

**Bhartiya Shiksha Board**

**Sample Paper**

**Geography: 143**

**Class XII (2026-27)**

**General Instructions:**

**Read the following instructions very carefully and strictly follow them.**

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**Time allowed : 3 hours**

**Maximum marks : 70**

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**Note**

- i. Please check that this question paper contains 09 printed pages.*
- ii. Code number given on the right hand side of the question paper should be written on the title-page of the answer-book by the candidate.*
- iii. Please check that this question paper contains 30 questions.*
- iv. Please write down the Serial Number of the question in the answer-book before attempting it.*
- v. 15 minutes time has been allotted to read this question paper. The question paper will be distributed at 10.15 a.m., from 10.15 a.m. to 10.30 a.m., the students will read the question paper only and will not write any answer on the answer-book during this period.*
- vi. This question paper comprises of five sections - A, B, C, D and E. All questions are compulsory.*
- vii. **Section A-** Questions no. **1 to 17** on Multiple Choice Type Question. Each Question carries 1 mark.*
- viii. **Section B-** Questions no. **18 and 19** are Source Based Questions. Each question carries 3 marks*
- ix. **Section C-** Questions no. **20 to 23** are Short Answer Type Questions. Each question carries 3 marks. Answer to these questions shall be written in 80 to 100 words.*
- x. **Section D-** Questions no. **24 to 28** are Long Answer Type Questions. Each question carries 5 marks Answer to these questions shall be written in 120 to 150 words*
- xi. **Section E-** Questions no. **29 and 30** are Map Based Questions. Each question carries 5 marks*
- xii. Answer should be in brief and to the point. Also, the above word-limit should be adhered to, as far as possible.*
- xiii. There is no overall choice in the question paper. However, an internal choice has been provided in some questions. Only one of the choices in such questions has to be attempted.*
- xiv. In addition, separate instructions are given with each section and question, wherever necessary.*

## Section A

*Question no. 1 to 17 are Multiple Choice Type Questions (17X1=17)*

1. Which of the following country has the lowest population distribution among the 10 most populous countries of the world? 1
  - a) Mexico
  - b) Russia
  - c) Pakistan
  - d) Nigeria
  
2. Which of the following countries fall in Stage III of Demographic Cycle? Choose the best option from the following. 1
  - a) Canada, Switzerland, Japan
  - b) Peru, Sri Lanka, Kenya
  - c) Canada, Japan, USA
  - d) Peru, Brazil, Canada
  
3. How many countries lie in the High levels of Human development Index according to the Human Development Report of 2023-24? 1
  - a) 51
  - b) 49
  - c) 55
  - d) 48
  
4. Choose the best reason from the following for Mining becoming important economic activity in Developing country. 1
  - a) Open cast mining is cheapest means of mining
  - b) Due to large labour force
  - c) Processing and refining can be done easily
  - d) As these countries have rich mineral resources
  
5. Mediterranean regions are the example of which of the following factors influencing the distribution of population: 1
  - a) Availability of Water
  - b) Soils
  - c) Climate
  - d) Minerals
  
6. Which age group faces problems like illiteracy, school dropouts, low intake of nutrients and lower age of marriage? 1
  - a) Childhood
  - b) Dependent class
  - c) Working class
  - d) Adolescent

7. Match the Following for Water resources in the states:

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Column 1	Column 2
I. West Bengal & Bihar	A. Ample rainfall
II. Punjab & Haryana	B. Lagoons and back waters
III. Kerala & Odisha	C. Green Revolution
IV. Rajasthan & Maharashtra	D. Fluoride concentration in ground water

Choose the best option:

- |    |   |    |     |    |
|----|---|----|-----|----|
|    | I | II | III | IV |
| a) | D | C  | B   | A  |
| b) | C | B  | A   | D  |
| c) | B | A  | C   | D  |
| d) | D | B  | C   | A  |

8. Which of the following are the source of metals like Iron ore, Copper and gold?

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- a) Fuel Minerals
- b) Metallic Minerals
- c) Non-Metallic Minerals
- d) Nonferrous minerals

9. Access to \_\_\_\_\_ services is a significant factor in limiting population growth and improving women's health.

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Choose best option to fill in the blanks:

- a) Family planning
- b) Education
- c) School
- d) Hospitals

10. Which one of the following is correctly matched:

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- a) Immigrant - move out of the place
- b) Emigration – move into the place
- c) Growth rate of Population – Change of population expressed in percentage
- d) Actual Growth of Population – Births minus deaths

11. Read the following statements carefully regarding 'Jon Beel Mela' and choose the correct option: 1

- I. Jon Beel Mela is an example of the traditional fair in Assam
- II. It is an example of Barter System
- III. People from various tribes and communities exchange their products
- IV. A big market is organized during this mela

Options:

- a) All I, II, III, IV are correct
- b) Only I, II and III are correct
- c) Only I and IV are correct
- d) Only II, III and IV are correct

12. Two statements are given below. They are Assertion (A) and Reason ®. Read both the statement carefully and choose the correct option: 1

Assertion (A): The World's longest Highway tunnel — Atal Tunnel (9.02 Km) has been built by Border Road Organisation.

