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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER – MAY, 2014
B.A., B.ED

TITLE : SPECIAL AREA STUDIES (NORTH AMERICA)

COURSE NUMBER : GEP 432

TIME ALLOWED : THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS :

- 1. ANSWER ANY THREE (3) QUESTIONS.**
- 2. QUESTION ONE (1) IS COMPULSORY**
- 3. CHOOSE TWO (2) OTHER QUESTIONS FROM SECTION B**
- 4. WHERE APPROPRIATE ILLUSTRATE YOUR ANSWER WITH DIAGRAMS & EXAMPLES**

MARKS ALLOCATION: QUESTION ONE CARRIES FORTY (40) MARKS AND THE OTHER QUESTIONS CARRY THIRTY (30) MARKS EACH

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GEP – 432 FINAL EXAMINATION MAY – 2014**Section: A****Compulsory Question****Question 1**

Using examples, discuss the differences between upscale urban and upscale sub-urban neighbourhoods. **(40 Marks)**

Section: B**Answer Any Two Questions****Question 2**

Using diagrams, discuss the Concentric Zone Model of the American city structure. **(30 Marks)**

Question 3

'With all their size and strength, industries in North America are constantly changing in character'. Discuss the validity of the statement. **(30 Marks)**

Question 4

Identify and discuss the key environmental issues affecting North America today. **(30 Marks)**

Question 5

- a) With the aid of a sketch map, divide North America into seven climatic regions. **(7 marks)**
 - b) Discuss the characteristics of each region. **(23 marks)**
- (30 Marks)**