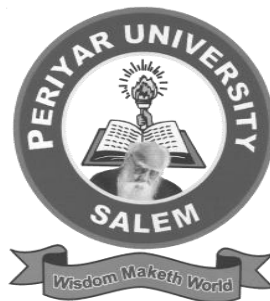


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**Department of  
Environmental Science**



**M.Sc. Environmental Science**

**Syllabus**

(w.e.f. 2014-2015 onwards)

**PERIYAR UNIVERSITY**  
**M.Sc. ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE**  
**CHOICE BASED CREDIT SYSTEM**  
**REGULATIONS (w.e.f. 2014-2015 onwards)**

**1. CONDITIONS FOR ADMISSION**

**A. ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS FOR ADMISSION**

Candidate who has passed the B.Sc. degree in any Life Sciences including Environmental Science/ Microbiology / Applied Microbiology/ Industrial Microbiology/ Botany/ Plant Sciences and Plant Biotechnology/ Zoology/ Animal Science/ Applied Animal Science and Animal Biotechnology/ Biochemistry/ Bioinformatics/ Biology/ Life Sciences/ Home Science/ Food Science & Nutrition/ BSMS/BAMS/BUMS/Chemistry with Botany / Zoology as Allied Subjects of this University or an Examination of any other University accepted by the Syndicate as equivalent thereto shall be eligible for admission to M.Sc. Degree Course in Environmental Sciences.

Candidate shall be admitted to the examination only if he/she has taken the qualifying degree in Science/ Medical subjects as mentioned after having completed the prescribed courses consisting of twelve years of study and has passed the qualifying examination.

**B. METHOD OF SELECTION**

Candidates have to appear for an **entrance examination** in the respective subjects to be conducted by the respective departments and thereafter an interview. The date, venue, and time of the entrance examination and interview will be notified to the applicants separately as soon as it is fixed.

**2. ELIGIBILITY FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE**

A candidate shall be eligible for the award of the degree only if he/she has undergone the prescribed course of study in a college affiliated to the University for a period of not less than two academic years, passed the examination of all the four semesters prescribed earning 90 credits (plus 2 credits for Human Rights) and fulfilled such conditions as have been prescribed therefore.

**3. DURATION OF THE COURSE**

The duration of the course is for two academic years consisting of four semesters.

**4. EXAMINATIONS**

There shall be four semester examinations: first semester examinations at the middle of the first academic year and the second semester examination at the end of the first academic year. Similarly, the third and fourth semester examinations shall be held at the middle and the end of the second academic year, respectively.

## 5. COURSE OF STUDY AND SCHEME OF EXAMINATIONS

### NAME OF THE COURSES

#### Core papers

#### Semester I

Core –I	Cell Biology and Biochemistry
Core – II	Fundamentals of Environmental Sciences
Core – III	Environmental Chemistry
Core – IV	Biodiversity and Conservation
Elective – I	Energy and Environment
Core Practical – I	Cell Biology and Biochemistry, Fundamentals of Environmental Sciences and Environmental Chemistry

#### Semester II

Core – V	Natural Resources and Management
Core – VI	Environmental Microbiology
Core – VII	Environmental Impact Assessment & Disaster Management
Elective – II	Environmental Pollution and Management
Supportive-I	Supportive-I
Core Practical – II	Environmental Microbiology, Environmental Impact Assessment and Environmental Pollution and Management

#### Semester III

Core – VIII	Waste Management
Core – IX	Environmental Toxicology
Core – X	Climate Change and Current issues
Core– XI	Environmental Biotechnology
Supportive-II	Supportive-II
Core Practical– III	Waste Management, Environmental Toxicology and Environmental Biotechnology

#### Semester IV

Core – XII	Environmental Laws, Planning and Policy
Core – XIII	Research Methodology and Instrumentation
Core Project-I	Project Work

### **Elective Courses – Major**

1. Energy and Environment
2. Environmental Pollution Management
3. Eco-Tourism and Wild Life Management
4. Energy and Green Technologies
5. Radiation Pollution, GIS and Remote Sensing
6. Environmental Engineering

### **Supportive Courses for other Departments**

1. Ecology and Environment
2. Environmental Quality Management
3. Environmental Pollution
4. Global Environmental Issues and Management

## SCHEME OF EXAMINATIONS

The scheme of examinations for different semesters shall be as follows:

**Theory:** Maximum marks – 75 Marks:

Part A – 25 Marks (5 Questions) and

Part B – 50 Marks (5 Questions)

**Internal marks** – 25

**Total marks** – 100

**Time** - 3 hrs.

**The following procedure will be followed for Internal Marks:**

<b>Theory Papers:</b>	<b>Internal Marks</b>
Best Two tests out of 3	10 marks
Attendance	5 marks
Seminar	5 marks
Assignment	5 marks
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	25 marks
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<b>Practical:</b>	<b>Internal Marks</b>	<b>40</b>
Attendance		5 marks
Practical Test Best 2 out of 3		30 marks
Record		5 marks

<b>Project:</b>		
Internal Marks presentations		40 marks
Viva		10 marks
Project Report		50 marks

### **Break-up Details for Attendance**

Below 60%	- No marks
60% to 75%	- 3 marks
76% to 90%	- 4 marks
91% to 100%	- 5 marks

## **6. REQUIREMENTS FOR PROCEEDING TO SUBSEQUENT SEMESTERS:**

- (i) Candidates shall register their names for the First semester examination after the admission in the PG courses.
- (ii) Candidates shall be permitted to proceed from the First Semester upto the Final Semester irrespective of their failure in any of the Semester Examination subject to the condition that the candidates should register for all the arrear subjects of earlier semesters along with current (subject) Semester subjects.
- (iii) Candidates shall be eligible to proceed to the subsequent semester, only if they earn sufficient attendance as prescribed therefore by the Syndicate from time to time.

Provided in case of candidate earning less than 50% of attendance in any one of the semester due to any extraordinary circumstance such as medical grounds, such candidates who shall produce Medical Certificate issued by the Authorized Medical Attendant (AMA), duly certified by the Principal of the College, shall be permitted to proceed to the next semester and to complete the course of study. Such candidate shall have to repeat the missed semester by rejoining after completion of final semester of the course, after paying the fee for the break of study as prescribed by the University from time to time.

## **7. PASSING MINIMUM:**

- a) There shall be no Passing Minimum for Internal.
- b) For External Examination, Passing Minimum shall be of 50% (Fifty Percentage) of the maximum marks prescribed for the paper.
- c) In the aggregate (External + Internal) the passing minimum shall be of 50% for each Paper/Practical/Project and Viva-voce.
- d) Grading shall be based on overall marks obtained (internal + external).

## **8. CLASSIFICATION OF SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES:**

Candidates who secured not less than 60% of aggregate marks (Internal + External) in the whole examination shall be declared to have passed the examination in the First Class. All other successful candidates shall be declared to have passed in Second Class. Candidates who obtain 75% of the marks in the aggregate (Internal + External) shall be deemed to have passed the examination in First Class with Distinction, provided they pass all the examinations (theory papers, practicals, project and viva-voce) prescribed for the course in the First appearance.

