

# JNUEE: Question Papers (2007-2013)

## ENTRANCE EXAMINATION, 2013

M.Phil./Ph.D. SOUTH, SOUTH-EAST ASIAN & SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AND CENTRAL ASIAN STUDIES

[ Field of Study Code : SASP (115)/ESSP (116)/CASP (117) ]

*Time Allowed : 3 hours Maximum Marks : 70*

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Attempt **five** questions in all

Select at least **two** and not more than **three** questions from Section—A (General) The remaining questions should be answered from any one of the Sections, i.e., either Section - B , or Section - C, or Section - D for which the candidate has applied **Section—A (General)**

1. How do you explain the tardy progress of South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC)? What lessons SAARC can learn from the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN)? 2. Define and differentiate 'terrorism' and 'insurgency' in the context of any one of the Asian countries. 3. Explain feminism. Discuss feminist theory of international relations. 4. Most believe that future wars will be fought over water. Argue either for or against. 5. What do you understand by nationalism? Critically assess nationalist movement in any one of the countries in Asia. 6. What is zero-sum game? Examine bilateral relationship between any two Asian countries. 7. Critically examine the concept of human security and its relevance to any Asian country. 8. Does regionalism pose a threat to WTO-based trading system? Make an assessment. 9. Critically assess the 'pull' and 'push' factors in international migration. 10. Write short notes on the following: (a) Global Warming (b) Media and political awareness.

**SECTION - B (South Asian Studies)** 11. Give your reasons how domestic politics impacts on India's foreign policy. 12. Evaluate the democratisation process in Bhutan and Maldives. 13. Critically examine the nature and character of the Pakistani State. 14. Discuss the role of civil society in Bangladeshi politics. 15. Analyse India-Sri Lanka relations in the context of recent developments. 16. How politics impacts on economic cooperation in South Asian region? Explain India's economic relations with any one of the South Asian countries. 17. Critically examine India's Nepal policy. 18. Discuss the role of minorities in Pakistan politics and society. 19. Write short notes on any two of the following: (a) Shahbagh Movement in Bangladesh. (b) India's role in the reconstruction of Afghanistan. (c) Radical activism in Pakistan.

**SECTION - C (South-East Asian and South-West Pacific Studies)** 20. Discuss China's diplomatic and economic influence in South-East Asia. 21. Evaluate the role of ASEAN in the promotion of regionalism and regional multilateralism in the Asia-Pacific. 22. Assess the role of Indian diaspora in India's Look East Policy. 23. Explain how South China Sea dispute will affect the security of South-East Asia. 24. Critically examine the role of Aung San Suu Kyi against the backdrop of recent developments in Myanmar. 25. Assess the impact of the US rebalancing strategy on India's relations with South-East Asia. 26. Examine India's soft power potential in South-East Asia. 27. Discuss the status of Indian community in the domestic politics of Malaysia. 28. Write short notes on the following: (a) Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral, Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) (b) Rohingyas

**SECTION - D (Central Asia)** 29. Discuss the role of women in the reconstruction of Afghanistan. 30. Examine India-Central Asia energy cooperation with particular reference to Tajikistan-Afghanistan-Pakistan-India (TAPI) pipeline. 31. Critically assess the role of Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) in fostering regional cooperation in Central Asia. 32. Discuss the salient features of India's 'Connect Central Asia' policy. 33. What are the threats posed by Taliban to peace and security in Afghanistan? 34. Make a critical assessment of the role of Dalai Lama in Tibetan politics. 35. Discuss the role of Buddhism in India-Mongolia relations. 36. Examine Czarist Russian policy towards Central Asia. 37. Write short notes on the following: (a) Ethnic conflict in Xinxiang (b) Farghana valley

# JNUEE: Question Papers 2011

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5. Briefly evaluate the implications of recent political developments in Myanmar.
6. Has the ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF) succeeded in fulfilling its role as a mechanism to deal with regional security issues?
7. Explain the major domestic sources of security threats to South-East Asia.
8. Assess the role of ASEAN in the promotion of regionalism in South-East Asia.
9. Evaluate the role of East Asia Summit (EAS) in the promotion of regional economic cooperation.
10. Write short notes on any *two* of the following :

