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Branch : GEOGRAPHY

G.O. 222 – Economic Geography

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Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 75

SECTION – A

Answer **any two** questions from each unit. **Each** question carries **2** marks.

1. a) Define Economic Geography.
b) Regional approach is popular in the study of Economic Geography. Examine.
c) State the aims of the study of Economic Geography.
2. a) Classify coals based on their characteristics.
b) What are the objectives of social forestry ?
c) List the biological methods of controlling soil erosion.
3. a) Mention the physical factors affecting agriculture.
b) Define an agricultural region.
c) Enumerate the limitations of Whittlessey classification.
4. a) What are the assumptions made by Hoover in his theory of industrial location ?
b) Explain the behavioural approach in industrial location.
c) What are the criticisms of Allen Pred's industrial location theory ?
5. a) Write short note on NAFTA.
b) Name the economically advanced countries of Latin America.
c) How are resources classified by Zimmermann ?

(10×2=20 Marks)

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SECTION – B

Answer **one** question from each unit. **Each** question carries **5** marks.

6. a) Explain the dynamic nature of economic geography.
b) Define resources and discuss the concepts of conservation of resources.
7. a) Discuss the importance of oceans for man.
b) Explain the reasons for the depletion of forests.
8. a) Briefly explain the Losch's model of industrial location.
b) Discuss the least cost approach in the industrial location.
9. a) Examine the regional factors that affects the cost of production according to weber.
b) How did sinclair modified Von Thunen's hypothesis ?
10. a) Western Europe possess only $\frac{1}{5}$ th of world population, but it accounts 50% of the world trade. Give reasons.
b) Discuss the factors that influence the pattern of international trade.

(5×5=25 Marks)

SECTION – C

Answer **any three** questions. **Each** question carries **10** marks.

11. Discuss the economic importance of iron ore and its distribution in the world.
12. Explain the Von Thunen's theory of agricultural location.
13. Examine the influence of transport on the economy of a country.
14. Analyse the major industrial regions of India.
15. Briefly explain the role of major trade blocs in international trade.

(3×10=30 Marks)