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M.A. / M.Sc. (Final) Geography Paper - III (A): Regional Development and Planning

Unit - I

- a) Development: concept, process and indicators; planning: concept, need and levels.
- b) Region: concept, types and delimitation; planning regions: characteristics, hierarchy, need, demarcation principles, criteria and methods.
- c) Regional planning: nature and rationale.
- d) Development of regional planning and associated factors.
- e) Problems of depressed areas, economic growth, physical city, efficiency in administration, equality, autonomy and self fulfillment.

Unit - II

- a) Regional planning theory: society and supra urban space, economic activity and supra urban space and the systems of cities and economic development.
- b) Social and political activity and supra urban space.

Analytical techniques for regional planning:

- c) Information needs, forecasting techniques, industrial location analysis.
- d) Economic base analysis, regional multiplier analysis, input output analysis.
- e) Social accounting, gravity model, social area analysis.
- a) Requirements of an evaluation techniques.
- b) Checklist of criteria.
- c) Cost minimization: comparative cost analysis and threshold analysis.
- d) Cost effective analysis: goal achievement matrix.
- e) Cost benefit analysis and planning balance sheet.
- a) Regional planning in India and multi-level planning in India.
- b) Regional planning legislation in India.
- c) Planning regions of India: review and typologies.
- d) Surveys for planning: concepts and functions.
- e) Regional surveys, diagnostic surveys, techno-economic surveys.

Unit - V

Regional planning case studies:

- a) India: national capital region.
- b) Great Britain: Lancashire.
- c) France: Paris region.
- d) USA: Tennessee valley authority.
- e) Israel: Jazrell valley.

Suggested Readings:

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