MARKING SCHEME

GEOGRAPHY (029)

CLASS-XII

Time: 3hours Max.marks 70

General Instructions:

- i. There are 30 questions in all.
- ii. All questions are compulsory.
- iii. Question numbers 1 to 18 are Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs) carrying 1 mark each. Write only the correct answer in you answer sheets.
- iv. Question numbers 19 to 22 are short answer questions carrying 3 marks each. Answer to each of these questions should not exceed 80-100 words.
- v. Question numbers 23 to 28 are long answer questions carrying 5 marks each. Answer to each of these questions should not exceed 150 words.
- vi. Question numbers 29 and 30 are related to identification or location and labeling of geographical features on maps, carrying 5 marks each.
- vii. Outline map of India and World are provided to you must be attached within your answer book.
- viii. Use of template or stencils for drawing outline maps is allowed.

		SECTION A	
Q1	Which one of the foll	owing is the largest linguistic group of India?	1
	a.	Sino – Tibetan	
	b.	Indo - Aryan	
	C.	Austric	
	d.	Dravidian	
	ANS: b) Indo Arya	n	
		OR	
	C Which one of the f	ollowing periods had witnessed rapid growth of	
	population.		
	a.	Before 1921	
	b.	1921 - 1951	
	C.	1951 – 1981	
	d.	After 1981	
	ANS: c) 1951 - 1981		

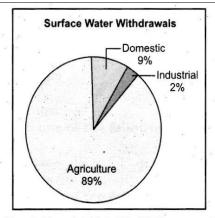
Q2	Which one of the following is the main reason for male migration in India?	1
	a. Education	
	b. Business	
	c. Work and employment	
	d. Marriage	
	ANS: c) Work and employment.	
Q3	Identify the country with the highest sex ratio in the world	1
	a. Latvia	
	b. United Arab Emirates	
	c. Japan	
	d. France	
	ANS: Latvia	
	OR	
	Which one of the following figures represents the working age group of the	
	population?	
	a. 15 to 65 years	
	b. 15 to 64 years	
	c. 15 to 66 years	
	d. 15 to 59 years	
	ANS: 15 to 59 years	
Q4	Which one of the following group of cities have been arranged in the	1
	sequence of their ranks i.e., 1,2,3 and 4 in size ?	
	a. Greater Mumbai, Bangaluru, Kolkata, Chennai.	
	b. Delhi, Greater Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata.	
	c. Kolkata, Greater Mumbai, Chennai, Delhi.	
	d. Greater Mumbai, Kolkata, Delhi, Chennai.	
	ANS: d) Greater Mumbai, Kolkata, Delhi and Chennai	
	OR	
	Palli and nagla belong to which one of the following rural settlements-	
	a. Clustered	

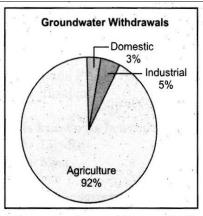
	b. Semi-clustered	
	c. Hamleted	
	d. Dispersed or isolated.	
	ANS: c) Hamleted	
Q5	Which one of the following is not a Push factor?	1
	a. Water Shortage	
	b. Medical/Educational facilities	
	c. Unemployment	
	d. Epidemics	
	ANS: Medical/Educational facilities	
Q6	Which one of the following best describes Development?	1
	a. An increase in size	
	b. A constant in size	
	c. A positive change in quality	
	d. A simple change in quality	
	ANS: A positive change in quality	
Q7	Which one of the following is not a Plantation Crop?	1
	a. Coffee	
	b. Sugarcane	
	c. Wheat	
	d. Rubber	
	ANS: Wheat	
Q8	ANS: Kolkhoz	1
Q9	Which one of the following does not follow Monoculture?	1
	ANS: Mixed Farming does not follow Monoculture	
	OR	
	Plantation Agriculture follows Monoculture	
	(Anyone of the above option is correct)	
Q10	Which one of the following forms of settlement develops along either side	1
	of roads, rivers or canals?	

