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# Second Semester B.Sc. Degree Examination, September 2023 Career Related First Degree Programme under CBCSS Botany and Biotechnology

**BB 1241: ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES** 

(2019 Admission Onwards)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 80

# SECTION - A

Answer **all** the questions in a word or **one** or **two** sentences. Each question carries **1** mark.

- 1. What are sand dunes?
- 2. Name two renewable resources.
- 3. Write the functions of an ecosystem.
- Expand CITES.
- 5. What is a food web?
- 6. List the features of an estuary.
- 7. Name two natural hazards.
- 8. What is an ecotype?
- 9. Define alpha diversity.
- 10. What is a landslide?

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

# SECTION - B

Answer any eight questions. Each question carries 2 marks. (Answer not to exceed one paragraph)

- 11. Explain the anatomical adaptations of epiphytes.
- 12. What is a scrub jungle?
- 13. How does water logging create problems of salinity?
- 14. Explain Forest Conservation Act.
- 15. Discuss the significance of mangrove forests.
- 16. What is soil erosion? What is its impact?
- 17. Comment on alternate energy sources.
- 18. What are the features of green management techniques?
- 19. List the consequences of soil pollution.
- 20. Discuss the cause and effects of forest fires.
- 21. How soil gets polluted?
- 22. What are ecological indicators? Give examples.

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

### SECTION - C

Answer any **six** questions. Each question carries **4** marks. (Answer not to exceed **120** words)

- 23. What is thermal pollution? What are its hazardous effects?
- 24. Write a brief account on ecological pyramids.
- 25. What is remote sensing? What are its applications?

- 26. Explain the threats to biodiversity.
- 27. What are hazards? Brief a note on various types of hazards.
- 28. Comment on solid waste management.
- 29. Distinguish between renewable and non renewable energy resources.
- 30. Discuss the role of TRAFFIC in biodiversity conservation.
- 31. Mention various methods of water conservation.

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

### SECTION - D

Answer any **two** questions. **Each** question carries **15** marks. (Answer not to exceed **3** pages)

- 32. Discuss land as a resource. Add an account on man made disasters on land.
- 33. Describe in detail the phytogeographical regions of India.
- 34. Discuss various ex situ and in situ methods for biodiversity conservation.
- 35. Give a detailed account on air pollution, its causes, effects and control measures.

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