UNIVERSITY OF HYDERABAD
Entrance Examination   June 2012
M.Phil / Ph.D. (Regional Studies)

Hall Ticket Number

Time: 2 hours

Maximum Marks: 75

INSTRUCTIONS

• This entrance examination question paper is not to be taken outside of the examination hall.

• This question paper consists of two parts: Part A (25 marks) & Part B (50 marks)

• Part A consists of 25 objective type questions, which shall be answered on the question-cum-answer script and returned to the invigilator.

   (There is negative marking of -0.33 marks for every wrong answer in Part A)

• In Part B candidates are required to answer according to the instructions. Please read them carefully.

• Please write your Hall Ticket Number on both Part A and on the answer book for Part B.

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Part A                                Marks: 25

I. Fill in the blanks (1x10=10)

1. The Charaka Samhita is a text on ____________.

2. Tsunami is a word that originates from the ____________ language.

3. Kalaripayattu is a dance form of ____________.

4. The port of Surat lies on the ____________ River.

5. The current protest against nuclear plant in India is at ____________.

6. A distinguishing characteristic of South Asia’s climate is the prevalence of the ____________.

7. The ____________ region in India gets most of its rainfall between October and December.

8. According to ____________, one is not supposed to marry within one’s own gotra.

9. The ____________ caste is the most dominant caste in the Punjab plains.

10. In Agriculture, HYVs stands for ____________.

II. Multiple Choice: Please tick the right answer (1x10=10)

1. Fort William was the fortified settlement of the British at
   a. Calcutta
   b. Madras
   c. Bombay
   d. Delhi

2. The Town and Country Planning Organization of India was set up in
   a. 1959
   b. 1957
   c. 1958
   d. 1956
3. Prathisthana in ancient times was the capital of the mahajanapada of
   a. Anga
   b. Kuru Panchala
   c. Avanti
   d. Kosala

4. One of them belongs to the ‘Chicago School’ of thought:
   a. D. Harvey
   b. E. Soja
   c. E. Burgess
   d. J. Habermas

5. Postcolonial studies have been inspired initially by the work of:
   a. A. Giddens
   b. J. Butler
   c. D. Massey
   d. E. Said

6. The Deccan plateau was once part of an ancient plate/continent/landmass:
   a. Pangea
   b. Gondwana land
   c. Angaraland
   d. Tethys

7. A ‘rain-shadow’ region in India is:
   a. Odisha
   b. Vidharbha
   c. Tamil Nadu
   d. Kerala

8. The last detailed caste census of India was in:
   a. 1931
   b. 1941
   c. 1991
   d. 2001
9. The traditional patron-client relationship of various castes in rural India is popularly known as:
   a. Zamindari
   b. Ryotwari
   c. Panchayat
   d. Jajmani

10. Which of the following parameters are included in Human Development Index developed by United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)?
   a. Life Expectancy
   b. Literacy, and Educational Attainment
   c. GDP per capita
   d. All of the Above

III. Match the following (1x5=5)

1. Michel Foucault  a) The clash of civilizations and the remaking of the world order
2. Ricardo          b) Accumulation by Dispossession
3. Samuel Huntington c) Antinomies of Society
4. Andre Beteille   d) The Archaeology of Knowledge
5. David Harvey     e) Principles of Political Economy and Taxation

Please turn to PART B now.
Part B

** Your answers are expected to be coherent and must include examples.

** Write your arguments thoughtfully, and cite literature that you may have read in your courses at the Masters degree

** Address the question with an explicit viewpoint of your own, and provide evidence in support of your views

** Please write your Hall Ticket Number on the answer book.

I. Answer any TWO of the following: (2x15=30)

1. ‘India is not a nation, but a mere geographical expression.’ Comment.

2. Within India how and why does birthrate differ geographically?

3. Is environmental degradation in India related to affluence and/or poverty of its people? Give your answer with examples.

4. Where are the core and peripheral areas of economic development in India? What conditions or factors have contributed to this division? Substantiate your answer with examples.

II. Write Short Answers or Explain any FOUR of the following: (4x5=20)

1. Theory of Displacement

2. City Region

3. Agricultural biotechnology

4. Slums

5. Microfinance in India

6. Disasters