

# B.A. (Honours) Examination, 2022

Semester-VI

GEOGRAPHY

COURSE-CC 13

EVOLUTION OF GEOGRAPHICAL THOUGHT

Time: 3  
hours

Questions are of Value as Indicated in the Margin  
Answer any three Questions Selecting at Least One from each Unit

Full marks:  
60

## Unit-1 (Approaches to Geography)

1. What do you understand by the term *Zusammenhang*? Highlight the major aspects of *Kosmos*. Write in brief the contribution of Carl Ritter. (3+7+10)  
=20
2. Explain the philosophies of Environmental Determinism and Possibilism by citing works from different scholars. 20

## Unit-2 (Evolutionary Concept in Geographical Thought)

3. How the Greek scholars were influenced by the early civilisations of the world. Explain the significance of the ancient scholars in Geography. 7+13=20
4. What do you understand by the concept of Social Darwinism in Geography? Elaborate the contributions of Vidal de la Blache. 5+15= 20

## Unit-3 (Contemporary Debates and Trends)

5. Comment on the *dualism* and *dichotomy* in Geography. Elaborate the nature of dichotomy between Regional and Systematic Geography. 5+15= 20
6. Write notes on any two: 10+10= 20
  - a. Humanistic Geography
  - b. Radical geography
  - c. Behaviouralism

**B. A. Examination 2022**  
**Semester-VI**  
**Geography**  
**Course: DSE-3 (Population Geography)**

**Marks 60**

**Time: 3 hours**

*Answer three questions by selecting one from each unit. Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.*

**Unit: I**

**(Basics of Population Geography)**

1. Define stock and flow data. What are the differences between census and sample survey? Elucidate the process of data dissemination by the Census of India. 4+4+12=20
2. What do you understand by dependency ratio? How under-population differs from over-population. 8+12=20

**Unit: II**

**(Growth and Dynamics)**

3. What is morbidity? Explain three measures of fertility and mortality each in detail. 2+6x3=20
4. Define migration. Critically analyze the laws of migration propounded by Ravenstein with their applicability in the contemporary world. 4+16=20

**Unit: III**

**(Problem and Planning Policies)**

5. Why developed and developing countries respectively follow pro-natalist and anti-natalist population policies? Justify your arguments by citing examples from the contemporary world. 20
6. (a) 'Different countries define sex ratio differently' - elaborate. 8+12=20  
(b) Explain the causes of low sex ratio in India.

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**Geography**  
**Course: DSE4 (Urban Geography)**

**Time: 3 Hours**

**Marks: 60**

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Answer **three** questions selecting **one** from each unit

**UNIT-I**  
**(Concept and Approaches)**

1. Attempt a functional classification of urban settlement. Discuss a suitable functional classification applicable to the Indian cities. 8+12=20
2. Write in brief the concept of Urban ecology. Discuss how ecological processes operate in an Urban system. What is Urbanism? 5+10+5=20

**UNIT-II**  
**(Urban Processes and Development)**

3. What do you understand by Urban economic base? Analyze with example the concept of Basic and Non-basic sectors of Urban economy. 5+15=20
4. Define City Region. Write the major characteristics of City Region. 5+15=20

**UNIT-III**  
**(Spatial Relations and Urban Planning)**

5. Discuss the concept, emergence and characteristics of Primate City. 20
6. Comment on the Urban policy planning in India since independence. 20

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Full Marks:60

**Unit-1**  
**Approaches to Geography**

1. Who wrote *Anthropogeographie* and *Imagine Mundi*? Explain the major works and significance of the Age of Exploration. 2+18=20
- ✓ 2. What is *Stop and Go Determinism*? Elaborate the Deterministic and Possibilistic views supported by the works of various scholars. 5+15=20

**Unit-2**  
**Evolutionary Concept in Geographical Thought**

3. Define *Absolute Space*. Elaborate the contributions of Arab scholars in Geography. 5+15=20
- ✓ 4. Define *T-O Map*. Elaborate the contributions of German Scholars in Geography 5+15=20

**Unit-3**  
**Contemporary Debates and Trends**

5. Explain the concept of *Positivism* in Geography. Discuss the Schaefer-Hartshorne debate in detail. Write a note on *Existentialism*. 5+10+5=20
- ✓ 6. Elaborate *Quantitative Revolution* and its impact in Geography. Bring out the concept of *Phenomenology* in Geography. What is *Behavioural Matrix*? Define *Mental Map*. 10+5+3+2=20

