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# B. Com (Honours)-1 SEMESTER

## **Environment and Ecology (MCEVS-01)**

Time: 1.5 Hours

Max. Marks:35

Instructions:

- 1. It is compulsory to answer all the questions (1 marks each) of Part -A in short.
- 2. Answer any four questions from Part -B in detail.
- 3. Different sub-parts of a question are to be attempted adjacent to each other.

#### PART-A

- Q1 (a) Why is public awareness crucial in the context of environmental issues? (1)
  - (b) Name one major cause of population explosion. (1)
  - (c) Explain the concept of ecological succession. (1)
  - (d) How does value education contribute to the personal development of students? (1)
  - (e) Provide an example of a terrestrial food chain. (1)
  - (f) What is an ecological pyramid, and why is it used in ecology? (1)
  - (g) How do biomes differ from ecosystems? (1)

## PART-B

- Q2 Explain the four fundamental components of the Earth's physical environment: (7) the biosphere, atmosphere, lithosphere, and hydrosphere. Describe the unique characteristics and functions of each component.
- Q3 Discuss the significance of incorporating human rights education into valuebased education systems. How can value education programs contribute to promoting human rights awareness?
- Q4 Discuss in detail the energy flow models and their types in the ecosystem. (7)
- Q5 Explain the multidisciplinary nature of environmental studies and its (7) significance. Define environmental studies and outline its scope, emphasizing its relevance in addressing contemporary environmental issues.
- Q6 Write a short note on the following

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- i) Food chain and food web
- ii) Man and Environment Relationship
- Q7 What is the ecological succession? Describe the types and complete mechanism (7) of succession.

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