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3 (Sem-5/CBCS) GGY HC 1

2021

(Held in 2022)

GEOGRAPHY

(Honours)

Paper : GGY-HC-5016

(Social and Political Geography)

Full Marks : 60

Time : Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

1. Answer the following as directed : $1 \times 7 = 7$
- (a) What do you mean by 'social space'?
 - (b) Name the author of the book 'Theory and Methodology in Social Geography'.
 - (c) Which of the following races is found in East Asia?
 - (i) Negroid
 - (ii) Caucasoid
 - (iii) Mongoloid

(Choose the correct option)

Contd.

(d) When cultural traits spread from one locality to another, the process is called _____.

(i) Diffusion

(ii) Parallelism

(iii) Evolution

(iv) Pluralism

(Choose the correct option)

(e) Define geopolitics.

(f) Who is called the Father of Geopolitics ?

(g) Mention *one* of the major contributions of Richard Hartshorne towards political geography.

2. Write brief answers to the following :

2×4=8

(a) What do you mean Human Development Index ?

(b) Define slums with suitable example.

(c) Distinguish between state and nation.

(d) Define the concept of buffer zone with an example.

3. Answer **any three** from the following questions : 5×3=15

(a) Discuss briefly the approaches of social geography. 5

(b) Distinguish between Rimland and Heartland theory. 5

(c) Discuss briefly the major factors affecting social change with suitable examples. 5

(d) What do you mean by caste system? Explain the main features of caste system in India. 2+3=5

(e) Discuss the impacts of British colonialism in India. 5

4. Answer **any three** questions from the following : 10×3=30

(a) Discuss in detail the contemporary trends of development in social geography.

(b) Discuss the nature and scope of political geography.

- (c) Critically examine the Mackinder's Heartland theory and its relevance in the present day world context.
- (d) Give an account of the spatial distribution of major languages of the world.
- (e) Define communalism. Discuss the causes of the growth of communalism in India.
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