	a. Circular	
	b. Linear	
	c. Cross Shaped	
	d. Square	
	ANS: Linear	
Q11	Which one of the following types of economic activities dominates in all	1
	rural settlements?	
	a. Primary	
	b. Tertiary	
	c. Secondary	
	d. Quaternary	
	ANS: Primary	
Q12	The first urban settlement to reach a population of one million was:	1
	a. Paris	
	b. New York	
	c. London	
	d. Canberra	
	ANS: London	
Q13	Which one of the following is a land locked harbor?	1
	a. Vishakhapatnam	
	b. Mumbai	
	c. Ennor	
	d. Haldia	
	ANS: Vishakhapatnam	
Q14	Which one of the following is the longest national highway of India?	1
	a. NH-1	
	b. NH-7	
	c. NH-6	
	d. NH-8	
	ANS: NH-7	
Q15	Complete the following table by writing appropriate names in the blank	1

	boxes:	
	Means of Communications	
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	Letter, Telephone, Telegram, Fax, e-mail, Radio, Television, Cinema, Satellite,	
	Internet, etc. Newspaper, Magazine Public meetings,	1
	Seminar and conferences	
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	ANS: Personal and Mass	
Q16	Name the Headquarters of Northern Railway Zone of India	1
	a. Lucknow	
	b. Kanpur	
	c. New Delhi	
	d. Chandigarh	
	ANS: New Delhi	
Q17	Land degradation in irrigated areas is caused by which of following reason?	1
	a. Gully erosion	
	b. Wind erosion	
	c. Salinization of soil	
	d. Siltation of land	
	ANS: Salinization of soil	
Q18	South-West monsoon in India coincides with which cropping season?	1
	a. Kharif	
	b. Rabi	
	c. Zaid	
	d. None of the above	
	ANS: a) Kharif	

	SECTION B	
Q19	"The chief gateways of the world of international trade are the harbours and ports". Justify the statement with examples.	3
	ANS: 1. Ports provide facilities of docking, loading and unloading of cargo. 2. Ports provide storage facilities for cargo 3. Labour and managerial services are provided at the ports.	
Q20	How is Possibilism different from Environmental Determinism? Explain with suitable Examples. ANS: Possibilism: With passage of time, humans developed better and efficient technology. This gave him many choices and possibilities to use resources offered by the environment. They become free to use natural resources according to their convenience and necessities. Man has created health resorts on highlands, huge urban sprawls, fields, orchards and pastures in the plains, ports on the coasts and satellites in space. This was termed Possibilism by earlier scholars. Determinism: In the earlier stages of Human evolution, There was no technology to modify environment by man. Thus, the human beings adapted to the dictates of the nature. The naturalised human was afraid of nature and worshipped the forces of nature such as fire, floods, rains, etc.	3
Q21	Study the pie-chart given below and answer the questions that follow-	3





Source: Earth Trend 2001, World Resource Institute, as given in Govt. of India (200 Fig.: Sectoral Usage of Surface Water Fig. Sectoral Usage of Groundwart

- 1. Which sector's share is the maximum in the usage of surface and ground water?
- 2. What is the percentage of agricultural sector in the usage of surface water and Ground water?
- 3. Why the development of irrigation was assigned a very high priority in the Five years plans and how?

ANS:

- 1. Agricultural sector share is the maximum in the usage of surface water and groundwater.
- 2. Surface water- 89% and Groundwater- 92%. India has traditionally been an agrarian economy with two-third of its population depends on agriculture.
- 3. Multipurpose river valley projects were launched to meet the irrigational needs of the country in five years plans.

Q22 'Development has direct bearings on the deteriorating human conditions'.

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How poor people are more affected in this process?

ANS. The development has direct bearing on the deteriorating human conditions due to environmental degradation and ecological crisis. Air, soil, water and noise pollution have threatened our existence.

Consequently, the poor are subjected to three interrelated processes of declining capabilities as given below-

- 1. Social capabilities due to displacement and weakening social ties.
- 2. Environmental capabilities due to pollution.
- 3. Personal capabilities due to increasing incidence of diseases and accidents.