## 9. GRADING SYSTEM:

The term grading system indicates a Seven (7) Point Scale of evaluation of the performances of students in terms of marks obtained in the Internal and External Examination, grade points and letter grade.

### SEVEN POINT SCALE (As per UGC notification 1998)

GRADE	GRADE POINT	PERCENTAGE EQUIVALENT
`O' = Outstanding	5.50 – 6.00	75 – 100
`A' = Very Good	4.50 – 5.49	65 – 74
`B' = Good	3.50 – 4.49	55 – 64
`C' = Average	3.00 – 3.49	50 – 54
`D' = Below Average	1.50 – 2.99	35 – 49
`E' = Poor	0.50 – 1.49	25 – 34
`F' = Fail	0.00 – 0.49	0 - 24

## 10. RANKING:

Candidates who pass all the examinations prescribed for the course in the first appearance itself alone are eligible for Ranking / Distinction. Provided in the case of candidates who pass all the examinations prescribed for the course with a break in the First Appearance due to the reasons as furnished in the Regulations under “Requirements for Proceeding to subsequent Semester” are only eligible for Classification.

## 11. PATTERN OF QUESTION PAPER:

PART –A (200 words): All 5 Questions either or type 5 x 5 = **25** marks  
PART –B (500 words): All 5 Questions either or type 5 x 10 = **50** marks

## 12. APPEARANCE FOR IMPROVEMENT:

Candidates who have passed in a theory paper / papers are allowed to appear again for theory paper / papers only once in order to improve his/her marks, by paying the fee prescribed from time to time. Such candidates are allowed to improve within a maximum period of 10 semesters counting from his/her first semester of his/her admission. If candidate improve his marks, then his improved marks will be taken into consideration for the award of Classification only. Such improved marks will not be counted for the award of Prizes / Medals, Rank and Distinction. If the candidate does not show improvement in the marks, his previous marks will be taken into consideration. Candidate will be allowed to improve marks in the Practical's, Project, Viva-voce, Field work.

**M.Sc. DEGREE COURSE IN ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE**

Semester	Core	Subject Code	Subject	Hrs/W	Credit	CIA	EA	Total
I	I	14UPEVS1C01	Cell Biology and Biochemistry	5	4	25	75	100
	II	14UPEVS1C02	Fundamentals of Environmental Sciences	5	4	25	75	100
	III	14UPEVS1C03	Environmental Chemistry	5	4	25	75	100
	IV	14UPEVS1C04	Biodiversity and Conservation	5	4	25	75	100
	E-I	14UPEVS1E01	Elective-I Energy and Environment	4	4	25	75	100
	P-I	14UPEVS1P01	<b>Practical-I</b> - Cell Biology and Biochemistry, Fundamentals of Environmental Sciences and Environmental Chemistry	5	5	40	60	100
II	V	14UPEVS1C05	Natural Resources and Management	4	4	25	75	100
	VI	14UPEVS1C06	Environmental Microbiology	4	4	25	75	100
	VII	14UPEVS1C07	Environmental Impact Assessment and Disaster Management	4	4	25	75	100
	E-II	14UPEVS1E02	Elective-II Environmental Pollution and Management	4	4	25	75	100
	S-I	14UPEVS1S01	Supportive-I	4	4	25	75	100
	P-II	14UPEVS1P02	<b>Practical-II</b> - Environmental Microbiology, Environmental Impact Assessment and Environmental Pollution and Management	5	5	40	60	100



III	VIII	14UPEVS1C08	Waste Management	4	4	25	75	100
	IX	14UPEVS1C09	Environmental Toxicology	4	4	25	75	100
	X	14UPEVS1C10	Climate Change and Current Issues	4	4	25	75	100
	XI	14UPEVS1C11	Environmental Biotechnology	4	4	25	75	100
	S-II	14UPEVS1S02	Supportive-II	4	4	25	75	100
	P-III	14UPEVS1P03	<b>Practical-III - Waste Management, Environmental Toxicology and Environmental Biotechnology,</b>	5	5	40	60	100
IV	XII	14UPEVS1C12	Environmental Laws, Planning and Policy	5	4	25	75	100
	XIII	14UPEVS1C13	Research Methodology and Instrumentation	5	4	25	75	100
	Q-I	14UPEVS1Q01	Project work	15	7	25	75	100
<b>Total</b>					<b>90</b>			<b>2100</b>

# **SEMESTER I**

## CORE I: 14UPEVS1C01

### CELL BIOLOGY AND BIOCHEMISTRY

#### UNIT I

##### The Cell

Origin of Cell - Cell theory - Cell membrane – Physicochemical properties and Molecular Organisation – Asymmetric organization of lipids, proteins and carbohydrates - Transport of small molecules across cell membranes – Types and mechanisms. Active transport by ATP powered pumps. Transport of proteins into Mitochondria and Chloroplast.

#### UNIT II

##### Structure and Organelles

Prokaryotic and Eukaryotic cell structure and intracellular organelles – Cell wall, membranes, nucleolus, endosomes, peroxisomes, mitochondria, endoplasmic reticulum, plant vacuoles, plastids, microbodies and chloroplast – *Structure and functions of chromosomes*: Chromosome structure, Morphology and Functional elements of eukaryotic chromosomes – Lampbrush chromosomes, Polytene chromosome and Giant chromosome – Bar bodies – DNA banding patterns – Karyotyping – Idiogram.

#### UNIT III

##### Intracellular Digestion

Ultra structure and function of lysosomes – Cytoskeleton structure – Types – Function and role in motility. Transport of protein into and out of nucleus - Transport of protein into endoplasmic reticulum - *Transport by vesicle formation*: Endocytosis and Exocytosis – Molecular mechanism of vesicular transport.

#### UNIT IV

##### Cellular Communication through Cell Junction

Occluding junctions, Anchoring junctions and Communicating junction - *Molecular mechanism of cell-cell adhesion*: Ca<sup>++</sup> dependent and independent cell-cell adhesions, *Extracellular matrix of animals*: Organisation and functions and Integrins.

#### UNIT V

##### Cell Signalling

Signalling via G-coupled protein and enzyme linked cell surface receptors, MAP kinase pathways, Interaction and regulation of signaling pathways. *Eukaryotic Cell Division Cycle*: Different phases and molecular events - Control of cell division cycle in yeast and mammalian cells - *Overview of Apoptosis*: Phases and significance, morphological and biochemical changes associated with apoptotic cells - Apoptotic pathways and regulators in multiple cancers.

