



Barrackpore Rastraguru Surendranath College

Teaching Plan

Department of Geography

2022-23

NAME OF THE PROGRAMME

B.SC. Honours in Geography

PROGRAMME OUTCOME

- ❖ To understand the scope and evolution of the diverse discipline of Geography.
- ❖ Recognize, synthesize and evaluate diverse sources of knowledge, arguments and approaches pertinent to exploring human-environment problems. Explains societal relevance of geographical knowledge and apply it to real world human-environment issues.
- ❖ Appreciate and reflect critically on the importance of holistic and interpretative human-environment perspectives.
- ❖ An understanding and acknowledgment of the threats that endanger the earth's natural systems. This helps in further realization of the significance of anthropogenic causes of many of the disasters and threats that put life on this planet on the edge.
- ❖ Development of knowledge, skills and holistic understanding of the discipline among students. Encouragement of scientific mode of thinking and scientific method of enquiry in students. This goal is achieved through the regular field excursions conducted by the Department to various parts of India extensively and the writing of a report/thesis on it.
- ❖ Students become equipped with the ability to respond to both natural and man-made disasters and acquire management skills. This is attained through the curriculum by studying and analyzing hazards, disasters, their impact and management.
- ❖ Ability to undertake research in interdisciplinary studies and problems or issues beyond the realm of what strictly comes under the purview of geography. This is possible because of the varied nature of the curriculum that encompasses the study and analyses of concepts of sub-disciplines and allied disciplines of Geology, Seismology, Pedology, Hydrology, Environmental Studies, Disaster Management, Resource Management and Conservation, Regional Planning and Development Studies etc.

Semester		I			
Course Title	Geotectonics and Geomorphology				
Course Code	GEOPCOR01T	Credit	04		
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Understand the theories and fundamental concepts of Geotectonic and Geomorphology. Understand earth's tectonic and structural evolution. Gain knowledge about earth's interior. Develop an idea about concept of plate tectonics, and resultant landforms. ➤ Acquire knowledge about types of folds and faults and earthquakes, volcanoes and associated landforms. ➤ Understanding crustal mobility and tectonics; with special emphasis on their role in landform development. ➤ Overview and critical appraisal of landform development models. ➤ Ability to record temperature, pressure, humidity and rainfall ➤ Develop the skills of identification of features and correlation between them. ➤ Do field surveys using appropriate techniques. ➤ Identification of rocks and minerals. 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	6	Class/Week	04	Hours/week	15

Instr uctio n Mod e	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.
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Scheme of Examination

Maxi mum Scor e	50	Internal	10	End Semester	40
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Course Mapping

Unit s	Course Content	Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
Unit I: Geot ecto nics	1. Earth's tectonic and structural evolution with reference to geological time scale	04
	2. Earth's interior with special reference to seismology. Isostasy: Models of Airy and Pratt	04
	3. Plate Tectonics as a unified theory of global tectonics: Processes and landforms at plate margins and hotspots	04
	4. Folds and Faults—origin and types	05
	5. Degradational processes: Weathering, mass wasting and resultant landforms	04
	6. Development of river network and landforms on uniclinal and folded structures	06

Unit II: Geomorphology	7. Development of landforms on granites, basalts and limestones.	08
	8.Coastal processes and landforms	05
	9.Glacial and glacio-fluvial processes and landforms	06
	Aeolian and fluvio-aeolian processes and landforms	08
	10.Models on landscape evolution: Views of Davis, Penck and Hack	06

Semester		I			
Course Title	Cartographic Techniques				
Course Code	GEOPCOR02T	Credit	04		
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Understand and prepare different kinds of maps. ➤ Recognize basic themes of mapmaking. ➤ Development of observation skills. 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	60	Class/Week	04	Hours/week	04
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	50	Internal	10	End Semester	40
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour

		(Cumulative)
	Maps: Classification and types. Components of a map	04
	Concept and application of scales: Plain, comparative, diagonal and vernier	06
	Survey of India topographical maps: Reference scheme of old and open series. Information on the margin of maps	11
	Coordinate systems: Polar and rectangular	10
	Concept of generating globe and UTM projection	08
	Grids: angular and linear systems of measurement	09
	Map projections: Classification, properties and uses	12

Semester		I	
Course Title	Geotectonics and Geomorphology		
Course Code	GEOACOR 01P	Credit	02
Course Outc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Understand the theories and fundamental concepts of Geotectonics and Geomorphology. Understand earth's tectonic and structural evolution. Gain knowledge about earth's interior. Develop an idea about concept of plate tectonics, and resultant landforms. ➤ Acquire knowledge about types of folds and faults and earthquakes, volcanoes and associated landforms. ➤ Understanding crustal mobility and tectonics; with special emphasis on their role in land 		

ome	dformdevelopment. ➤ Overviewandcriticalappraisaloflandformdevelopmentmodels. ➤ Abilitytorecordtemperature,pressure,humidityandrainfall ➤ Developtheskillsofidentificationoffeaturesandcorrelationbetweenthem. ➤ Dofieldsurveysusingappropriatetechniques. ➤ Identificationofrocksandminerals.				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	60	Class/Week	04	Hours/week	04
Instr uction Mode	ClassroomLectures,PPTs, documentaries,discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maxi mum Score	25	Internal	15	End Semester	10
Course Mapping					
Uni ts	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)

