

Climate Change & its Implications (CCI)

Mid Exam

Maximum Marks: 20

Batch-1

Answer all questions

(Each question carries 5 marks)

- 1) Assuming an exponential pressure and density dependence with $H=7.13$ km, estimate the heights in the atmosphere at which (a) the air density is equal to 1.02 kg/m^3 and (b) the height at which the pressure is equal to 1.15 hPa. [Earth's radius= 6371 km]
- 2) Estimate how much the sea level would rise if the entire Arctic ice sheet were to melt. Area covered by Arctic sea ice is 3.01% of the area of the surface of the Earth. The land area is 28.5% of the surface of Earth. [Earth's radius= 6371 km; mass of Arctic ice sheet= $0.04 \times 10^3 \text{ kg/m}^2$]
- 3) Briefly discuss the different Earth system components with necessary illustrations.
- 4) What is the difference between climate variability and climate change? Briefly discuss the natural reasons for climate change.