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11. Ostracods.
12. Ecology of foraminifers.
13. Palynofossils.
14. Conodonts.
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II. Answer any seven questions, each not exceeding two pages.
15. Theories of Mass extinction.
16. Granulites of South India.
17. Classification of Vindhyan Supergroup.
18. Saline series.
19. Laws of stratigraphy.

- 20. Modes of preservation of fossils.
- 21. Evolutionary trends in graptolites.
- 22. Morphology of Trilobites.
- 23. Techniques in collection and preservation of microfossils.
- 24. Application of microfossils in petroleum exploration.

 $(7 \times 2 = 14 \text{ Weightage})$

III. Write essays on any one of the following

25. Give an account of the contributions of Steno, Lehmann, Fushel, Werner, Hutton, Lyell and Smith to the science of stratigraphy.

OR

26. Discuss stratigraphic boundary problems with special reference to the Deccan traps of Indian subcontinent.

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27. Describe the evolutionary history of man.

OR

28. Give an account of the classification, morphology, ecology, palaeoecology and stratigraphic importance of Foraminifera.

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