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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 : (i) *All Sections are compulsory.*

(ii) *Marks are indicated against each Section.*

Section-A

1. Answer any *five* of the following questions in about **150** words each : 5×4=20

(i) Define the terms 'Metropolis', 'Megapolis', 'Tyrannopolis' and

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‘Necropolis’ with respect to stages of development of cities given by Lewis Mumford.

- (ii) Differentiate between the Basic and Non-Basic concept. Explain similar concept given by Homer Hoyt.
- (iii) Classify cities into four types on the basis of shape.
- (iv) Differentiate between pull and push factors regarding migration.
- (v) Define poverty. Briefly discuss the causes of poverty in urban environment.
- (vi) What is Urban Geography ? State any *two* characteristics of Urban Geography.

- (vii) Discuss briefly the concept of urban planning. State any *two* key aspects of urban planning.

Section-B

2. Answer any *five* of the following questions in about **250** words each : 5×6=30

- (i) Discuss any *four* approaches in the study of Urban Geography.
- (ii) Discuss the growth of towns in the ancient times in different cultural regions around the world.
- (iii) What is 'Informal Sector' in the urban economy ? State any *four* key features of the informal economy.

- (iv) Discuss the British and Morphogenetic Schools of thought related to Urban Morphology.
- (v) What are urban informal settlements ? State any *four* problems associated with informal settlements.
- (vi) Define 'Sustainable Urbanization'. Discuss any *two* challenges of sustainable urbanization.
- (vii) Discuss briefly any *four* phases of development of urban planning in India.

Section-C

Note : Answer any *five* of the following questions in about **500** words each.

5×10=50

- 3. Discuss the contribution of various schools of Indian geographers to the development of Urban Geography.

4. Describe the Growth Pole Theory with reference to Perroux and Boudeville.
5. What is implied by the 'New Urban Order' ?

Discuss the contributions of Manuel Castells and David Harvey in the development of the New Urban Order. Explain how service economy has risen in cities.
6. Explain 'City Region' as an important gateway concept in Urban Geography.

Discuss the zone of influence with respect to a city.
7. What is 'Heat Island' ? Discuss the causes and impacts of heat island effect in cities.

8. What is Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) ? State any *four* salient features of JNNURM. What are the different stages of its implementation ?
9. What is 'Functional Morphology' of cities ? Describe the morphological zones of the city of Bhubaneshwar.

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