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**Geography**  
**Course/Paper- DSE 3**  
**Population Geography**

Time: 3 hours

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Attempt any **three** questions selecting at least one from each unit.*

**Unit: I**  
**(Basics of Population Geography)**

- ✓ 1. Explain the process of data dissemination followed by Census of India. Define optimum and over population. 14+6=20
2. Explain different types of population pyramids representing different demographic stages with suitable examples. What are the different types of dependency ratios? 14+6=20

**Unit: II**  
**(Growth and Dynamics)**

3. Critically analyze the Malthusian model on population growth and food supply. 20
- ✓ 4. Define and classify migration. Explain the causes and consequences of migration in detail. 6+14=20

**Unit: III**  
**(Problems and Planning Policies)**

- ✓ 5. Explain population explosion. Why is sex ratio low in India? Explain the dynamics of population ageing. 5+8+7= 20
6. Define population policy. Distinguish between anti-natalist and pro-natalist population policies. What are the population problems faced presently by the north-western European countries? 5+7+8=20



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Course/Paper: DSE 4  
Urban Geography

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**Unit-I**  
**(Concepts and Approaches)**

- ✓ 1. Explain the functional classification of towns in India as proposed by Ashok Mitra. Discuss the urban growth and development in India during British period. 12+8=20
2. Describe the origin and evolution of urban centers in India during early historical phase (600 BC to 500 AD). Discuss the nature and scope of urban geography. 10+10=20

**Unit-II**  
**(Urban Processes and Development)**

- ✓ 3. Define 'Urbanization'. Highlight the global trend of urbanization. Explain the different processes of urbanization with suitable examples from India. 3+3+14=20
4. Describe the internal structure of cities as envisaged by E.W. Burges. Explain the 'Area of Influence' and 'Area of Dominance' in a city region. 12+8=20

**Unit- III**  
**(Spatial Relations and Urban Planning)**

5. Bring out definitional criteria for the term 'Urban' in India. Distinguish between 'Census towns' and 'Statutory towns'. Explain Census classification of urban settlements in India. 6+8+6=20
- ✓ 6. Outline the idea of 'Primacy' in the context of 'Primate City Model'. Elaborate the problems associated with Indian Mega Cities with suitable examples. 8+12=20

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**Semester - VI**  
**Geography**  
**Course- DSE 4**  
**URBAN GEOGRAPHY**

**Time: 3 hours**

**Full Marks: 60**

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Attempt any three questions selecting one from each unit*

**Unit 1: Concepts and Approaches**

1. Distinguish between genetic classification (based on age/stage) and functional classification of cities. Briefly discuss the classification of cities proposed by Griffith Taylor and by Ashok Mitra. (5+15=20)
2. Define urban ecology and describe its components. Identify the challenges of urban ecology and suggest their solutions. (6+14=20)

**Unit 2: Urban Process and Development**

- ✓ 3. What do you mean by urban economic base? Evaluate the concept of basic and non-basic sectors of urban economy with appropriate examples. (5+15=20)
4. Define City region. Discuss major characteristics of city region. What is urban field? (4+12+4=20)

**Unit 3: Spatial Relations and Urban Planning**

5. Define 'Metropolis'. Highlight the growth and development of Indian metropolitan cities in different census periods. Explain the problems and prospects associated with Indian Metropolitan Cities with suitable examples. (2+6+12=20)
- ✓ 6. Define census towns. Explain census classification of urban settlements in India. Elaborate the primate city models and its applicability in Indian context. (2+6+12=20)

**B.A. (Hons.) Examination 2024**  
**GEOGRAPHY**  
**Semester VI (CBCS)**  
**Paper/Course – DSE-3**  
**Course Title: Population Geography**

Full Marks: 60

Time: 3 hours

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*Attempt any three questions, selecting one from each unit.*

**Unit I**

**Basics of Population Geography**

1. How does Population Geography differ from Demography? Write a note on Glenn Trewartha's contribution to the development of Population Geography as a discipline. 5+15=20
2. What are the consequences of overpopulation? Give an account of the spatial variation in literacy rate of India. 5+15=20

