M. SC. (ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE) (MSCENV)

Term-End Examination June, 2025

MEVE-13 : ENVIRONMENTAL BIOTECHNOLOGY

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: (i) Answer any ten questions.

- (ii) All questions carry equal marks.
- 1. What is activated sludge? Explain the principles involved in activated sludge treatment with suitable diagrams. 2+8=10
- 2. What is solid waste? Discuss the sources and classification of solid waste based on hazard potential, nature and origin. 2+8=10

- What are Xenobiotics? Explain the mechanism involved in biodegradation of xenobiotics.
- 4. What are nanomaterials? Discuss the applications of nanotechnology in bioremediation. 2+8=10
- 5. What is lignin? Discuss the characteristics of lignin degrading microorganism and processes involved in lignin biodegradation.

2+8=10

- 6. Write short notes on the following: 5+5=10
 - (a) Composting
 - (b) Mushroom cultivation
- 7. What is silage? Explain the exsiting process and the role of saccharolytic and proteolytic organisms in making of silage. 2+8=10
- 8. What is carbon sequestration? Discuss the role of forests in carbon sequestration.

2+8=10

9. Explain the functions of microbial enzymes in bioremediation with suitable examples. 10

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- 10. What is Bioremediation? Explain the salient features of *in-situ* and *ex-situ* bioremediation methods. 2+8=10
- 11. Write short notes on the following: 5+5=10
 - (a) Bioscrubber
 - (b) Biofilters
- 12. What is phytoremediation? Explain the different types of phytoremediation. 5+5=10
- 13. What is bioleaching? Explain the factors affecting the process of bioleaching. 2+8=10
- 14. What are biomarkers? Explain the applications of biomarkers in environmental monitoring.2+8=10

