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FACULTY OF ARTS

FIRST YEAR END EXAMINATION IN ARTS (ONLINE), SEMESTER I – 2020/2021

**GYG 1106 – PRINCIPLES OF GEOGRAPHY**

**Instructions to Students:**

- The question paper starts on page 2.
- All written assessments must be **handwritten**. Handwriting must be **clear and readable**.
- Answers should be written on an **A4 size paper** (ruled/lined paper/or otherwise), using a **black ball point pen**.
- The **index number must be written on the top right-hand side** of each page of the answer script. Do not write your name anywhere on the answer script.
- **Number the pages** of the answer script using the following format at the **bottom of the page**: E.g., if it consists of 5 pages 1/5, 2/5...etc.
- Use the **common front page** (provided on LMS) as the first page of the answer script. You may print, or hand write the front page which must be the first page of your assessment.
- The **total number of pages** should be indicated on the front page of the answer script.
- **Scan/take photos of the answer script and convert it to a single PDF file** in the order of the page numbers.
- The full page of the answer script must be properly covered in the scanned image, and the scanned image must be clear/readable.
- LMS does not permit individual pages to be uploaded separately.
- **The only acceptable file format is PDF. The PDF file should be named with your index number**, e.g. A 12345
- Uploading answer scripts as JPEG/JPG or any other form will not be permitted.
- Complete and upload the final version of the answer script to LMS **within the stipulated 5 hours**
- Once the answer script has been uploaded to LMS, take **a screen shot of the full page** of the LMS with the word ‘submitted’, as an acknowledgement and keep it with you.
- **If** there is an **unexpected technical issue** with the uploading of an answer script to LMS, you may send your answer script via email to [exam1@arts.cmb.ac.lk](mailto:exam1@arts.cmb.ac.lk) immediately.

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Duration: **5 hours** for completion and submission of answer scripts to the LMS.

The question paper consists of **two parts** and **seven (07)** questions.

Answer **four (04)** questions selecting **one** question from Part I and **three** questions from Part II.

The **maximum word limit** and **marks** for each part of the question are given.

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**Part –I**

**01.**

- i) Briefly describe how the movements of tectonic plates have contributed to the formation of geomorphological features of the Earth.  
(Maximum 250 words: 05 Marks)
- ii) Discuss how the erosional process of a river contributes to the formation of different landforms.  
(Maximum 500 words: 10 Marks)

**02.**

- i) Briefly explain the factors that are essential for soil formation.  
(Maximum 250 words: 05 Marks)
- ii) “Physical and chemical weathering plays an important role in soil formation”  
Do you agree with this statement? Discuss your answer with appropriate examples.  
(Maximum 500 words: 10 Marks)

**Part- II**

**03.**

- i). Explain the two-way relationship between man and environment.  
(Maximum 250 words: 05 Marks)
- ii). “Contemporary Geographers believe that man is a part of the human-environmental system.” Do you agree with this statement? Discuss your answer with examples.  
(Maximum 500 words: 10 Marks)

**04.**

- i) Briefly describe the importance of the tertiary economic activities in a country.  
(Maximum 250 words: 05 Marks)
- ii) Examine the recent trends in the tertiary sector in the global economy.  
(Maximum 500 words: 10 Marks)

**05.**

- i) Explain the major achievements of the human beings during the Middle Stone (Mesolithic) age.  
(Maximum 250 words: 05 Marks)
- ii) Discuss with examples, the major changes that were made by the man to the environment during the New Stone (Neolithic) age.  
(Maximum 500 words: 10 Marks)

**06.**

- i) Briefly describe the international migration patterns in the present world.  
(Maximum 250 words: 05 Marks)
- ii) Compare the present mortality patterns in the developed and the developing countries with specific examples.  
(Maximum 500 words: 10 Marks)

**07.**

- i) Briefly discuss the causes of the depletion of global natural resources.  
(Maximum 250 words: 05 Marks)
- ii) Examine with examples, the strategies that have been followed by the developed countries for sustainable natural resource management.  
(Maximum 500 words: 10 Marks)

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