M. SC. (ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE) (MSCENV)

Term-End Examination December, 2024

MEVE-13: ENVIRONMENTAL BIOTECHNOLOGY

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: (i) Attempt any **ten** questions.

- (ii) All questions carry equal marks.
- 1. Define environmental biotechnology. Describe the scope and application of environmental biotechnology. 2+8=10
- 2. What is trickling filter? Describe its applications in wastewater treatment. 4+6=10
- 3. Explain the types of solid waste. Discuss the role of biotechnology in wastewater treatment.

5+5=10

- Explain biodegradation of macromolecules.
 Discuss the mechanism involved, its advantages and limitations.
- 5. What is silage? Describe the process of silage making. 4+6=10
- 6. Discuss the role of microbes in greenhouse gas mitigation.
- 7. Describe *ex-situ* and *in-situ* bioremediation and their future prospects.
- 8. Write notes on biosporging, bioventing and bioaugmentation.
- Describe various methods of bioremediation of air pollutants.
- 10. Describe the types of phytoremediation.Explain the role of phytoremediation in wetlands.
- 11. Describe first generation, second generation and advanced biofuels. Discuss their potential and limitations.

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- 12. What are biofertilizers? Explain the types of biofertilizers. 5+5=10
- 13. Define biomarkers. How are biomarkers used in environmental monitoring? 2+8=10
- 14. What is bioleaching? Describe the methods in mineral recovery. 2+8=10