

Ex/SC/GEOG/PG/CORE/TH/03/2025

MASTER OF SCIENCE EXAMINATION, 2025

(1st Year, 1st Semester)

GEOGRAPHY

PAPER : SC/GEOG/PG/CORE/TH/03

**Contemporary Ideas in Human Geography
(GEOG-C103T)**

Time : Two Hours

Full Marks : 50

Answer **one** question from each unit

Unit-I

(Post World War Perspectives in Human Geography)

1. Define human geography. Discuss how the concept of space is transcending into place over time in the course of postcolonial human geography. 2+8
2. What is Positivism? Elucidate how the critique of positivism has enlightened new and relevant dimensions in the philosophy and practice of human geography. 2+8

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Unit-II

(Critical Perspectives in Modern Geography)

3. Differentiate between Pacifist approach and Humanitarian Marxist approach of Idealism. Mention the features of an 'authentic life' according to Existential philosophies. Account for the major tenets of Hermeneutic Phenomenology of Martin Heidegger. 2+3+5
4. Explain the concept of 'flexible accumulation of wealth'. Highlight the salient features of Neo-Marxist ideas of Gramsci on cultural hegemony. State the importance of subaltern studies in Geography. 3+4+3

Unit-III

(Changing Trends in Human Geography in the Late 20th Century)

5. Comment on the recent trends of Geographies of Feminism. Discuss the relevance of welfare approach in human geography in today's world. 4+6
6. 'Geographies of consumption is very dynamic in nature'. Justify this statement with suitable examples. What is Neo-consumerism? 7+3

Unit-IV

(Emerging Ideas in Geographical Research)

7. Based on the geographical research approaches, differentiate between Political Ecology and Cultural Ecology. Critically analyse the role of surveillance technologies in shaping the contemporary societies and spatial relations. 4+6

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8. How iconographic studies are related with geography? Comment on the views of Richard Peet in the Geography of Power in transforming society-environment interactions. 4+6

Internal Assessment

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