1. Suharto
2. Than Swe
3. Ratu Sir Kamises Mara
4. Red Shirt Movement

#### SECTION—D ( Central Asian Studies )

1. Write a critical essay on the 'Great Game' in Central Asia during the nineteenth century. How is it different from the 'New Great Game' played by great powers in Central Asia now?
2. Critically examine the problems and prospects of developing India-Central Asia relation! Suggest ways to overcome the existing problems, if any.
3. Discuss the salient features of Russia's Central Asia Policy after the break-up of the USSR.
4. What are the problems and prospects of peace and stability in Afghanistan? Discuss
5. Give the salient features of the US and NATO strategy in Afghanistan.
6. Write a critical essay on the problem of ethnic-religious separatism in Xinjiang.
7. Evaluate the process of democratization in post-1991 Mongolia
8. Tajikistan lies at the bottom of the scale in terms of Human Development Index. Explain this in the light of human security concerns.
9. Critically analyze the role of Tibet factor in Sino-Indian relations.
10. Write short notes on any *two* of the following :

1. 17th Gyalwa Karmapa
2. Durand Line
3. TAPI
4. Fergana Valley

## JNUEE: Question Papers 2010

### ENTRANCE EXAMINATION, 2010

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South-West Pacific Studies), or Section—D (Central Asian Studies) for which the candidate has applied

#### **Section A General**

1. Examine the changing nature of terrorism and its challenges to international security.
2. Critically analyse the major determinants of foreign policy in any Asian country.
3. How do you define colonialism and nationalism? What are their legacies in the post-colonial context?
4. How do you define civil society? What role does it play in resolving the socio-economic and political tensions
5. Discuss the causes of the recent global financial crisis. Analyse the policies to cope with the crisis.
6. What do you understand by regionalism in Asian context? Do you think that too many regional groupings work at cross purposes?
7. Write an essay on the role of women in conflict and peace.
8. Define Democracy. What are its essential institutions?
9. Critically examine the climate change negotiations at Copenhagen.
10. What are the emerging trends in international politics?

#### **SECTION—B ( South Asian Studies )**

1. Define a Region. Examine its characteristics in the context of South Asia.
2. What are the challenges to peace and development in South Asia?
3. Critically evaluate the functioning of South Asian Association of Regional Cooperation (SAARC).
4. What do you understand by Food Security? What are the challenges to achieve food security in South Asia?
5. Critically analyse the need and scope for energy cooperation in South Asia.
6. What do you mean by post-conflict reconstruction? Analyse the challenges to reconstruction in Sri Lanka.
7. Critically analyse the debate over Pakistan in India and the complexities surrounding it.
8. Was Indian nationalism inclusive?
9. Why has Pakistan's Army been playing a central role in Pakistan's domestic and foreign policy?
10. Critically examine the role of caretaker government in Bangladesh politics.
11. Discuss the challenges to constitution making in Nepal.
12. Write short notes on any *two* of the following :
  1. Political changes in Maldives
  2. Changing role of monarchy in Bhutan
  3. The US' Afghan-Pak Policy
  4. Sheikh Hasina's 2010 visit to India

#### **SECTION—C ( South-East Asian and South-West Pacific Studies )**

1. Discuss the evolution of regionalism in the South-East Asia or South Pacific.
2. Analyse the key issues in maritime security of South-East Asia.
3. Assess the development of multiculturalism in Australia, especially in the context of recent attacks on Indian students.
4. Whether democratic principles or national interests should guide India's policy towards Myanmar?
  5. Discuss in detail India's economic engagement in South-East Asia.

