

Centre for Energy Studies

Energy Ecology Environment – ESL 710

Major Test

Time : 2 hrs.

MM. 50

PART : A (35 MARKS)

1. a) Derive an expression for adiabatic lapse rate (5)
- b) Suppose the following altitude versus temperature data has been collected :

Altitude (M)	0	100	200	300	400	500	600
Temp. (°C)	20	18	16	15	16	17	18

1. What would be the mixing depth? (2)
2. How high would be expected a plume to rise if it is emitted at 21 °C from a 100 m stack if it rises at dry adiabatic lapse rate. What do you expect the shape of the plume to be like? (3)
2. A stack emitting 80 g/s of NO has an effective height of 100 m. The wind speed is 4 m/s at 10 m and it is summer day ( $p=0.15$ ). Estimate the ground level NO<sub>2</sub> concentration directly down wind at a distance of 2 km. Does it exceed ambient air standards of (0.05 ppm) ( $\sigma_y = 290$  m  $\sigma_z = 234$  m) (5)
3. a) Derive an expression for earth effective black body temperature. Give the explanation for the difference between effective and actual mean earth temperature. (6)
- b) The solar flux arriving at the outer edge of atmosphere varies by  $\pm 3.3\%$  as the earth moves in its orbit. By how many degrees would the earth's effective temperature vary as a result. (4)
4. a) Give an overview of the global warming problem. (4)
- b) International agreements on global warming (3)
- c) Ozone layer as protective sheet and effects of CFCs. (3)

**PART : B (15 MARKS)**

1. a) Differentiate between the key features of 'C-cycle' and 'N-cycle'.  
Discuss the role of microorganisms in the 'N-cycle' with the help of a neat labeled diagram. (5)
- b) write notes on any two :
- i) Acid – mine drainage waste and control measures
  - ii) Eutrophication problem and control measures
  - iii) Ground water pollution and control measures (4)
- c) An effluent treatment plant is the source of P for a lake with  $150 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^2$  surface water. The effluent flow rate is  $0.8 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  and its P conc. is  $0.05 \text{ g/m}^3$ . A stream having  $20 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  of flow also joins the lake. If p settling rate is estimated to be  $30 \text{ m/yr}$ , estimate the average P concentration in the lake. What % removal of P at the treatment plant would be required to keep the average lake concentration below  $0.01 \text{ g/m}^3$ . (4)
- d) Discuss how 'DO' level in aquatic ecosystem is affected by 'Thermal stratification' in summer and winter. (2)