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SIXTH SEMESTER B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MARCH 2017

(CUCBCSS-UG)

Geology

GLY 6B 20-INDIAN MINERAL DEPOSITS

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 80 Marks

Draw neat sketches wherever necessary.

Part A

Answer all ten questions in one word or one sentence each.

- 1. In which state is the Ramagiri gold-field located?
- 2. The diamond deposits of Wajrakarur in the Anantpur district of Andhra Pradesh are an example of ———— deposits.
- 3. The chemical composition of chromite.
- 4. Kalahandi in the state of Orissa is famous for the deposits of ————.
- 5. From which type of rocks can graphite of workable quantities be extracted?
- 6. The principal mineral constituent of drilling mud used in petroleum industry.
- 7. Argentite is a sulphide ore mineral of ———.
- 8. Kyanite after being calcined and grained to powder is used as a material.
- 9. The other name for bio-chemical process of formation of coal.
- 10. One of the world class deposits of heavy mineral sands in the coastal tracts of Kerala between Neendakara and Kayamkulam is commonly known as ———— deposit.

 $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ marks})$

Part B (Short Answer Type Questions)

Answer any ten questions.

- 11. Hutti Gold Field.
- 12. Malanjkhand deposits.
- 13. Pyrolusite.
- 14. Gonditic ores.
- 15. Byrapura and Tagadur deposits.
- 16. East Coast Bauxite.

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- 17. Asbestos.
- 18. Emery and garnet.
- 19. Clay minerals.
- 20. Refractories.
- 21. Tertiary coals in India.
- 22. Bombay High.

 $(10 \times 2 = 20 \text{ marks})$

Part C (Paragraph Type Questions)

Answer any five questions.

- 23. Important properties and Indian distribution of ore minerals of lead and zinc.
- 24. Gypsum and Mica as Industrial minerals.
- 25. Abrasive minerals.
- Gemstone occurrences in India.
- 27. Classification and composition of coal.
- Important oil fields of India.
- Clay deposits of Kerala.
- Strategic, critical and essential minerals.

 $(5 \times 6 = 30 \text{ marks})$

Part D (Essay Type Questions)

Answer any two questions.

- 31. Describe the physical properties, chemical composition, uses, modes of occurrence and distribution in India of the important ore minerals of Iron.
- 32. Explain the properties, mode of occurrence and distribution in India of the important radioactive minerals of Thorium and Uranium.
- 33. Give an account of petroleum as a fossil fuel highlighting on its composition, uses and theories of origin. Add a note on oil traps.
- 34. Discuss the salient aspects of India's current National Mineral Policy. Add a note on how the policy aims at the development of strategic mineral resources.

 $(2 \times 10 = 20 \text{ marks})$