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B. Tech.

(SEM. II) THEORY EXAMINATION 2010-11 ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Time: 3 Hours Total Marks: 100

Note: Attempt all questions. Each question carries equal marks.

- 1. Attempt any four parts of the following: $(4\times5=20)$
 - (a) What is an environment? Enumerate and discuss the various segments of environment in brief.
 - (b) What is deforestation? Enumerate and discuss the various causes of deforestation.
 - (c) Discuss the importance and flow of energy in the ecosystem.
 - (d) Briefly describe the importance of biodiversity.
 - (e) What is air pollution? What are its effects on human health?
 - (f) Discuss the phenomenon of "Green House Effect". What are its effects?
- Attempt any four parts of the following: (4×5=20)
 - (a) What is meant by the term "Population Explosion" ? Enumerate the problems associated with it.

- (b) Differentiate between renewable and non-renewable energy sources.
- (c) Define an ecological pyramid and its various types.
- (d) What is water pollution? Briefly discuss the major sources of water pollution.
- (e) What is acid rain? What are its causes?
- (f) Briefly discuss the salient features of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.
- Attempt any two parts of the following: (2×10=20)
 - (a) Define food chain. Name and explain various types of food chains with suitable examples.
 - (b) What is noise pollution? What is its unit of measurement?
 What are the various effects of noise pollution?
 - (c) Briefly discuss the salient features of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.
- 4. Attempt any two parts of the following: (2×10=20)
 - (a) What is meant by environment? Enumerate and discuss its various elements.
 - (b) What is soil pollution? What are its various sources? How does it affect the agricultural production and water sources?

- (c) What is ozone hole? How does it form? What are its causes and effects? Suggest remedial measures to overcome it.
- 5. Attempt any four parts of the following: (4×5=20)
 - (a) What do you mean by 'acid rain'? What are its causes and effects?
 - (b) Describe various alternative energy sources and their use.
 - (c) Explain the effects of Tsunami 2011 in Japan.
 - (d) What is AIDS? What are the sources and mode of transmission of HIV infection?
 - (e) Explain the term 'food web'. Briefly explain a typical terrestrial food web.
 - (f) What are mineral resources? Write an explanatory note on the mineral resources of India.