Civil Services (Main) Examination, 1998

GEOGRAPHY

(Paper I)

Time Allowed : Three Hours	*Maximum Marks : 300*

QUESTION PAPER SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

Please read each of the following instructions carefully before attempting questions :

Candidates should attempt Questions **1** and **2**, which are compulsory, and any **THREE** of the remaining questions, selecting at least **ONE** question from each Section.

All questions carry equal marks.

Word limit in questions, wherever specified, should be adhered to.

COMPULSORY QUESTIONS

1. On the outline map of India provided, mark the following and write in not more than ten words in your answer-book, what you consider to be the most significant aspect of each one of them:

(a) Hirakund Dam
(b) Konkan Coast
(c) Satpura Range
(d) Narmada River
(e) Lava Region
(f) Paradip Port
(g) Visakhapatnam
(h) Lucknow
(i) Chilka Lake
(j) Bangalore

OR

On the World map provided, mark the following and write in not more than ten words in your answer-book, what you consider to be the most significant aspect of each one of them:

(k) Caspian Sea
(l) Hwang Ho River
(m) Gulf of Oman
(n) Madagascar Island
(o) Appalachian Mountain
(p) Gibson Desert
(q) Sicily Island
(r) Palk Strait
(s) Dogger Bank
(t) Amazon River

2. Write short notes on any three of the following (each answer should be in about 200 words):

(a) Soil genesis

(b) Geomorphic processes

(c) Locational Triangle

(d) Types of Farming

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SECTION 'A'

3. Discuss the concept of volcanicity and show how the theory of Plate Tectonics explains the mechanism of volcanism and volcanic eruptions.

4. Discuss the nature and composition of earth's atmosphere.

5. Explain and illustrate the submarine relief of the Atlantic Ocean.

SECTION 'B'

6. What is understood by quantification in Geography? Discuss the significance of quantification in modern geographical studies with examples.

7. Explain the term resource management. Discuss its relevance in the context of global resource scarcity and the future of mankind.

8. Examine the impact of advanced agricultural technology on environment. Support your answer with examples.

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