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## CORE II: 14UPEVS1C02

### FUNDAMENTALS OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

#### UNIT- I

##### **Ecology and Environment**

Environmental Science - Definition, Scope and Importance. *Components of the environment:* Atmosphere, Hydrosphere, Lithosphere and Biosphere – Structure and composition. History and scope of Ecology - Terminologies in ecology - Abiotic and Biotic factors, Laws of limiting factors – Liebig's law of minimum, Shelford's law of tolerance.

#### UNIT – II

##### **Ecosystems**

*Ecosystem:* Types – Terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems, Structure and functional aspects of ecosystem - Food Chain, Food Web, Energy flows, Ecological pyramids, Productivity of an ecosystem and Biogeochemical cycling – Carbon and Nitrogen Ecological efficiency - Ecological succession - Major biomes of India and the world - Sampling methods in ecological studies - Introduction to ecological modeling.

#### UNIT – III

##### **Population Ecology**

*Population ecology:* Levels of Organization, population characteristics - Density, natality, mortality, survivorship curves, age distribution, growth curves. *Population interactions:* Co-evolution, Neutralism, symbiosis, commensalism, mutualism, antagonism, antibiosis, parasitism, predation; competition- inter and intra specific. Population regulation – biotic potential and environmental resistances (r and k selections); Factors of population regulation – density dependent and density independent and carrying capacity.

#### UNIT – IV

##### **Remote Sensing and GIS**

Principles of remote sensing (Optical/Microwave) – Concepts and principles. Imaging systems, satellites, sensors, data generation. Applications of remote sensing for land use/land cover, landscape mapping, vegetation analysis, climate change studies, flood, drought assessment desertification and water shed management. *GIS concepts:* Data structures - vector and raster data. Data inputting, Data storage, Data editing - Hardware and Software requirement - Application of GIS for environmental studies. *GPS:* Concepts, types of GPS machines and its applications for surveying and mapping

#### UNIT – V

##### **Statistical Analyses**

*Statistical Analysis:* Sampling, Data collection and recording. *Measures of central tendency:* Arithmetic mean, Geometric mean, mode, median (ungrouped and grouped data). *Measures of dispersion:* absolute and relative measures; range, standard deviation (grouped and ungrouped data), variance, quartile deviation, coefficient of variability. Skewness, Kurtosis; Probability - normal,

poisson and binomial. Statistical Methods - Hypothesis testing, significance and correlation. Correlation models Linear models and regressions. Pearson and other correlation coefficients. Multiple Regressions, Distribution- Normal, t and chi square test, Difference among means – ANOVA.

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## CORE III: 14UPEVS1C03

### ENVIRONMENTAL CHEMISTRY

#### UNIT I

##### **Fundamentals of Environmental Chemistry**

*Environmental Chemistry:* Definition and explanation of various terms – Molarity, molality, normality and percent solutions, stock and standard solution preparation. Stoichiometry, Gibb's Energy, chemical potential, chemical equilibria, acid base reactions, solubility product, solubility of gases in water, the carbonate system, radionuclides.

#### UNIT II

##### **Atmospheric Chemistry**

Atmospheric layers - Classification of elements, chemical speciation, particles, ions and radicals in the atmosphere - Chemical processes for formation of inorganic and organic particulate matter. Thermochemical and photochemical reactions in the atmosphere - Oxygen and ozone chemistry, Chemistry of air pollutants, Photochemical Smog

#### UNIT III

##### **Aquatic chemistry**

Chemistry of water - Formation of water, unusual physical properties, hydrogen bonding in biological system, unusual solvent properties, changes in water properties by addition of solute - Chemical reactions in aquatic environment; Concept of oxygen demand - DO, BOD, COD; TDS, pH, conductivity – Colloids – Salinity - Chemical speciations in aquatic environment - Role of water in the environment – Hydrological cycle.

#### UNIT IV

##### **Soil Chemistry**

Chemical composition of earth, metals, minerals, fossil fuels and soils - Physico-chemical characteristics of soil, soil air, soil clays, organic carbon, soil humus and mineralization, cation exchange capacity, soil water solution, Nitrogen pathways, C/N ratio, soil acidity and salinity.

#### UNIT V

##### **Pollutant Chemistry**

*Chemistry of various organic and inorganic compounds:* *Hydrocarbons:* Chemistry of hydrocarbon decay, environmental effects, effects on macro and microorganisms - *Surfactants:* Cationic, anionic and non-ionic detergents, modified detergents. *Pesticides:* Classification, degradation, analysis, pollution due to pesticides – DDT and Endosulphan *Heavy metals:* Toxic effects of Cd, Pb & Hg.

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## CORE IV: 14UPEVS1C04

### BIODIVERSITY AND CONSERVATION

#### UNIT I

##### **Types, Functions and Benefits of Biodiversity**

*Types of Biodiversity:* Species, Genetic and Ecosystem diversity – Alpha, beta, and gamma diversity – Biodiversity and ecosystem function – Megadiversity zones and Biodiversity Hot Spots in India – Ecologically Sensitive Areas (ESA) in India - *Use of Biodiversity:* Source of food, medicine, raw material, aesthetic and cultural uses – *Biodiversity Prospecting:* Significance of Indigenous Knowledge Systems

#### UNIT II

##### **Threats to Biodiversity**

Natural and anthropogenic threats to biodiversity – Human-Animal conflict with special reference to elephants and tigers - IUCN Threat Categories – Red Data Book – Wildlife exploitation - Species extinctions – Endangered and endemic species of flora and fauna in India - Over-harvesting and Climate change on biodiversity - Causes and Impacts of Invasive species to biodiversity

#### UNIT III

##### **Conservation Strategies**

*Current practices in conservation:* Habitat or Ecosystem Approaches - Species-based Approaches - *Social Approaches:* Chipko Movement – *In-situ conservation:* Afforestation, Social Forestry, Agroforestry, Botanical gardens, Zoos, Biosphere Reserves, National Parks, Sanctuaries, Protected Area Network, Sacred Groves and Sthalavrikshas – *Ex-situ conservation:* Cryopreservation, Gene Banks, Seed Banks, Pollen Banks, Sperm Banks, DNA Banks, Tissue Culture and Biotechnological Strategies

#### UNIT IV

##### **Sustainable Management of Bioresources**

National Biodiversity Authority (NBA) – Functions of State Biodiversity Board (SBB) and Biodiversity Management Committee's (BMC) – The role of WWF, FAO, UNESCO, UNDP and UNEP for biodiversity conservation – An elementary account on WTO, GAAT and TRIPS – Biopiracy rights of farmers, breeders and indigenous people – Biodiversity informatics with special reference to plant genetic resources

#### UNIT V

##### **Policies, Programmes and Acts for Conservation**

Status and protection of species in National and International levels – Role of CITES and IUCN – Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) – Nagoya Protocol – Man and Biosphere Programme (MAB) – Policies implemented by MoEF for biodiversity conservation – Salient features of Biological Diversity Act 2002 – Ecosystem restoration

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## **SEMESTER II**

## CORE V: 14UPEVS1C05

### NATURAL RESOURCES AND MANAGEMENT

#### UNIT I

##### **Introduction**

*Natural resources* – Classification, Concepts and approaches of natural resource conservation - Natural resources of India

#### UNIT II

##### **Soil Resources Management**

Distribution of Soil resources – Role of agricultural practices in soil degradation - Soil erosion – *Soil Fertility and Nutrient Management*: Role of organic matter and its significance in soil quality – Diagnosis of soil nutrient deficiencies – *Organic Farming*: Principles, Benefits and Methods of organic farming; Green manuring, Animal manures and Composting - Wasteland development strategies

#### UNIT III

##### **Mineral Resources Management**

Resources and reserves – Origin, distribution and uses of economic minerals - Exploration of mineral resources from oceans - Steps in mineral exploitation, Impact of exploitation of economic minerals on environment - Conservation of economic mineral resources.