Unit-I Me gas copi c ide ntifi cati on	(a) <i>mineral samples</i> : Bauxite, calcite, chalcopyrite, feldspar, galena, gypsum, hematite, magnetite, mica, quartz, talc, tourmaline; and	18
	(b) <i>rock samples</i> : Granite, basalt, dolerite, laterite, limestone, shale, sandstone, conglomerate, slate, phyllite, schist, gneiss, quartzite, marble	12
Unit -II Geo logi cal ma p	Interpretation of geological maps with unconformity and intrusions on uniclinal and folded structures	30

Semester		I	
Course Title	Cartographic Techniques		
Course Code	GEOACOR02P	Credit	02
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Understand and prepare different kinds of maps. ➤ Recognize basic themes of mapmaking. 		

	➤ Development of observation skills.				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	60	Class/Week	06	Hours/week	06
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	25	Internal	15	End Semester	10
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
	1. Graphical construction of scales: Plain, comparative, diagonal and vernier				09
	2. Construction of projections: Polar Zenithal Stereographic, Simple Conic with two standard parallels, Bonne's, Cylindrical Equal Area, and Mercator's				18
	3. Delineation of drainage basin from Survey of India topographical map. Construction and interpretation of relief profiles (superimposed, projected and composite), relative relief map, slope map (Wentworth), and stream ordering (Strahler) on a drainage basin.				18
	4. Correlation between physical and cultural features from Survey of India topographical maps using transect chart.				15

Semester		II			
Course Title	Human Geography				
Course Code	GEOACOR03T	Credit	06		
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gain knowledge about major themes of human Geography. • Acquire knowledge on the history and evolution of humans. • Understand the approaches and processes of Human Geography as well as the diverse patterns of habitat and adaptations. Develop an idea about space and society				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	90	Class/Week	06	Hours/week	06
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	75	Internal	25	End Semester	50
Course Mapping					

Units	Course Content	Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
Unit I: Nature and Principles	1. Nature, scope and recent trends. Elements of Human Geography	08
	2. Approaches to Human Geography; Resource, Locational, Landscape, Environmental	08
	3. Concept and classification of race; ethnicity	06
	4. Space, society and cultural regions (language and religion)	08
Unit :II: Society, Demography and Ekistics	5. Evolution of human societies: Hunting and food gathering, pastoral nomadism, subsistence farming and industrial society	07
	6. Human adaptation to environment: Eskimo, Masai and Maori	09
	7. Population growth and distribution, composition; demographic transition	15
	8. Population–Resource regions (Ackerman)	10
	9. Types and patterns of rural settlements	09
	10. Morphology of urban settlements	10

Semester		II	
Course Title	Cartograms and Thematic Mapping		
Course Code	GEOACOR04T	Credit	04

Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Comprehend the concept of scales and representation of data through cartograms. ➤ Interpret geological and weather maps. ➤ Learn the usages of surveying instruments. ➤ Brings direct interaction of different types of surveying instruments like Dumpy level and Theodolite with environment. ➤ Develop an idea about different types of thematic mapping techniques. 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	60	Class/Week	04	Hours/week	04
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	50	Internal	10	End Semester	40
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
	1. Concepts of rounding, scientific notation, logarithm and anti-logarithm, natural and log Scales				06
	2. Diagrammatic representation of data: Line, Bar, Isopleths				14
	3. Representation of area data: Dots and spheres, proportional circles				13

	and Choropleth	
	4. Preparation and interpretation of land use land cover maps	08
	5. Preparation and interpretation of socio-economic maps	07
	6. Bearing: Magnetic and true, whole-circle and reduced	06
	7. Basic concepts of surveying and survey equipment: Prismatic Compass, Dumpy Level, Theodolite	06

Semester		II				
Course Title	Cartograms and Thematic Mapping (Lab)					
Course Code	GEOACOR04P	Credit		02		
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Comprehend the concept of scales and representation of data through cartograms. ➤ Interpret geological and weather maps. ➤ Learn the usages of survey instruments. ➤ Brings direct interaction of different types of surveying instruments like Dumpy level and Theodolite with environment. ➤ Develop an idea about different types of thematic mapping techniques. 					
Scheme of Instruction						
Total Duration	60	Class/Week		06	Hours/week	06
Instruction	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.					

