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INSTRUCTIONS

Each question is printed both in Hindi and in English Answer must be written in the medium specified in the Admission Certificate issues to you, which must be stated clearly on the cover of the answer book in the space provided for the purpose. No marks will be given for the answers written in a medium other than that specified in the Admission Certificate.

Candidate should attempt Question Nos. 1 and 5 which are compulsory and any three of the remaining questions selecting at least one question from each section. The number of marks carried by each question is indicated at the end of the question.

Illustrate your answer with suitable sketch – maps and diagram.

Section – A

1. Mark on the outline map of India supplied any ten of the following entries. Write brief notes (not exceeding 40 words each) on the significant aspects of the same ten entries. $6 \times 10 = 60$

- Butcher Island
- Gopalpur Beach
- Lavasa
- Gandhisagar
- Nam Dapha
- Pampore
- Mount Harrier
- Barail Ranges
- Palitana
- NIO
- Baltel
- Pindari



2. Distinguish between the Himalayan and the peninsular drainage system. 60

3. Discuss the bases of identifying agro climate zones and explain the core strategies for agricultural development. 60



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4. Explain the factors promoting the rapid growth and development of the automobile industry in India, giving suitable example. 60

Section – B

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

- Suggest appropriate energy policy for minimizing energy crisis in India.
- Describe and explain the spatial patterns of literacy in India.
- Assess the geographical significance of Indian Ocean.
- Explain the concept of sustainable development and examine its relevance.

6. 'Unplanned urban development has created numerous problems' Comment. 60

7. Critically examine the bases of state reorganization in India since Independence. 60

8. Discuss the problems and Prospects of development of catchment and command areas 60

