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### **DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY**

### HS1201 - ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

# UNIT 1 INTRODUCTION TO ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES AND NATURAL RESOURCES

## Part A

- 1. Compare merits and problems of dams.
- 2. What is meant by soil erosion?
- 3. Explain overgrazing.
- 4. What is salinity and water logging?
- 5. State the significance and scope of environmental problems.
- 6. What is Eutrophication?
- 7. State the need for public awareness for solving environmental problems.
- 8. Explain biosphere.
- 9. How are forests useful to mankind?
- 10. Mention the causes of desertification?
- 11. Define environmental impact and statement.
- 12. What are renewable and non-renewable energy sources. Give example.
- 13. Environmental awareness is need of the hour comment.
- 14. Write any tow adverse effects caused by overgrazing.
- 15. Define environmental science.
- 16. Mention some important causes of over exploitation.
- 17. Define sustainable forestry.
- 18. What are preventive measure of deforestation.
- 19. Explain flood management.

# Part-B

- 1. What are the major causes of deforestation? Discuss its consequences.
- 2. Discuss the impacts of handling the mineral resources for extraction and subsequent utilization on the environment.
- 3. Write briefly on the hydrologic cycle
- 4. Explain how the alternate energy sources play an important role in environmental impact?
- 5. Discuss the problems of pesticide on modern agriculture.
- 6. Discuss the effects of dams on forests and tribal people.

- 7. Explain ay two conflicts over water, confining to our nation.
- 8. Explain briefly the structure of atmosphere.
- 9. How is the wind energy used for the generation of electric power.
- 10. Explain adverse environmental impacts of modern agriculture.
- 11. Discuss in the detail causes and consequences of overexploitation of forest resources.
- 12. Discuss various techniques for harnessing solar energy.
- 13. Discuss various types land degradation with its causes and solutions.
- 14. Discuss the uses and effects overutilization of surface and ground water sources.

# Unit 2 Ecosystem and biodiversity

## Part A

- 1. Define ecosystem.
- 2. What is ecology.
- 3. What is ecological succession. Mention its types.
- 4. What is ecological pyramids.
- 5. What is food chain?
- 6. What is food web?
- 7. -How does biome differ from an ecosystem.
- 8. What is meant by keystone species.
- 9. Define biodiversity.
- 10. What are the advantages and disadvantages of ex-situ conservation.
- 11. Enumerate the human activities which destroy the biodiversity.
- 12. Explain threatned and endangered species.
- 13. India is a mega diversity nation. Account.
- 14. What is meant by genetic diversity.
- 15. Give few examples for endangered and endemic species of India.
- 16. What are autotrophs and heterotrophs. Give examples.
- 17. What are two important biodiversity hot-spots in India.

## Part-B

- 1. Show structure and function of forest ecosystem , aquatic ecosystem.
- 2. Briefly discuss the structure and functional components of ecosystem.
- 3. Write short notes on the following a) energy flowing ecosystem b) bond ecosystem c) threats of biodiversity.
- 4. Explain the various threats to and the measure recommended for conservation of biodiversity.
- 5. Discuss the threat faced by Indian biodiversity.
- 6. Explain the strategy adopted to conserve biodiversity.
- 7. Explain the role of biodiversity at global, natural and local levels.

- 8. Describe the term hot spot in biodiversity.
- 9. What do you understand by hot spots of biodiversity.
- 10. Explain in-situ and ex-situ conservation along with their merits and limitations,
- 11. What are the caused for loss of biodiversity?
- 12. With a neat sketch explain the flow energy through the various components of the ecosystem.
- 13. Discuss the concept of ecological pyramid.

# **Unit 3 Environmental pollution**

## Part-A

- 1. Environmental pollution.
- 2. Name the sources and effects of marine pollution?
- 3. Define thermal pollution.
- 4. Define hazardous wastes.
- 5. Name any four air pollutants and their sources and effects.
- 6. When a sound causes noise pollution?
- 7. What are the types of solid wastes?
- 8. Write any four major water pollutants.
- 9. Define photo chemical smog.
- 10. How does earthquake occurs.
- 11. Write any tow causes of soil pollution.
- 12. Give any four methods to control noise pollution.
- 13. Differentiate between recycling and reuses.
- 14. How nuclear hazards can be disposal safely?
- 15. Give examples for primary and secondary air pollutants.
- 16. What are landslides.

#### Part-B

- 1. Explain the methods of disposal of municipal solid waste.
- 2. Write a note on disposal of radioactive wastes.
- 3. Explain the causes, effects and control measure of water pollution.
- 4. What are the major pollutants of atmosphere? Enumerate the adverse effects caused by these pollutants.
- 5. Explain Bhopal gas tragedy.
- 6. Explain the effect of CO, SO2, Hydrocarbon and chromium on human beings.
- 7. Explain the effects of nuclear and Radiation pollution.
- 8. What is thermal pollution and explain its effects.
- 9. Explain a) The disaster management in detail b) The various methods of controlling water pollution.

- 10. What is the significance of dissolved oxygen in river? Explain.
- 11. What is earthquake? Enumerate its effects. What measures should be taken to mitigate their disaster?
- 12. Discuss briefly the disposal of municipal solid waste.
- 13. Discuss the causes and effects of i) Air pollution ii) soil pollution
- 14. With a flow diagram explain the activated sludge process for waste water treatment.
- 15. What are the effects of oil pollution on the ocean?

## UNIT- 4- SOCIAL ISSUES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

### **PART-A**

- 1. Define the term sustainable development.
- 2. Define the term environmental ethics.
- 3. What is green house effect.
- 4. Give some examples of green house gases.
- 5. What are the causes and effects of global warming?
- 6. What are the causes and effects of ozone layer depletion?
- 7. What is acid rain?
- 8. How CFC's are accumulated in atmosphere.
- 9. What is Dobson unit.
- 10. Explain the term "Global warming".
- 11. What are the advantages of rain water harvesting?
- 12. Define air pollutants according to "air prevention and control of pollution act".
- 13. What are the important causes of climate change?

### **UNIT 5- HUMAN POPULATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT**

#### PART-A

- 1. Define immigration and emigration.
- 2. What is population explosion?
- 3. What are the causes of population explosion?
- 4. What are the objectives of family welfare programme?
- 5. What are the factors which do not influence transmission of HIV?
- 6. How does HIV functions in human body.
- 7. Mention some ill effect of HIV/ AIDS.
- 8. State the role of information technology in environment.
- 9. Define population equilibrium.
- 10. What are the major precautions to avoid AIDS?

- 11. What are the reasons behind the increased population growth in the less developed nations compared developed nations.
- 12. Differentiate between HIV and AIDS.

#### PART-B

- 1. Explain the role of information technology in environment and human health.
- 2. Write a note on AIDS in developing countries?
- 3. What is AIDS? How to prevent it?
- 4. Write a short note: Value education.
- 5. Write briefly on implementation of family planning programme.
- 6. Deterioration of environment leads to deterioration of human health. Justify.
- 7. Explain the environmental and social impacts of growing population.
- 8. Write short notes on the following in relation to human population and environment i)Women and child welfare ii)Human rights iii)Value Education.
- 9. Discuss the factors influencing family size.
- 10. Discuss the reason for the population explosion.
- 11. Define human rights and discuss the salient features of the Universal Declaration of human rights by UN.
- 12. What are the modes of transmission of HIV and how it can be prevented?

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