

**ISC SEMESTER 2 EXAMINATION**  
**SPECIMEN QUESTION PAPER**  
**GEOGRAPHY**

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*Maximum Marks: 35*

*Time allowed: One and a half hour*

*Candidates are allowed an additional 10 minutes for only reading the paper.*

*They must **NOT** start writing during this time.*

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*Answer all questions in Section A, Section B and Section C.*

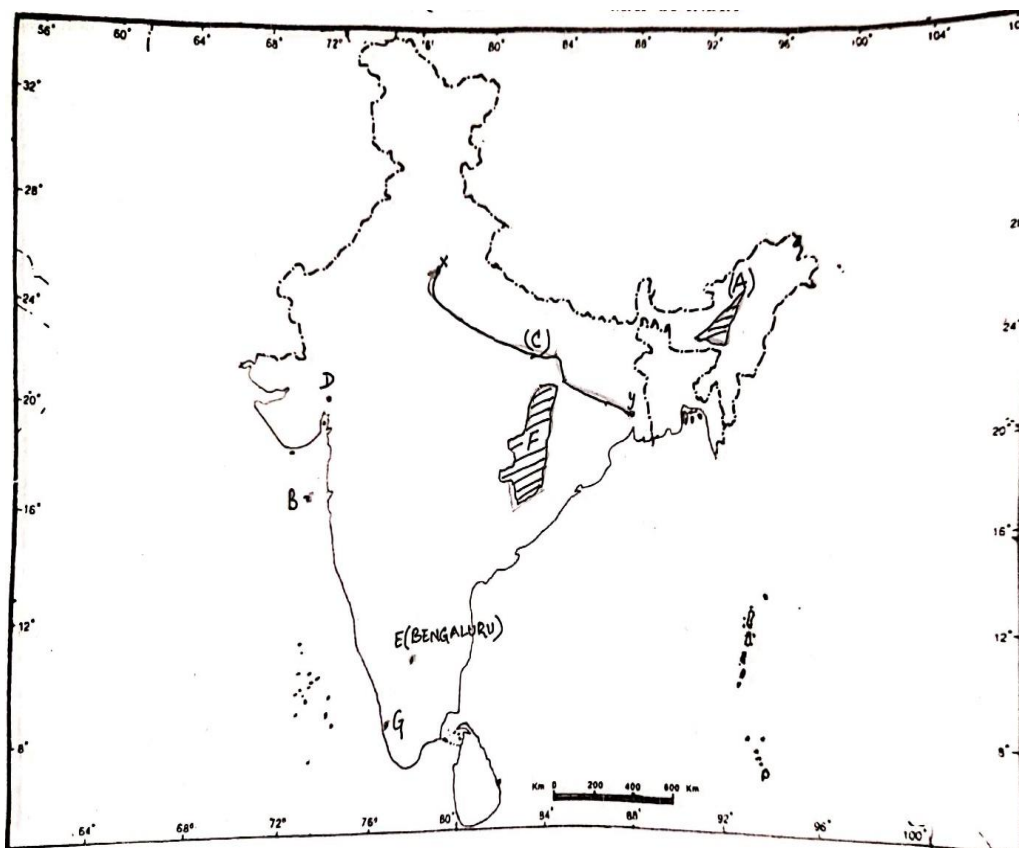
*The intended marks for questions or parts of questions are given in brackets.[ ]*

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**SECTION A – 7 MARKS**

**Question 1**

Study the outline Map of India given below and answer the questions that follow:



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- (i) The main tea producing region marked A is the \_\_\_\_\_. [1]
- (ii) The offshore mineral producing field marked B is the \_\_\_\_\_. [1]
- (iii) The city marked E is also known as the \_\_\_\_\_ of India. [1]
- (iv) Identify and name the following:
- (a) The cotton textile producing centre marked D. [1]
- (b) The State shaded and marked F. [1]
- (v) The roadway C, connecting the two cities (x) and (y) is: [1]
- (a) National Highway 1
- (b) National Highway 2
- (c) National Highway 6
- (d) National Highway 7
- (vi) The port city marked G is: [1]
- (a) Mumbai
- (b) Kochi
- (c) Chennai
- (d) Kolkata

### SECTION B – 12 MARKS

**Answer the following questions.**

**Question 2** [2]

Briefly explain *any two* drawbacks of the first Green Revolution.