Reason (R): Earlier the valley was cut off for about 6 months each year owing to heavy snowfall.

Options:

- a) Both (A) and (R) are true and (R) is correct explanation of (A)
- b) Both (A) and (R) are true but (R) is not the correct explanation of (A)
- c) (A) is true but (R) is false
- d) (A) is false but (R) is true

13. Building human capabilities in the areas of health, education and access to resources is the key to increasing human development. This statement is associated with which of the following economist: 1

- a. Prof. Amartya Sen
- b. Dr Mahbub-ul-Haq
- c. Dr. Manmohan Singh
- d. Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar

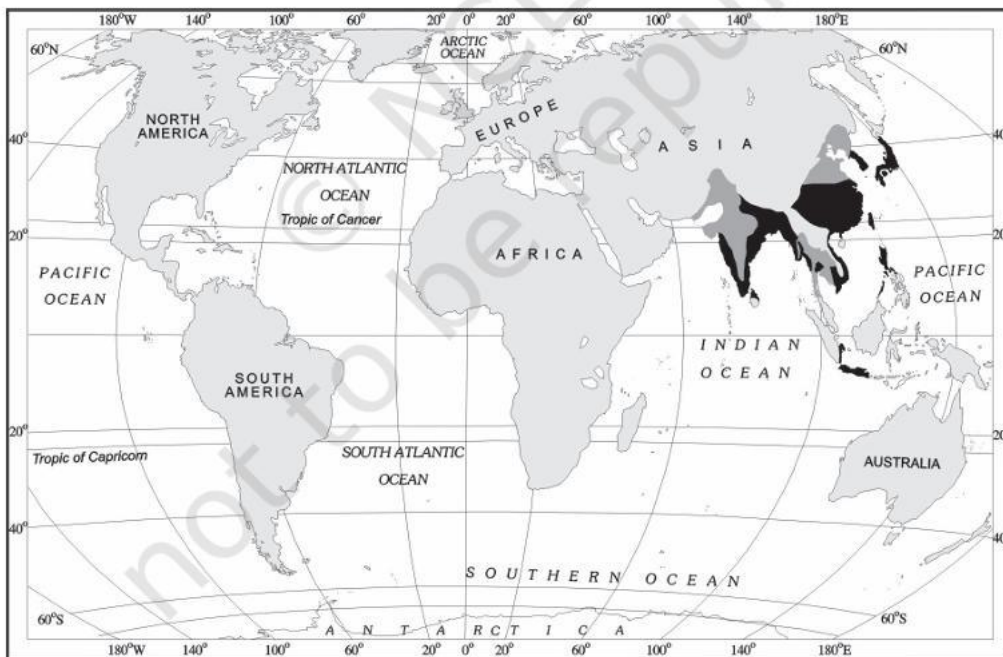
14. Choose the correct statement about Migration: 1

- a) Migration is always permanent.
- b) Push factors attract the people to migrate
- c) Pull factors force people to migrate
- d) It may be permanent, temporary or seasonal.

**Study the following table and answer Questions Nos 15 to 17**

Study the map showing areas of 'Intensive Subsistence Agriculture' carefully and answer the questions that follows:

Note: Same questions can be used for Visually Impaired Students



15. Name the geographical areas where Intensive subsistence is practiced. 1
- a. India and its neighboring countries
  - b. Eastern Asia
  - c. Southeast Asia including monsoon Asia, parts of Tibet and China
  - d. Monsoon Asia, northern China, Manchuria, North Korea and North Japan
16. Name the two major crops grown in the regions. 1
- a. Wet Paddy and Wheat
  - b. Wet Paddy and Sugarcane
  - c. Wet Paddy and Corn
  - d. Wet Paddy and fodder crop
17. Identify the main feature of Intensive Subsistence agriculture in practice. 1
- a. This is a specialised activity in which only one type of animal is reared.
  - b. Farmers work with the help of family labour leading to intensive use of land.
  - c. The size of the farm is very large and has high productivity
  - d. It was introduced by the Europeans in colonies situated in the tropics.

