

ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

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QUESTION BANK

MODULE 1: INTRODUCTION TO ENVIRONMENT

- 1. Which of the following statements define Environmental Engineering?
 - a) Information on environment
 - b) Waste disposal
 - c) Pollution control of various kinds
 - d) All of the mentioned

Answer: d) All of the mentioned

- 2. Which of the following is a renewable source of energy?
 - a) Ocean currents
 - b) Solar energy
 - c) Biomass
 - d) All of the above

Answer: d) all of the above

- 3. What is the estimated percentage of forest land that India should ideally have?
 - a) 15%
 - b) 50%
 - c) 44%
 - d) 33%

Answer: (d) 33%

- 4. An extensive number of chains interlinked in an ecosystem forms a ______together.
 - a) Food chain
 - b) Food web
 - c) Carbon cycle
 - d) Nitrogen cycle

Answer: (b) Food web

- 5. Which one of these does NOT refer to the direct use of forest products?
 - a) Grass for grazing
 - b) Gums and resins
 - c) Medicine
 - d) Bamboo for baskets

Answer: (b) Gums and resins

- 6. Name the day that is celebrated as the World Environment Day.
 - a) June 5th
 - b) June 6th



- c) June 8th
- d) June 10th

Answer: a) June 5th

- 7. What's the reason behind the blue color of the sky?
 - a) The water vapor is present
 - b) The sunlight gets scattered due to the air molecules
 - c) The blue light gets absorbed by the air
 - d) The blue light is emitted through the atmosphere
 Answer: b) The sunlight gets scattered due to the air molecules
- 8. Environmental science is defined by which of the following statements?
 - a) study of the interactions between the environment's and humans only
 - b) study of the interactions between the environment's and physical components
 - c) study of the interactions between the environment's and chemical component
 - d) study of the interactions between the environment's physical, chemical, and biological components

Answer: d) study of the interactions between the environment's physical, chemical, and biological components

- 9. Which of the following is a non-renewable energy source?
 - a) Solar power
 - b) Wind power
 - c) Natural gas
 - d) Biomass

Answer: C) Natural gas

- 10. What does the term "biodiversity" refer to?
- a) The variety of life forms in a given area
- b) The number of endangered species
- c) The rate of species extinction
- d) The spread of invasive species

Answer: A) The variety of life forms in a given area

- 11. What does the global environment consists of
 - a) Atmosphere
 - b) Hydrosphere
 - c) Biosphere
 - d) All of the above

Answer: d) All of the above

- 12. What are the physical hazards to the environment?
 - a) Radioactive and UV radiation
 - b) Pesticides and heavy metals
 - c) Bacteria and viruses
 - d) None of the above

Answer: a) Radioactive and UV radiation

- 13. Plants utilize solar energy and make their own food through
 - a) Wind energy
 - b) Fossil Fuels



| | - | Hydro power |
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| | d) | Photosynthesis |
| | DI- | Answer: d) Photosynthesis |
| 14. | | otosynthesis is a process by which green plants turn into food using |
| | | ergy from sunlight. |
| | , | Carbon-dioxide and water |
| | - | Hydrogen Sulphide |
| | , | NO ₂ |
| | d) | Water |
| 15. | | Answer: a) Carbon-dioxide and water is the power that is generated from moving water such as river. |
| | a) | Electric charge |
| | b) | Hydro power |
| | c) | Bio-gas |
| | d) | None of the above |
| | | Answer: b) Hydro power |
| 16. | | nich of the following are the fossil fuels |
| | , | Coal |
| | - | Natural gas |
| | c) | Petroleum |
| | d) | All of the above |
| | | Answer: d) All of the above |
| | | iotic components of an ecosystem includes? |
| | , | Producers |
| | - | Living organisms |
| | • | Organic components |
| | d) | None of the above |
| | | Answer: c) Organic components |
| 18. | | e biotic components of an ecosystem includes? |
| | - | Living organisms |
| | | Organic components |
| | • | Consumers |
| | d) | None of the above |
| | | Answer: a) Living organisms |
| | | otic components is classified into |
| | , | Producers |
| | , | Consumers |
| | - | Decomposers |
| | d) | All of the above |
| | | Answer: d) All of the above |
| 20. | | e primary class of the consumers if called? |
| | • | Herbivore |
| | , | Carnivore |
| | c) | Tertiary |



d) Omnivores

Answer: a) Herbivore

- 21. Gross primary productivity (GPP) is called
 - a) Organic matter synthesized per unit time
 - b) Organic matter synthesized per unit area
 - c) Rate of increase in body weight plus loss through respiration, grazing and damages
 - d) All of the above

