M. SC. (ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE) (MSCENV)

Term-End Examination December, 2024

MEV-011 : FUNDAMENTALS OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND ECOLOGY

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: Answer any ten questions. All questions carry equal marks.

- Define environment. Explain the structure and importance of environment.
 2+8=10
- Describe the human driven environmental changes and their impacts on ecosystem functioning and public health.
- 3. What are global environmental issues? Discuss any *four* issues and their control measures.

2+8=10

- 4. What is environmental sustainability? Discuss its targets and indicators. 2+8=10
- 5. Discuss various levels of organization in ecology. Describe intraspecific and interspecific relationship occurring among organisms.

5+5=10

- 6. Define population and discuss the concepts of density, natality, mortality and population distribution. 2+8=10
- 7. What is a community? Describe community organization. 2+8=10
- 8. What is climax community? Describe stages of succession in lithosphere with illustrations.

2+8=10

- 9. Describe major biomes of the world. 10
- 10. What is ecosystem? Describe the structure and functions of an ecosystem. 2+8=10
- 11. Define biogeochemical cycles. Explain biogeochemical cycles of carbon and nitrogen.

2+8=10

- 12. Explain the history of human relationship with nature reflecting upon population pressures, resource consumption and sustainability. 10
- 13. Discuss need for ecosystem restoration. Explain various approaches for ecosystem restoration.

2+8=10

- 14. Give definitions and significance of environmental education and education for sustainable development.
- 15. Describe any *five* environmental friendly solutions for solving environmental crisis.

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