## Section – B

Question Nos 18 and 19 are Source Based Questions (2x3=6)

18. Read the given passage carefully and answer the question that follows:

There are four major sources of surface water. These are rivers, lakes, ponds and tanks. In the country, there are about 10,360 rivers and their tributaries longer than 1.6 km each. The mean annual flow in all the river basins in India is estimated to be 1,869 cubic km. However, due to topographical, hydrological and other constraints, only about 690 cubic km (32 per cent) of the available surface water can be utilised. Water flow in a river depends on size of its catchment area or river basin and rainfall within its catchment area.

- (18.1) Give a suitable topic to the paragraph. 1
- (18.2) Give reason for the unequitable distribution of water resources. 1
- (18.3) Why are only limited water resources utilized? 1

19. Read the table and answer the following questions

**Table 1.1 : Decadal Growth Rates in India, 1901-2011**

Census Years	Total Population	Growth Rate*	
		Absolute Number	% of Growth
1901	238396327	-----	-----
1911	252093390	(+) 13697063	(+) 5.75
1921	251321213	(-) 772117	(-) 0.31
1931	278977238	(+) 27656025	(+) 11.60
1941	318660580	(+) 39683342	(+) 14.22
1951	361088090	(+) 42420485	(+) 13.31
1961	439234771	(+) 77682873	(+) 21.51
1971	548159652	(+) 108924881	(+) 24.80
1981	683329097	(+) 135169445	(+) 24.66
1991	846302688	(+) 162973591	(+) 23.85
2001	1028610328	(+) 182307640	(+) 21.54
2011**	1210193422	(+) 181583094	(+) 17.64

\* Decadal growth rate:  $g = \frac{P_2 - P_1}{P_1} \times 100$   
 where  $P_1$  = population of the base year  
 $P_2$  = population of the present year  
 \*\* Source : Census of India, 2011(Provisional)

- (19.1) In which year India experienced highest growth rate? 1
- (19.2) What was the reason for the decline in the growth rate in 1921? 1
- (19.3) What were the reasons for the decline in population in 2011? 1

## Section- C

Question No. 20 to 23 are Short Answer type questions. (4X3=12)

20. Which fiber crop is used for making cloth, bags and sacks? Where it is grown in India and what is its production? 3
21. Explain how human geography is subjected to dualism. 3

**OR**

Explain briefly the nature of Human Geography by giving example.

22. Name three types of Indian town classified as per the evolution. Explain any one briefly. 3

23. Study the following table carefully and answer the following questions:

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**Table 7.1 : India Road Network 2020**

Serial No.	Road Category	Length in Km
1.	National Highways	136440
2.	State Highways	176818
3.	Other Roads	5902539
	<b>Total</b>	<b>6215797</b>

*Source: Ministry of Road Transport and Highways Annual Report 2020-21. For latest data see website morth.nic.in*

(23.1) Which organization has responsibility for construction and maintenance of the National Highways? 1

(23.2) What are the functions of State Highways? 1

(23.3) The table shows very high length of Other roads. Which all roads come under the Other Roads? 1

### Section- D

Question No. 24 to 28 are Long Answer type questions. (5X5=25)

24. Compare Small-Scale Manufacturing with Large-Scale Manufacturing. 5

25. What are Trans-Continental Railways? Explain with the help of example of the Trans-Siberian Railways. 5

**OR**

Explain the North Atlantic Sea route and the Mediterranean–Indian Ocean Sea Rout as the most important sea route of the world.

26. Illustrate the changing pattern of the composition of India's Exports with the help of examples. 5

**OR**

International trade has been practiced since ancient times. Trace the history of international trade with examples.

27. 'Urban areas have slums, jhuggi-jhopari clusters and colonies of shanty structures.' What are the leaving conditions in this extreme areas of Urban region? What is the program which works towards the betterment of Slums in Urban area? 5

**OR**

'Every problem has a solution, so does environmental pollution also have a solution.' How did Daurala became a role model to restore the ecology and safeguard Human Health?