#### UNIT IV

##### **Water Resources Management**

Integrated water resource management - Watershed management – Rain water harvesting – Interlinking of rivers and river basin management - Wetland conservation – Coastal zone management strategies - Ecological significance of mangroves, Coral reefs and its conservation

#### UNIT V

##### **Forest Resources Management**

Significance for the conservation of forest resources – Distribution of forests, Wood production, Forest land use changes in India, Future demand of forest land, Carbon sequestration - *Forest management tools*: Social forestry, Agro-forestry and Urban forestry - Eco development committees, Ecotourism, Climate change reduction, Carbon trading and Management of grasslands.

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## CORE V: 14UPEVS1C05

### ENVIRONMENTAL MICROBIOLOGY

#### UNIT I

History and scope of microbiology - Ultrastructure of Prokaryotic and Eukaryotic cell - Sterilization techniques used in microbiology - Preparation of media for isolation and culture of microorganisms - Microbial growth and multiplication of bacteria, virus and fungi – Nature of virulence, toxins, extra cellular enzymes of pathogenic bacteria

#### Unit II

##### Geomicrobiology

Distribution of microorganisms in soil - Factors influencing the soil microflora – Role of microorganisms in soil fertility - *Interactions among microorganisms*: Mutualisms, comensalism, competition, amensalism, parasitism, predation - *Interactions between microbes and plants*: Rhizosphere, phyllosphere, mycorrhizae

#### Unit III

##### Biogeochemical Cycles

*Biogeochemical cycles*: Carbon cycle - Role of microbes in carbon cycle - Nitrogen cycle - Mechanism of biological nitrogen fixation – Ammonification, nitrification, denitrification and microorganisms involved in such processes - Phosphorous cycle and Sulphur cycle.

#### Unit IV

##### Air and Water-borne Diseases

Microbial air pollutants – Bioaerosols, Aero allergen - Airborne diseases, Symptoms and preventive measures - *Water pollution*: Sources and nature of pollutants in water – waterborne diseases. Assessment of microbiological quality of water - MPN technique and Biological Oxygen Demand. Domestic solid (compost) and liquid waste treatment – Eutrophication

#### Unit V

##### Applied Microbiology

Microbial conversion of solid waste to food (Mushroom, SCP), fuels (Biogas, Ethanol), Bioleaching of Ores, Biodegradation of Lignin – Pesticides – Recalcitrant – *Bioremediation*: Types and its application – Biodeterioration of paper, wood and paints - Metal corrosion

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## CORE VII: 14UPEVS1C07

### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT

#### UNIT I

##### **Introduction**

Definition – Basic concepts and principles of EIA – Origin and development of EIA - Short-term and Long-term objectives – EIA guidelines 2006 (Notification of Government of India) – Types of impacts (Negative & Positive, Primary & Secondary, Reversible and Irreversible Tangible and Intangible) – Merits and Demerits of EIA

#### UNIT II

##### **Components and Methodologies of EIA**

*Components of EIA:* Screening of Projects - Notification – Public Participation - Preparing environmental impact statements – Review of EIA analysis – Decision methods for evaluation of alternatives - *EIA Methodologies:* Adhoc Method – Checklist Approach – Matrix Methods – Network Methods

#### UNIT III

##### **EIA of major development projects & Environmental auditing**

Transportation - River valley Projects – Irrigation and dams - Mining and quarrying - Oil refinery - Thermal Power Project - Cement Industries – *Environmental Auditing:* Scope, Objectives and Procedures for environmental auditing

#### UNIT IV

##### **Environmental Hazards**

Natural and Man-made hazards – *Catastrophic geological hazards:* Earthquakes, Tsunami's, Volcanic eruptions, Snow avalanches, Landslides, Cyclones, Floods, Desertification, and Forest fires – *Man made hazards:* Improper irrigation and deforestation – *Industrial hazards:* Fire, Explosion, Toxic release and dispersion - Effects, Predictions, Forecasting and Mitigation measures of environmental hazards

#### UNIT V

##### **Disaster Management**

*Disaster management Plans:* Components of disaster management plan on-site and off-site emergency plans - Pre disaster phase, Actual disaster phase and Post disaster phase - *Disaster assistance:* Technological assistance, Relief camp Organization, Camp layout, Food requirement, Water needs, Sanitation, Security, Information administration, Fire fighting camping and Tent pitching, Rope, Knots and their use - Emergency rescue - *Disaster education:* Alternatives and new directions - Conceptualizing disaster recovery, Mitigation and preparedness, Programme planning and management

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## **SEMESTER III**

## CORE VIII: 14UPEVS1C08

### WASTE MANAGEMENT

#### UNIT I

##### **Introduction to waste**

*Wastes* – Introduction, sources, characteristics, composition, classification, waste generated per capita - Global scenario of wastes - Waste collection, Storage and segregation - Transportation and disposal methods - Sanitary land filling techniques

#### UNIT II

##### **Municipal Solid Waste Management**

Municipal solid waste – Sources, types, collection and transportation, Waste processing and resource recovery (typical material recovery facility operation (TMRF)) - Reuse and recycling of paper, glass and rubber - *Disposal methods*: Incineration, pyrolysis, composting, sanitary landfills and aerobic and anaerobic digestion.

#### UNIT III

##### **Hazardous Waste Management**

Hazardous waste - Introduction, characteristics - Classification of hazardous waste (Industrial, hospital and domestic) - Handling of hazardous solid wastes (segregation, recovery of hazardous waste substances) - Hazardous waste disposal techniques - *Radioactive wastes*: Sources, pollution, types of radioactive waste and its control and management.

#### UNIT IV

##### **Biomedical, Plastic & e-waste management**

*Biomedical wastes*: Sources, types of biomedical wastes – Impacts of biomedical wastes on environment - Control measures of biomedical wastes - *Plastic wastes*: Sources, Facts & figures of plastic waste scenarios in National & International - Effect of plastic wastes on environment – Control measures of plastic wastes. *E-wastes*: Sources, types of e-wastes – Impacts of e-wastes in environment - Control measures of e-wastes.

