

IAS Mains Geography 2004

Paper II

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 aspects of each entry ($6 \times 10 = 60$)
 - i. Gulf of Kachchh
 - ii. Indravati river
 - iii. Mount Abu
 - iv. Ganga river waterway from Allahabad
 - v. Dhauladhar range
 - vi. Kudremukh
 - vii. Gulmarg
 - viii. Black soils
 - ix. Nagarjun Sagar
 - x. Bhuj
 - xi. Rajrappa Fall
 - xii. Dimapur
2. Discuss the role of spatial pattern of rainfall and temperature in the delimitation of climatic regions of India, especially with reference to Stamp's climatic regionalization (60).
3. Identify the important biotic-resource regions of India. Highlight, in brief the problems and remedial measures of biotic-resource conservation in India (60).
4. Give a comparative account of the development of River Water Transport in pre-colonial and postindependence periods in India. Highlight the role of River Transport in regional development (60).

Section B

5. Answer any THREE of the following in about 200 words each: ($20 \times 3 = 60$)
 - a. Evaluate the population policy of India and examine its relevance to the nation's population control.
 - b. How do slums develop? Give concrete suggestions for their improvement.
 - c. Write an essay on the origin, dimensions and implications of Sino-Indian border dispute.
 - d. Evaluate the concept of sustainable growth and development.
6. Economic characteristics of an area exert a much more direct effect upon its population patterns than do the physical characteristic. Explain with examples (60).
7. Explain the causes, impacts and remedial measures of flood-hazards in middle and lower Ganga plain.

8. Examine the regional development policy of India in various Five Year Plans (60).