Ph.D. Admission Test 2018-19

1. GEO-STRATEGIC SIGNIFICANCE OF WEST ASIA
   1.1 Oil & Strategic Significance of the Gulf
   1.2 Oil & Gas – Major fields, Reserves & Production
   1.3 Physical Features, Climate, Soil, Vegetation & Population.
   1.4 Agriculture Expansion : Irrigation & Agrarian Reforms

2. IMPERIALISM AND NATIONALISM IN WEST ASIA
   2.1 Mandate System
   2.2 Rise of Nationalism in West Asia - Arab Nationalism, Arab Socialism
   2.3 Zionism and the Formation of Israel
   2.4 Ayatullah Khomeini & Islamic Activism in Iran (1979)

3. POLITICS IN WEST ASIA
   3.1 The P.L.O. and the Palestinian Question
   3.2 1967 Arab Israeli War, 1973 Arab Israeli War and Oil Embargo
   3.3 Iraq –Kuwait Conflict and the Second Gulf War
   3.4 Divergent Paths to Peace in West Asia: Camp David Accord, Madrid & OSLO Accord

4. OIL & REGIONAL COOPERATION IN WEST ASIA
   4.1 The Economics of Oil and Gas
   4.2 Basic Development Issues & General Economic Features of West Asia
   4.3 OPEC in New Energy Environment
   4.4 Regional Economic Groupings and India-West Asia Economic Relations

5. THE ECONOMICS OF WEST ASIA
   5.1 Issue of Dutch Disease in West Asian Countries
   5.2 The concept of Rentier Economy and the West Asian Economies
   5.3 Exchange rate Policies in West Asian Countries
   5.4 Stock markets in West Asia

6. SOCIAL SYSTEM OF WEST ASIA
   6.1 Society and Culture of West Asia
   6.2 Tribes, Ethnicity, Religions in West Asia
   6.3 Population, Diaspora and Migration Pattern of West Asia
   6.4 Social and Women Movement in West Asia

Written Test: The test paper, carrying 80 marks shall be of TWO hours duration and shall have 60 objective type multiple choice questions (MCQs) carrying one marks each and 05 Descriptive Question of 04 marks each and shall comprise the following two sections with the distribution of marks mentioned against them.

Section A
Research Methodology : 40 marks

Section B
Subject Specific : 20 marks
(20 marks of Descriptive questions (maximum 5 to 8 Descriptive question)