West Bengal State University
M.A/ M.Sc First Semester Examination, 2023 held in 2024
Department of Geography

GEOPCOR04T: GEOGRAPHY OF ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES

Full marks: 40   Time: 2 hours

Answer <u>four</u> questions, selecting <u>one</u> from each unit.

Unit1: Concept of Economic Resource and Economics

1. Discuss the characteristics of sustainable technology. Differentiate between Flow and Fund resources.   7+3=10

2. Highlight the importance of forest as an environmental resource. Suggest some suitable measures of forest conservation for sustainable development.   6+4=10

Unit 2: Agricultural Geography

3. What are the achievements of blue revolution during 2014-2018 in India? Mention the major technological changes in agriculture in independent India   5+5=10

4. What are the indicators of food security? Discuss the techniques used for the delineation of agricultural region.
                                                                        2+8=10

Unit 3: Industrial Geography

5. Discuss the role of IT industry in economic development of India. Assess the impact of licensing policy on industrial development.   7+3=10

6. Bring out the Salient features of Industrial Policy of 1991. Critically discuss the outcomes of this policy.
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Unit 4: Geography of Trade and Transport

7. Examine the structure and functions of the World Bank. Provide a critical explanation of its impact on developing nations.
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8. Discuss the concept of MNC highlighting its characteristics. Evaluate the contemporary factors influencing the operational dynamics of MNCs.
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Answer four questions, selecting one from each unit.

Unit1: Concept of Economic Resource and Economics

1. What do you mean by economic resource? Explain why sustainable use of energy resource is necessary. Differentiate renewable resources from the non-renewable ones. 2+4+4=10

2. State the concept of scarcity of resources. Give a detailed account of various techniques used for conservation and management of land resources. 2+8=10

Unit 2: Agricultural Geography

3. Elucidate the problems and prospects of intensive subsistence agriculture after technological changes in Asian countries. What are the components of agri-business? 7+3 = 10

4. Mention the basis of the classification of the World Agricultural system. How far food security has been achieved after the Green Revolution in India? 4+6 = 10

Unit 3: Industrial Geography

5. State the major problems and prospects of Mumbai-Pune industrial region. What are the major features of New Industrial Policy? 6+4=10

6. What do you mean by 'Profit maximization'? Give an account of Hoover's theory on industrial location. 3+7=10

Unit 4: Geography of Trade and Transport

7. Discuss the evolution and growth of EPZs in India highlighting their objectives and performances. Distinguish between EPZ and SEZ in the Indian context. 7+3 =10

8. What is TRIPS? Discuss different functions of TRIPS to ensure Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) in International trade. 2+8=10

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M.A/ M.Sc First Semester Examination, 2021 held in 2022
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Full marks: 40   Time: 2 hours

Answer <u>four</u> questions, selecting <u>one</u> from each unit.

Unit1: Concept of Economic Resource and Economics

1. Highlight the importance of water and land as environmental resources. Suggest some suitable measures of water conservations for a sustainable development.   6+4=10

2. State the concept and definition of sustainable development. Explain the methods of forest resource conservation.   4+6=10

Unit 2: Agricultural Geography

3. What is Agribusiness system? Define the role of technological changes in agriculture productivity with special reference to India.   2+8=10

4. Mention the components of the Green Revolution. Explain the development and positive impact of White Revolution in India.   3+7=10

Unit 3: Industrial Geography

5. Discuss the role of IT industry in economic development of India. Assess the impact of licensing policy on industrial development.   7+3=10

6. Critically discuss the theory of profit maximization in industrial location. What is industrial Complex?   8+2=10

Unit 4: Geography of Trade and Transport

7. State the formation and governance of G8 and critically explain its role in global trade and development.   4+6 =10

8. What is Balance of Payment? Discuss the functions of MNCs in global trade and state the contemporary factors affecting their functions.   3+7 =10

West Bengal State University
M.A/ M.Sc First Semester Supplementary Examination, 2020
Department of Geography

GEOPCOR04T: GEOGRAPHY OF ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES

Time: 2 hours

Full marks: 40

Answer <u>four</u> questions, selecting <u>one</u> from each unit.

Unit1: Concept of Economic Resource and Economics

1. State the concept of scarcity of resources. Analyse the significance of developing the Non-conventional energy resource in rural India, with examples. 3+7= 10

2. Comment on the Global Human Capital Index. Make a comparative analysis of GHCI of any two leading agriculture-producing countries. 4+6=10

Unit 2: Agricultural Geography

3. Elucidate the concept and relevance of Agricultural Regions. Discuss any four techniques used for the delineation of agricultural regions. 3+7=10

4. Identify the parameters of Food Security. What are the advantages and disadvantages of Green Revolution in India? 3+7=10

