



## IAS General Studies (M) – GEOGRAPHY OF INDIA ( 30 Marks)

### QUESTIONS TREND & PATTERN ANALYSIS

#### 2007

1. Answer any two of the following questions (in about 125 words each) : 10x2=20
- (a) Explain how the Himalayan and the Tibetan highlands play an important role in the development of the South West monsoon.
  - (b) Technological changes have brought in a major shift in the use of roads as transport corridors in India. How far do you agree with this view?
  - (c) Explain the nature and causes of growing slum problems in the metropolitan cities of India.
2. Write notes on the following (in about 20 words each): 2 x 5= 10
- (a) Special Economic Zone (SEZ)
  - (b) Inceptisol
  - (c) Jarawas
  - (d) Indira Point
  - (e) Causes of Chambal Ravines

#### 2006

1. Answer any two of the following (in about 125 words each): 2x10=20
- a) Bring out the prospects of development of alternative energy sources of India.
  - b) Blue Revolution has definite advantages in India but it is not free from environmental impacts. Discuss.
  - c) Why do the rivers of west coast not form a delta?
2. Write notes on the following (in about 20 words each): 5x2=10
- a) Mixed economy
  - b) Winter rains in India
  - c) New Moore Island
  - d) National Water Grid
  - e) Hussain Sagar

#### 2005

1. Answer any two of the following (in about 125 words each): 10 x 2 = 20
- (a) What are the resource bases available for the economic development of the newly created States of Jharkhand and Uttaranchal?
  - (b). Elucidate the factors contributing to the growing need for water harvesting in India, both rural and urban.
  - (c) "Political boundaries and regional boundaries need to be co-terminus.:" Do you agree?
2. Write notes on the following (in about 20 words each): 2 x 5=10
- (a) Regurs
  - (b) Karewas
  - (c) Negative impacts of shifting cultivation
  - (d) Causes of droughts in India
  - (e) Significance of Lake Chilka

## 2004

1. Answer any two of the following (in about 125 words each): 2 x 10 = 20
- (a) Examine the distribution of oil refineries in India.
  - (b) Why are the Aravallis called a divide between Mewar and Marwar?
  - (c) What is Golden Quadrilateral? How will it help in the economic development of the country?
2. Write short notes on the following (in about 20 words each) : 5 x 2 = 10
- (a) El Nino, La Nina and monsoon rains
  - (b) The Sambhar lake
  - (c) The Sundarbans
  - (d) Bombay High
  - (e) Sabarkantha & Banaskantha

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## 2003

1. Answer any two of the following: (about 125 words) 2X10=20
- a) Describe the major characteristics of the rivers of Peninsular India.
  - b) Account for the very high concentration of salt extraction industries in the Saurashtra and South Tamilnadu Coast.
  - c) State the four distinctive stages of Indian Demographic history.
2. Write short notes on the following (about 20 words) 5X2=10
- a) Define Terai Region.
  - b) Mention the areas of Shola forests in India.
  - c) Who are the Todas and where do they live?
  - d) Name any four principal languages of Andaman and Nicobar Islands.
  - e) What is MRTS? Where it is in operation?

## 2002

1. Answer any two of the following (about 125 words) : 2x10=20
- (a). Given an account of the tea plantations of Assam and West Bengal and state the economic significance of these plantations
  - (b). Discuss the distribution of winds and rainfall over India in the summer monsoon season.
  - (c). Define the concept of 'growth centers' and evaluate its relevance in regional planning in India
2. Write short notes on the following (about 20 words): 5x2=10
- a) Name of main petroleum producing areas in India
  - b) Jhum cultivation - process and consequences
  - c) Kaziranga National Park
  - d) Census definition of urban places
  - e) Khetri Copper Project

**2001**

1. Answer any two of the following (about 125 words): 2x10=20
- What is mangroves and in what way are they useful to us.
  - Explain the cause of the Indian monsoon.
  - Had there been no Himalayas, what would have been the winter climate in north India.

2. Write short notes on the following (about 20 words): 5x2=10
- El Nino
  - Hirakund Project
  - Glaciar
  - Two prominent left tributaries of rivers Ganges
  - Equinox

**VISION IAS**  
**2000**

1. Answer any TWO of the following (About 125 words each):- 2 x 10 = 20
- Mention the agro-climatic regions of India stating the basis of classification.
  - Explain the major racial groups of India.
  - What is waste land ? Write a note on prospects of waste land development in India.

2. Write notes on the following (About 20 words each) :- 5 x 2 = 10
- Linguistic regions of India
  - Nagarjunasagar Project
  - Mango Showers
  - Multi-level planning in India
  - India's Laterite soils.

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