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ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES AND SUSTAINABILITY

(Common to All Branches)

OBJECTIVES

- To introduce the basic concepts of environment, ecosystems and biodiversity and emphasize the biodiversity of India and its conservation.
- To impart knowledge on the causes, effects and control or prevention measures of environmental pollution.
- To study and understand the various types of renewable sources of energy and their applications.
- To familiarize the concept of sustainable development goals, economic and social aspects of sustainability, recognize and analyze climate changes, and environmental management challenges.
- To inculcate and embrace sustainability practices, develop a broader understanding of green materials and energy cycles, and analyze the role of sustainable urbanization.

UNIT I ENVIRONMENT AND BIODIVERSITY 9

Definition, scope and importance of environment – need for public awareness. Eco-system and Energy flow– food chains, food webs and ecological pyramids, ecological succession. Biodiversity- types- genetic, species and ecosystem diversity– values of biodiversity, India as a mega-diversity nation – hot-spots of biodiversity – threats to biodiversity: fragmentation and habitat loss, poaching of wildlife, human-wildlife conflicts – endangered and endemic species of India –conservation of biodiversity: In-situ and ex-situ.

UNIT II ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION 9

Definition, causes, effects and preventive measures of air, water and soil pollution. Marine and thermal pollution - causes, effects and control measures. Light and noise pollution - effect on flora and fauna. Nuclear pollution- Sources, effects and control measures. Disposal of radioactive wastes (Nuclear hazards). Pollution case studies. Role of an individual in the prevention of pollution. Solid, hazardous and E-waste management. Occupational health and safety management system (OHASMS). Environmental protection, Environmental protection acts, categorization of spices according to IUCN.

UNIT III RENEWABLE SOURCES OF ENERGY 9

Energy resources: Growing energy needs, Nonrenewable resources – types, uses. Energy management and conservation - New energy sources, Need of new sources - geo suitability of establishing renewable energy sources, different types new energy sources. Applications of hydrogen energy, ocean energy resources, Tidal energy conversion. Concept, origin and power plants of geothermal energy. Role of an individual in conservation of energy.

UNIT IV   SUSTAINABILITY AND MANAGEMENT   9

Development, GDP, Sustainability- concept, needs and challenges-economic, social and aspects of sustainability-from unsustainability to sustainability-millennium development goals, and protocols, Sustainable Development Goals-targets, indicators and intervention areas - Principles of green chemistry, Climate change- Global, Regional and local environmental issues and possible solutions-case studies - Role of non-governmental organization, Concept of carbon credit, carbon footprint - Environmental management in industry - A case study

UNIT V   SUSTAINABILITY PRACTICES   9

Zero waste and R concept, circular economy, ISO 18000 series, material life cycle assessment, environmental impact assessment. Wasteland reclamation, Sustainable habitat: green buildings, green materials, energy efficiency and energy audit, sustainable transports. Energy cycles, carbon cycle, emission and sequestration, Green engineering: sustainable urbanization- socio-economical and technological change. Rainwater harvesting, watershed management, environmental ethics: Issues and possible solutions.

TOTAL (L:45): 45 PERIODS

OUTCOMES:

CO	CO statements Upon successful completion of the course, the students should be able to	RBT Level
CO1	Recognize the fundamental role of ecosystems and suggest an appropriate method for the conservation of biodiversity.	3
CO2	Describe the different types of pollution, their effects and strategies to control pollution.	3
CO3	Identify the various renewable energy resources and use the appropriate one thereby conserving non-renewable resources for future generation.	3
CO4	Explain the various goals of sustainable development applicable to suitable technological advancement and societal development.	2
CO5	Summarize the various sustainability practices, green materials, energy cycles, and the role of green engineering in sustainable urbanization.	2

1- Remember, 2- Understand, 3- Apply, 4- Analyse, 5- Evaluate, 6- Create

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COURSE ARTICULATION MATRIX

COs	POs												PSOs	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	1	2
1	3	-	-	-	-	3	3	2	-	2	-	1	-	-
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4	3	-	-	-	-	3	3	3	-	2	-	2	-	-
5	3	-	-	-	-	3	3	3	-	2	-	2	-	-

3-High, 2-Medium, 1-Low