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Indiranagar, Bangalore
HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION 2016-2017
Subject: Geography

Class VIII

Time: 2hrs

Mark s: 80

A. On the outline map of India mark and label the following

1. The Himalayas (1)
2. Garo, Khasi and Jaintia Hills (1)
3. The Northern Plains (1)
4. Western and Eastern Ghats (2)
5. Capital of India, Maharastra, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Bihar (5)
6. Thar Desert (1)
7. Deccan Plateau, Malwa Plateau, Chota Nagpur Plateau (3)
8. Vindhya and Satpura Range (2)
9. Konkan Coast, Malabar Coast, Coromandel Coast (3)
10. Rivers : Ganga, Brahmaputra, Kaveri, Mahanadi (1)

B. Answer the following questions in one or two sentences: (10)

1. Give the latitudinal extent of India.
2. What is October heat?
3. Which region receive very high rainfall in India?
4. State one protective role of forests.
5. Give one geographical condition favourable for wheat cultivation.
6. How is latex collected from rubber trees?
7. Where was the first textile mill located in India?
8. Mention one factor that made Bengaluru the electronic capital.
9. Why are the Himalayas important for India? Give one reason.
10. What is one effect of tropical cyclone?

C. Name the following (10)

1. Fertile deposit of silt near the mouth of the river.
2. Highest mountain range of the Himalayas.
3. Local dust storm.
4. A village in Meghalaya which gets the highest amount of rainfall.
5. Trees commonly found in the Sunderbans.
6. A movement started in the Garhwal to prevent deforestation.

7. Bread basket of India.
8. Ring shaped islands in Lakshadweep.
9. Two varieties of coffee grown in Kerala.
10. Two cities along with Bengaluru that form the Silicon Triangle.

D. Give reasons :

(10)

1. Standard time is necessary for India.
2. North Indian rivers never dry up.
3. Advancing monsoon is called south west monsoon.
4. Coromandel Coast gets more rainfall during retreating monsoon.
5. Mumbai receives more rainfall than Pune.
6. The black buck is an endangered animal.
7. During Green Revolution the yield of wheat increased.
8. Kerala is known as the 'spice garden of India'.
9. Mumbai is a commercial centre.
10. Bengaluru is called 'The Silicon Valley of India'.

E. Distinguish between the following

(5x2=10)

1. Western Ghats and Eastern Ghats
2. Arabian Sea branch and Bay of Bengal branch. (South West Monsoon)
3. Tropical rainforest and mountain vegetation.
4. Aravalli Range and Himalayas.
5. Tropical cyclones and western disturbances.

F. Briefly define in one or two lines

(5x2=10)

1. Flora and fauna.
2. Sacred groves.
3. Doab with example.
4. HYV seeds.
5. Cottage industry.

G. Answer in detail

(5x2=10)

1. How were the Northern Plains formed? Where are they located?
2. Describe hot weather season with reference to :
 - a. Temperature
 - b. Winds.
3. How can we conserve forests? Give only two ways.
4. What factors led to a dramatic increase in production of wheat in Punjab?
5. What are the two features of plantation farming?