

COURSES OF STUDIES FOR Ph. D. COURSE WORK, 2012

There shall be four papers. Full Marks of each paper is 100 marks. Paper I and II will have five units each, each unit carries 20 marks. Paper III is Review of literature and paper IV will cover two seminar presentations.

Paper- I : Research Methodology

- Unit - 1 Study of ore textures and their uses in interpretation of ore genesis and in terms of mineral processing, mineral liberation and optimum grinding size in mineral upgradation. Rock deformation, π – Pole and β -diagrams; their construction and application.
- Unit-II Groundwater management; Groundwater pollution and mitigation; Groundwater resource estimation. Estimation of Ca, Mg, Na, K, CO₃, HCO₃, SO₄, Cl, Fe and F in water samples.
- Unit- III Application of coal petrography in carbonization and hydrogenation. Estimation of moisture, ash, volatile matter, fixed carbon, C, H, N and S of coal. Crossing Point Temperature of coal, Preparation of thin and polished sections of coal sample.
- Unit- IV Application of micropaleontology in different fields of oil exploration, climate study and stratigraphy; Boundary currents in ocean. Stratigraphic problems with special reference to Orissa. Sequence stratigraphy, chrono and magnetic stratigraphy.
- Unit-V Petrographic calculation: Norm, Osam, Niggli, Principles and applications of spectrophotometer. Flame photometer and AAS, XRF, XRD, SEM, ICP-MS, DTA-TG.

Paper – II – Computer and statistical application in Geology

- Unit- I Statistical application in Geology
Computation of 1st and 2nd degree equations of bivariate data and test of their statistical significances, computation and test of significance of correlation coefficient, cluster analysis. Dendograms and their significance. χ^2 , F and t tests of geological data.
- Unit-II Environmental Geology:
Environmental impacts by mining. Groundwater extraction. Environmental impact assessment. Remote sensing and GIS: their application in various fields, GPS.
- Unit-III Ore Genesis:
Sedimentary exhalation, bacteriogenesis, volcanogenic massive sulphides, depositional environments of oxides and sulphides. Ore minerals under reflected microscope, Preparation of polished section and thin sections.
- Unit- IV Computer application in Geology
Application of Computer: M.S. Office, Drawing of Pie chart, Histograms from geological data, Statistical application of geological data by computer. Corel draw, Photoshop, Surfer.
- Unit- V Mineral exploration:
Geological, geophysical, geochemical prospecting. Plate tectonics and ore deposits. Prospecting of various mineral deposits of India.