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First Semester B.Com. Degree Examination, January 2024

First Degree Programme under CBCSS

Foundation Course/Core Course

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

(CO 1121/CX 1121/TT 1121/HM 1121 (2013 & 2014 Admission), CC 1121 (2014 Admission), CC 1141 (2015 – 2017 Admission) CO 1141/CX 1141/TT 1141/ HM 1141 (2015 Admission Onwards), CC 1142 (2018 Admission Onwards)

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

SECTION - A

Answer all questions in one or two sentences.

- 1. What is genetic diversity?
- 2. Define biosphere.
- 3. What is photosynthesis?
- 4. What do you mean by soil pollution?
- 5. Define environmental management.
- 6. What are decomposers?
- 7. What is smog?

- 8. What is BOD?
- 9. What is aquatic ecosystem?
- 10. What is dispersion?

 $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ Marks})$

SECTION - B

Answer any eight questions not exceeding a paragraph.

- 11. What do you understand by Greenpeace?
- 12. Define the term natural resources.
- 13. What are the main objectives of environment Act 1986?
- 14. What is "chipko Andolan"?
- 15. What do you mean by water conservation?
- 16. Write a note on ecological balance.
- 17. What are the types of pollutants?
- 18. Explain the sources of water pollution.
- 19. What are the effects of ozone depletion?
- 20. What is pyrolysis?
- 21. What is In-situ conservation of biodiversity?
- 22. What do you meant by renewable natural resources?

 $(8 \times 2 = 16 \text{ Marks})$

SECTION - C

Short essay type questions: Answer any six questions.

- 23. Discuss human rights relating to environment.
- 24. Write short note on "environmental public awareness".
- 25. Explain the scope of environmental studies.
- 26. Distinguish between climate and weather.
- 27. What do you understand by sustainable development?
- 28. Explain briefly the concept environmental ethics.
- 29. Give a brief account of resettlement and rehabilitation of people.
- 30. Discuss in brief the elements of physical environment.
- 31. What is meant by value education?

 $(6 \times 4 = 24 \text{ Marks})$

SECTION - D

Long essay type questions: Answer any two questions.

- 32. Explain in detail the effect of air pollution.
- 33. Write an essay on rain water harvesting and watershed management.
- 34. Define environment. What are the causes of environmental degradation?
- 35. Discuss the urban problems related to energy.

 $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ Marks})$