Civil Services (Main) Examination, 2008

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 :

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. On the outline map of the world provided to you, mark the location of any ten of the following, for which 1 (one) mark is given to each correct entry. Write in your answer book the significant geographical relevance/strategic importance of the locations, whether physical/commercial/economic/ecological/environmental/cultural in not more than 40 words for that entry. 5 (five) marks are allotted for each write up: 60

(a) Ozark Plateau
(b) Anatolia
(c) Mato Grosso
(d) Pusan
(e) Brooks Range
(f) Dasht-e Kavir
(g) Cape Horn Current
(h) Burzil Pass
(i) Bass Strait
(j) Kjolen
(k) Santos
(l) Abuja

2. Critically examine the concept of geomorphic cycle and discuss the views of W.M. Davis and W. Penck. 60

3. Discuss the mechanics and origin of the monsoon winds and explain the role of El Nino on Monsoon circulation. 60

4. Describe the ideal conditions for coral reef formation and discuss the glacial control theory of coral reef formation. 60

SECTION 'B'

5. Write short notes on any three of the following in about 200 words each: 20×3=60

(a) Desertification as an environmental hazard
(b) Primate Cities
(c) Seafloor spreading theory
(d) Behavioral Geography

6. Discuss the social and economic theories of population growth. 60

7. Describe the laws of international boundaries and frontier. 60

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8. Describe the view of von Thunen on agricultural location. 60

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