

# COIMISIÚN NA SCRÚDUITHE STÁIT

## State Examinations Commission

*Leaving Certificate Examination, 2017*

### **Geography**

#### **Geographical Investigation (20% of Total Marks)**

#### **Prescribed List of Investigation Topics, 2017**

##### **General Information**

- Investigation Topics are common to Higher and Ordinary Level.
- All candidates (Higher and Ordinary) are required to complete and submit a report on *one* investigation topic selected from the list of six given overleaf.
- Candidates are required to submit the report on the investigation using the official Geographical Investigation Reporting Booklet.
- The date for submission to the teacher of completed investigation reports will be **28<sup>th</sup> April 2017**.
- Reports will be retained securely in schools until the day of the written examination in June, when the centre superintendents will associate them with the relevant written scripts, for transmission to Athlone.

##### **Information for Teachers**

- Candidates will be expected to complete the Practical Coursework component – the Geographical Investigation Report – for submission to their school authorities by **28<sup>th</sup> April 2017**.
- The report based on the selected investigation topic must be completed using the prescribed structure as set out in the Geographical Investigation Reporting Booklet.
- The Investigation and Report must be completed under the supervision of a teacher.
- The Report presented for assessment must be the candidate's own individual work – authenticated by the candidate and teacher.
- All secondary sources used [books, journals, web-sites, etc.] must be duly acknowledged.

**List of Geographical Investigation Topics for Candidates sitting the  
Leaving Certificate Examination in 2017**

**N. B. Each candidate is required to complete a report on one of the following Investigation Topics.**

1. Pollution. A local study.
2. The impact of land-use on traffic patterns.
3. A study of migration and its impact on population in a rural or urban setting.
4. The economic and environmental impacts of **one** economic activity in a local area.
5. A study of the geology of a local area and its impact on landscape development.
6. An investigation of the impact of the process(es) of transportation and/or deposition on the formation of **one** glacial, fluvial or coastal landform.