M.A. Semester-I Examination, 2014 Geography Paper - III

(Industrial Geography)

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 40

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.

Answer three questions, selecting one from each Unit.

Unit - I

(Contents, Tools and Basic Inputs)

- Elaborate the factors responsible for the emergence of manufacturing as an economic activity. Discuss the major approaches, components and steps of the study of Industrial Geography.
 6+8=14
- Identify industrial raw materials and discuss their individual properties and characteristics. How do different types of raw materials influence the locations of industries? 7+7=14

Unit - II

(Market, Profit and Transport as Determinants)

3. Explain major types of markets and their influence on industrial location. What are Capital Goods and Consumer Goods? Give examples of an industry acting as a market.

6+3+4=13

 What are the major modes of transportation for industries? Discuss their advantages and disadvantages. Explain the influence of transport in determining viability of major industrial inputs. 2+4+7=13

Unit - III

(Basics of Industrial Location Theories)

- Examine critically the theory proposed by Tord Palander explaining the location of industries. Show the impact of uniform and variable transport cost on the selection procedure for an industrial location.
 8+5=13
- 6. What are the major considerations and components of the industrial location theory of Alfred Weber? Justify the applications of the techniques of Critical Isodapane, Material and Labour Index and Agglomeration. Comment on their practicality. 7+6=13