#### UNIT V

##### **Energy Recovery from Wastes**

Vermicomposting, mushroom sheds, fly ash bricks, biogas, and Bioelectro chemical systems – Microbial electrolysis cell – Microbial fuel cell - Production of methane, Hydrogen peroxide, ethanol, electricity.

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## **CORE IX: 14UPEVS1C09**

### **ENVIRONMENTAL TOXICOLOGY**

#### **UNIT I**

##### **Introduction**

Toxicology - Introduction, scope and types - Classification of toxic agents, toxicity, hazard, risk, Routes of exposure, duration and frequency of exposure - Drug toxicity, biochemical basis of toxicity and mechanisms of toxicity, receptor mediated events - Acute and chronic toxicity, Dose response relationship and graded response time action curves,  $LC_{50}$   $LD_{50}$ , Margin of safety levels.

#### **UNIT II**

##### **Toxicity testing**

Toxicity testing – (i) laboratory animals, (ii) toxicity testing in animals, (iii) toxicological field studies, Interpretation of laboratory data – (i) distinction between adverse and non-adverse effects. Human data – (i) ethical consideration, (ii) need for human investigation (iii) clinical toxicology.

#### **UNIT III**

##### **Pesticide toxicology**

Bioaccumulation and Biomagnifications of toxic materials in food chain, Types, mechanism and Toxicology of major pesticides - Environmental impacts of pesticides, biotransformation, biomonitoring, concept of bioindicator groups and examples.

#### **UNIT IV**

##### **Bioassay**

Concepts of Bioassay, Types and characteristics - Field based microbial bioassay, Test models and classification - Immunotoxicity, histotoxicity and cell toxicity. Basic concepts of Environmental forensics.

#### **UNIT V**

##### **Xenobiotics**

Xenobiotics, Interaction between xenobiotics, Combined effect of xenobiotics on physiology and biochemistry of aquatic organisms - Drug Development and safety, Drugs and chemicals induced hepatotoxicity, food toxicity, genotoxicity, Molecular neurotoxicity.

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## CORE X: 14UPEVS1C10

### CLIMATE CHANGE AND CURRENT ISSUES

#### UNIT I

##### **Elements and Components of Climate Change**

*Elements of climate:* Temperature, precipitation, atmospheric circulation and atmospheric chemistry – *Components of climate change processes:* Human activities (Fossil fuel burning, industrial processes, land use), Natural influences (Plate tectonics, orbital cycles, ocean circulation, solar variability), Natural aerosols (volcanoes, sea spray and dust) and Natural greenhouse gases - Radioactive forcing - *Classification of climate:* Koppen's and Thornthwaite' scheme

#### UNIT II

##### **Surface and Atmospheric Climate Change**

*Air masses:* Definition, Classification of air masses, Types of air masses – *Fronts:* Definition, Types of fronts - SW and NE monsoon - Jet stream, tropical and extra-tropical cyclone - *Extreme events of climate change:* Heat and cold waves, drought, floods, hurricanes – Recent extreme events in the world – El Nino, La Nina and ENSO - Global consequences of El Niño – Benefits of El Niño Prediction

#### UNIT III

##### **Global Warming**

*Global warming and climate change:* Green house gases – Green house effect and climate change – Facts and figures of current global warming scenarios in the world – Remedial measures to control/combat global warming – India's Forest and Tree cover contribution as a carbon sink

#### UNIT IV

##### **Climate Change and its Impacts**

Climate change on water and food security – Climate change on species extinction – Climate change on human health – Global Climate Risk Index 2014

#### UNIT V

##### **Global/National Action Plans to Combat Climate Change Issues**

Key steps taken by UNFCCC to combat climate change: Kyoto Protocol – Bali Action Plan 2007 – Cancun Agreements 2010 – Durban outcomes – Doha Climate Gateway 2012 – Warshaw outcomes 2013 – Green climate funds – Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) – Climate Change Information Network (CC:iNet) – National Action Plan on Climate Change – Recent Initiatives related to climate change in India 2010

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## CORE XI: 14UPEVS1C11

### ENVIRONMENTAL BIOTECHNOLOGY

#### UNIT-I

Introduction to Biotechnology - *Restriction enzymes*: Nomenclature - Classification - restriction and Methylation - Type II restriction endonuclease - Use of restriction endonucleases - Restriction mapping and its applications - DNA modifying enzymes - nucleases - polymerases - DNA ligases

#### Unit II

Gene Cloning – Over view, Cloning vectors - Plasmids, phages and cosmids, phagemids, Ti plasmids and viral vectors M13 - Cloning strategies, cloning and selection of individual genes - Working principle of PCR, Types of PCR and application of PCR.

#### Unit III

Introduction to the use of microbes in environmental applications - Bioremediation, bioaugmentation, Bioemulsifiers, biosurfactants, MEOR. Microbial fuels (Methane, Hydrogen)

#### Unit IV

Microbial biomass production, utilization of plant biomass by microorganisms (lignocellulose biodegradation), ethanol production, amino acids, antibiotics - Biotransformation of steroid and non-steroid compounds, metabolic engineering.

#### Unit V

Bioremediation - Biotechnology for clean environment - Bioindicators and biosensors for detection of pollution - Biotechnology for Hazardous Waste Management, Persistent organic pollutants, Xenobiotics, Biological Detoxification of PAH, Biotechniques for Air Pollution Control - Indian GMOs - Research Information System (IGMORIS) – *Status of GMOs and Products*: Healthcare applications and Agricultural applications - GMO and their impacts.

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## **SEMESTER IV**

## CORE XII: 14UPEVS1C12

### ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS, PLANNING AND POLICY

#### UNIT I

##### **Environmental Protection**

Duties and responsibilities of citizens for environmental protection – *Subjects related to environment in the seventh schedule of the Constitution*: Union list, State list and Common or Concurrent list - Scheme of labelling of environmentally friendly products (ecomark) – Significance of Environmental Education – Environmental Information Systems (ENVIS)

#### UNIT II

##### **Environmental Laws in India**

Legal control of Environmental pollution in India with special reference to:

Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 - Powers of Central Government under EPA - The Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act 1974 - Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 – Forest Conservation Act, 1980 – Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 - Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991 - National Environment Appellate Authority Act, 1997 – The National Green Tribunal Act, 2010

#### UNIT III

##### **Guidelines and Rules for Environmental Protection**

Guidelines for Common Effluent Treatment Plants (CETPs) – Guidelines for environmentally sound management of e-waste 2008 - The Biomedical waste (Management and Handling) Rules 1998 - Hazardous Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 1989 - The Municipal Solid Wastes (Management and Handling) Rules, 2000 - The Ozone Depleting Substances (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000

#### UNIT IV

##### **Environmental Planning**

Importance of planning - Local, regional, state and national planning - Site and location with reference to Environmental Pollution, Zoning-Physical planning - Economics of pollution control - Cost-benefit ratios - Reliability and Risk analysis

#### UNIT V

##### **Major Initiatives/Policies from MoEF**

*Central and State Pollution Control Boards*: Powers and functions of pollution control boards - Penalties and procedure - *National Policies for Environmental Protection in India*: National River Conservation Plan (NRCP), National Ganga River Basin Authority (NGRBA), Ganga Action Plan Phase I and II, National Green Tribunal (NGT), Capacity Building for Industrial Pollution Management (CBIPM), National Environmental Protection Authority (NEPA), Green India Mission – *Environmental Clearances*: National Environmental Assessment and Monitoring Authority (NEAMA)

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## CORE XVI: 14UPEVS1C13

### RESEARCH METHODOLOGY AND INSTRUMENTATION

#### UNIT I

##### **Research Methods**

Basic of Fundamental and Applied Research, Types, scope, hypothesis and design - Overview of Moral and Ethical questions in scientific writing - Outline and structure of the article/manuscript - Description, value, and development of points/outlines before writing - Impact factor, Entrez Pubmed, Science direct and Data mining - Plagiarism, Retraction and reproducibility.