This has adverse effects on their quality of life and human development

(Any other point highlighting creativity)

OR

Describe the concept of Human Development as defined by United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

ANS. As per the World Human Development Report, Human Development is a process of enlarging the range of people's choices, increasing their oppurtunities for education, health care, income and empowerment and covering the full range of human choices from a sound environment to economic, social and political freedom.

Thus enlarging the range of people's choices is the most significant aspect of human development. It is just opposite the western or euro-centric view of development. People should be able to live a long and healthy life. They should be educated and have access to resources needed for a decent standard of living. These are necessary and non-negotiable aspects of the human development.

	SECTION C	
Q23	The challenge of sustainable development requires integration of quest for	1x5=5
	economic development with environmental concerns. Comprehend the	
	statement in relation to the development of non conventional sources of	
	energy in India by giving suitable example.	
	ANS:	
	1. The sustainable development is important because it calls for the	
	protection of resources for future generations.	
	2. Sustainable energy resources are only the renewable energy	
	resources like solar, wind, hydro, geothermal and biomass.	
	3. These energy sources are more equitably distributed and	
	environmental friendly.	
	4. Non-conventional energy sources will provide more sustained, eco	
	friendly cheaper energy after the initial cost is taken care of.	
	5. Traditional methods of resource use result into generating	
	enormous quantity of waste as well as create other environmental	
	problems. Hence, sustainable development calls for the protection	
	of resources for the future generation. There is an urgent need to	
	conserve the resources.	
	(Any other relevant point)	
	OR	
	Nuclear energy is replacing the conventional sources in India. Do you think	
	it as a viable energy source of energy in future keeping in view the	
	availability of nuclear minerals in India.	
	ANS: Nuclear energy has emerged as a viable source in recent	
	times. Important minerals used for the generation of nuclear energy are	
	Uranium and Thorium. Uranium deposits occur in Dharwar rocks. It is	
	found in several locations along the Singhbhum copper belt. It is also	
	found in Udaipur, Alwar and Jhunjhunu district of Rajasthan, Durg	

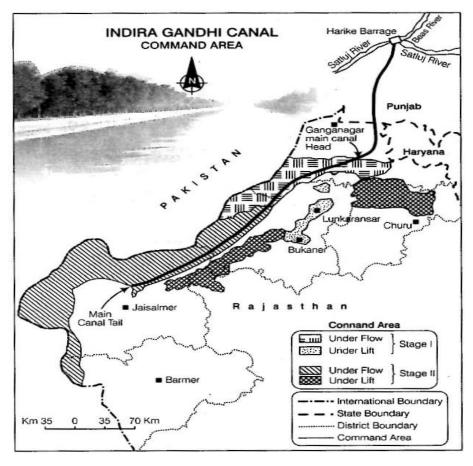
district of Chhattisgarh, Bhandara district of Maharashtra and Kullu district of Himachal Pradesh. Thorium is mainly obtained from the monazite and limonite in the beach sand along the cost of Kerala and Tamilnadu. World's richest monazite deposits occur in Palakkad and Kollam districts of Kerala, near Visakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh and Mahanadi river delta in Odisha.

Atomic energy commission was established in 1948. The important nuclear power projects are Tarapur (Maharashtra) Rawatbhata near Kota (Rajasthan), Kalpakkam (Tamilnadu), Narora (Uttar Pradesh) Kaiga (Karnataka) and Kakrapara (Gujarat)

Collaboration with France, Germany, Russia and U.S.A. in developing the required technology is a positive step in this direction.

