

2022

GEOGRAPHY — HONOURS

Paper : SEC-B-3

(Rural Development)

Full Marks : 80

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words
as far as practicable.*

Category - A

Answer *any ten* questions (each within 50 words).

2×10

1. Mention any two indices of rural development.
2. What is community development approach?
3. Mention any two major objectives of the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana — Gramin.
4. What is the significance of rural electrification?
5. What are the major contributions of the Joint Forest Management Programme to Rural Development?
6. Define rural governance.
7. Why adoption of land policy is important for rural infrastructural development?
8. Mention any two characteristics of Self Help Group.
9. What are the main objectives of NABARD?
10. What is Gram Sabha?
11. State any two benefits of SGSY scheme.
12. What is spread effect?
13. State any two functions of Zilla Parishad.
14. What is cooperative marketing?

Category - B

Answer *any six* questions (each within 150 words).

5×6

15. State the main characteristics of area based approach in rural development.
16. Critically analyse the relevance of the Big Push theory with reference to rural economy.
17. Differentiate between the top-down and bottom-up approaches of rural development.
18. Explain five features of Panchayati Raj System in India.

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19. Explain the role of rural cooperatives in the development of rural areas.
20. Differentiate between backwash and spread effects.
21. Why is Integrated Tribal Development Programme necessary for backward area development?
22. Discuss the significance of DPAP.

Category - C

Answer *any three* questions (each within 500 words).

23. What are the main characteristics of rural economy in developing countries? Critically discuss Gunnar Myrdal's Model of economic growth with reference to the process of rural development. 3+7
24. What is the significance of rural employment? Evaluate the role of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act in increasing the rural employment in India. 3+7
25. Critically discuss the main features of Pradhan Mantri Jana Dhana Yojana. 10
26. What are the advantages and disadvantages of rural micro-credit system? Critically discuss the role of Swarnajayanti Gram Swarajgar Yojana to overcome the seasonality in rural economic activities. 5+5
27. Discuss the dual economic model postulated by W. A. Lewis. Bring out the merits and demerits of this model. 7+3

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