Civil Services (Main) Examination, 2003

GEOGRAPHY

(Paper II)

Time Allowed : Three Hours	*Maximum Marks : 300*

QUESTION PAPER SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

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

There are **EIGHT** questions divided in **TWO SECTIONS**.

Candidate has to attempt **FIVE** questions in all.

Questions no. **1** and **5** are compulsory and out of the remaining, any **THREE** are to be attempted choosing at least **ONE** question from each Section.

The number of marks carried by a question/part is indicated against it.

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

SECTION 'A'

1. Mark on the outline map of India supplied any ten of the following entries. Write brief notes (not exceeding 30 words) on the significant aspect of each entry. 60

(a) Loktak Lake
(b) Elephanta Island
(c) Kali Sindh River
(d) Ranikhet
(e) Girnar Hills
(f) Alwaye
(g) Shillong Plateau
(h) Kolar Gold Mines
(i) Salem
(j) Rohtang Pass
(k) Gobind Ballabh Pant Sagar
(l) New Mangalore

2. Highlight the salient differences between the Himalayan and the Peninsular drainage systems. 60

3. Give an account of the success and prospects of Blue Revolution with comments on its impacts on rural economy of India. 60

4. Discuss the growing importance of ports in foreign trade of India. 60

SECTION 'B'

5. Answer any three of the following in 200 words each: 20×3=60

(a) Discuss the census definition of urban areas in India.

(b) Explain the concept of Command Area Development in respect of Multi-Purpose Projects of India.

(c) Identify the drought-prone areas of India and discuss the measures of their development.

(d) Make an appraisal of the role of India in the geopolitics of the Indian Ocean.

6. Discuss the programmes and policy of development of dry areas in India. 60

7. Present an account of the experience of regional planning in India in the context of Damodar Valley. 60

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8. Explain the causes of regional disparities in economic development of India. 60

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