

2014

(November)

GEOLOGY

(Major)

Course : 301

(Structure and Tectonics)

Full Marks : 48

Pass Marks : 19

Time : 2 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

(3.1 : Structural Geology)

(Marks : 30)

1. What are different types of stresses?

Describe different units of stress and strain.

What are ductile and brittle behaviour of

rocks? What do you mean by plasticity

and rigidity in rocks?

2+2+2+3=9

2. Describe the geometrical elements in a fold.

Discuss the simple mechanism of folding.

Describe the geometric and morphological

classification of folds.

3+3+6=12

Or

Describe different structural elements on a fault with neat sketches. Discuss the simple mechanism of faulting. What are the criteria for recognition of faults? Give two diagrams for fault lines representing vertical and inclined faults on a geological map provided the topography is uneven.

2+4+4+2=12

3. Explain the following terms (any two) : $3 \times 2 = 6$

- (a) Foliations and lineations
- (b) Extension joints
- (c) Determination of top and bottom of sedimentary sequences

4. Answer the following as directed : $1 \times 3 = 3$

(a) True and apparent dips of an inclined planar surface are measured on a _____ plane.

(Fill in the blank)

(b) A cylindrical fold has _____ fold axes.

(Fill in the blank)

(c) Powdered, crumbly fault rocks with minor visible rock fragments are known as (fault gouge/fault breccia/crust breccia).

(Choose the correct option)

(3.2 : Tectonics)

(Marks : 18)

5. Define plate tectonics. What are the volcanic and earthquake belts? What do you mean by the term 'triple junction'? Describe the features associated with mid-oceanic ridge on the basis of present-day knowledge. What is an 'island arc'?
- 2+4+2+3+1=12

Or

Write explanatory notes on the following :

3×4=12

- (a) Plate boundaries
- (b) Rift valley
- (c) Deep-sea trenches
- (d) Seafloor spreading

6. Write short notes on the following (any two) :

2×2=4

- (a) Belt of Schuppen
- (b) Naga thrust and Disang thrust
- (c) Main boundary fault
- (d) Hot spot and mantle plume

7. Fill in the blanks: (3.5)

1×2=2

(a) Convergent boundaries are mainly associated with — faults.

5. Define plate tectonics. What are the volcanic

(b) The strike of the Kopili fault is —.

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