**Unit II**

**Growth and Dynamics**

3. Critically discuss the debate on population theories propounded by T. Malthus and Karl Marx. 20
4. Bring out the differences between fertility and fecundity. Explain the social and cultural factors effective upon fertility. Which Census of India Series gives information on fertility? 9+10+1=20

**Unit III**

**Problem and Planning Policies**

5. Define population policy. What do you understand by pronatalist and antinatalist policies? Elaborate the National Population Policy 2000 of India. Comment on the present situation of the socio-demographic indicators with reference to NFHS-5. 3+2+15=20
6. Who are the high risk group (HRG) in spreading HIV-AIDS? Elaborate the statewide scenario of HIV prevalence of HRG in India with reference to the latest database. What are the data sources on HIV-AIDS in India. 8+10+2=20



# **B.A. (Honours) Examination 2025**

**Semester- VI (CBCS)**

**Paper: CC 13: (Theory) Evolution of Geographical Thought**

**GEOGRAPHY**

Time: 3 hours

*Questions are values as indicated in the margin.*

Full marks: 60

*Attempt any three questions selecting one from each unit*

## **Unit- 1 (Approaches to Geography)**

1. Elaborate on the progress of Geography till 1980. 20
2. How the early civilizations influenced the ancient Greek Scholars? Who are the contributors to the Mathematical and Literary traditions in the ancient Geographical Knowledge? Elaborate the contributions of Eratosthenes. 4+3+13=20

## **Unit- 2 (Evolutionary Concept in Geographical Thought)**

3. Write a note on the Medieval maps with examples. Explain the contributions of Arab scholars in Geography. 8+12= 20
4. Elaborate on the Contributions of Fredrich Ratzel and Ellen Churchill Semple in Geography. 10+10=20

## **Unit-3 (Contemporary Debates and Trends)**

5. Explain the idea of positivism and its implication in Geographical studies. Give a brief account of the Hartshorne-Schaefer debate. 15+5=20
6. Bring out the concept and emergence of Humanistic approach in Geography. Write a note on *Behavioural Matrix*. 15+5= 20

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Semester VI

Paper – DSE-3

Course Title: Population Geography (Theory)

Full Marks: 60

Time: 3 hours

*Questions are of value as indicated in the margin. Attempt ONE question from each Unit.*

UNIT 1

Basics of Population Geography

1. Explain the various sources of population data in India. Elaborate different Census Series of data and their uses.  $8+12=20$
2. Analyze the population composition of India based on age and sex. What is 'dependency ratio'?  $16+4=20$

UNIT 2

Growth and Dynamics

3. Differentiate between fertility and fecundity. Elaborate different measures of fertility.  $6+14=20$
4. Mention Lee's hypotheses on volume of migration. Make a comparative analysis of the theories of migration.  $5+15=20$

UNIT 3

Problem and Planning Policies

5. Elaborate the fertility policies of Kenya and China. Highlight the main objectives of *Janasankhya Sthirata Kosh* (JSK).  $15+5=20$
4. Explain with latest data, the HIV/AIDS scenario in the top five States with highest prevalence rate among the adult population and highest percentage change in annual new infection (ANI). Highlight the major UNDP 2025 goals to combat HIV/AIDS globally.  $5+5+10=20$



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B. A. Semester- VI (CBCS)  
Geography  
Course: DSE4 (Theory): Urban Geography

Full Marks: 60

Time: 3 hours

Attempt any three questions selecting one from each unit.

Unit-I: Concept and Approaches

1. Define *urbanism* and discuss *urban ecology*. Present a functional classification of urban settlements proposed by any author of your choice. 3+5+12=20
2. Discuss the nature and scope of Urban Geography. Describe the characteristics of urban settlements and the factors influencing their locations. 8+12=20

Unit-II Urban Processes and Development

3. What do you mean by *urbanization*? Indicate the global trend of *urbanization*. Discuss the different processes of urbanization with examples from India. 2+4+14=20
4. Distinguish between *urban morphology* and *urban morphogenesis*. Discuss, with critical appreciation, the internal structure of cities as envisaged by E.W.Burges and H.Hoyt. 6+14=20

Unit- III Spatial Relations and Urban Planning

5. What do you understand by *urban hierarchy*? Does urban primacy indicate higher levels of economic development? Critically discuss. 10+10=20
6. Outline the evolution of urban policies in India since the first five years plan. 20