SOFT COURSE: GYS 454: Geography of Settlements

Course learning outcomes:

- **CO1**. Understand the significance and recent trends in settlements geography.
- **CO2**. Access the functional classification of the settlements.
- **CO3**. Evaluate the urban settlements and imphological Indian cities.
- **CO4.** Analyse the theories of urban settlements and selected Indian cities.
- Unit 1: General Introduction, Evolution & Distribution of Settlements: Nature, Scope, Significance and Recent Trends in Settlement Geography. Evolution of Settlements in India: Emergence of Village Settlements, Origin and Growth of Towns; Basic and Non-Basic Concepts in Settlement formation. Distribution of Settlements, Spacing of Settlements Application of Models of Christaller and Losch.
- Unit 2: The Functional classification of Settlements: Rural and Urban Settlements. Rural Settlements Types of Rural Settlements, House Types, Morphology and Functions of Rural Settlements; Rural Service Centers and their Role in Urbanization Process. Indian Rural Settlements in Different Micro-Environmental Conditions: (a) Mountains (b) Desert Region (c) In the vicinity of Urban Centers.
- Unit 3: Urban Settlements Classification of Urban Places: Non-Functional and Functional. Morphology of Indian Cities and Its Comparison with Western Cities; Functional Relations between Urban Settlements and their umlands.
- Unit 4: Theories in Settlement Geography CBD, Centrifugal and centripetal forces theory, Urban Fringe, Urban structures theories. Rank size relationship. Settlement Geography of selected Indian Cities: Mumbai, Kolkata, Bangalore, Delhi, Chennai, Hyderabad, Pune, Lucknow, Patna, Jaipur and Chandigarh.

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