Unit 3: Industrial Geography

5. Identify the industrial regions of India. State the major problems and prospects of Hugli industrial region. 4+6=10

6. Bring out the Salient features of Industrial Policy of 1991. Critically discuss the outcomes of this Policy. 6+4=10

Unit 4: Geography of Trade and Transport

7. What is TRIPS? Discuss different functions of TRIPS to ensure Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) in international trade. 2+8=10

8. Discuss the formation and functions of ASEAN as an International Trade Bloc. State its recent challenges. 7+3=10

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M.A. /M.Sc. First Semester Examination, 2019

GEOPCOR04T: GEOGRAPHY OF ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES

Unit 1: Concept of Economic Resource and Economics

1. What is an economic resource? Analyze the causes behind the conflict on resource use with suitable examples.   2+8=10

2. What are energy resources? Explain the significance of solar energy in the Sundarban region of West Bengal.   3+7=10

Unit 2: Agricultural Geography

3. What are the achievements of Blue Revolution during the year 2014-2018 in India? What are the merits of High Yielding Varieties (HYV) of seeds?   4+6=10

4. Define agri-business and what are the components of agri-business? What are the impacts of Green Revolution on Indian society?   4+6 = 10

Unit 3: Industrial Geography

5. What do you mean by 'Profit maximization in industrial geography? Give an account of Hoover's theory on industrial location.   3+7=10

6. Briefly state the nature of industrial regions in India. What are the major features of New Industrial Policy?   6+4=10

Unit 4: Geography of Transport and Trade

7. Examine the role of World Bank. Discuss the function and services of IBRD and IDA. 6+4=10

8. Discuss the evolution and growth of Export Processing Zones of India highlighting the objectives and taxation process. State the difference between EPZ and SEZ in India. 7+3=10

West Bengal State University

M.A/ M.Sc. Second Semester Examination, 2019

Department of Geography

GEO 203: Geography of Economic Activity

Full marks: 40

Time: 2 hours

Answer <u>four</u> questions, selecting <u>one</u> from each unit

Unit 1: Concept of Economic Resource and Economics

1. Explain how use of solar energy is sustainable in nature. Discuss its functioning through a case study from West Bengal.   4+6=10

2. Mention briefly the water use efficiency principles. What are the conservation and management measures adopted for drinking water at the state level?   3+7=10

Unit 2: Agricultural Geography

3. Mention the methods of agricultural regionalization. What do you understand by crop diversification and how will it be measured? What are the main causes of crop diversification?   2+4+4=10

4. What are the main objectives of land reforms in India? Distinguish between Ryotwari and Zamindari land tenancy system   5+5=10

Unit 3: Industrial Geography

5. Explain the various factors of industrial location citing suitable examples. What is a Footloose Industry?   8+2=10

6. What do you understand by Industrial Policy? Discuss the impacts of India's Industrial Policy (1991) on economic development .   3+7=10

Unit 4: Geography of Transport and Trade

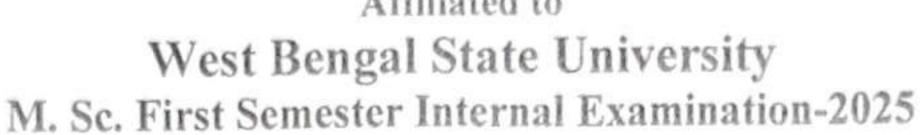7. Discuss in brief the salient features of a gravity model. Critically discuss the Laws of Retail Gravitation.   3+7=10

8. Throw light on the formation of GATT after the Second World War. Give a critical account of how and why GATT transformed into WTO.   4+6=10

Subject – Geography   Paper – GEOPCORT 04 T : Geography of Economic Activities
Full Marks – 40   Time – 2 Hrs.
(Answer any four from the following questions taking one from each unit)

Unit – 1—Concept of Economics Resource and Economics:

1. What do you understand by resource scarcity? Explain with suitable examples how resource scarcity leads to global conflict?   (4 + 6)
2. Discuss with examples the causes of conflicts over resource use on earth. How can the conflicts be resolved?   (6 + 4)

Unit – 2—Agricultural Geography:

3. What do you mean by Agriculture Region? Discuss Crop Combination and Crop Diversification as two major techniques of agriculture region delineation?   (2 + 8)
4. Discuss the factors contribution to food insecurity in developing countries. What will be the impact of vertical integration in agribusiness on food availability and price stability in developing countries?   (6 + 4)

Unit – 3—Industrial Geography:

5. Critically discuss Hoover's theory on industrial location. Differentiate between Isotim and Isodapen?   (7 + 3)
6. Account for the major problems of the Hugli Industrial region. Suggest measures to overcome these problems?   (7 + 3)

Unit – 4—Geogrphy of Trade and Transport:

7. Discuss the evolution and growth of SEZs in India highlighting their objectives and performances. Distinguish between EPZ and SEZ?   (7 + 3)
8. Discuss the role of transport network in national and international trade. Discuss the different types of ratio measures of connectivity?   (5 + 5)