28. What were the developments that took place in Bharmaur region under the Integrated Tribal Development Project. What were its drawbacks? 5

**OR**

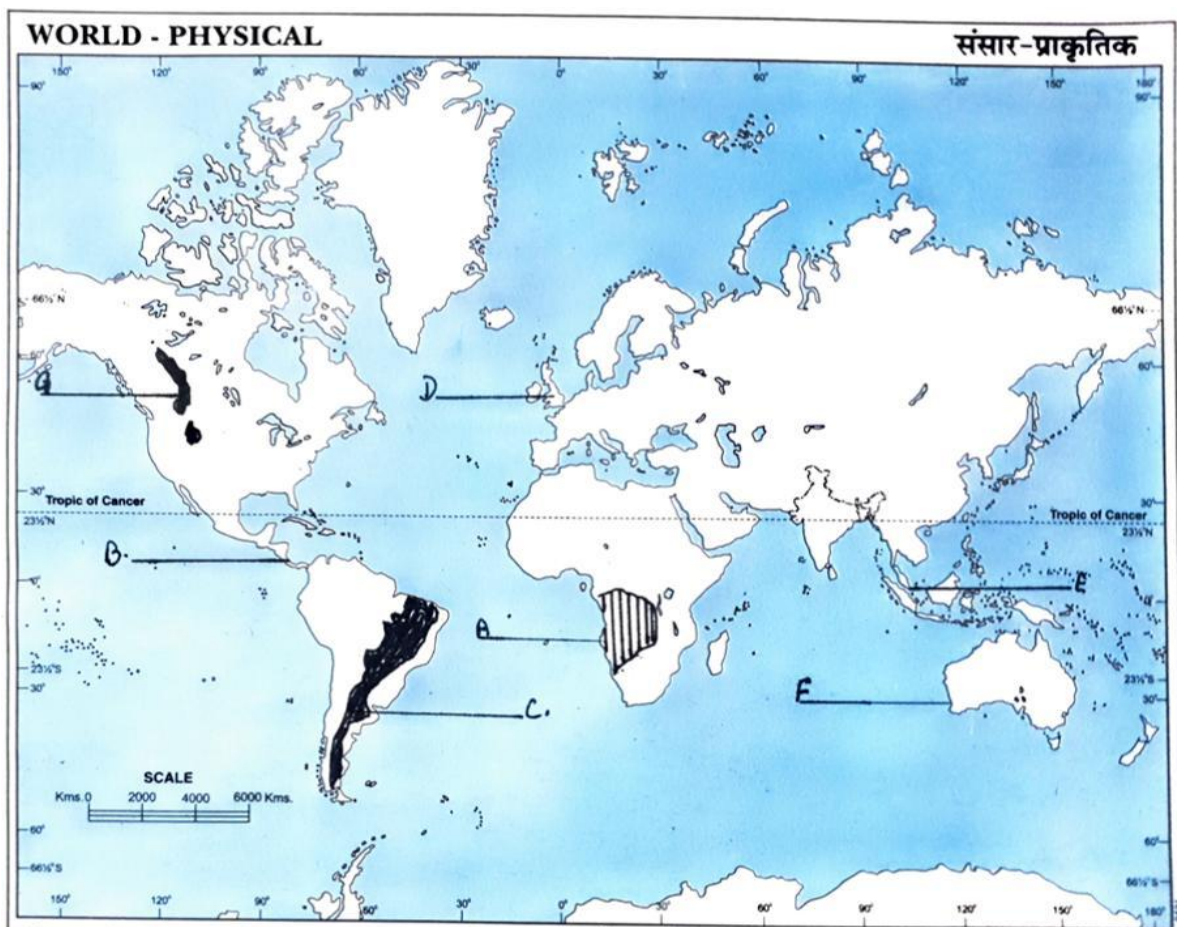
What were measures for promotion of sustainable development in Indira Gandhi Canal (Nahar) Command area?

## Section- E

Question No. 29 to 30 are Map Based questions. (2X5=10)

29. In the given political map of the world, seven geographical features have been marked as A, B, C, D, E, F and G. Identify any five of them with the help of following information and write their correct names on the lines drawn near them. 5X1=5

- A. An area of Subsistence Gathering
- B. An International shipping Canal
- C. An area of Commercial Livestock Rearing
- D. An International Airport
- E. An international port
- F. A terminal station of Trans Australian railways
- G. An area of Extensive Commercial Grain Farming

