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# MASTER OF SCIENCE IN GEOGRAPHY (MSCGG) Term-End Examination December, 2024

MGG-010: URBAN GEOGRAPHY

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: All Sections are compulsory. Marks are indicated against each Section.

# Section—A

Note: Answer any five of the following questions in about 150 words each. 5×4=20

1. (i) What is the significance of space and place in Urban Geography?

- (ii) Discuss briefly the contributions of Banaras School in the field of Urban Geography.
- (iii) Explain the concept of 'basic-non-basic' in

  Urban Geography. List any two
  applications of the concept in Urban

  Studies.
- (iv) Distinguish between centripetal forces and centrifugal forces in the evolution of Urban Geography.
- (v) What is spatial concentration of urban poverty? Give any *two* reasons for spatial concentration of urban poverty.
- (vi) What is Integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns (IDSMT)? Give any two objectives of IDSMT.
- (vii) Write a note on sustainable urbanisation.

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# Section—B

**Note**: Answer any **five** of the following questions in about **250** words each.  $5\times6=30$ 

- (i) Discuss briefly the origin and growth of towns in the ancient times, citing examples from different cultural regions.
  - (ii) Describe the *six* stages in the development of cities identified by Griffith Taylor in 1949.
  - (iii) Briefly discuss the changing approaches to the study of economics of cities.
  - (iv) What are the consequences of poverty in the field of education and health? Describe the ways of mitigating concentrated poverty.

- (v) Write a note on 'City Region'. Support your answer with a neat sketch.
- (vi) What is urban planning? Discuss any four aspects related to the scope of urban planning.
- (vii) What is the purpose and role of town planning? Mention any *two* Acts that were passed by the Indian Government related to this at National and State level.

## Section—C

**Note**: Answer any **five** of the following questions in about **500** words each.  $5\times10=50$ 

- 3. Explain the Central Place Theory of Christaller and Losch with suitable diagrams.
- 4. Explain the concept of informal sector. Describe the key features of informal economy.

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- Critically explain the concentric zone model of Burgess. Illustrate your answer with diagram.
- 6. What is the functional morphology of cities?

  Describe the morphology of Jamshedpur city

  with the help of a rough sketch.
- 7. Discuss in brief the problems of urban noise pollution. Explain the causes and measures of urban noise pollution.
- 8. What are urban informal settlements? Discuss the *four* characteristics of urban informal settlements. Mention any *three* government schemes in India that aim to resolve this problem of urban informal settlements.
- 9. Explain the term 'heat island'. What are the causes and impact of this heat island?

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