or car repair shop, small fabricating unit, factory if nearby and find out source of raw material, supply routes, final product, areas where it is sent, manpower strength and their organization.
- (v) Area development of a multipurpose river valley project – impact on the region.Self-explanatory.

The Practical Work and the Project Work will be assessed by the teacher and a Visiting Examiner appointed locally and approved by the Council. No question paper for practical work and project work will be set by the Council.

Evaluation of Practical Work and Project Work will be as follows:

Practical file (Sessional Record): 10 marks
Assignment (Project Report): 10 marks
Viva voce: 10 marks