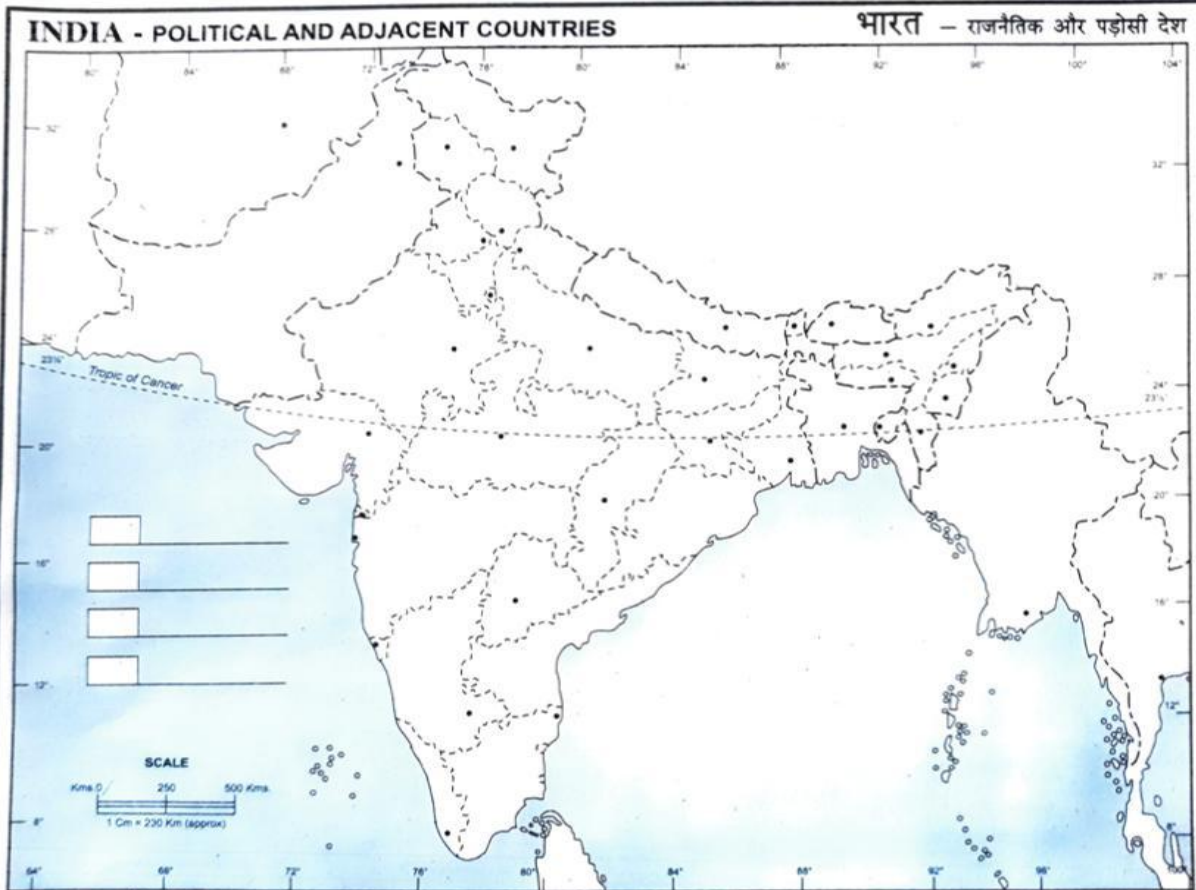


Note: The following questions are for the Visually Impaired Candidates only in lieu of Question No. 29. Attempt any **five**

- A. Name an area of Subsistence Gathering in Africa
- B. Name the shipping canal joining Pacific Ocean with Atlantic Ocean
- C. Which is the area having Commercial Livestock Rearing in South America
- D. Name the international airport in United Kingdom
- E. Name the International port also known as Port of Call in South Asia
- F. Name the terminal station of the Trans Australian Railways on the west coast.
- G. Name the area of Extensive Commercial Grain Farming in North America

30. On the given map of India, locate and label any five of the following seven geographical features with appropriate symbols: 5X1=5

- A. An International airport of Uttar Pradesh
- B. A state leading producer of Bajra
- C. A sea port located in West Bengal
- D. A state with leading producer of Coffee
- E. An Oil refinery in Bihar
- F. An Iron ore mine in Maharashtra
- G. An Iron ore exporting port in Goa



Note: The following questions are for the Visually Impaired Candidates only in lieu of Question No. 30. Attempt any **five**

- A. Name an International airport of Uttar Pradesh
- B. Which state is the leading producer of Bajra
- C. Name a seaport located in West Bengal
- D. Name a state with leading producer of Coffee
- E. Name an Oil refinery in Bihar
- F. Name an Iron ore mine in Maharashtra
- G. Which is the Iron ore exporting port in Goa