

# ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

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## Definition of Environment

**Environment** is referred as “the external conditions in which an organism lives”.

# Environment is Dynamic

Our Environment is not at all static. It is dynamic. It is continuously changing with time. Of course the pace of change is not uniform all the time. Sometimes it is very fast and sometimes it is slow. But it is ever changing process.

# Environmental Factors

The factors which are responsible for changes in environment are known as Environmental Factors.

These are:

- 1) Physical factors
- 2) Chemical factors
- 3) Edaphic factors
- 4) Biological factors

# Environmental Components

Environmental components are basically divided into two groups

- 1) Living components
- 2) Non living components

# Environmental Spheres

On the basis of types of components environment can be divided into four spheres

- 1) Atmosphere- the sphere of air
- 2) Hydrosphere- the sphere of water
- 3) Lithosphere- the sphere of rock, soil
- 4) Biosphere- the sphere of living organisms