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Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	25	Internal	15	End Semester	10
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
Unit: I Thematic maps	Choropleth showing density of population				12
	Dots and Spheres diagram showing distribution of rural and urban population.				12
	Proportional pie-diagrams representing economic data and land use data				12
Unit: II Traverse survey using	prismatic compass Profile survey using dumpy Level				24

Semester	III
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Course Title	Climatology				
Course Code	GEOACOR05T	Credit	04		
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Understand the elements of weather and climate, different atmospheric phenomena and climate change. ➤ Learn to associate climate with other environmental and human issues. Approaches to climate classification. ➤ To analyze the dynamics of the Earth's atmosphere and global climate. Assessing the role of man in global climate change. ➤ Prepare various climatic maps and charts and interpret them. ➤ Learn to use of various meteorological instruments. ➤ Learn the interaction between the atmosphere and the earth's surface. Understand the importance of the atmospheric pressure and winds. ➤ Understand how atmospheric moisture works. 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	60	Class/Week	04	Hours/week	04
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	50	Internal	10	End Semester	40

Course Mapping

Units	Course Content	Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
Unit I: Elements of the Atmosphere	1. Nature, composition and layering of the atmosphere	03
	2. Insolation: controlling factors. Heat budget of the atmosphere	05
	3. Temperature: horizontal and vertical distribution. Inversion of temperature: types, causes and Consequences	06
	4. Greenhouse effect and importance of ozone layer	04
Unit II: Atmospheric Phenomena and Climatic Classification	5. Condensation: Process and forms. Mechanism of precipitation: Bergeron-Findeisen theory, Collision and coalescence. Forms of precipitation	06
	6. Air mass: Typology, origin, characteristics and modification	04
	7. Fronts: warm and cold; frontogenesis and frontolysis	04
	8. Weather: stability and instability; barotropic and baroclinic conditions	05
	9. Circulation in the atmosphere: Planetary winds, jet stream, index cycle	06
	10. Tropical and mid-latitude cyclones	04
	11. Monsoon circulation and mechanism with reference to India	06
	12. Climatic classification after Köppen, Thornthwaite (1955) and Oliver	07

Semester		III			
Course Title	Climatology				
Course Code	GEOACOR 05P	Credit		02	
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Understand the elements of weather and climate, different atmospheric phenomena and climate change. ➤ Learn to associate climate with other environmental and human issues. Approaches to climate classification. ➤ To analyze the dynamics of the Earth's atmosphere and global climate. Assessing the role of man in global climate change. ➤ Prepare various climatic maps and charts and interpret them. ➤ Learn to use of various meteorological instruments. ➤ Learn the interaction between the atmosphere and the earth's surface. Understand the importance of the atmospheric pressure and winds. ➤ Understand how atmospheric moisture works. 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	60	Class/Week	06	Hours/week	06
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum	25	Internal	15	End Semester	10

Score					
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
	1. Interpretation of daily weather map of India (any two): Pre-Monsoon, Monsoon and Post-Monsoon				36
	2. Construction and interpretation of hythergraph and climograph (G. Taylor)				09
	3. Construction and interpretation of wind rose				06
	4. A Project File, comprising of one exercise from each of the following is to be prepared and Submitted				09

Semester		III	
Course Title	Geography of India		
Course Code	GEOACOR06T	Credit	06
Course Outcome	<p>After the completion of course, the students will have ability to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Understand the physical profile of the country ➤ Study the resource endowment and its spatial distribution and utilization for sustainable development ➤ Synthesize and develop the idea of regional dimensions. 		

Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	90	Class/Week	06	Hours/week	06
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	75	Internal	25	End Semester	50
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
Unit I: Geography of India	1. Tectonic and stratigraphic provinces, physiographic divisions				05
	2. Climate, soil and vegetation: Characteristics and classification				10
	3. Population: Distribution, growth, structure and policy				09
	4. Tribes of India with special reference to Gaddi, Toda, Santal and Jarwa				05
	5. Agricultural regions. Green revolution and its consequences				10
	6. Mineral and power resources distribution and utilisation of iron ore, coal, petroleum and natural Gas				09
	7. Industrial development: Automobile and information technology				04
	8. Regionalisation of India: Physiographic (R.L. Singh) and economic (P. Sengupta)				08
Unit II: Geography of	9. Physical perspectives: Physiographic divisions, forest and water resources				08

West Bengal	10. Resources: Agriculture, mining, and industry	07
	11. Population: Growth, distribution and human development	07
	12. Regional Issues: Darjeeling Hills and Sundarban	08

Semester		III			
Course Title	Statistical Methods in Geography				
Course Code	GEOACOR07T	Credit		04	
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Learn the significance of statistics in geography. Understand the importance of use of data in geography ➤ Recognize the importance and application of Statistics in Geography ➤ Interpret statistical data for a holistic understanding of geographical phenomena. ➤ Know about different types of sampling. ➤ Develop an idea about theoretical distribution. ➤ Learn to use tabulation of data. ➤ Gain knowledge about association and correlation. 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	60	Class/Week	04	Hours/week	04
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				

Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	50	Internal	10	End Semester	40
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content			Lecture Hour (Cumulative)	
Unit I: Frequency Distribution and Sampling	1. Importance and significance of statistics in Geography			04	
	2. Discrete and continuous data, population and samples, scales of measurement (nominal, ordinal, interval and ratio),			05	
	3. Sources of geographical data for statistical analysis			06	
	4. Collection of data and formation of statistical tables			02	
	5. Sampling: Need, types, and significance and methods of random sampling			07	
	6. Theoretical distribution: frequency, cumulative frequency, normal and probability			06	
Unit II: Numerical Data Analysis	7. Central tendency: Mean, median, mode, partition values			05	
	8. Measures of dispersion range: mean deviation, standard deviation, coefficient of variation			10	
	9. Association and correlation: Rank correlation, product moment correlation			05	
	10. Regression: Linear and non-linear			04	
	11. Time series analysis: Moving average			06	

