5 SEM TDC GGR M 5

2018

(November)

GEOGRAPHY

(Major)

Course: 505

(Political Geography and Geopolitical Issues)

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: 1×4=4
 - (a) Who presented the model of Ideal State?
 - (b) Kant/Ritter/Ratzel was the founder of modern political geography.

 (Choose the correct answer)
 - (c) What is a 'frontier' with reference to political geography?
 - (d) In which year Spykman's *The Geography of the Peace* was published?

- 2. Answer the following questions (within 120 words each): 4×2=8
 - (a) State the concepts of capital city.
 - (b) Write briefly about the buffer zone and its function.

Answer the following questions (within 300 words each)

UNIT-I

(Political Geography)

- 3. Write about the different approaches to the study of political geography.
- 4. Define 'geopolitics'. Discuss the contribution of Karl Haushofer towards the development of the subject.

 3+6=9

Or

What is 'boundary'? Classify the international boundaries. Discuss the functions of international boundaries. 2+2+5=9

UNIT-II

(Geopolitical Issues)

5. Explain the concept of 'strategic heartland theory' of Mackinder and examine its significance in the present-day context. 7+2=9

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6. Critically evaluate the role of ASEAN in the new international economic order.

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Give an account of the geopolitical situations of North-East India with special reference to Assam.
