

2017

(May)

GEOGRAPHY

(Major)

Course : 403

(**Economic Geography**)

Full Marks : 48

Pass Marks : 19/14

Time : 2 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. Answer the following as directed : 1×5=5

(a) "Its absurd to seek the least cost location. The search for the greatest profit is right." Who said this?

(b) Cotton textile industry is an agro-based industry.

(Write True or False)

(c) The largest coal producing country in the world is USA/China/India.

(Choose the correct answer)

(d) Which country is the world's largest producer of sugarcane?

(e) The opening of the Suez Canal in _____ (year) increased the significance of this trade route becoming a key link between the two oceans Indian and Atlantic through Red Sea and Mediterranean Sea.

(Fill up the blank)

2. Answer the following questions (**within 150 words** each) :

4×3=12

(a) Describe any one industrial region of USA stating the favourable factors of location.

(b) Explain the meaning and scope of agricultural geography.

(c) Discuss the relative importance of water transport over land.

(3)

Answer the following questions (within 500 words each) :

UNIT—I

(Industrial Geography)

3. Give an account of the distribution of iron and steel industries in the world. 11

Or

What are the factors of location of industries? Write with examples. 11

UNIT—II

(Agricultural Geography)

4. Describe the physical and socioeconomic factors affecting agriculture. 5+5=10

Or

Critically discuss von Thünen's theory of agricultural location. 10

UNIT—III

(Transport Geography)

5. Describe the world's major trading zones with special emphasis on economic gains of member countries. 7+3=10

Or

What is transport coordination? Explain the characteristics and relevances of a well coordinated transport system citing examples from India. 2+8=10