- 6 Critically analyse ASEAN-China Free-trade-agreement.
- 7 What are the salient features of Singapore's foreign policy?
- 8 Assess the role of military in post-Suharto Indonesia.
- 9 Examine the impact of 2006 Coup D'etat in Fiji.
- 10 Point out the achievements of Vietnam in the post-Doi Moi era.
- 11 Write short notes on any *two* of the following :

1. Asian Values
2. ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF)
3. Treaty of Rarotonga
4. Commodore Bainimarama

#### SECTION—D ( Central Asian Studies )

1. Write an essay on the 'Great Game' in Central Asia during the 19th century. How is it different from the current great power interest in the region?
1. What are the challenges faced by landlocked States? Discuss with the help of taking any case of Central Asian Republics.
- 3 Write an essay on Tibet as a factor in India-China relations.
- 4 Write a critical essay on problems and prospects of cooperation between India and Central Asia.
- 5 What are the problems and prospects of economic development in any one of the Central Asian Republics? Discuss.
6. What is Regionalism? Critically examine the role of Shanghai Cooperation Organization in Central Asia.
7. Critically evaluate the main trends in Mongolia's Foreign Policy in the post-Cold War period.
8. What are the challenges faced by the international community in bringing peace and security in Afghanistan?
9. Critically analyse China's response to recent terrorist attacks in Xinjiang.
10. Write short notes on any *two* of the following :

1. Durand Line
2. Hizb ut-Tahir
3. Sino-Tibetan Agreement of 1951
4. Aral Sea

## **JNUEE: Question Papers 2009 JNU ENTRANCE EXAMINATION,**

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**Section A General**

1. Analyze the role of Hindu revivalist movement in India's freedom struggle.
2. Critically examine the role of political Islam in any two countries in Asia.
3. Assess the role of Pressure Groups in coalition politics in any of the Asian countries.
4. Evaluate liberalism as a framework to analyze international politics.
5. What, in your view, constitutes terrorism and what are its challenges to global security?
6. What is globalization? Analyze its socio-cultural implications for any Asian country.
7. Is the world truly unipolar? Substantiate your arguments in the context of the rise of new power centres.
8. Do you think that free and unregulated capitalism is responsible for the current global economic slowdown?
9. What is the theory of Demographic Transition? How, in your opinion, can the Demographic Dividend contribute to the process of growth and development in India?
10. What do you understand by sustainable development? Analyze the inter-linkages between environment and sustainable development.

**SECTION—B ( South Asian Studies )**

1. Critically evaluate the role of Mahatma Gandhi and Mohammad Ali Jinnah in the creation of Pakistan.
2. Assess the role of army in Pakistani politics.
3. Critically examine India's centrality in the South Asian region and its impact on its neighbourhood policy.
4. Discuss the basic determinants of India's foreign policy.
5. Do you think the process of multilateral liberalization and the WTO have contributed positively to South Asia's integration with the global economy? Substantiate your arguments.
6. Do you think economic reforms have led to a socially inclusive process of growth in India?
7. What are the major challenges to democracy in Bangladesh?
8. Critically evaluate the process of political change in Nepal and its implications for India-Nepal relations.

9. "Militancy is a manifestation of crisis of legitimacy facing an ethnic majoritarian State." Analyze this statement in the context of the ethnic conflict in Sri Lanka.
10. Examine the role of women in the politics of any two of the South Asian countries.
11. Write short notes on any *two* of the following :

1. The SAARC convention on terrorism
2. Constitutional development in Bhutan
3. Climate change and Maldivian security
4. Resurgence of Taliban in Pakistan and Afghanistan

#### Section—c ( Southeast Asian and Southwest Pacific Studies )

1 Write an essay on the nationalist movement in any *one* of the following countries :

1. Indonesia
2. Vietnam
3. Malaysia
4. Vanuatu

2. Do you think the recently adopted Charter would make ASEAN a more effective regional organization? Explain in detail.

3 What are the main features of India's Look East Policy and to what extent has it advanced its interests?

4. Explain the major political developments in Indonesia since the exit of Suharto.

5. Examine the role of military in Fijian politics.

6. Make a critical assessment of the role of the East Asia Summit (EAS).

7. What are the main principles and objectives of New Zealand's foreign policy?

8. Is Australia truly a multicultural nation? Give reasons.

9. Evaluate the role of military in Myanmar and the prospects for democracy.

10. Write an essay on India-ASEAN free -trade agreement.

11. Write short notes on any *two* of the following :

1. a) Anwar Ibrahim
1. Thaksin Sinawatra
2. Ho Chi Minh
3. Gloria Macapagal Arroyo
4. Lee Kuan Yew

