MASTER OF SCIENCE IN GEOGRAPHY (MSCGG) Term-End Examination June, 2025

MGG-010: URBAN GEOGRAPHY

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

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

Section—A

- 1. Answer any *five* of the following questions in about **150** words each: 5×4=20
 - (i) Explain the Index of Surplus workers proposed by Mattilla and Thompson.

- (ii) What is urban structure? Explain briefly.
- (iii) Distinguish between push factors of rural areas and pull factors of urban areas.
- (iv) Discuss briefly the manifestations of poverty in urban settings and their potential solutions.
- (v) Describe any *four* aspects of the concept of urban planning.
- (vi) Explain briefly the basic-non-basic concept of urban economic function.
- (vii) Give any four sources of air pollution.

Section—B

- 2. Answer any *five* of the following questions in about **250** words each: 5×6=30
 - (i) Discuss the positivistic, structuralistic and humanistic approaches to the study of Urban Geography.

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- (ii) Classify towns into *six* types based on their locational aspects.
- (iii) Discuss any six key features of urban informal economy.
- (iv) Explain the role of centripetal and centrifugal forces in the evolution of urban morphology.
- (v) What are the problems associated with informal settlements.
- (vi) Explain the concepts of sustainable city.
- (vii) Discuss the evolution of urban planning with reference to ancient and medieval period.

Section—C

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

3. Discuss the contribution of Indian scholars in the field of Urban Geography.

- 4. What is Central Place Theory? Explain

 Central Place Theory of Christaller and

 Losch with diagrams.
- 5. Discuss the changing economies of cities with reference the rise in number of industries and rise of service economy.
- 6. Define 'City Region'. What is its significance as a planning region? Describe any four types of city regions.
- 7. What is urban environment pollution?

 Describe in brief any *four* causes of urban environment pollution. Discuss the impacts of this on urban environment.
- 8. What is a master plan of a city or a town?

 List the factors which make a master plan

 necessary for a city. What are the objectives

of a master plan and its drawbacks and limitations?

9. What is functional morphology of a city?

Explain in detail the planning and the morphology of the city of Bhubaneswar.

