

2025
SRMUJ
4th Semester Examination
M.Sc.
Geography
GEO-404.4
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 four of the following questions:

8x4

- a) Differentiate between Master Plan and Local Area Plan. What are the principles of 'Transit Oriented Development' as per URDPFI guidelines? 4+4
- b) Examine the changing pattern of regional economic development in India after the implementation of the New Economic Policy.
- c) Elucidate the principles and importance of urban 'smart growth' in the context of urban planning.
- d) Critically evaluate the effectiveness of slum development and rehabilitation policies in India since Independence.
- e) State the indicators of urban livability. Evaluate the extent to which green city initiatives enhance urban livability. 4+4
- f) Discuss the role of metropolitan governance in efficient urban management in metropolitan areas.

2. Answer any four of the following questions:

2x4

- a) What does a resilient city mean?
- b) Define gentrification.
- c) Why is stormwater management important in metropolitan areas?
- d) What is cyberbia?
- e) Differentiate between ghetto and squatter settlement.
- f) Mention two challenges in managing municipal solid waste in Indian metro cities.