SECTION—D ( **Central Asian Studies** )

1. How far is Indian policy successful in promoting its strategic interests in Central Asia?
2. Critically evaluate Russia's renewed interest in Central Asia.
3. What are the outcomes of the Bonn Peace Process in Afghanistan?
4. Critically examine the resource conflicts in Central Asia.
5. Write an essay on the political reforms in Mongolia in the post-Cold War period.
6. Discuss the Anglo-Russian rivalries in the context of the Great Game.
7. What are the problems and prospects for regional cooperation in Central Asia?
8. What are the reasons for the recent unrest in Tibet? Evaluate China's responses.
9. Analyze the ethnic conflict in Xinjiang and its implications for Central Asia.
10. Write short notes on any *two* of the following :

1. India and Shanghai Cooperation Organization
2. Loya Jirga
3. Andizan Crisis
4. Dalai Lama

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**Section A General**

1. What are the consequences of British India's Partition in 1947?
2. Critically examine the role of religion in India's Freedom Struggle.
3. Does regionalism pose a threat to the WTO-based trading system? Discuss.
4. Is the export-led growth strategy better than that based on import-substitution? Critically analyze in India's context.



5. What are the various theoretical perspectives on 'State'? Does in your view globalization weaken the Westphalian State system?
6. What do you mean by 'separation of powers'? Critically assess relations between legislature and judiciary in the Indian context.
7. What are the sources of State power? Evaluate the role of 'power' in International politics.
8. Is global centre of gravity shifting to Asia? Examine its impact on International politics.
9. Assess different theories of ethnicity and their relevance in explaining sub-national movements in India.
10. Discuss State policies in addressing gender issues in India.

#### SECTION—B ( **South Asian Studies** )

1. Evaluate the progress of regional economic integration in South Asia. What in your opinion is the role of SAFTA in the process?
2. Analyze the implications of large capital inflows on the Indian economy.
3. Is the nuclear deal with the United States in India's interest? Give reasons.
4. What are the major challenges to India's security?
5. Critically evaluate the process of democratization in Bhutan.
6. Despite periodic elections, democracy has failed to take roots in Pakistan. Give reasons.
7. Critically examine the role of the army in Bangladeshi politics.
8. Assess the impact of Maoist movement on recent political developments in Nepal.
9. What are the reasons for International community's failure in resolving the Sri Lankan ethnic conflict?
10. What are the major features of India's neighbourhood policy in the post-Cold War period?
11. Write short notes on any *two* of the following :

1. US counter-terrorism strategy in Afghanistan
2. India-Sri Lanka Free Trade Agreement
3. India-Pakistan Composite Dialogue
4. Political reform process in Maldives
5. Economic reconstruction in Afghanistan

#### SECTION—C ( **Southeast Asian and Southwest Pacific Studies** )

1. Analyze the progress of India-Southeast Asia relations in the ambit of Look East policy.
2. Discuss the role of ASEAN in the promotion of regionalism and regional multilateralism.
3. What in your opinion are the major factors that have made Singapore an economic success story?
4. In the light of recent developments, examine the status of ethnic Indians in Malaysia from a politico-economic perspective.
5. Assess the impact of China's growing diplomatic and economic clout in Southeast Asia.

6. Discuss the impact of the recently elected Kevin Rudd's government on India's relations with Australia.
7. Trace the current trends in Thai politics especially after the ouster of Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra from power.
  8. Examine the inter-ethnic relations in Fiji especially after the 2000 coup.
  9. Has regional cooperation in Southwest Pacific succeeded in developing an oceanic community? Discuss.
  10. What are the challenges for democratization in Myanmar against the backdrop of recent developments?
  11. Write short notes on any *two* of the following :

1. BIMSTEC
2. Suharto's New Order . (c) Doi Moi

(d) Rainbow Warrior

#### SECTION—D ( Central Asian Studies )

1. Critically examine the role of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) in the promotion of regional cooperation in Central Asia.
2. Explain the challenges and opportunities faced by the Central Asian republics in the wake of the disintegration of the Soviet Union.
3. What are the sources and implications of the rise of religious extremism in Central Asia?
4. Critically assess the US factor in regional security of Central Asia.
5. What are the salient features of Russia's policies towards Central Asian republics?
6. Discuss the problems and prospects for India-Central Asia relations.
7. Assess the role of oil and gas in the geopolitics of Central Asia.
8. Write an essay on the Tibetan issue and its impact on India-China relations.
9. Write short notes on any *two* of the following :