Semester		III			
Course Title	Statistical Methods in Geography (Lab)				
Course Code	GEOACOR07P	Credit	02		
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The concept of quantitative information in general and Geographical data in particular. The importance of data analytics. The ways data is collected or data is taken from different sources. The sampling methods' application for data collection purposes. ➤ The way to handle the collected data through classification, tabulation and stigmatization. The data presentation using graphical and diagrammatic ways. ➤ To calculate different averages on data and to identify the variations in data. ➤ To compute relations and impacts among the data series. ➤ The concept of probability particularly normal curve. 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	60	Class/Week	06	Hours/week	06
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					

Maximum Score	25	Internal	15	End Semester	10
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
	1. Construction of data matrix with each row representing an areal unit (districts / blocks / <i>mouzas</i> / towns) and corresponding columns of relevant attributes				12
	2. Based on the above, a frequency table, measures of central tendency and dispersion would be computed and interpreted using histogram and frequency curve				18
	3. From the data matrix a sample set (20%) would be drawn using, random, systematic and stratified methods of sampling and locate the samples on a map with a short note on methods used				15
	4. Based on the sample set and using two relevant attributes, a scatter diagram and linear regression line would be plotted and residual from regression would be mapped with a short interpretation.				15

Semester		III	
Course Title	Remote Sensing		
Course Code	GEOSSEC01M	Credit	02
Course	This is a practical, hands-on course; when you have completed it, you will be able		

Outcome	to:				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explain principles of remotesensing,different satellitesystems and sensors; ➤ Performimagepre-processing,enhancementandclassificationandinterpretationof satelliteimages; ➤ ApplyImagepreprocessingfor land uselandcover and urban studies; 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	30	Class/Week	02	Hours/week	02
Instruction Mode	ClassroomLectures,PPTs, documentaries,discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	25	Internal	15	End Semester	10
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
	1. PrinciplesofRemoteSensing(RS):ClassificationofRSsatellitesandsensors				12
	2.				

	Sensor resolutions and their applications with reference to IRS and Landsat missions, image referencing schemes and data acquisition.	18
	3. Preparation of False Colour Composites from IRS LISS-3 and Landsat TM and OLI data. Principles of image rectification and enhancement.	15
	4. Principles of image interpretation and feature extraction. Preparation of inventories of land use and land cover features from satellite images.	15

Semester		IV	
Course Title	Regional Planning and Development		
Course Code	GEOACOR08T	Credit	06
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Understand and identify regions as an integral part of Geographical study. ➤ Appreciate the varied aspects of development and regional disparity, in order to formulate measures of balanced development. ➤ Analyzing the concept of regions and regionalization. ➤ Studying typical physiographic, planning, arid and biotic regions of India. Understanding the detailed geography of India. ➤ Gain knowledge about definition of region, evolution and types of regional planning. Develop an idea about choice of a region for planning. ➤ Build an idea about theories and models for regional planning. Know about measuring development indicators. ➤ They can know about delineation of formal regions by weighted index method and also delineation of functional regions by breaking point analysis. ➤ Gain knowledge about measuring inequality by Location Quotient, and also measure 		

	ringregionaldisparitybySopherIndex				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	90	Class/Week	06	Hours/week	06
Instruction Mode	ClassroomLectures,PPTs, documentaries,discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	75	Internal	25	End Semester	50
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
Unit I: RegionalP lanning	1.Conceptofregions:Typesof regions andtheir delineation				08
	2.RegionalPlanning: Types,principles, objectives, toolsandtechniques				08
	3. Needforregional planningin India, multi- levelplanningin India				06
	4. Metropolitan conceptandurbanagglomeration				08
	5. Concepts ofgrowthanddevelopment, growthversusdevelopment				07
	6. Indicatorsof development:Economic, socialandenvironmental				09
	7. Humandevlopment:Concept andmeasurement				05

Unit -II: Regional Developm ent	8. Theoriesandmodels for regional development:Cumulativecausation(Myrdal)	06
	9. Theoriesandmodels for regional development:Stages of development(Rostow), growth pole model (Perroux).	09
	10. Conceptandcauses of underdevelopment	10
	11. Regionaldevelopment inIndia:Disparityanddiversity	08
	12. Needandmeasures for balanced development inIndia	06

Semester		IV	
Cours e Title	Economic Geography		
Cours e Code	GEOACOR09T	Credit	06
Cours e Outco me	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Understandtheconceptofeconomicactivity,factorsaffectinglocationofeconomicactivity.GainknowledgeaboutdifferenttypesofEconomicactivities ➤ AssessthesignificanceofEconomicGeography,theconceptofeconomicmanandtheoriesofchoice. ➤ Analyzethefactorsoflocationofagricultureandindustries. ➤ Understandtheevolutionofvariedtypesofeconomicactivities. ➤ Mapandinterpretdataonproduction,economicindices,transportnetworkandflows. 		
Scheme of Instruction			

