



**WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY**  
B.A./B.Sc. Honours 6th Semester Examination, 2021



**GEOACOR13T-GEOGRAPHY (CC13)**

**EVOLUTION OF GEOGRAPHICAL THOUGHT**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*  
*Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.*

**CATEGORY-A**

Answer any *two* questions from the following within 600 words each 10×2 = 20

1. Explain the origin and development of systems approach in geography. 10
2. Name the major proponents of environmental determinism and discuss their contributions in the development of this paradigm. How does possibilism differ from environmental determinism? 7+3
3. How do dualism and dichotomy prevail in Geography? Explain with example(s). 10

**CATEGORY-B**

Answer any *four* questions from the following within 150 words each 5×4 = 20

4. Describe the background for the emergence of radical geography.
5. What is an Inductive Method of study? How did great philosopher Aristotle practice inductive method in his observation?
6. What are the merits and demerits of Quantitative Revolution in Geography?
7. Why Alexander Von Humboldt is regarded as the "Father of modern geography"?
8. Why behavioural and radical geography are known as critical geography? Describe the significance of radical approach in contemporary geography.
9. Differentiate between human geography and humanistic geography.
10. Briefly discuss the contribution of Chinese scholars of Geography during medieval period.

CATEGORY-C

Answer any *five* questions from the following within 50 words each

2×5 = 10

11. What is Neo-determinism?
12. Define logical positivism.
13. What is social Darwinism?
14. Outline the Voyage route of Vasco-da-Gama to India.
15. Name two British geographers who contributed to the development of regional geography.
16. Give one example of closed system and one example of open system from geography.
17. What is Pragmatism?
18. Name the authors of the following books:  
'Geography as Human Ecology' and 'India and Pakistan – A General and Regional Geography'.
19. Distinguish between 'Kenos' and 'Cosmos'.

**N.B. :** *Students have to complete submission of their Answer Scripts through E-mail / Whatsapp to their own respective colleges on the same day / date of examination within 1 hour after end of exam. University / College authorities will not be held responsible for wrong submission (at in proper address). Students are strongly advised not to submit multiple copies of the same answer script.*

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