INDIAN STATISTICAL INSTITUTE

FOURTH SEMESTER EXAMINATION, 2015/17 SESSION

ELECTIVE PAPER ON GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS

(MASTER IN LIBRARY INFORMATION SCIENCE)

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INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENT

- 1. This Question paper consists of 1 page.
- 2. Attempt all questions to score maximum.
- 3. Please print all your answers in the Answer Booklet provided.
- 4. Scientific Calculator is allowed.

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| [3 marks] |
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- Q2. What is Geographical Information Science (GISci), and its uses in planning and developing spatial social policies? [5 marks]
- Q3. Given 29 states of India, explain a procedure on how to cluster those 29 states in to k-groups, where k is the number lesser than 7. [10 marks]
- Q4. Given a Digital Elevation Model (DEM), in other words a 2-D function depicted as f(x, y) denoting elevations at spatial positions (x, y), how do you extract valley and ridge connectivity networks. Provide steps involved in the algorithm with supporting equations and illustrations. [10 marks]
- Q5. Write full set of equations involved in computing the median and dual median between f(x,y) and g(x,y) being the source and target spatial fields respectively. Show example source and target spatial fields of your choice, and compute median and dual median.

[10 marks]

- Q6. Across the geographical space, there are four locations, denoted as X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4 such that $\bigcap_{i=1}^4 X_i = \phi$. The temperature values recorded respectively at X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4 are 10, 20, 30, 40 degrees centigrade. Write an algorithms to convert such location-specific data into contiguous four-zones map, and explain the process with illustrations. [10 marks]
- Q7. What is the importance of deriving a strategically significant location within a spatial system containing several locational-objects. How to designate each spatial object within a spatial systems with ranks ranging from highly significant to least significant. [10 marks]

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