Total Duration	90	Class/Week	06	Hours/week	06
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	75	Internal	25	End Semester	50
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
Unit I: Concepts	1. Meaning and approaches to Economic Geography.				08
	2. Concepts in Economic Geography: Goods and services, production, exchange and consumption				08
	3. Concept of economic man, theories of choices				06
	4. Economic distance and transport costs				08
	5. Concept and classification of economic activities				07
	6. Factors affecting location of economic activity with special reference to agriculture (Von Thünen), and industry (Weber).				09

Unit II: Economic Activities	7.Primaryactivities: Agriculture, forestry, fishingandmining	05
	8.Secondaryactivities:Manufacturing(cottontextile, ironandsteel),conceptof manufacturing regions, specialeconomic zonesandtechnology parks	10
	9.Tertiary activities:Transport, tradeandservices	09
	10.Agriculturalsystems:Casestudiesof tea plantationinIndia andmixed farminginEurope	09
	11.Transnationalsea-routes, railwaysandhighwayswithreference toIndia	06
	12.Internationaltrade andeconomicblocs:WTO, GATTandBRICS: Evolution,structure and functions	08

Semester		IV	
Course Title	Environmental Geography		
Course Code	GEOACOR 10T	Credit	04
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Introductiontothebasicconceptsof environment and NRM ➤ Detailed discussion of conceptual framework ofdifferentecosystems ➤ Deepunderstandingofenvironmental issues of different regions ➤ Detailed analysisof different issues related to environmental conservation ➤ Understandingthedifferentpolicies relatedtoconservationofenvironment at local as well asglobal level 		
Scheme of Instruction			

Total Duration	60	Class/Week	04	Hours/week	04
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	50	Internal	10	End Semester	40
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
Unit I: Concepts	1. Geographers' approach to environmental studies				05
	2. Concept of holistic environment and systems approach				06
	3. Ecosystem: Concept, structure and functions				10
	4. Space-time hierarchy of Environmental problems: Local, regional and global				04
Unit II: Environmental problems and policies	5. Environmental pollution and degradation: Land, water and air				05
	6. Urban environmental issues with special reference to waste management				06
	7. Environmental policies – National Environmental Policy, 2006, Earth Summits (Stockholm, Rio, Johannesburg)				12
	8. Global initiatives for environmental management (special reference to Montreal Protocol, Kyoto Protocol, Paris Climate Summit)				15

Semester	IV
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Course Title	Environmental Geography				
Course Code	GEOACOR 10P	Credit	02		
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Techniques to prepare questionnaires for perception survey on environmental problems ➤ Techniques to prepare check - list for environmental impact assessment. ➤ Draw diagrams and interpretation from air quality data. 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	60	Class/Week	04	Hours/week	04
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	25	Internal	15	End Semester	10
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
	1. Preparation of questionnaire for perception survey on environmental problems				18
	2. Preparation of check-list for Environmental Impact Assessment of an urban/industrial project				24
	3. Interpretation of air quality using CPCB/WBPCB data				18

Semester	III
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Course Title	Advanced Spatial Statistical Techniques				
Course Code	GEOSSEC02M	Credit	02		
Course Outcome	<p>After the completion of course, the students will have ability to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Understand the basics of data collection and, processing for the meaningful outcomes ➤ Understand the selection of proper sampling techniques for the collection of data ➤ Put into practice the results obtained for spatial analysis of results and to apply various statistical softwares for the study 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	30	Class/Week	02	Hours/week	02
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	25	Internal	15	End Semester	10
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
	1. Probability theory, probability density functions with respect to Normal, Binomial and Poisson distributions and their geographical applications.				12
	2. Sampling: Sampling plans for spatial and non-spatial data, sampling distributions. Sampling estimates for large				18

	and small samples tests involving means and proportions.	
	3. Correlation and Regression Analysis: Rank order correlation and product moment correlation; linear regression, residuals from regression, and simple curvilinear regression. Introduction to multi-variate analysis.	15
	4. Time Series Analysis: Time Series processes; Smoothing time series; Time series components.	15

Semester		V			
Course Title	Fieldwork and Research Methodology				
Course Code	GEOACOR 11T	Credit	04		
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Have expertise in identification of area of study, methodology, quantitative and quantitative analysis, and conclusion to be drawn about the area – fundamental to geographical research. ➤ Handle logistics and other emergencies on field. ➤ Develop skills in photography, mapping and video recording. 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	60	Class/Week	04	Hours/week	04
Instruction	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				