Answer: d) All of the above

- 22. Net primary productivity (NPP) is called
 - a) Organic matter stored per unit time
 - b) Organic matter stored per unit area
 - Organic matter synthesized by photosynthesis minus utilization in respiration and losses
 - d) All of the above

Answer: d) All of the above

- 23. Types of ground detritus are
 - a) Dried plants
 - b) Underground Dead animals
 - c) Dead roots
 - d) None of the above

Answer: a) Drier plants

- 24. Types of below ground detritus are
 - a) Dead plants
 - b) Underground Dead animals and plants
 - c) Animals remains
 - d) Excretions

Answer: b) Underground Dead animals

- 25. Energy "flows" through the ecosystem in the form of _____
 - a) Hydrogen-Hydrogen bonds
 - b) Carbon-Hydrogen bonds
 - c) Carbon-Carbon bonds
 - d) Hydrogen-Oxygen bonds

Answer: c) Carbon-Carbon bonds

- 26. The autotrophs obtain the inorganic nutrients from the inorganic nutrient pool, which is usually the soil or water surrounding the plants or algae. The inorganic nutrients include?
 - a) The phosphorous in our teeth, bones, and cellular membranes
 - b) The nitrogen in our amino acids
 - c) The iron in our blood
 - d) All of the above

Answer: d) All of the above

- 27. _____ is the gradual process by which ecosystems change and develop over a period of time
- a) Inhibition Hypothesis
- b) Ecological succession



- c) Food Chain
- d) None of these

Answer: b) Ecological succession

- 28. _____ is the path of food from a given final consumer back to a producer
 - a) Food chain
 - b) Producer
 - c) Inhibition Hypothesis
 - d) None of above

Answer: a) Food chain

- 29. How many number of tropical levels are present in Food chain
 - a) 2-4
 - b) 3-5
 - c) 3-6
 - d) 6-9

Answer: c) 3-6

- 30. An ecological pyramid is a _____ representation of an ecological parameter.
 - a) Postural
 - b) Graphical
 - c) Numeral
 - d) None of these

Answer: b) Graphical

- 31. The word bio-diversity refers to the variety of living organisms which includes
 - a) Flora
 - b) Fauna
 - c) Both flora and fauna
 - d) None of the above

Answer: c) Both flora and fauna

- 32. The process of using the raw material from which new species arise through evolution like breed new crop varieties and disease resistant crops is called?
 - a) Species diversity
 - b) Ecosystem diversity
 - c) Genetic diversity
 - d) All of the above

Answer: c) Genetic diversity

- 33. Species diversity is seen in
 - a) Natural ecosystem
 - b) Agricultural ecosystem
 - c) Both natural and agricultural ecosystem
 - d) None of the above

Answer: c) Both natural and agricultural ecosystem

- 34. Distinctive ecosystem includes
 - a) Forest
 - b) Deserts
 - c) Aquatic ecosystem



d) All of the above

Answer: d) All of the above

- 35. Ecosystem consists of
 - a) Terrestrial
 - b) Aquatic
 - c) Both terrestrial and aquatic
 - d) None of the above

Answer: c) Both terrestrial and aquatic

MODULE 2: ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION

- 36. Which of the following is/are types of pollution that affect the environment?
 - a) Air pollution
 - b) Water pollution
 - c) Land pollution
 - d) All of the above

Answer: d) All of the above

- 37. Which of the following is NOT a primary pollutant?
 - a) Oxygen
 - b) Ground-level ozone
 - c) Carbon monoxide
 - d) Carbon dioxide

Answer: a) Oxygen

- 38. Solid waste can be classified into
 - a) Municipal solid waste (MSW) and agricultural waste
 - b) Hazardous and industrial waste
 - c) Agricultural waste
 - d) All of the above

Answer: d) All of the above

- 39. Which of the following air pollution control device has maximum efficiency?
 - a) Spray tower
 - b) Wet cyclonic scrubber
 - c) Dynamic precipitator
 - d) Electrostatic precipitator

Answer: d) Electrostatic precipitator

- 40. Which of the following is not a part of photochemical smog?
 - a) SPM (Suspended Particulate Matter)
 - b) SO₂
 - c) O_3
 - d) NO₂

Answer: a) SPM (Suspended Particulate Matter)

- 41. The high level of lead air pollutant exposure causes
 - a. Blue baby disease



- b. Fluorosis
- c. Damage to blood, brain, kidney and reproductive system
- d. Bone barrow disease

Answer: c) Damage to blood, brain, kidney and reproductive system

- 42. The air pollutants released to the atmosphere by burning of hydrocarbons combined with nitrogen oxide compounds are
 - a. CO
 - b. O₃
 - c. Suspended Particulate Matter
 - d. Dust particles

Answer: c) O₃

- 43. The catalytic converter converts the harmful pollutants into
 - a. CO_2 , H_2O and N_2
 - b. CO
 - c. Hydrocarbons
 - d. NO_x and SO₂

Answer: a) CO₂, H₂O and N₂

- 44. The effect of air pollution on property causes
 - a. Killing of tissues
 - b. Erosion and corrosion
 - c. Effects the respiratory system
 - d. Causes lack of appetite, air born diseases etc.

