

If the questions attempted are in excess of the prescribed number, only the questions attempted first up to the prescribed number shall be valued and the remaining ones ignored.

Answers may be given either in English or in Bengali but all answers must be in one and the same language.

GROUP – A

Answer question no.1 and any two of the following:-

- ✓ 1. Explain briefly the human development of socially disadvantaged groups in India. What has been done for the development of different social groups in India? Elucidate the various measures adopted precisely for development of women and children in India.
20+10+10
- ✓ 2. Make a comparison between the evolution of Himalayan Drainage and Peninsular Drainage in India. Bring out the salient features of International Agreements of Surface Water resources with special reference to India and its neighbouring countries.
20+10
- ✓ 3. Mention the ^{problems} of coal mining in India. Delineate the ~~prospects~~ and prospects of Energy Development in India. 20+10
4. Divide India into Cotton Textile Industry Zones and indicate in it the distribution of cotton mills. What is the future of Cotton Textile Industry in Eastern India. 20+10
5. Give the main elements of National Population Policy of 2000. Do you think it will solve India's population problem? Evaluate Family Planning Programme in India and give suggestions to improve and expand it. 5+5+10+10

GROUP – B

Answer question no.6 and any two of the following:-

- ✓ 6. Explain how environmental -degradation harms human health leads to malnutrition and loss of productivity with special reference to West Bengal. Suggests measures to remedy these effects? 20+10+10
- ✓ 7. Divide West Bengal into physiographic regions. Mention the resource potentialities of Ganga Delta. What are the major problems faced by West Bengal as a border state of India? 10+10+10
- ✓ 8. Discuss the characteristics of forests in West Bengal with special reference to bio-diversity. What are the measures undertaken by the Government to check loss of bio-diversity. 20+10
9. Divide West Bengal into Agricultural Regions. Give an account of irrigation potential of West Bengal. Write the significance of Canal Irrigation in the south-western part of the state. 10+10+10
10. Discuss the changes in economic development associated with population growth in West Bengal. Is population growth a stimulant or hindrance for economic development in West Bengal? 20+10

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