Mode					
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	50	Internal	10	End Semester	40
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
Unit I: Research Methodology	1. Research in Geography: Meaning, types and significance				06
	2. Literature review and formulation of research design				06
	3. Defining research problem, objectives and hypothesis.				08
	4. Research materials and methods				04
	5. Techniques of writing scientific reports: Preparing notes, references, bibliography, abstract and keyword				08
Unit II: Fieldwork	1. Fieldwork in Geographical studies: Role and significance. Selection of study area and objectives. Pre-field academic preparations. Ethics of fieldwork				08
	2. Field techniques and tools: Observation (participant, non-participant), questionnaires (open, closed, structured, non-structured). Interview				06
	3. Field techniques and tools: Landscape survey using transects and quadrants, constructing a sketch, photo and video recording.				08
	4. Positioning and collection of samples. Preparation of inventory from field data.				06

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Semester		V			
Course Title	FieldworkandResearchMethodology(Lab)				
Course Code	GEOACOR11P	Credit	02		
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Haveexpertiseinidentificationofareeofstudy,methodology,quantitativeandquantitativeanalysis,andconclusionstobedrawnaboutthearea–fundamentalto geographicalresearch. ➤ Handlelogisticsandotheremergenciesonfield. ➤ Developskillsinphotography,mappingandvideorecording. 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	60	Class/Week	06	Hours/week	06
Instruction Mode	ClassroomLectures,PPTs, documentaries, discussions, fieldworks and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum	25	Internal	15	End Semester	10

Score					
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
	A. Literature Review				10
	B. Field Report				50

Semester		V			
Course Title	Remote Sensing and GIS				
Course Code	GEOACOR12T	Credit		04	
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Have knowledge of the principles of remote sensing, sensor resolutions and image referencing schemes. ➤ Interpret satellite imagery and understand the preparation of false color composites from them. ➤ Training in the use of Geographic Information System (GIS) software for contemporary mapping skills. ➤ Analyzing and interpreting remotely sensed satellite images and aerial photographs in order to understand topographical and cultural variations on the Earth's surface. ➤ Conducting field excursions and preparation of field reports on research problems in different areas of India ➤ Apply GIS to the preparation of thematic maps. ➤ Use GNSS. 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total	60	Class/Week	04	Hours/week	04

Duration					
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	50	Internal	10	End Semester	40
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
Unit I: Remote Sensing	1. Principles of Remote Sensing (RS): Types of RS satellites and sensors				06
	2. Sensor resolutions and their applications with reference to IRS and Landsat missions				05
	3. Preparation of False Colour Composites from IRS LISS-3 and Landsat TM and OLI data.				10
	4. Principles of image correction and interpretation. Preparation of inventories of land use and cover (LULC) features from satellite images.				12
Unit II: Geographical Information Systems and Global Navigation Satellite System	5. Concept of GIS and its applicability; GIS data structures: types: spatial and non-spatial, raster and vector				08
	6. Principles of preparing attribute tables and data manipulation and overlay analysis				08
	7. Principles of GNSS positioning and waypoint collection				05
	8. Transferring waypoints to GIS. Area and length calculations from GNSS data.				06

Semester		V			
Course Title	Remote Sensing and GIS				
Course Code	GEOACOR 12P	Credit		02	
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Have knowledge of the principles of remote sensing, sensor resolutions and imaging referencings schemes. ➤ Interpret satellite imagery and understand the preparation of false color composites from them. ➤ Training in the use Geographic Information System (GIS) software for contemporary mapping skills. ➤ Analyzing and interpreting remotely sensed satellite images and aerial photographs in order to understand topographical and cultural variations on the Earth's surface. ➤ Conducting field excursions and preparation of field reports on research on problems in different areas of India ➤ Apply GIS to the preparation of thematic maps. ➤ Use GNSS. 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	60	Class/Week	04	Hours/week	04
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					

Maximum Score	25	Internal	15	End Semester	10
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content			Lecture Hour (Cumulative)	
	1. Georeferencing of maps and images using Open Source software			20	
	2. Preparation of FCC and identification of features using standard FCC and other band combinations			15	
	3. Digitization of features. Data attachment, overlay and preparation of annotated thematic maps (choropleth, pie chart and bar graphs).			15	
	4. Note: All exercises to be done using QGIS (2.10 and above)			10	

Semester		V	
Course Title	Soil and Biogeography		
Course Code	GEOADSE01T	Credit	06
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Have knowledge about the character and profile of different soil types. ➤ Understand the impact of man as an active agent of soil transformation, erosion and degradation. ➤ Recognize land capability and classify it. ➤ Explaining the Pedological and Edaphological Approaches to Soil Studies- Processes of soil formation, types of soil, and principles of soil and land classification. 		