1. Durand Line
2. Farghana Valley
3. Uyghur-Han relations in Xinxiang
4. Resurgence of Taliban

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#### SECTION—A ( General )

1. Critically examine the 'pull' and 'push' factors of international migration.
2. Critically examine the nature of the 'post-Cold War' international system.
3. What are the challenges to federalism in any of the Asian countries?
  4. Critically examine the role of regional organizations like the SAARC and ASEAN in the context of globalization.
  5. Do you agree that 'religion is the opium of society'? Discuss.
  6. Analyse the meaning of neo-colonialism with the help of examples from Asia.
  7. Analyse the impact of drug trafficking on the society and economy in *either* South *or* Central Asia.
  8. Discuss the major issues involved in the empowerment of women in Asia.
  9. Analyse the achievements of any of the millennium development goals within the target date in the context of Asia.
10. How does the presence of multinational corporations impact the host society and its economy? Discuss.

#### SECTION—B ( South Asia )

1. Write an essay on the causes of ethnic conflict in Sri Lanka. What are the difficulties of peace-making in the country?
  2. Critically examine the trends in India's foreign policy in the post-Cold War era.
  3. What do you understand by the term Islamic fundamentalism? Do you think it is applicable in the context of South Asia?
  4. What do you understand by globalization? Examine its impact on the Indian economy.
  5. Examine the various instruments of monetary management of the Reserve Bank of India. Bring out the limitations of these instruments.
  6. Discuss the issues related to decentralization and devolution of governance in India.
  7. How would you analyse the origins of the Kashmir Dispute between India and Pakistan? What are the prospects of peace between the two countries?
  8. Critically examine the recent political developments in Bangladesh.
9. Account for the slow growth in Indian agriculture in the new millennium.
10. What are the major features of the peace process in today's Nepal? Discuss.
11. Write short notes on :

1. Rural Employment Guarantee Programme
2. Democracy in Bhutan
3. Baglihar Dam Project

#### 4. Global Warming

### SECTION—C

#### ( South-East Asian and South-West Pacific Studies )

1. Discuss the development of multiculturalism in Malaysia.
2. Despite the recent political crisis in Thailand, would you agree that there is a "continuing devotion of Thai political actors to procedural democracy"? Explain.
3. Examine Australia's foreign policy under the ruling Conservative Government of John Howard.
4. Discuss the achievements of ANZUS in promoting security interests of the region.
5. Has the ASEAN succeeded in community building? Discuss.
6. Trace the latest political developments in Fiji and evaluate the prospects for ethnic Indians there.
7. Has regional cooperation succeeded in South Pacific? Discuss.
8. Analyse the features of the US containment policy in Vietnam.
9. Critically examine Sukarno's 'guided democracy' and its impact on Indonesia.
10. Write short note- on any *two* of the following :

1. Australia's sale of uranium to China
2. Solomon Islands
3. Ngo Dinh Diem
4. Jose Rizal

### SECTION—D ( Central Asia )

1. Write an essay on the 'Great Game' in Central Asia. Is it relevant in the contemporary context? Discuss.
2. Critically analyse the problems and prospects of regional cooperation in the land-locked countries of Central Asia.
3. Write an essay on the economic reforms in the Central Asian republics after their independence.
4. Discuss the salient features of China's Central Asia Policy after the break-up of the USSR.
5. Write a critical essay on Mongolia's foreign policy in the post-Cold War Period
6. How does the US presence in Afghanistan affect the geopolitics of South Asia? Discuss.
7. What are the problems and prospects of Sino-Tibetan dialogue to resolve the Tibet issue
8. Discuss this in the light of Dalai Lama's new initiatives.
9. Write short notes on any *two* of the following :
1. Panjdeh Crisis
2. Shanghai Cooperation Organization
3. McMahon Line

#### 4. Durand Line

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