Question	MODEL HINTS GEO-DES-DL-1-VINEET THAPLOO GEOGRAPHY The Model Hints have been constructed to train students about how to	
No.	write relevant and succinct answers in exam condition.	RAU'S IAS STUDY CIRCLE
1.(e)	Write about Ralph concept of Place and Placelessness. (150 words)	10
	Humanistic Geography rose to prominence during 1970s; it gave a central and active role to human awareness, agency, consciousness and creativity. This Geography placed "place" an important and integral role in human experience.	
	 One of the results of this new approach was of Edward Ralph's concept of place and placelessness. 	
	 Published in 1976, he used the method "A phenomenology of place" that is about interpretive study of human experiences. He begins place and placelessness "with a review of space and its relationship to place." 	
	He argues that space is not void or an isometric plane or a kind of container that holds places, instead space too must be explored in terms of how people experience it.	
	In Ralph Place Concept, he talks about:	
	• Practical knowing of a place is fundamental to human existence. i.e. Authentic Attitude.	
	• It is where people have direct and Genetic experiences of a place, which comes from full awareness of a place.	
	Being Inside and belonging to the place as individuals and as members of the community.	
	In Placelessness, Ralph asserted –	
	 With increasing modernization and technology mobility has increased especially in advanced cultures which do not have time to develop attachment with a place. 	
	 As a result development of placelessness due to "In authentic Attitude". 	
	One of the Ralph's Accomplishments in "Place and Placelessness" is about establishing conceptual engagement between space and place. He sees space and place as dialectically structured in human environmental experience, since our understanding of space is related to the place we inhabit, which in turn derive meaning from their spatial context.	