	<p>on;andmanagement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Understandthevariedecosystemsandclassifythem. ➤ Recognizethesignificanceofbiogeochemicalcyclesandbiodiversity. ➤ Comprehendthedevastatingimpactofdeforestation. ➤ IdentifysoiltypesandderivetheirpH. 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	90	Class/Week	06	Hours/week	06
Instruction Mode	ClassroomLectures,PPTs, documentaries,discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	75	Internal	25	End Semester	50
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
Unit I: SoilGeography	1. Factorsofsoilformation.Manas anactive agentof soiltransformation.				08
	2. Soilprofile. Originandprofile characteristicsof Lateritic, Podzol andChernozem soils				14
	3. Definitionandsignificanceof soilproperties:Texture,structure andmoisture,				06
	4. Definitionandsignificanceof soilproperties: pH,organic matterandNPK				06
	5. Soilerosionanddegradation: Factors,				08

	processes and mitigation measures	
	6. Principles of soil classification: Genetic and USDA. Concept of land capability and its classification.	06
Unit II: Biogeography	7. Concepts of biosphere, ecosystem, biome, ecotone, community, niche, succession and ecology	08
	8. Concepts of trophic structure, food chain and food web. Energy flow in ecosystems	08
	9. Geographical extent and characteristic features of: Tropical rain forest, Taiga and Grassland biomes	09
	10. Bio-geochemical cycles with special reference to carbon dioxide and nitrogen	06
	11. Spatial distribution of world fauna.	05
	12. Measures for conservation of biodiversity in India: Man and Biosphere Programme	06

Semester		V	
Course Title	Settlement Geography		
Course Code	GEOADSE02T	Credit	06
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Acquire knowledge about Rural settlements-Definition, nature and characteristics ➤ Analyze the morphology of rural settlements ➤ Learn the rural house types, census categories of rural settlements and idea of social segregation ➤ Learn the census definition and categories of urban settlements ➤ Analyze the urban morphology models of Burgess, Hoyt, Harris and Ullman ➤ Differentiate between city-region and conurbation ➤ Analyze the functional classification of cities ➤ Develop the skill of mapping language distribution of India 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Learn to plot proportional squares to illustrate housing distribution ➤ Acquire the skill of identifying rural settlement types from topographical sheet ➤ Understand Social Area Analysis of a city based on Shewky and Bell 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	90	Class/Week	06	Hours/week	06
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	75	Internal	25	End Semester	50
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
Unit I Rural Settlement	1. Scope and content of Settlement Geography; rural, urban and peri-urban areas.				08
	2. Rural Settlement: Definition, nature and characteristics				08
	3. Morphology of rural settlements: site and situation, layout-internal and external				10
	4. Rural house types with reference to India, Social segregation in rural areas; Census categories of rural settlements.				10
	5. Problems and policies related to rural infrastructure with reference to India				08
	6. Urban Settlements: Census definition (Temporal)				06

Unit II Urban Settlement	and categories in India	
	7. Urban morphology: Classical models: Burgess, Homer Hoyt, Harris and Ullman Metropolitan concept.	12
	8. City-region and Conurbation, Functional classification of cities: Harris, Nelson and McKenzie	12
	9. Aspects of urban places: Location, site and situation, Size and spacing of cities: the rank size rule, the law of the primate city	08
	10. Urban hierarchies: Central Place Theory; August Lösch's theory of market centres	08

Semester		VI	
Course Title	Evolution of Geographical Thought		
Course Code	GEOACOR13T	Credit	06
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Perceive the evolution of the philosophy of Geography. ➤ Appreciate the contribution of the thinkers in Geography. ➤ Give powerpoint presentations on different schools of geographical thought. ➤ Discussing the evolution of geographical thought from ancient to modern times. ➤ Establishing relationship of Geography with other disciplines and man-environment relationships. ➤ Analyzing modern and contemporary principles of Empiricism, Positivism, Structuralism, Human and Behavioral Approaches in Geography 		
Scheme of Instruction			

Total Duration	90	Class/Week	06	Hours/week	06
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	75	Internal	25	End Semester	50
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
Unit I: Nature of Pre Modern Geography	1. Development of Geography: Contributions of Greek and Chinese geographers				08
	2. Impact of 'Dark Age' in Geography and Arab contributions				08
	3. Geography during the age of 'Discovery' and 'Exploration' (contributions of Columbus, Vasco da Gama, Magellan, Thomas Cook)				10
	4. Transition from cosmography to scientific Geography (contributions of Bernard Varenius and Immanuel Kant). Dualism and Dichotomies (Ideographic vs. Nomothetic, Physical vs. Human, Regional vs. Systematic, Determinism vs. Possibilism,)				12
Unit II: Foundations of Modern Geography	5. Evolution of Geographical thoughts in Germany, France, Britain and United States of America				08
	6. Contributions of Humboldt and Ritter				06
	7. Contributions of Richthofen, Hettner, Ratzel and Vidal de La Blaché				12

hy and Recent Trends	8. Trends of geography in the post-World War-II period: Quantitative Revolution, systems approach.	12
	9. Evolution of Critical Geography: Behavioural, humanistic and radical.	08
	10. Changing concept of time-space in geography in the 21st Century	06

Semester		VI			
Course Title	Disaster Management				
Course Code	GEOACOR 14T	Credit	04		
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Understand the nature of hazards and disasters. ➤ Assess risk, perception and vulnerability with respect to hazards. ➤ Prepare hazard zonation maps. ➤ Assessing the nature, impact and management of major natural and man-made hazards affecting the Indian subcontinent. 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	60	Class/Week	03	Hours/week	03
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	50	Internal	10	End Semester	40
Course Mapping					

