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GEOLOGY

(Theory)

Full Marks : 70

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

General Instructions :

- (i) Write all the answers in the Answer Script.
- (ii) Attempt Part—A (Objective Questions) serially.
- (iii) Attempt all parts of a question together at one place.

(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 35)

- 1.** Choose and write the correct answer of any *six* of the following : 1×6=6

(a) Decomposition is associated with

- (i) physical weathering
- (ii) chemical weathering
- (iii) organic weathering

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- (b) Organisms that swim about in ocean water are said to be
- (i) planktonic
 - (ii) nektonic
 - (iii) benthonic
- (c) The Disang group is observed in the stratigraphy of
- (i) Assam
 - (ii) Meghalaya
 - (iii) Spiti
- (d) Galena is the ore of
- (i) iron
 - (ii) lead
 - (iii) zinc
- (e) Marine organic animals give rise to
- (i) coal
 - (ii) water
 - (iii) petroleum
- (f) Ore deposits formed at the same time as the enclosing rocks are said to be
- (i) syngenetic
 - (ii) epigenetic
 - (iii) metamorphic

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(g) Which of the following is an ore of aluminium?

- (i) Bauxite
- (ii) Hematite
- (iii) Coal

(h) Diamond bearing conglomerates were reported in the

- (i) Dharwar supergroup
- (ii) Vindhyan supergroup
- (iii) Paleozoic of Spiti

(i) Acid rain is associated with

- (i) overground coal mining
- (ii) underground coal mining
- (iii) overground Pb-Zn mining

2. State whether the following statements are 'True' or 'False' (any six) : 1×6=6

- (a) Dihing Group is younger than the Disang Group in Upper Assam.
- (b) Ores from which several metals can be extracted are called complex ores.
- (c) Sands range in size from 4 mm to 1/16 mm.
- (d) Muds are argillaceous materials.
- (e) Pallial line is seen in lamellibranchs.

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- (f) The brachiopods evolved earlier than the gastropods.
- (g) Closepet granite is associated with the stratigraphy of Meghalaya.
- (h) The hot residual fluid containing minerals after the main minerals have crystallized out is called hydrothermal fluid.
- (i) To mitigate the effect of earthquakes, buildings are to be constructed on soil.

3. Fill in the blanks (any six) : 1×6=6

- (a) Water bearing formations in the earth are called _____.
- (b) Wavy features on the top of sedimentary layers are called _____.
- (c) Rocks of Archean age over which all other rocks are laid down/formed later is called the _____.
- (d) The 'angle of rest' for a safe hill slope should not exceed _____°.
- (e) Lung diseases in miners are associated with _____ mining.
- (f) _____ coal is with over 90% carbon.
- (g) The ease with which water moves through a medium is called _____.
- (h) Petroleum is of _____ origin.
- (i) The Barail Group is followed immediately upwards by the _____ Group.

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4. Express each of the following in 1 (one) word (any five) :
1×5=5

- (a) Rocks where oil accumulates
- (b) Lessening of the hazards of natural earth processes
- (c) Level below which actual groundwater occurs and the pores completely saturated with water
- (d) Place where organism, past or present, live
- (e) Transformation of loose sediments into hard lithified rock
- (f) Natural earth process that brings loss of life and property
- (g) Useless minerals

5. Match *Column—A* with *Column—B* and write the corresponding numbers :
1×6=6

- | <i>Column—A</i> | <i>Column—B</i> |
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| (a) Bed load | (i) Gondwana |
| (b) Glossopteris | (ii) Spiti |
| (c) Placer | (iii) Assam |
| (d) Otoceras | (iv) Deposition |
| (e) Landslides | (v) Wet soil |
| (f) Conglomerate | (vi) Mechanical concentration |
| | (vii) Rudaceous |
| | (viii) Transportation |

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6. Write on the following in 1 (one) or 2 (two) line(s)
(any six) : 1×6=6
- (a) Dorsal side
 - (b) Mud crack
 - (c) Non-clastic sediments
 - (d) Ore
 - (e) Mould
 - (f) Vertebraria
 - (g) Nodule
 - (h) Definition of groundwater

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 35)

Answer **five** questions, selecting **one** from each Group

GROUP—A

(**Sedimentology**)

7. Write a brief note on the common sedimentary structures with neat sketches. 7
8. Write on any *two* of the following : 3½×2=7
- (a) Diagenesis
 - (b) Grain size and the size scale
 - (c) Clastic and non-clastic sedimentary rocks
9. Give a classification of the environments of deposition with very brief explanation on each of them. 7

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GROUP—B

(**Paleontology**)

10. Outline the morphology of a typical brachiopod shell with suitable sketches. 7
11. Write on any *two* of the following : $3\frac{1}{2}\times 2=7$
- (a) Index fossil
 - (b) Fossils and correlation
 - (c) Suture and types of suture in cephalopods
12. Write a note on the coiling of gastropods and the different coiling patterns observed in gastropods. 7

GROUP—C

(**Stratigraphy**)

13. Write the lithostratigraphy of Meghalaya in tabular form with very brief petrographic note of each unit. 7
14. Write on any *two* of the following : $3\frac{1}{2}\times 2=7$
- (a) Barail group
 - (b) Correlation
 - (c) Intrusives into the Dharwar Supergroup
15. Write a petrographic description of the Lower Triassic rocks of Spiti. 7

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GROUP—D

(**Mineral and Energy Resources**)

16. Outline the formation of coal. 7
17. Write on any *two* of the following : $3\frac{1}{2}\times 2=7$
- (a) Classification of magmatic ore deposits
 - (b) Lead deposits in India
 - (c) Distribution of radioactive minerals in India
18. Write an account on the origin and distribution of chromite in India. 7

GROUP—E

(**Engineering Geology, Groundwater, Environment and Disaster Studies**)

19. Write on the various causes of landslides. 7
20. Write on any *two* of the following : $3\frac{1}{2}\times 2=7$
- (a) Environmental impact of open-cast mining
 - (b) Porosity and permeability
 - (c) Mitigation of earthquakes
21. Explain how sedimentary rock structures have an influence on dam stability with sketches. 7
