

2024
SRMUJ
3rd Semester Examination
M.Sc.
GEOGRAPHY
GEO-304.4
REGIONAL PLANNING AND URBAN GEOGRAPHY

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

1. Answer any two of the following questions: 5x2

- a) Differentiate balanced growth from unbalanced growth.
- b) Elucidate the role of the HRIDAY scheme in preserving India's cultural heritage.
- c) Describe the different functional zones of a metropolis.
- d) Explain the concept of gentrification and its socio-economic implications for urban redevelopment.

2. Answer any three of the following questions: 10x3

- a) Evaluate the effectiveness of area-based development programs in addressing rural disparities. What is the primary objective of NABARD in rural development? 7+3
- b) Explain the principle of 'homogeneity' in defining regions. What are instituted regions? 8+2
- c) Describe the various urban renewal schemes implemented in India. Elucidate the methodology used to calculate the SDG Urban Index of Indian cities. 6+4
- d) Explain, with example, the structure of city region. Define the term 'New Towns'. 8+2
- e) Discuss the objectives and initiatives behind the formation of the Paschimanchal Unnayan Parshad Area (PUPA) by the Government of West Bengal. Why is Social Impact Assessment important in the land acquisition process? 7+3