(Any other relevant point)

Q24 Study the map given below and answer the questions that follows-



a. What is the difference between the two areas shown as 'Under Flow'

	and	
	'Under Lift' system of irrigation.	
	b. Name the districts that are benefited by the command area of the	
	canal in	
	stage I and stage II.	
	ANS:	
	1. The canal has two irrigation system such as Flow system	
	(underflow) and lift system (underlift). Around 70% land of the	
	command area is irrigated by flow system and rest 30% Land by	
	lift system. All the lift channels of Indira Gandhi Canal system	
	originate at the left Bank of main canal while the canals on the	
	right Bank of main canal are Flow canals.	
	2. Stage 1- Ganganagar, Hanumangarh and northern parts of	
	Bikaner and Jaiselmer district.	
	Stage 2- Bikaner, Jaisalmer, Barmer, Jodhpur, Nagaur and Churu	3+2=5
	districts.	5 _ 5
	Main characteristics of the area are:	
	 For Visually Impaired Candidates only i- The availability of soil moisture for a longer period of time and various afforestation and pasture development programs under CAD have resulted in greening the land. ii- It has also helped in reducing wind erosion and siltation of canal. iii- Canal irrigation has brought a perceptible transformation in the agricultural economy of the region because it has led to increase in cultivated areas and intensity of cropping. The traditional crops – gram, bajra and jowar – have been replaced by wheat, cotton, groundnut and rice. b) Ganganagar, Bikaner, Jaiselmer, Barmer, Churu, Lunkaransar (Any four) 	
Q25	How are industries classified on the basis of the raw material used?	5
	ANS: 1. Agro-based industries: These industries process the raw material	

		from the agricultural field into finished products to be consumed	
		in the market. Major agro based industries are food processing,	
		sugar, fruit juices, etc.	
	2.	Mineral based industries: These industries use minerals such as	
		iron, copper, cement as raw material.	
	3.	Chemical based industries: These industries use natural chemical	
		minerals such as Petroleum, salts, sulphur, etc.	
	4.	Forest based industries: These industries use material provided by	
		the forest such as, timber for furniture industry, wood, grass,	
		bamboo for paper industry, etc.	
	5.	Animal based industries: Raw material in these industries is	
		obtained from animals. For example, wool for woollen textiles,	
		ivory from elephant tusks and leather from animal hide.	
		OR	
	Explai	n why high-tech industries in many countries are being attracted to	
	the pe	ripheral areas of major metropolitan centres?	
	1.	Land is generally cheap in the peripheral areas of the cities and is	
		available in abundance. Single story buildings can be built.	
	2.	The peripheral areas can be well connected with roadway and	
		railway network used by high tech industries.	
	3.	Cheap and skilled labour is easily available from the nearby areas.	
	4.	Highly skilled specialists and professionals are available in major	
		metropolitan centres.	
	5.	The features of high tech industrial landscape are neatly spaced,	
		low, modern, dispersed office plant-lab buildings for which the	
		peripheral areas of the cities are most suited.	
Q26	"Mode	ern economic development in the world is mainly the result of the	5
	develo	opment of Quaternary services." Explain the statement with suitable	
	examp	bles."	
	ANS:	Following are the points which explain the statement:	
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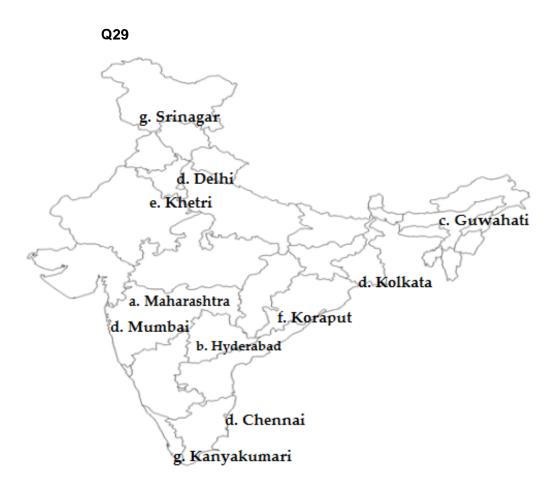
	a. The economic activities have become specialized and complicated	
	and has resulted in a new group of activities, like the Quaternary	
	activities.	
	b. The Quaternary activities are related to knowledge and education,	
	information, research and development.	
	c. The people of the Quaternary activities are innovative and	
	contribute to the research and development.	
	d. Only a few people are engaged in Quaternary activities in	
	economically developed countries.	
	e. It is characterized by the highest income and higher degree of	
	mobility in the process of career development.	
Q27	What are the modes by which cyber space will expand the contemporary	5
	economic and social space of humans?	
	ANS: Cyber Space is very important in today's life. It enables us to	
	communicate or access any information without physical movement of	
	the sender and the receiver. It has brought the world closer to each other.	
	One can now communicate with any person in any part of the world. It	
	can be used in an office, sailing boat, flying plane and virtually	
	everywhere.	
	Cyber space has expanded the contemporary economic and social space of	
	humans through e-mail, e-commerce, e-learning and e-governance. It will	
	be accessible to more and more people cutting across space and time	
	under these circumstances. These modern communication systems have	
	made the concept of 'Global Village' a reality.	
	OR	
	Which are the major regions of the world having a dense network of	
	airways?	
	ANS: Dense network of airways exists in Eastern USA, Western Europe	
	and South East Asia. USA alone accounts for 60% of the world airways.	
	New York, London, Paris, Amsterdam, Frankfurt, Rome, Moscow,	

