

The Board of Departmental Examination, Himachal Pradesh
(Other Gazetted Officers)

Paper 3: RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (~~DECEMBER~~ ^{NOV-} 2019)

TIME: 3 HOURS

MAXIMUM MARKS: 100

Attempt Any 5 Questions. Bare Acts/Rules are allowed.

1. How can Gram Sabhas be made an agency to lead change and to set agenda for growth through Gram Panchayat Development Plans (GPDPs)? How can GPDP be integrated with the District and State Plans? How can funds be channelized to realize these plans?
(8+6+6) 20 Marks
2. Write a brief note ANY TWO of the following:
 - a. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Kaushal Yojna (DDU GKY)
 - b. Nation Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM)
 - c. Zero Budget Natural Farming (ZBNF)
 - d. Behaviour Change Communication (BCC) strategies

(10x2) 20 Marks
3. Illustrate with examples how National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) has changed lives of poor women in various parts of the country through micro-credit, employment generation activities and market linkage.
20 Marks
4. What are the salient features of Panchayats (Extension to Scheduled Areas) Act, 1986 and how does it help in empowering tribal people to protect their unique identities?
20 Marks
5. What mechanism has been put in place under The Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 to protect the rights of the STs and other traditional forest dwellers?
20 Marks
6. How MGNREGS is changing the lives of poor people in addition to asset creation illustrate with success stories from different parts of the State?
20 Marks
7. Himachal Pradesh was the second state to be declared Open Defecation Free (ODF) in October, 2016. What lessons of SBM-G campaign can be applied to achieve the goal of Plastic Free Himachal?
20 Marks
8. Rural Tourism is emerging as the game changer for the villages of Himachal. What can be done to promote it in terms of policy and practices?
20 Marks
9. In order to develop rural areas we need to have an integrated plan which takes on board departments like Animal Husbandry, Agriculture, Horticulture, Irrigation, Health and ICDS. But in spite of this understanding different departments make stand alone plans. How can this situation be improved?
20 Marks