

QP Code: 23/PT/15/VIB

POST-GRADUATE COURSE

Term End Examination — June, 2023/December, 2023

GEOGRAPHY

Paper-VIB : HISTORICAL & POLITICAL GEOGRAPHY

Time : 2 hours]

[Full Marks : 50

Weightage of Marks : 80%

Special credit will be given for precise and correct answer. Marks will be deducted for spelling mistakes, untidiness and illegible handwriting. The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Section - A

Answer any *three* questions :

10 × 3 = 30

1. Define historical geography. Discuss with suitable examples the various source materials of historical geography. 2 + 8
2. What is Janapada ? Write a detailed note on the janapadas of India. 2 + 8
3. Write a note on colonial economy of India under the British Raj, especially highlighting the scenario of agriculture and industry. 5 + 5
4. Explain the concept of nationalism. Analyse the causes and consequences of partition of India. 3 + 7
5. Distinguish between frontier and boundary. Provide morphological and genetic classification of boundaries. 3 + 7
6. Elucidate the concept of politics of world resources. Assess the role of economic blocks in the era of globalization. 6 + 4

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Section - B

7. Answer any *five* questions : 4 × 5 = 20
- a) Note the prominent places visited by Hiuen Tsang as documented in his travel accounts.
 - b) Discuss the dynamics of territorial expansion of Mughals with respect to the Deccan kingdoms.
 - c) Distinguish between buffer zone and buffer state.
 - d) State the origin and development of Gateway cities.
 - e) Write a note on capital cities.
 - f) Discuss the concept of land-locked states.
 - g) Analyse heartland-rimland dichotomy in the light of geostategic models.
 - h) Discuss about the role of linguistic movement in re-organisation of Indian states.
 - i) Deliberate on the concepts of free zones and free ports.
 - j) Critically appraise the role of SAARC in international politics.
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