1 SEM TDC GEO M 1

2015

(November)

GEOLOGY

(Major)

Course: 101

(General Geology)

Full Marks: 80

Pass Marks: 32 (Backlog) / 24 (2014 onwards)

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

UNIT-1.1

(Introduction to Geology)

(Marks : 15)

1. Fill in the blanks:

 $1 \times 2 = 2$

- (a) Viscosity of acidic lava is —— than that of basic lava.
- (b) Mesozoic era came to an end about million years ago.

| 2. | Define | micro | pal | eontol | ogy and | palynology. |
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| | Write 1 | briefly | on | their | application | ons. |

3. What is rock cycle? Write on igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic rocks giving suitable examples (five for each).

Or

Describe the different modes of formation of fossils. Write on application of fossil in geology.

6+4=10

UNIT-1.2

(Physical Geology)

(Marks : 25)

4. Fill in the blanks:

 $1 \times 3 = 3$

3

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- (a) Igneous activities are characteristic of —— geosyncline.
- (b) According to the theory of continental drift, initially there was only one continent named and one ocean named —.
- (c) Mohorovicic discontinuity (Moho) lies in between and —.
- 5. Write short note on any one of the following:
 - (a) Orogeny and epirogeny
 - (b) Vulcanian and Visuvian types of volcanic eruption

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6. Define radioactivity. Write on the principal radioactive methods of determination of age of the earth. 2+7=9

Or

What do you mean by plate tectonics? Explain how the hypothesis of seafloor spreading helped in establishment of plate tectonics theory.

4+5=9

7. Write on different causes of earthquake. How are intensity and magnitude of earthquakes expressed? 5+4=9

UNIT-1.3

(Geomorphology)

(Marks: 25)

8. Fill in the blanks :

 $1\times3=3$

- (a) The process of chemical weathering where kaoline is formed from feldspar is called ——.
- (b) Breaching of a natural level during flood result in deposition of ———.
- (c) Elongated sinuous glacial deposits showing stratification are called —.
- 9. Describe the geomorphic features developed in either eolian or coastal environment.

| 10. | Define drain | age pattern. | Describe | with neat | | | | |
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| | sketches the basic drainage patterns. Add a | | | | | | | |
| | note on re | elationships | between | drainage | | | | |
| | patterns an | d geological | structures | s. 1+5+3=9 | | | | |

- 11. Write short note on any one of the following:
 - (a) An ideal soil profile
 - (b) Geomorphology of the Brahmaputra Valley

UNIT-1.4

(Principles of Geochemistry)

(Marks: 15)

12. Fill in the blanks :

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The most abundant element in the earth's crust is —— followed next by ——.

- 13. Write short note on any one of the following: 4
 - (a) Composition of meteorites
 - (b) Geochemical environment
- 14. Write on geochemical classification and association of elements. 5+5=10

Or

Write on Goldsmith's rule of substitution of elements.

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