PAPER I- PRINCIPLES OF GEOGRAPHY

Geomorphology

Universe and Solar system Planets

Theories of Origin Of The Earth

Latitude And Longitude | Standard Time Zone

Geological Time Scale

Interior Of The Earth | Core, Mantle And Crust

Geomagnetism & Geomagnetic Reversal

Earthquake Causes And Effects

Seismic Waves And Earth's Interior

Geosyncline Theory

Continental Drift Theory

Isostasy & Theories of Isostasy

Seafloor Spreading Theory

Plate Tectonics Theory

Theories of Mountain Building, Recent Views on Mountain Building

Geomorphic Processes: Endogenic And Exogenic

Endogenic Forces: Epeirogenic And Orogenic Exogenic Forces: Denudation & Weathering

Volcanism And Volcanic Landforms

Slope elements and Slope development

Denudation Chronology

Geomorphic Cycles & Davis Cycle of Erosion

Penck Model of Cycle of Erosion

Erosional Surfaces: Peneplains, Pediplains, Panplains

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Fluvial Landforms

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CLIMATOLOGY

Origin of Atmosphere

Composition And Structure Of The Atmosphere

Temperature Belts Of Earth

Temperature Inversion: Types & Effects On Weather

Heat Budget Of Earth

Pressure Belts Of The Earth

Wind And Wind Types

Clouds And Its Types

Precipitation: Types Of Precipitation & Types Of Rainfall

Tropical Cyclones & Tornado

Air mass

Fronts and Types of Fronts

Temperate Cyclones (Extratropical cyclone)

Jet Streams

Koppen climate classification system

Thornthwaite Climatic Classification

Trewartha Climatic Classification

Climatic Regions Of World

Global climatic change and role of man

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OCEANOGRAPHY

Ocean Relief Features- Bottom features of pacific, India, Atlantic

Ocean Waves, Tides

Ocean Current

Ocean Salinity

Temperature Distribution of Oceans

Oceanic Resources And Deposits

El Nino And La Nina

Coral Reefs & Coral Bleaching, Theories of Origin of Coral Reefs

Sea level Changes, Oceans Issues and Threats, Ocean Pollution (Marine Pollution)

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

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BIOGEOGRAPHY

Soil Genesis, Soil forming Processes & Factors

Soil Properties - Physical, Chemical & Biological, Soil Profile (Soil Horizons)

Soil Classification & Distribution of Soil in World

Soil Erosion, Degradation, and Conservation

Problems of deforestation and conservation measures

Social forestry and Agroforestry

World distribution of Plants and Animals, Factors Influencing Distribution of Plants & Animals,

Wildlife, Problems of Wildlife & Wildlife Conservation

Major Gene Pool Centres

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ENVIRONMENTAL GEOGRAPHY

Fundamental Concepts and Principles of Ecology, Biotic Regions (or) Biomes of the

World, Human Ecological Adaptations

Influence of Man on Ecology and Environment

Global and Regional Ecological changes and Imbalances

Ecosystem Management and Conservation

Environmental degradation

Environmental Management, Environmental Conservation

Biodiversity and sustainable development

Environmental Policy

Environmental Legislations

Environmental Education

Environmental Hazards and remedial measures

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PERSPECTIVES IN HUMAN GEOGRAPHY

Evolution Of Geographical Thought

Aerial Differentiation

Regional Synthesis

Dichotomy and Dualism

Quantitative Revolution

Locational Analysis

Behavioural Approach (Behaviouralism)

Humanistic Approach (Humanism)

Radical Approach (Radicalism)

Welfare Approach

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Cultural Regions of the World

Languages Religions and Secularization

Human Development Index

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ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY

World economic development, World agriculture & World industries.

World economic development: measurement and problems

World Resources & Distribution

World Industries: Locational Patterns and Problems

Patterns of world trade

World Agriculture: typology of agricultural regions, Agricultural inputs and productivity

Food and nutrition problems
Food Security
Famine - Causes and Effects
Energy Crisis
Limits to Growth Model
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POPULATION AND SETTLEMENT GEOGRAPHY

integrated study of Paper 1(Part B) and Paper 2 i.e. "Regional Planning" of Human Geography {Paper 1(Part B)} with Regional Development and Planning (Chapter 8) of Geography of India.

Growth & Distribution of World Population

Population distribution in the world

Population Growth in India

Factors influencing population distribution and density

Population in India: Distribution & Density

World Migration: Causes and Consequences, Migration in India

Theories of Migration

Optimum Population Theory

Social well-being and Quality of life

Population as Social Capital

PAPER II: Historical Perspective of Indian Society, Racial, linguistic and ethnic diversities,

Religious minorities

Major tribes of India

Tribal Areas and their Problems in India

Cultural Regions of India

Introduction to Settlement Geography

Rural Settlements: Morphology

Rural Settlements: Types Rural Settlements: Patterns

Environmental issues in rural settlements

Hierarchy of urban settlements

Urban Morphology

Urban Morphology of Indian Cities

Concepts of primate city and rank-size rule

Functional classification of towns

Sphere of urban influence, Rural-Urban Fringe, Satellite towns

Problems and remedies of urbanization, Sustainable development of cities

Central Place Theory
Conurbations and metropolitan regions
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REGIONAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL PLANNING

integrated study of Paper 1(Part B) and Paper 2 i.e. "Regional Planning" of Human Geography {Paper 1(Part B)} with Regional Development and Planning (Chapter 8) of Geography of India.

Concept of Region, Types of regions

Methods of regionalization

Growth centers and growth poles

Regional imbalances, Theories of Regional Imbalance

Regional development strategies

Environmental issues in regional planning,

PAPER II: Planning for sustainable development, Planning as a tool for regional imbalance, Experience of Regional Planning: Five Year Plans

Backward Area Planning, Hill Area Development, Drought Prone Area Development, Tribal Area Development, Regional planning and development of island territories Integrated rural development programmes, Command area development, Multi-level planning & Decentralised Planning

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MODELS AND THEORY

System Analysis In Geography

Malthusian Demographic Theory

Marxian Demographic Theory

Demographic Transition Theory

Central Place theories of Christaller and Losch

Von Thunen Model Of Agricultural Location

Weber Model Of Industrial Location

Heartland And Rimland theory

Perroux and Boudeville

Rostow's Model of Stages of Growth

Laws Of International Boundaries And Frontiers

Organic State Theory (Friedrich Ratzel)

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L-6: Mountain Passes Of India L-7: Important Hill Ranges of India L-8 : Indo-Gangetic-Brahmaputra Plains

L-9: Indian Peninsular Plateau (Deccan Plateau)

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Indian River System (Drainage Systems of India)

L-13 : Ganga River System

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L-20 : Cauvery(Kaveri) River System

L-21: East Flowing Rivers

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L-23: Mechanism of Indian Monsoon

L-25: western disturbances

L- 26: Floods

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L-28: Climatic regions of India Koeppen's Classification of Climatic regions of India

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L-7: Gold & Silver Distribution in India

L-8: Diamond & Graphite Distribution in India

L-9: Non-Metallic - Mica, Limestone, Dolomite, Asbestos & other

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