I B.Tech I Semester Supplementary Examinations, Sept - 2014 ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

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Time: 3 hours

Max Marks: 75

Answer any FIVE Questions All Questions carry equal marks

- 1. Critically discuss what are the important objectives and the guiding principles of environmental studies? [15]
- 2. Critically discuss what is sustainable agricultural method? Explain what are the implements required to introduce a green revolution and bring out the major problems we are facing today by the introduction of green revolution. [15]
- 3. (a) Differentiate between terrestrial ecosystem and aquatic ecosystem with reference to their structure and functions
 - (b) Discuss the ecological adaptation by natural selection. [8+7]
- 4. (a) Enumerate the biogeographical distribution of flora and fauna in India.(b) What is the concept of in-situ conservation? [8+7]
- 5. (a) Define Pollution? What are pollutants and how do they effect the environment?(b) What are the different types of air pollutants? Explain in brief? [8+7]
- 6. (a) Define sustainability? What are major concepts for sustainable development?(b) Explain how consumerism has affected the present society? [8+7]
- 7. (a) Write a note on human rights and the environment(b) Discuss the process of HIV infection and it mode of transmission? [7+8]
- 8. (a) Explain the types of components that are present in the solid waste material.
 - (b) What are the types of observations you find when you visited the polluted and non polluted zone. [8+7]



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- 1. (a) Define common property resources. Discuss in detail the different resources can be extracted by human being from four spheres of the earth?
 - (b) Differentiate the terms micro-environment and macro-environment and give the structure of lithosphere with labeled diagram? [8+7]
- 2. Explain fossil fuel, write a detailed note on the merits and demerits of any three exhaustible energy sources and their impacts on environment and man? [15]
- 3. (a) Explain briefly about different types of forest ecosystems.(b) How do human activities lead to degradation of forest ecosystems. [8+7]
- 4. (a) What are the various strategies of ex-situ conservation of biodiversity?
 - (b) Describe the ecological significance of biodiversity. [8+7]
- 5. (a) Write short notes on
 - (i) Desalinization
 - (ii) Tapping of ground water
 - (b) What are the major effects of Fluorosis on human beings? [8+7]
- 6. (a) Define Rain water harvesting? Explain modern and ancient methods of Rain water harvesting to conserve water?
 - (b) Explain watershed management reclamation practices? [8+7]
- 7. What do mean by the following?
 - (a) Doubling time (b) Total fertility rate
 - (c) Zero population growth (d) Life-expectancy. [4+4+3+4]
- 8. (a) Explain the reason why the temperatures are less in the forest regions when compared to the urban areas.
 - (b) Write about the Environmental aspects observed in industry that you have visited. [8+7]

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- 1. Explain different types of environments and describe the three important constituents of physical environment? How will you differentiate between microclimate and weather. [15]
- 2. Discuss the impact of land use on environmental quality? Discuss soil erosion and discuss the factors which influence the extent of soil erosion with preventive measures. [15]
- 3. Explain why the following are important:
 - (a) Coral reefs
 - (b) Mangroves
 - (c) Coastal wetlands and estuaries
- 4. (a) Enumerate the biogeographical distribution of flora and fauna in India.(b) What is the concept of in-situ conservation? [8+7]
- 5. (a) Write short note on high volume air sampler?(b) Discuss the role played by vegetation in controlling air pollution?

[8+7]

[5+5+5]

- 6. (a) Do you think moral values can prevent pollution in the environment? Explain your view?
 - (b) Define climate change? Explain the sources and effects of Global warming?
 [8+7]
- 7. (a) Write a note on human rights and the environment(b) Discuss the process of HIV infection and it mode of transmission? [7+8]
- 8. (a) Explain the effects of pollutants released into the receiving water bodies and atmosphere.
 - (b) Write about the case study of water pollution that you have visited .

[8+7]

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- 1. Mention briefly the contributions made by the following? WII, NEERI, Rajendra Singh, Anna Hazare and MSSRF. [15]
- 2. Explain the use of solar energy for the purpose of Solar water heating, Solar cooking, Solar electric power generation, Solar green houses and Solar drying of agriculture animal products. [15]
- 3. (a) What are the characteristic features of the marine ecosystem
 (b) What is the role of oceans in terms of providing resources and regulating climate?
- 4. (a) Explain how the poaching of wild life is a threat to the biodiversity?(b) Explain about aesthetic value of biodiversity. [8+7]
- 5. (a) How does thermal pollution affect aquatic life? Explain the means to control thermal pollution?
 - (b) Write a note on cooling towers? [8+7]
- 6. (a) Define Rain water harvesting? Explain modern and ancient methods of Rain water harvesting to conserve water?
 - (b) Explain watershed management reclamation practices? [8+7]
- 7. (a) Write the aims and objective of 'family welfare programmes'
 - (b) Enumerate different programmes which have been formulated for women and child welfare. [7+8]
- 8. (a) What would be the probable impact of the forest ecosystem degradation on the environment?
 - (b) Explain different solid waste disposal methods employed in the site you visited. [8+7]