Answer: b) Erosion and corrosion

- 45. Oxygen depleting waste water pollution causes
 - a. Sediment erosion
 - b. Radioisotopes
 - c. Fish killing and oxygen depletion
 - d. None of the above

Answer: c) Fish killing and oxygen depletion

- 46. Poisoning of water is caused by
 - a. Hazardous waste
 - b. Hot water
 - c. Human waste
 - d. Paper and cardboards

Answer: a) Hazardous waste

- 47. Which of the following type of pollution is Cultural Eutrophication?
 - a) Noise pollution
 - b) Thermal pollution
 - c) Soil pollution
 - d) Water pollution

Answer: d) Water pollution

- 48. What is the cause of the soil pollution?
 - a. Acid rain
 - b. Ozone



- c. Aerosol
- d. None of the above

Answer: a) Acid rain

- 49. The disease caused by Fluorine contamination in drinking water?
 - a) Fluorosis
 - b) Blue baby disease
 - c) Bone marrow disease
 - d) None of the above

Answer: a) Fluorosis

- 50. Which of the mentioned devices are used for removing vapour phase/gaseous pollutants?
 - a) Wet scrubber
 - b) Absorption towers
 - c) Catalytic converters
 - d) All of the above

Answer: d) All of above

- 51. Which of the following gas is not colorless?
 - a) SO₃
 - b) Pb
 - c) NO
 - d) O_3

Answer: c) NO

- 52. Which of these gases is not permitted to be released by the Prevention and Control of Pollution Act by the Government?
 - a. Sulphur Dioxide
 - b. Carbon Monoxide
 - c. Nitrogen Oxide
 - d. All of the above

Answer: d) All of the above

- 53. Which of these elements is present in the drinking water that can lead to numerous fatal diseases?
 - a. Phosphorus
 - b. Calcium
 - c. Arsenic
 - d. None of the above Answer: c) Arsenic
- 54. Which of the following gases is the primary cause of acid rain?
 - a. Nitrogen
 - b. Carbon dioxide
 - c. Sulfur dioxide
 - d. Methane

Answer: c) Sulfur dioxide

- **55.** What are the classification of air pollution sources
 - a. Stationary sources
 - b. Mobile sources
 - c. Stationary and mobile sources
 - d. None of the above

Answer: c) Stationary and mobile sources



- **56.** Effects of air pollution on plants are
 - a. Necrosis
 - b. Chlorosis
 - c. Abcission
 - d. All of the above

Answer: d) All of the above

- 57. Sources of water pollution are
 - a. Industrial effluents
 - b. Domestic sewage
 - c. Fertilizers and pesticides
 - d. All of the above

Answer: d) All of the above

- 58. Excess pesticides causes
 - a. Biomagnifications
 - b. Eutrophication
 - c. Sediments
 - d. Thermal pollution

Answer: a) Biomagnifications

- 59. NO₃ contamination in drinking water causes
 - a. Biomagnifications
 - b. Fluorosis
 - c. Methaemoglobinaceae (Blue baby disease)
 - d. None of the above

Answer: c) Methaemoglobinaceae (Blue baby disease)

- 60. Solid waste is classified as
 - a. Municipal solid waste
 - b. Industrial waste
 - c. Hazardous and biomedical waste
 - d. MSW, Industrial waste, Hazardous and biomedical waste
 - e. Answer: d) MSW, Industrial waste, Hazardous and biomedical waste
- 61. Municipal solid waste is also called as
 - a. Bio-medical waste
 - b. Industrial waste
 - c. Leachate
 - d. Trash and garbage

Answer: d) Trash and garbage

- 62. Composting of solid waste generates
 - a. Medical waste
 - b. Manure (Fertilizer)
 - c. Hazardous waste
 - d. None of above

Answer: b) Manure (Fertilizer)

- 63. A engineered facility used for disposal of solid waste on land is called
 - a. Dumping yard

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- b. Industries
- c. Landfills
- d. Transport trucks

Answer: c) Landfills

- 64. Bio-medical waste which is a disposal of bio-hazardous material is generated mainly in
 - a. Schools and colleges
 - b. Hotels
 - c. Hospitals and nursing homes
 - d. Municipal area

Answer: c) Hospitals and nursing homes

- 65. How many categories of bio-medical waste are classified by The Ministry of Environment and Forests
 - a. 7
 - b. 8
 - c. 9
 - d. 10

Answer: c) 9