# 1 (Sem-1)MDC 8

#### 2024

( Multidisciplinary Course )

Paper: MDC0100803

(Understanding Physical Formation of the Earth)

Full Marks: 45

Time: 2 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

Answer all questions

1. Choose the correct answer of the following:

1×5=5

- (a) In which of the following layers of the earth's atmosphere, the temperature increases with height?
  - (i) Stratosphere
  - (ii) Troposphere
  - (iii) Mesosphere
  - (iv) All of the above

(Turn Over)

### (2)

- (b) Which process is primarily responsible for the movement of tectonic plates?
  - (i) Volcanism
  - (ii) Mantle convection
  - (iii) Ocean currents
  - (iv) Erosion
- (c) Which one of the following is the hardest naturally occurring mineral on the earth?
  - (i) Quartz
  - (ii) Feldspar
  - (iii) Garnet
  - (iv) Diamond
- (d) Which one of the following is a physical property of mineral?
  - (i) Extinction
  - (ii) Interference colour
  - (iii) Stream
  - (iv) Both (ii) and (iii)

### (3)

- (e) Which of the following landforms is created by the movement of tectonic plates?
  - (i) Sand dune
  - (ii) Fold mountains
  - (iii) Lagoon
  - (iv) Karst topography
- 2. Answer the following questions briefly:  $2\times5=10$ 
  - (a) What is the definition of the earth system?
  - (b) Write the definition of mineral.
  - (c) What is frost action?
  - (d) Write the definition of disconformity present in the interior of the earth.
  - (e) Provide two examples each of igneous and metamorphic rocks.
- 3. Write short notes on any four of the following: 5×4=20
  - (a) Erosion
  - (b) Diastrophism
  - (c) Endogenetic and exogenetic processes of the earth

(Turn Over)

## (4)

- (d) Process of formation of sedimentary rocks
- (e) Earthquake and its causes
- (f) Distinguishing features of continental and oceanic crusts
- (g) Carbon cycle
- (h) Climate feedbacks
- 4. Answer the following questions (any one): 10
  - (a) What are the components of the hydrosphere of the earth? Write briefly about the interaction of the hydrosphere with the atmosphere.

    4+6=10
  - (b) Provide a detailed account of the origin of the earth. Additionally, discuss the general composition of the earth's atmosphere in its early stages. 8+2=10
  - (c) What are igneous rocks? How are they formed? Write about different types of igneous rocks.

    2+4+4=10
  - (d) What are landforms and how are they classified? Explain your answer with examples. 7+3=10

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