



Indraprastha College for Women

University of Delhi

Work Plan for ODD SEMESTER – 2026

Course Name:	B.A. (H) Geography
Paper Title:	Urban Geography
Unique Paper Code:	2292102303
Semester:	III
Faculty(s):	Mr. Shubham Kumar Sanu
Year:	August 2026 – December 2026

Work Plan			
Unit No.	Learning Objective	Lecture No.	Topics to be Covered
1	Introduction of Urban Geography and its inception	1-9	Definition of urban; Nature and scope of urban geography; Theories of urban origin (reference Carter).
2	To learn the concept of Urban Morphology and Hierarchy	10-18	Concept and Theories of morphology (Kearsley modified Burgess, Harris & Ullman and White' model; Concept and Theories of Hierarchy-Christaller, and Rank size; Morphology of an Indian City (Madurai or Delhi or Jamshedpur) (ONLY ONE)
3	Understanding the Urban Issues in Mega Cities of India	19-27	Urban Basic Services (water in detail with reference to Chennai); Housing and slums (Mumbai). • Heat island (suitable examples).
4	Understanding the Urban Planning and Governance	28-36	Planning: Concept of Master Plans, AMRUT; Institutions: UN-Habitat, Urban local bodies in India.
5	Learn the new and innovative concept of Futuristic Cities	37-45	Concept of New Urbanism; Concepts of futuristic cities: sustainable city, smart city, compact city, virtual city,

			network city, world class city, global city, and inclusive city (no question on individual concept); Sustainable city or smart city concept in detail (ONLY ONE)
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S. No.	Name of Authors/Books/Publishers
1.	Ramachandran, R., (1992). Urbanisation and Urban Systems of India. New Delhi, India: Oxford University Press.
2.	Pacione, M. (2009). Urban Geography: A Global Perspective. Taylor and Francis, UK
3.	Singh, S and Saroha, J. (2021) Urban Geography, Pearson Education.

4.	Kaplan, D. H., Wheeler, J. O. and Holloway, S. R. (2008). Urban Geography, John Wiley, New York
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Paper Components			
Credits	Lecture (L)	Tutorial (T)	Practical (P)
4	3	1	NA
Assessment Scheme			
S.No.	Component	Marking Scheme	Total Marks
1	Internal Assessment - Assignment/Quiz/Project/Presentation - Class Test - Attendance		30
		12	
		12	
		6	
2.	Continuous Assessment (Tutorial) - Activity 1 - Activity 2 - Attendance		40
		20	
		15	
		5	
3.	Practical - Continuous Assessment - End Term Written/Practical Exam - Viva		NA
4.	End Semester Examination		90