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# M.A. (Final) Geography

# Paper - I: Agricultural Geography

#### Unit - I

- a) The nature and scope of agricultural geography.
- b) Approaches in agricultural geography: recent trends.
- c) Origin and dispersal of agriculture.
- d) Development of agricultural geography.
- e) Sources of agricultural data.

#### Unit - II

- a) Physical factors affecting agriculture: terrain, climate, soils and water.
- b) Non-physical factors affecting agriculture: Institutional (including social and economic) and technological.
- c) Agricultural systems of the world: critical review of classification of agricultural types.
- d) Major agricultural types of the world and their characteristics and world distribution.
- e) Detailed study of intensive subsistence, commercial grain farming, Mediterranean agriculture and tropical plantation agriculture.

#### Unit - III

- a) Land use classification; landuse pattern in India; and land capability classification.
- b) Von Thunen's agricultural model of agricultural land use and recent modification in it.
- c) Cropping pattern; changing cropping pattern in India.
- d) Measures of carrying capacity of land; nutrition and food balance sheet; food surplus and food deficient regions of India.
- e) Diffusion model.

#### Unit - IV

- a) Concept and techniques of delimitation of agricultural regions; agricultural regions of India and their characteristics.
- b) Measures of agricultural productivity and efficiency levels and other characteristics.
- c) Regional pattern of agricultural productivity in India.
- d) Crop combination methods: Weaver's Doi's and Rafiullah's methods and their applications.
- e) Agricultural typology: concept and methodology; patterns with special reference to the world and Rajasthan.

#### Unit - V

- a) Sustainable development in agriculture.
- b) Green revolution: Its components, impact and consequences.
- c) White revolution: Its components, impact and consequences.
- d) Specific problems in Indian agriculture and their management and planning.
- e) Agricultural policy in India.

## **Suggested Readings:**

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