**Question 3** [2]

- (i) 'The prospect of the hydroelectric power generation is very high in the Northern Mountain Region'. Justify the given statement by giving *two* reasons.

**OR**

- (ii) 'India should switch over its energy dependence from conventional to non-conventional energy sources.' Justify the given statement by giving *two* reasons.

**Question 4** [2]

List *four* factors of development and briefly explain how they have favoured the growth of the Mumbai-Pune Industrial region.

**Question 5** [2]

Explain *any two* natural factors that have favoured the development of fishing industry in Bangladesh.

**Question 6** [2]

Explain *any two* reasons why transport means are considered important for Indian economic development.

**Question 7** [2]

Differentiate between *micro planning region* and the *macro planning region*.

### SECTION C – 16 MARKS

**Question 8** [4]

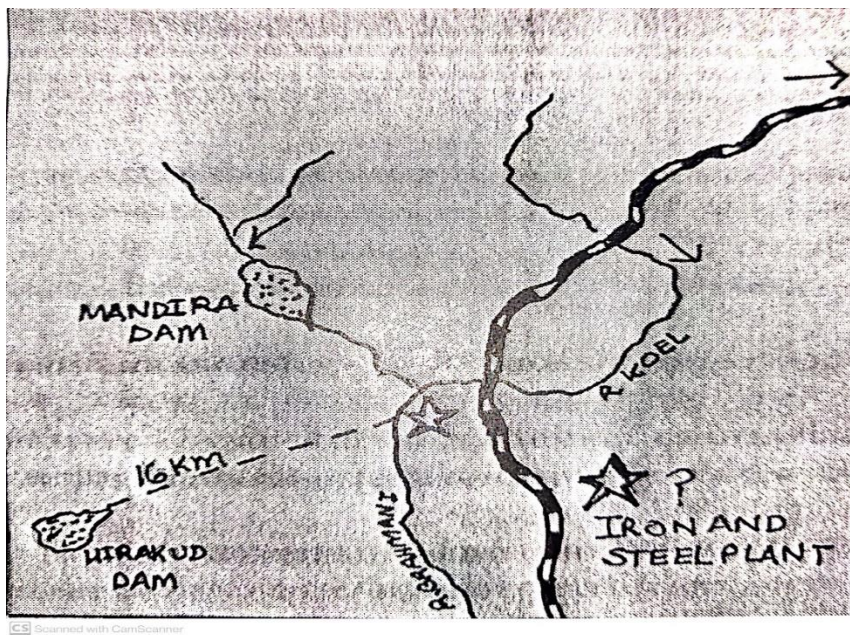
(i) Explain the reasons for the low density of metalled roads in the Himalayan regions of India.

OR

(ii) Discuss the advantages of Telecommunication in India.

**Question 9** [4]

Refer to the sketch map given below and answer the questions that follow:



- (i) Name the steel plant and mention its location. From where does this steel plant obtain coal and iron ore? [2]
- (ii) Why are these iron and steel plants important? [2]

### Question 10

Study the picture given below and answer the questions that follow.



- (i) Explain the process of sowing the crop shown in the above picture. [2]
- (ii) State *any two* advantages of the method of sowing the given crop. [2]

### Question 11

Read the following passage and answer the questions given below.

Haldia Port was constructed on Hooghly river as a solution to the problems of siltation at Kolkata Port. The locational advantages of Haldia Port were that it allowed movement of bigger vessels and was free from tidal bores.

However, lately the Haldia Port is affected by siltation and requires the opening of an alternative channel which will allow easy entry of vessels.

- (i) State *two* locational advantages of the Haldia Port. [2]
- (ii) Mention *any four* states of India which form the hinterland of Haldia Port. [2]