

M.A. Geography

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URBAN GEOGRAPHY

1. Urbanisation Process and Urban Systems

- 1.1 The bases of urbanisation- Demographic, economic and social aspects- Origins of the cities- Urbanisation Trends – urban fringe, urban sprawl and suburbanisation
- 1.2 Urban Landuse – various approaches – Classical, Neo-classical approaches - HumanEcology, land economics, activity systems
- 1.3 Urban location of economic activities – Urban morphology and landuse- Criticalperspective
- 1.4 Urban System- Evolution, growth and organisation - Primacy, hierarchy and balance– urban functions and Town classification

2. Urbanisation Process, Capitalism and development

- 2.1 Capitalism and urban development - Urbanisation in the industrialised world -Politicaconomy of urbanisation.
- 2.2 Urbanisation in the Third World - Concept of peripheral urbanisation - Salient characteristics- slums and Urban poverty- Capitalism and urban development -Urbanisation in the industrialised world
- 2.3 Colonial and post-colonial structure – Concepts of dualism and urban economic base inThird World Cities
- 2.4 Theoretical Perspectives on role of Cities in regional and national development – cumulative Causation- Core and Periphery and growth pole theory - Top-down andbottom-up approach of urban and regional Planning

3. Perspectives on Urban Planning with Special Reference to India

- 3.1 Indian experience of urban planning through 5 Year Plans – First Five Year Plan To Sixth Five Year Plan - Primate urban structure and associated problems – growth poles – policies of decongestion, decentralisation and planned towns – successes and failures , Indian Urban and Housing Policies
- 3.2 Changing Perspective on city planning – Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Five Year Plan –Intersection of global processes – Flexibilised urban economy – Changing Economic Base and International Capital - Informalisation and Feminisation of urban economy
- 3.3 Recentralisation – international capital and formation of global city - Processes and patterns of urban renewal- Crisis in urban space- Gentrification and other Emergingissues.

3.4 Global city and global city-region – new regionalism - transformation of the peri-urban regions of the Global South

4. Understanding the Urban Transformation with Special Reference to Mumbai Metropolitan Region

4.1 Gentrification in the Mill-land of Mumbai and the plight of the textile workers

4.2 Slum redevelopment in Mumbai- the case of Dharavi

4.3 Issues of urban planning and environment in Vasai- Virar Subregion

4.4 Mumbai a reclaimed city and challenges in urban planning.

4.5 The Planned City of New Mumbai: A Critical Perspective

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