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**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN
GEOGRAPHY (MSCGG)**

Term-End Examination

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MGG-010 : URBAN GEOGRAPHY

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : *All Sections are compulsory. Marks are indicated against each Section.*

Section—A

Note : *Answer any **five** of the following questions in about **150** words each.*

5×4=20

1. (i) What is the significance of space and place in Urban Geography ?

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- (ii) Discuss briefly the contributions of Banaras School in the field of Urban Geography.
- (iii) Explain the concept of 'basic-non-basic' in Urban Geography. List any *two* applications of the concept in Urban Studies.
- (iv) Distinguish between centripetal forces and centrifugal forces in the evolution of Urban Geography.
- (v) What is spatial concentration of urban poverty ? Give any *two* reasons for spatial concentration of urban poverty.
- (vi) What is Integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns (IDSMT) ? Give any *two* objectives of IDSMT.
- (vii) Write a note on sustainable urbanisation.

Section—B

Note : Answer any **five** of the following questions in
about **250** words each. $5 \times 6 = 30$

2. (i) Discuss briefly the origin and growth of towns in the ancient times, citing examples from different cultural regions.
- (ii) Describe the *six* stages in the development of cities identified by Griffith Taylor in 1949.
- (iii) Briefly discuss the changing approaches to the study of economics of cities.
- (iv) What are the consequences of poverty in the field of education and health ? Describe the ways of mitigating concentrated poverty.

- (v) Write a note on 'City Region'. Support your answer with a neat sketch.
- (vi) What is urban planning ? Discuss any *four* aspects related to the scope of urban planning.
- (vii) What is the purpose and role of town planning ? Mention any *two* Acts that were passed by the Indian Government related to this at National and State level.

Section—C

Note : Answer any *five* of the following questions in about **500** words each. *5×10=50*

3. Explain the Central Place Theory of Christaller and Losch with suitable diagrams.
4. Explain the concept of informal sector. Describe the key features of informal economy.

5. Critically explain the concentric zone model of Burgess. Illustrate your answer with diagram.
6. What is the functional morphology of cities ? Describe the morphology of Jamshedpur city with the help of a rough sketch.
7. Discuss in brief the problems of urban noise pollution. Explain the causes and measures of urban noise pollution.
8. What are urban informal settlements ? Discuss the *four* characteristics of urban informal settlements. Mention any *three* government schemes in India that aim to resolve this problem of urban informal settlements.
9. Explain the term 'heat island'. What are the causes and impact of this heat island ?

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