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Fifth Semester B.Sc. Degree Examination, December 2023 First Degree Programme under CBCSS

Botany

Core Course

BO 1542 : ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES AND PHYTOGEOGRAPHY (2019 Admission Onwards)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 80

SECTION - A

- I. Answer all questions in one or two sentences. Each question carries 1 mark.
 Write short notes on :
- 1. Name two renewable energy sources
- 2. Afforestation
- 3. Food chain
- 4. Climax community
- 5. Biodiversity
- 6. KSBB
- 7. E waste

- 8. Environmental legislations
- 9. Acid rain
- 10. GIS

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

SECTION - B

- II. Answer any eight of the following. Each question carries 2 marks.
 - 11. Comment on land degradation.
 - 12. What is rain water harvesting?
 - 13. Give a brief account of tidal energy.
 - 14. What are epiphytes? How do these differ from parasites?
- 15. What are abiotic factors of an ecosystem?
- 16. Explain biogeochemical cycles.
- 17. What are hot spots of biodiversity?
- 18. Explain the function NBA.
- 19. What is pollution? Give examples.
- 20. What is the significance of sea level rise?
- 21. Comment on coaster disasters.
- 22. Enumerate the causes of natural resources depletion.

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

SECTION - C



- III. Answer any six of the following questions.
- 23. Give an account of the different types of non renewable resources.
- 24. Explain Ecotone.
- 25. Describe a desert ecosystem.
- 26. Differentiate between species and genetic biodiversity.
- 27. Comment on .ex situ conservation of biodiversity
- 28. Briefly explain consuming of eco friendly products.
- 29. Describe forest conservation act and its importance.
- 30. Write short notes on WWF.
- 31. Comment on Global warming and its effects.

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

SECTION - D

- IV. Write an essay on any two of the following. Each question carries 15 marks.
- 32. What are permanent tissues? Explain the different types of permanent tissues in plants.
- 33. What is anomalous secondary growth? How does secondary growth in *Dracaena* differ from normal secondary growth and why?
- 34. Explain embryosac formation. Comment on Sagittaria type of embyro sac formation.
- 35. Give an account of importance of pollen grains.

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