Units	Course Content	Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
Unit I: Concepts	1. Classification of hazards and disasters.	06
	2. Approaches to hazard study: Risk perception and vulnerability assessment. Hazard paradigms.	08
	3. Responses to hazards: Preparedness, trauma and aftermath. Resilience and capacity building.	06
	4. Hazards mapping: Data and geospatial techniques (for hazards enlisted in Unit II and Core 14P)	10
Unit II: Hazard-specific Study with focus on India	5. Earthquake: Factors, vulnerability, consequences and management	06
	6. Landslide: Factors, vulnerability, consequences and management	06
	7. Tropical Cyclone: Factors, vulnerability, consequences and management	06
	8. Riverbank erosion: Factors, vulnerability, consequences and management	06
	9. Radioactive fallout: Factors, vulnerability, consequences and management	06

Semester		VI	
Course Title	Disaster Management		
Course Code	GEOACOR 14P	Credit	02
Course	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Understand the nature of hazards and disasters. ➤ Assess risk, perception and vulnerability with respect to hazards. 		

Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Prepare hazard zonation maps. ➤ Assessing the nature, impact and management of major natural and man-made hazards affecting the Indian subcontinent. 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	60	Class/Week	06	Hours/week	06
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	25	Internal	15	End Semester	10
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
	<p>An individual Project Report is to be prepared and submitted based on any one case study among the following disasters of West Bengal incorporating a preparedness plan</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Thunderstorm 2. Landslide 3. Flood 4. Coastal/riverbank erosion 5. Fire 6. Industrial accident 7. Structural collapse 				60
Semester			VI		

Course Title	Hydrology and Oceanography				
Course Code	GEOADSE 04T	Credit	06		
Course Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Analyse the concepts of Hydrology and Oceanography ➤ Emphasizing the significance of groundwater quality and its circulation ➤ Evaluate the role of the global hydrological cycle. ➤ Studying the behavior and characteristics of the global oceans. ➤ Realize the importance of water conservation. ➤ Identify marine resources and characteristics of ocean waters. ➤ Interpret hydrological and rainfall dispersion graphs and diagrams. 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	90	Class/Week	06	Hours/week	06
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	75	Internal	25	End Semester	50
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content			Lecture Hour (Cumulative)	
	1. Systems approach in hydrology. Global hydrological cycle: Its physical and biological role			08	

Unit-I: Hydrology	2.Runoff: controlling factors.Infiltration and evapotranspiration. Runoff cycle	15
	3.Drainage basin as a hydrological unit.Principles of water harvesting and watershed management	08
	4.Groundwater: Occurrence and storage.Factors controlling recharge, discharge and movement	10
Unit-II: Oceanography	1.Major relief features of the ocean floor: characteristics and origin according to plate tectonics	10
	2.Physical and chemical properties of ocean water	06
	3.Water mass, T-S diagram	08
	4.Ocean temperature and salinity: Distribution and determinants	10
	5.Marine resources: Classification and sustainable utilization	07
	6.Sea level change: Types and causes	08

Semester		VI	
Course Title	Social Geography		
Course Code	GEOADSE05T	Credit	06
Course Outcome	<p>After the completion of course, the students will have ability to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Understand the nature, scope and relationships of geography and human wellbeing; ➤ Acquire knowledge on spatial dimensions of social diversity components; 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Appreciate the social welfare programs related to inclusive and exclusive policies in India. ➤ Understand the scope and content of cultural geography ➤ Trace the development of cultural geography in relation to allied disciplines ➤ Understand the concept of cultural hearth and realm, cultural diffusion, diffusion of religion ➤ Develop an understanding of cultural segregation and cultural diversity, technology and development ➤ Learn about the various races and racial groups of the world ➤ Identify the cultural regions of India 				
Scheme of Instruction					
Total Duration	90	Class/Week	06	Hours/week	06
Instruction Mode	Classroom Lectures, PPTs, documentaries, discussions and tutorials.				
Scheme of Examination					
Maximum Score	75	Internal	25	End Semester	50
Course Mapping					
Units	Course Content				Lecture Hour (Cumulative)
Unit I: Society, Identity and Crisis	1. Social Geography: Concept, Origin, Nature and Scope				04
	2. Concept of Space, Social differentiation and stratification; social processes				10
	3. Social Categories: Caste, Class, Religion, Race and Gender and their Spatial distribution				10

	4. Basis of Social region formation; Evolution of social-cultural regions of India	08
	5. Peopling Process of India: Technology and Occupational Change; Migration.	08
	6. Social groups, social behavior and contemporary social environmental issues with special reference to India	06
Unit II: Social Wellbeing and Planning	7. Concept of Social Well-being, Quality of Life, Gender and Social Well-being	08
	8. Measures of Social Well-being: Healthcare, Education, Housing, Gender Disparity	08
	9. Social Geographies of Inclusion and Exclusion, Slums, Gated Communities, Communal Conflicts and Crime.	10
	10. Social Planning during the Five Year Plans in India	06
	11. Social Policies in India: Education and Health	08
	12. Social Impact Assessment (SIA): Concept and importance	04