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3 (Sem-5/CBCS) GGY HC 1

2021

(Held in 2022)

GEOGRAPHY

(Honours)

Paper : GGY-HC-5016

(Social and Political Geography)

Full Marks : 60

Time : Three hours

**The figures in the margin indicate
full marks for the questions.**

1. Answer the following as directed: $1 \times 7 = 7$

(a) What do you mean by 'social space'?

(b) Name the author of the book 'Theory and Methodology in Social Geography'.

(c) Which of the following races is found in East Asia?

(i) Negroid

(ii) Caucasoid

(iii) Mongoloid

(Choose the correct option)

Contd.

(d) When cultural traits spread from one locality to another, the process is called _____.

- (i) Diffusion
- (ii) Parallelism
- (iii) Evolution
- (iv) Pluralism

(Choose the correct option)

(e) Define geopolitics.

(f) Who is called the Father of Geopolitics ?

(g) Mention *one* of the major contributions of Richard Hartshorne towards political geography.

2. Write brief answers to the following :

2×4=8

(a) What do you mean Human Development Index ?

(b) Define slums with suitable example.

(c) Distinguish between state and nation.

(d) Define the concept of buffer zone with an example.

3. Answer **any three** from the following questions : 5×3=15

(a) Discuss briefly the approaches of social geography. 5

(b) Distinguish between Rimland and Heartland theory. 5

(c) Discuss briefly the major factors affecting social change with suitable examples. 5

(d) What do you mean by caste system? Explain the main features of caste system in India. 2+3=5

(e) Discuss the impacts of British colonialism in India. 5

4. Answer **any three** questions from the following : 10×3=30

(a) Discuss in detail the contemporary trends of development in social geography.

(b) Discuss the nature and scope of political geography.

- (c) Critically examine the Mackinder's Heartland theory and its relevance in the present day world context.
- (d) Give an account of the spatial distribution of major languages of the world.
- (e) Define communalism. Discuss the causes of the growth of communalism in India.