#### B. Tech. (SEM II) EVEN SEMESTER MAJOR EXAMINATION 2017 - 2018

# **Environment & Ecology**

Max. Marks: 50

Note: Attempt all questions. All questions carry equal marks.

## Q.1 Attempt any five parts of the following.

 $(5 \times 2 = 10)$ 

- √(a). Explain the scope and importance of environmental studies.
- Unawareness about the protection of environment will lead to detrimental consequences: comment with illustrations.
- Explain the roles of producers, consumers, and decomposers in an ecosystem.
  - What are mineral resources? What are the harmful effects of extraction of minerals?
  - Describe the structure, salient features, and function of a forest ecosystem. (e).
- Discuss important world food problems? What are the characteristics of a healthy food?
- Explain the term "biodiversity". Give the reasons for the extinction of species.

#### Q.2 Attempt any two parts of the following.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10)$ 

- What is water pollution? Discuss the effect of i) sewage and ii) agricultural discharges on (a). water.
- What is soil pollution? What are its harmful effects? Discuss the methods of controlling soil pollution.
  - Define air pollution. Suggest measures for controlling air pollution. Explain the working of any one device used for controlling air pollution.

Q.3 Attempt any two parts of the following.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10)$ 

Define noise. Discuss various sources of noise. What are its effects? Describe the methods used for controlling noise pollution.

- (b). What are solid wastes and what are their different types? Name various methods of waste disposal and explain any one of them.
- /r(c). Write a short note on global warming explaining its reasons and consequences.

## Q.4 Attempt any two parts of the following.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10)$ 

- (a). What are NGOs? Write about the work done by any two Indian NGOs towards environmental protection.
  - (b). The growth of human population took place at a very fast rate in 19th and 20th centuries why? Are we successful in curtailing this growth rate now? Elaborate.
- (c). How environmental awareness can be inculcated in public? Discuss the role of an individual in prevention of pollution.

### Q.5 Attempt any two parts of the following.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10)$ 

- (a). Briefly discuss the salient features of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.
- (b). Explain the term "population explosion". What are its effects on environment and other human aspects?
  - (c). Write the aims and objectives of "family welfare programs". Discuss their implementation details.