

**M.A. Semester-III Examination, 2014**

**Geography**

**Paper - XV**

**(Region and Regional Entity of India and West Bengal)**

**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**

**(Regionalisation in India: Bases and Characteristics)**

1. Why is it important to study natural resource regions for regional development? Mention the important physio-economic bases that have identified the regions in India and discuss any one of them. 3+4+7=14
2. Define Planning Region. Discuss the salient characteristics of Planning Region. Selecting a suitable scheme, divide India into planning regions. 2+5+7=14

**Unit - II**

**(Regional Entity)**

3. Assess the potentialities of Chhotanagpur Plateau for Industrial Development. Throw some light on present day problems of industries in the area and comments on the future prospects of this region's industries. 6+4+3=13
4. Discuss the potentialities of Indian Islands as tourist region. Suggest eco-friendly protective measures for the promotion of this industry over this region. 7+6=13

**Unit - III**

**(Regional Identity of West Bengal)**

5. Bring out salient hydro-morphological characteristics of Sundarbans. Discuss some environmental problems faced by Sundarbans now-a-days. 8+5=13
  6. Discuss the physical background of Rarh Bengal. Elucidate the role of laterite duricrusts in the landform development of this region. 4+9=13
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