	Karachi, New Delhi, Mumbai, Bangkok, Singapore, Tokyo, San Francisco,	
	Los Angeles and Chicago are the nodal points where air route coverage is	
	maximum.	
Q28	Land degradation caused by human made processes are more harmful than	5
	natural processes in India. Analyse the statement with suitable examples.	
	Ans. Land Degradation is generally understood either as a temporary for	
	a permanent decline in productive capacity of the land. The causes	
	or factor responsible for land degradation in India are given below:	
	1. Soil erosion.	
	2. Water logging	
	3. Salinisation	
	4. Alkalinisation of land	
	Land is constantly used without managing its fertility, it is degraded and	
	its productivity decline. Deforestation, overgrazing, mining and	
	quarrying too are responsible for land degradation in India. Land	
	Degradation caused by human processes are more harmful than natural	
	processes in India. Man-made degraded wasteland such as degraded	
	shifting cultivation area, degraded land under plantation crops, degraded	
	forest, mining and industrial waste land are 5.8 % of the total	
	geographical area. In states like Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Madhya	
	Pradesh and Odisha deforestation due to mining have caused severe Land	
	Degradation. In states like Gujarat, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, and	
	Maharashtra overgrazing is one of the main reasons for the land	
	degradation	
	OR	
	How has Noise pollution become hazardous in many big cities of India?	
	Explain giving suitable examples.	
	Ans. Noise pollution has become hazardous in many big cities of India	
	like Delhi, Mumbai due to following factors-	
	1. With the increase in population, the volume of traffic and	
	passenger has increased. This has led to more noise	

	pollution.	
	2. More people have become prosperous in the cities. As a	
	result of this, number of private vehicles such as cars have	
	increased significantly. This has led to traffic jams during	
	peak hours, i.e. in the morning and in the evening when	
	people go and come from office. This has increased noise	
	pollution on the roads.	
	3. Rapid industrialisation in and around the residential	
	Colony has also increased noise pollution. Small and	
	cottage industries are set up in the areas near the market.	
	4. The construction activities have increased to accommodate	
	the ever increasing population in the big cities. These	
	activities become hazardous as too much noise is created by	
	them.	
	5. Religious activities, social functions, rallies, etc. create	
	noise pollution particularly in the late hours of the day.	
Q29	On the outline map of India mark and indicate the following features (any	1x5=5
	five)-	
	a. State having highest urban population	
	b. Software technology park of Telangana	
	c. International airport located in Assam	
	d. Eastern terminal point of Golden quadrilateral	
	e. Copper mine located in Rajasthan	
	f. Bauxite mines in Odisha	
	g. Southern terminal of North-South corridor.	
Q30	On the given political map of the world, following five features are shown.	1x5=5
	Identify these features with the help of the given key and write them on the	
	blanks marked A, B, C, D and E	
	A. A Mega city	
	B. A major sea-port	

- C. Grasslands of Africa with extensive commercial grain farming

 D. An important Shipping Canal
- E. Industrial region of the US.



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