

POST-GRADUATE COURSE

Term End Examination — December, 2014/June, 2015

GEOGRAPHY

Paper – III B

( Social & Cultural Geography )

Time : 2 Hours

Full Marks : 50

( Weightage of Marks : 80% )

*Special credit will be given for accuracy and relevance in the answer. Marks will be deducted for incorrect spelling, untidy work and illegible handwriting. The weightage for each question has been indicated in the margin.*

Section A

Answer any *three* questions : 10 × 3 = 30

1. Briefly discuss the approaches to study Social Geography. Identify the place of Social Geography in the branch of Social Sciences.  
6 + 4
2. 'Social Geography is a dynamic subject'– Enumerate the statement on the basis of changing contents of Social Geography. What is meant by social process ? 7 + 3
3. Elucidate the concept of region as a social unit. What is social space ? 7 + 3
4. Briefly discuss the organizational framework of cultural geography and state the contribution of Carl Sauer in this regard.  
7 + 3

5. Differentiate *acculturation* from *melting pot* of culture. Why are cities called melting pot of culture ? 5 + 5
6. Distinguish between religion and ethnicity. Explain why race is regarded as a biological construct. 5 + 5

Section – B

7. Answer any *five* questions :

4 × 5 = 20

- a) Enumerate the role of religion in cultural diversity.
- b) What do you understand by the term 'social stratification' ?
- c) How does linguistic heterogeneity give rise to regionalization ?
- d) Distinguish between *tribal culture* and *mainstream culture*.
- e) State the indicators of social wellbeing.
- f) Give a brief account of the material culture of the Gonds of India.
- g) Indicate the role of cultural hearths in cultural diffusion.
- h) Identify the major cultural realms of the world.
- i) Find out the relationship between *town planning* and *social planning*.
- j) Briefly state the concept of human ecology.