

POST-GRADUATE COURSE

Term End Examination — June, 2017

GEOGRAPHY

Paper – VII B

(Regional Planning & Development)

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 : $10 \times 3 = 30$

1. Discuss the characteristics of formal region with examples and elaborate the method of identification of the same.
2. Briefly assess the significance of regional development policies of backward area development in India.
3. Discuss in detail the concept of multilevel planning. What is Administrative region ?
4. Elaborate the features of West Bengal Model of planning in developing agriculture and rural sector.

5. Enumerate the basic principles of regional planning with special reference to the development of Kolkata Metropolitan Area.
6. Account for the structural framework of centralized planning in India and state the advantages and disadvantages of the same.

Section – B

7. Answer any *five* questions : $4 \times 5 = 20$
 - a) Enumerate the contemporary problems of Darjeeling Himalaya as a hilly region.
 - b) Explain the concept of city region and bring out various methods of its delineation.
 - c) Define hierarchy of region.
 - d) Highlight the prime indicators of regional development.
 - e) Describe in brief the major rural development programmes in India since 5th planning period.
 - f) Differentiate spatial planning from sectoral planning with examples.
 - g) Give an account of the demographic disparity among the states of India.

- h) Identify the major SEZ of India and state their functions.
- i) Critically assess the impact of regional inequality on National Development.
- j) Distinguish between metropolitan area and metropolitan region.

