M. SC. (GEOGRAPHY) (MSCGG)

Term-End Examination

December, 2024

MGG-007: ENVIRONMENTAL GEOGRAPHY

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: Attempt all questions. Marks are mentioned against each question.

Section—A

- 1. Answer any *five* questions. Your answer should be in about **150** words each : $5\times4=20$
 - (i) Write a short note on environment.
 - (ii) What are environmental determinism and possibilism?

- (iii) Describe the concept of sustainable development.
- (iv) Briefly explain food chain and food web.
- (v) Differentiate between hazards and disasters.
- (vi) What is land pollution? Write any four causes for land pollution.
- (vii) Write any *two* advantages and disadvantages each of map overlay method used in Environmental Impact Assessment.

Section—B

- 2. Answer any *five* questions. Your answer should be in about **250** words each: 5×6=30
 - (i) Explain physical and biological elements of environment.

- (ii) Briefly discuss the human impacts on water and air.
- (iii) What is an ecological community ?

 Explain different trophic levels in an ecosystem.
- (iv) Define drought and write its types.
 Briefly discuss the management of droughts.
- (v) Briefly describe any six causes of 'oil spills' in oceans.
- (vi) Explain the *three* pathways through which human beings are exposed to hazardous condition.
- (vii) What is 'Environmental Impact Assessment' (EIA) ? Discuss the objectives and scope of EIA.

Section—C

Note: Answer any **five** questions. Your answer should be in about **500** words each. $5 \times 10 = 50$

- 3. What is global warming? Explain the major consequences of global warming and suggest any *four* remedial measures for the mitigation of global warming.
- 4. What is an ecosystem? Discuss any *two* types of ecosystem.
- Define biodiversity. Give a brief account of any four biogeographical regions of India.
- 6. What are geological hazards? Elaborate any three characteristics and causative factors each of landslides and briefly discuss their management.

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- 7. What are climate change and human health?

 Discuss various indirect impacts of climate change on human health.
- 8. Discuss in detail the Wildlife (Protection) Act and the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act of India.
- What is Social Impact Assessment (SIA) ?
 Discuss its scope and different variables used in SIA.