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ANNUAL EXAMINATION – 2012-2013

SUBJECT – Geography – Paper 2

Class – VIII

Time – 2 Hrs.

M.M. – 80

Answer to this paper must be written on the paper provided separately.

You will not be allowed to write during the first 15 minutes.

This time is to be spend in reading the question paper.

The time given at the head of this paper is the time allowed for writing the answers.

Answer seven questions in all. Part- 1 is compulsory.

All questions from Part- I are to be attempted.

A total of five questions are to be attempted from Part – II.

The intended Marks for question or parts of questions are given in the brackets [].

The map given must be fastened properly with the answer booklet

Part – I (30 Marks)

Answer all questions from this Part

Question 1 On the given outline political map of India, mark and label the following places with colours- [10x1=10]

| | Name of the States | Name of the Capital |
|----|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| a) | Jammu and Kashmir | Srinagar |
| b) | Uttar Pradesh | Lucknow |
| c) | Bihar | Patna |
| d) | West Bengal | Kolkata |
| e) | Madhya Pradesh | Bhopal |
| f) | Andhra Pradesh | Hydrabad |
| g) | Gujrat | Gandhi Nagar |
| h) | Rajasthan | Jaipur |
| i) | Jharkhand | Ranchi |
| j) | Chhatishgarh | Raipur |

Question 2 Answer the following questions - [10x2=20]

- a) Give two examples to show that India experiences climatic contrasts.
- b) What are mango – showers?
- c) What do you understand by October heat?
- d) What is Green Revolution?
- e) Why is Punjab called the land of five rivers?
- f) What is meant by doab?
- g) By whom and why were Plantation setup in India?
- h) Name two major Plantation crops that are grown in Kerala.
- i) State two reasons for the decentralization of the cotton textile industry in India.
- j) State two conditions to grow cotton in India.

Part – II [50 Marks]

Answer any five questions from this part

Question 3

- i) Name two major forest products of India. [2]
- ii) Name two minor forest products of India. [2]
- iii) What is Biosphere reserve? Name any two biosphere reserves of India. [3]
- iv) Distinguish between the South – West monsoon and the North – East monsoon. [3]

Question 4

- i) Name two National Parks of India. [2]
- ii) State two special features of mangrove trees. [2]
- iii) What are Western disturbances? How do they influence the climate of India? [3]
- iv) How are the Western disturbances beneficial for the wheat cultivation? [3]

Question 5

- i) Apart from Punjab, name two other wheat producing states in India? [2]
- ii) State two climatic conditions that help to grow wheat in Punjab. [2]
- iii) What are the challenges faced by the wheat farmers of Punjab? [3]
- iv) How has the Punjab Government provided support to the wheat farmers? [3]

Question 6

- i) What is Plantation Agriculture? [2]
- ii) State two main features of Plantation Agriculture. [2]
- iii) Why is rubber tapping done in the morning? [3]
- iv) Describe in brief the process of Tapping rubber. [3]

Question 7

- i) State two cotton producing states in India. [2]
- ii) Why is the spinning of cotton yarn easier in Mumbai than in Delhi? [2]
- iii) Mention three factors that favoured the cotton textile Industry of India in its initial stages. [3]
- iv) How did the partition of India give a great set back to the cotton textile industry in India? [3]

Question 8

- i) State two reasons, why India experiences such great variations in climate? [2]
- ii) Why is irrigation important for wheat cultivation in Punjab? [2]
- iii) State three factors affecting the climate of India. [3]
- iv) State three protective role of Forests in maintaining the ecological balance. [3]

Question 9

- i) Why was Bengaluru chosen as the location for National Defence Research Laboratories? [2]
- ii) Name two public sector industries that one located in Bengaluru. [2]
- iii) Mention three factors that have led to the development of information Technology at Bengaluru. [3]
- iv) Explain the problems faced by the IT Industry of Bengaluru in brief. [3]

Question 10

- State whether the following statements are true or false - [10]
- i) Wheat was introduced in India at least 2000 years ago.
 - ii) India is the fourth largest producer of wheat in the World.
 - iii) India is the fifth largest producer of Coffee in the World.
 - iv) The yield of wheat per-hectare is the highest in Punjab.
 - v) Wheat is a summer crop of India?
 - vi) India is famous for its long staple cotton.
 - vii) Wheat production sometimes suffers due to hail and frost.
 - viii) Plantation agriculture is carried out on a large scale.
 - ix) Plantation agriculture requires a small capital investment.
 - x) Kerala accounts for 90% of the rubber production in India.