#### UNIT II

##### **Library, Field and Laboratory Research**

Screening of material for inclusion within the structure of the manuscript - Importance of authors and their sequence - Importance of clear title, Abstract or summary, Introduction, Methods, Results, Discussion and conclusion - Numbers and Statistics, Tables and Figures - Statistical methods and Citation index (h index and i-10 index) and SCI Impact factor for journals.

#### UNIT III

##### **Basic analytical equipments**

Principle, Working mechanism and environmental applications of pH Meter, Conductivity meter, Nephelometer - Basic principles and applications of light and electron microscopes – Types, function and applications of centrifuges - Principle, types and environmental application of electrophoretic techniques and radio immune assay techniques.

#### UNIT IV

##### **Spectroscopy**

Various ranges of electromagnetic radiation - Interaction of electromagnetic radiation with matter, Spectrophotometry – Principle and working mechanism, types and applications of colorimeter, UV – Visible spectrophotometer, fluorimeter, flame photometer, AAS, AES, ICP-MS, IR, NMR spectrophotometer and XRD spectrometer.

#### UNIT V

##### **Chromatography**

Principle and concept of Chromatography- stationary phase, mobile phase, partition and adsorption, coefficients. Working principle, Instrumentation and environmental applications of Paper, Thin layer, Ion exchange, Gas solid, Gas liquid, GC - MS and High Performance Liquid Chromatography.

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# **ELECTIVE PAPERS**



## **ELECTIVE I: 14UPEVS1E01**

### **ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT**

#### **UNIT I**

##### **Thermodynamics and Non-renewable Energy Sources**

*Energy:* First and second laws of thermodynamics – Energy conversion – Global Energy crisis -  
*Non-renewable energy sources:* Fossil fuels – Composition and Classification of coal, crude oil and natural gas – Consumption and demands of coal, crude oil and natural gas – Environmental impacts of fossil fuel consumption

#### **UNIT II**

##### **Renewable Energy Sources**

Solar energy, geothermal, tidal, wind energy - Principals of generation of hydro-electric power - Ocean thermal energy conversion - Energy use pattern in different parts of the world - Management of renewable energy - Present scenario of renewable energy sources in India

#### **UNIT III**

##### **New Developing Energy Sources**

Nuclear fission reactors - Fission power and environment - *Fuel cells:* Hydrogen fuel cells, metal hydrate fuel cells, microbial fuel cells

#### **UNIT IV**

##### **Bioenergy Resources**

*Biomass as a source of energy:* Biomass and its uses - Classification of biomass – Biomass feedstocks for fuel production - Gasification and combustion of biomass - Biogas production mechanism – *Biofuels:* Definition, Types of biofuels - Ethanol production from corn and sugarcane - Biodiesel from *Jatropha curcas* – Algal biofuels – Advantages and limitations of biofuels - National Biofuel Policy

#### **UNIT V**

##### **Sustainable Environmental Management**

Cleaner production technology – Phytomanagement strategies for biofuel production and remediation of contaminated lands - Waste minimization techniques - Polluters pay principles (PPP) – Mitigation of global warming by biomass – Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) –Recent initiatives of renewable energy by Government of India – India's Clean Energy goals 2012-2022 – Significance of energy audit

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## ELECTIVE II: 14UPEVS1E02

### ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION AND MANAGEMENT

#### UNIT I

##### **Air Pollution and Management**

Air pollution - Natural and anthropogenic sources - Major air pollutants – Types and effects of air pollutants - Acid rain, Green house effect and global warming - Meteorology and Plume Dispersion – Sampling of air pollutants – SO<sub>x</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, ozone, methane, hydrocarbons and particulate matter. *Particulate matter control equipments*: Settling chamber, cyclones, fabric filter, electrostatic precipitator and wet scrubbers - Air quality and emission standards.

#### UNIT II

##### **Water Pollution and Management**

Water pollution - Sources of water pollution – Organic, inorganic and heavy metals - Phenomenon of Eutrophication – Transport of pollutants in the aquatic ecosystem - Water quality parameters - Water quality standards – Sources, effects and control measures of Ocean, Oil and Ground water pollution - Water sampling techniques - *Water remediation techniques*: Rhizofiltration, wetlands, lagoon, oxidation pond and oxidation ditch.

#### UNIT III

##### **Water Treatment Methods & Management Strategies**

*Water treatment*: Drinking water and wastewater treatment technologies – Physical, chemical and biological - Primary, secondary and tertiary treatments - Sludge dewatering and its disposal. *Designs and functioning of ETP*: Concept of ETP, Need of ETP in industry, Concept of CETP, Major units in ETP and their functions - *Water management strategies*: Rain water harvesting, Recharging of ground water, Use of domestic waste water, Recycling of waste water, Recycling of industrial effluent after treatment.

#### UNIT IV

##### **Soil Pollution and Management**

*Soil pollution*: Sources- Industrial, Domestic, Agricultural (Pesticides, heavy metals, industrial effluents, waste disposal) - Effects of soil pollutants on plants, animals and ground water - Soil sampling devices, methods and analysis - *Soil remediation techniques*: Physical, chemical and biological (bioremediation and phytoremediation).

#### UNIT V

##### **Noise and Radioactive Pollution and Management**

*Noise Pollution*: Sources, sound pressure levels, decibels, intensity and duration - Effects of noise pollution on human and animals - Noise permissible standards - Noise control measures - greenbelt and noise protective instruments - *Radioactive pollution*: Sources, radioactive elements, Effects of radiation on surrounding environment - Radioactive waste disposal methods.

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## **ELECTIVE III: 14UPEVS1E03**

### **ECOTOURISM AND WILD LIFE MANAGEMENT**

#### **UNIT I**

##### **Introduction to Eco-Tourism**

Principles of Ecotourism – Types of Ecotourism – Concepts of Ecotourism – Origin of Ecotourism – Objectives of Ecotourism – Benefits of Ecotourism – Trends affecting Ecotourism. Concepts of Tourism - Classification – Religious Tourism – Cultural Tourism – Heritage Tourism – Monumental Tourism – Adventure Tourism – Mass Tourism – Sustainable Tourism – Consumptive and Non-Consumptive Tourism.

#### **UNIT II**

##### **Interesting Eco-tourism**

Places of interests of Ecotourism – Ecocircuit of the Western Ghats – Infrastructural facilities for Ecotourism – Maintenance of Ecological Centers – Important Biosphere Reserves. Target group of Ecotourism – Ecotourism and Conservation – Study of different Ecosystem – Rain forest Ecotourism – Mountain Ecotourism – Polar, Islands and Coasts Ecotourism – Wilderness – Marine Ecosystem.

#### **UNIT III**

##### **Impact of Eco-tourism**

Impact of Ecotourism – Economic Impacts (Fiscal Impacts, Concept and Methods) – Types and Degree of Impacts from Ecotourism activities – Socio-cultural Impacts – Ecotourism related organization – Ecotourism Research - Disasters and Ecotourism.

#### **UNIT IV**

##### **Wildlife Conservation**

Wildlife conservation - Protected Areas Network in India - Goals of management, Strategies for planning. Factors influencing wildlife management such as habitats, population, behavior, food-habits, health, etc. - Tools for data collection and analysis.

#### **UNIT V**

##### **Wildlife Management**

Human land-use and wildlife management units - Important projects for the conservation of wildlife in India - Role of local communities in wildlife management – Man-wildlife conflicts - Poaching of wildlife - Wild life conservation laws - The Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 (2002 amendment).

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## **ELECTIVE IV: 14UPEVS1E04**

### **ENERGY AND GREEN TECHNOLOGIES**

#### **UNIT I**

##### **Energy Sources**

Introduction – renewable energy sources, non-renewable energy sources, non-conventional and inexhaustible energy resources. Geothermal energy, wind driven power station, Tidal power plants, Glacier power plants, solar energy, nuclear energy, natural radio activity, nuclear power plant, fast breeder reactors, nuclear fusion, gobar gas

#### **UNIT II**

##### **Energy Management**

Energy management – solar energy input conventional fuels – oil, coal, natural gas, uranium, risk of nuclear accidents

#### **UNIT III**

##### **Bioenergy**

Bio energy – Biomass and biofuels – Woody biomass for biofuel - Biogas technology - Petroplants (energy plantations) used for biofuel – Cellulosic ethanol production

#### **UNIT IV**

##### **Energy from wastes**

Waste as renewable sources of energy- types of waste, classification based on chemical nature and physical state, composition of the waste, conversion of methane in to synthetic gas, factors effecting methane formation.

#### **UNIT V**

##### **Green Chemistry**

Biotic interactions, biofilm, Green chemistry - Introduction- inception and evolution - Importance of solvents - Types of catalysts and their role - Biological alternatives – Applications - Principles of green chemistry, Advances in green chemistry

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## **ELECTIVE V: 14UPEVS1E05**

### **RADIATION POLLUTION, GIS AND REMOTE SENSING**

#### **UNIT I**

*Radioactivity:* Laws of radioactivity, Successive disintegration types of radioactive equilibrium - Natural radioactive series of elements - Units of radioactivity - Interaction of radiation with matter - Ionization, types of exposure, units of exposure and dose.

#### **UNIT II**

*Detection and Measurement of Radiation:* scintillation, ionization, solid state nuclear track detectors, instrumentation. Dosimeters. *Biological Effects of Radiation:* Stochastic and Deterministic effects, *Radiation Protection:* System of Dose Limitation, Types of exposure, Protection methodology.

#### **UNIT III**

*Fundamentals of remote sensing:* Background of Remote sensing, Electro-magnetic radiation, Interactions between matter and Electro-Magnetic radiation, Reflectance, Spectral reflectance and their characteristics Sensors: Types of sensors, Characteristics of optical detectors, Types of scanners, Atmospheric sensors, Microwave sensors produces used in remote sensing, Remote sensing application in mapping vegetation, water, waste land.

#### **UNIT IV**

Products used in Remote Sensing, images, scale, mosaics, time and Seasons orbital cycles, GIS and their use for environmental monitoring, Data modals GIS and spatial distribution of environmental data, Data integration and analysis, GIS and natural resources and disaster management.

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## **ELECTIVE VI: 14UPEVS1E06**

### **ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING**

#### **UNIT I**

##### **Design facilities for water treatment plant**

Principles and Design of plain sedimentation tank - Sedimentation with coagulation, Slow and rapid filtration - Pressure filters water softening by zeolite and ion exchange process - Reverse osmosis - Disinfection of water.

#### **UNIT II**

##### **Design of pre and primary waste water treatment plant**

Principle and design of screen - Equalization tank, grit chambers, rectangular and circular sedimentation tank.

#### **UNIT III**

##### **Design facilities for aerobic treatment of waste water**

Principles of biological treatment - Design of trickling filters - Activated sludge process - Oxidation Ditch.

#### **UNIT IV**

##### **Anaerobic treatment of wastewater**

Design facilities for anaerobic treatment of waste water and sludge - Sludge digestion and thickening - Sludge drying beds - Design of anaerobic digesters and septic tank.

#### **UNIT V**

##### **Design of air pollution control equipments**

Principle and design of minimum stack height - Settling chamber - Cyclone collector - Fabric filter and Electrostatic Precipitators (ESP).

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## **SUPPORTIVE PAPERS**

**SUPPORTIVE I: 14UPEVS1S01**  
**ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT**

**UNIT- I**

**Introduction**

Environmental Science - Definition, Scope and Importance - *Components of the environment:* Atmosphere, Hydrosphere, Lithosphere and Biosphere – Structure and composition - History and scope of Ecology - Terminologies in ecology.

**UNIT – II**

**Ecosystem**

Types of ecosystems – Terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems, Structure and functional aspects of ecosystem - Food Chain, Food Web, Energy flows, Ecological pyramids - Productivity of an ecosystem - Biogeochemical cycling - Ecological succession.

**UNIT – III**

**Population ecology**

Population ecology - Levels of Organization, population characteristics - density, natality, mortality, survivorship curves, age distribution, growth curves and models - Population interactions - Co-evolution, Neutralism, symbiosis, commensalism, mutualism, antagonism, antibiosis, parasitism, predation; competition- inter and intra specific.

**UNIT – IV**

**Natural resources**

Classification and significance of natural resources – Soil, forest, water, wildlife and minerals - Concepts and approaches of natural resource conservation - Natural resources of India - Legal provisions to conserve natural resources in India

**UNIT – V**

**Biodiversity**

Introduction to Biodiversity - Species, Genetic, Community and Ecosystem diversity - *Biodiversity Conservation:* Principles and Strategies – In-situ and Ex-situ Conservation - Megadiversity zones and Hot Spots - *Use of Biodiversity:* Food, medicine, raw material, aesthetic and cultural value.

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## **SUPPORTIVE II: 14UPEVS1S02**

### **ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY MANAGEMENT**

#### **UNIT- I**

##### **Environmental sustainability**

Introduction and scope of environmental management - Basic concepts of sustainable development - Industrial ecology and recycling industry.

#### **UNIT – II**

##### **Energy management**

Role of natural products and bio-diversity in international trade - Fundamentals of fossil fuels use - Energy production and trade, Energy balance and energy audit - Eco-marketing.

#### **UNIT – III**

##### **EIA Process**

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) - General guidelines for the preparation of environmental impact statement (EIS) - Scope and types of environmental audit - Cost-benefit analysis - Environmental Management Plan (EMP)

#### **UNIT – IV**

##### **Environmental quality standards**

International organization for standardization (ISO) - ISO 14000, 19000 and 22000 standards and certification - Environmental clearance for establishing industry

#### **UNIT – V**

##### **Environmental safety and risk management**

Environmental safety - Risk management and emergency preparedness - International summit and treaties - Important dates dedicated to environmental management.

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## **SUPPORTIVE III: 14UPEVS1S03**

### **ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION**

#### **UNIT – I**

##### **Environmental Pollution**

Environmental pollution – Types , causes and effects - Sources of pollution – Point and non-point sources - Classification of pollutants - Contaminant types - Control measures and management perspectives for environmental pollution

#### **UNIT – II**

##### **Air Pollution**

Air pollution - Natural and anthropogenic sources of pollution - Primary and secondary pollutants - Transport and diffusion of pollutants - Behaviour of pollutants in the atmosphere - Methods of monitoring and control of air pollution - SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, CO, SPM.

#### **UNIT – III**

##### **Water Pollution**

Water pollution - Types sources and consequences of water pollution - Physico-chemical and bacteriological sampling - Water quality and standards - Sewage and wastewater treatment and recycling

#### **UNIT – IV**

##### **Soil Pollution**

Soil pollution chemical and bacteriological sampling as analysis of soil quality - Soil pollution control, Industrial waste effluents, heavy metals and their interactions with soil components.

#### **UNIT – V**

##### **Noise Pollution**

Noise pollution - Sources of noise pollution - Measurement and indices - *Marine Pollution*: Sources of marine pollution and its control - Effects of pollutants on human beings, plants, and animals

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## **SUPPORTIVE IV: 14UPEVS1S04**

### **GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES AND MANAGEMENT**

#### **UNIT I**

##### **Climate change**

Global Environmental problems - Causes and concerns. Climate change – Global climate scenario, Causes, effects and control measures

#### **UNIT II**

##### **Ozone depletion, Acid rain and Photochemical smog**

Ozone depletion, Causes and effects - Acid Rain – How acid rain is formed - Adverse effects of acid rain - Photochemical smog, Factors responsible for photochemical smog.

#### **UNIT III**

##### **Green house effect and global warming**

Green house gases – Green house effect and climate change - Global warming facts – Effects of Global warming – Control and remedial measures of green house effect

#### **UNIT IV**

##### **Environmental degradation**

Man and Ecodegradation of Natural Environment - Present status of wasteland in India - Problems and prospects of wasteland development - Wasteland reclamation through Social Forestry - Bioaesthetic planting for pollution abatement.

#### **UNIT V**

##### **Disaster Episodes**

Eutrophication and restoration of Lakes - Wet land degradation - Environmental disaster (man made) episodes; Mina mata, Itai itai, London smog, Los Angeles smog, Bhopal gas tragedy.

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# **PRACTICALS**

## **SEMESTER I**

### **PRACTICAL I: 14UPEVS1CP01**

#### **Cell Biology & Biochemistry, Fundamentals of Environmental Sciences and Environmental Chemistry**

1. Examination of Prokaryotic and Eukaryotic cells.
2. Protein quantification.
3. Estimation of primary productivity of an ecosystem
4. Determination of minimum quadrat size for community study
5. Estimation of pH and conductivity
6. Estimation of Total Suspended Solids & Total Dissolved Solids
7. Determination of Acidity
8. Determination of Alkalinity
9. Estimation of Dissolved Oxygen and Biological oxygen Demand
10. Estimation of Chemical oxygen demand
11. Estimation of particle size distribution of the soil
12. Determination of specific gravity and moisture content of the soil

## **SEMESTER II**

### **PRACTICAL II: 14UPEVS1CP02**

#### **Environmental Microbiology, Environmental Impact Assessment & Disaster Management and Environmental Pollution & Management**

1. Lab rules and regulations. Glassware maintenance, sterilization and Disinfection techniques
2. Media preparation
3. Staining techniques- simple, Grams & Spore
4. Enumeration of microbes from sewage, soil & air
5. Estimation of suspended particulate matter (SPM)
6. Most Probable Number (MPN) techniques
7. Preparation of EIA report for Environmental Clearance (EC)
8. Preparation of checklists for EIA study
9. Flame Photometric analysis of Na, K, & Ca & Mg
10. Phosphate estimation
11. Sampling and analysis of SO<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub>
12. Determination of noise levels at various sites

## **SEMESTER III**

### **PRACTICAL III: 14UPEVS1CP03**

#### **Waste Management, Environmental Toxicology and Environmental Biotechnology**

1. Preparation of vermicompost
2. Segregation of municipal waste
3. Isolation of genomic DNA and RNA
4. Isolation of Plasmid DNA and RNA
5. PCR techniques
6. Isolation of environmental mutants
7. Mitotic cell division –abnormalities – onion root tip squash
8. Melanophore indexing
9. Comet assay technique
10. LC<sub>50</sub> and LD<sub>50</sub> determination of pesticides



# **SCHEME OF EXAMINATION**

**Scheme of Examination**

**I/II/III/IV Semester M. Sc. Examination, ..MONTH ...YEAR**

**Environmental Science  
Paper title**

**Duration: 3 Hrs**

**Max Marks:75**

**Instruction: *Answer all the three Parts.***

**PART – A**

***Answer all the questions:***

**5 X 5 = 25**

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

**PART – B**

***Answer any FIVE questions of the following:***

**5 X 10 = 50**

- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.

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**Environmental Science**  
**Practical Exmainment**

**Duration : 6 Hrs**

**Max. Marks : 60**

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|---|------------|
| Q.1. Conduct given Experiment, Write a procedure and calculate the results. – Major Practical | 20 Marks   |
| Q.2. Minor Practical  | 15 marks   |
| Q. 3 Identify and Critical comment on. ( Specimens / Spotters)                                | 3 X 5 = 15 |
| A.  |            |
| B.  |            |
| C.  |            |
| . Viva-Voce   | 5 Marks    |
| Q.4. Class records  | 05 Marks   |

**IV Semester**

M.Sc. Examination Project work (Dissertation)

Dissertation Thesis – 50 Marks  
Viva-Voce - 10 Marks