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SECOND SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2018

(Regular/Supplementary/Improvement)

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(Botany)

CC 15P BO2 C07 - PLANT ECOLOGY, CONSERVATION BIOLOGY, PHYTOGEOGRAPHY AND FOREST BOTANY

(2015 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours Maximum: 36 Weightage

- I. Answer *all* questions briefly:
 - 1. What is *in situ* conservation?
 - 2. What is La Nina effect?
 - 3. What is agroforestry?
 - 4. What is Confidential drift?
 - 5. Name two biosphere reserves in India.
 - 6. What is Tundra?
 - 7. What is eutrophication?
 - 8. What is a Red List?
 - 9. What is NTFP?
 - 10. What is Ridley's theory of endemism?
 - 11. What is Phytochoria?
 - 12. What is EIA?
 - 13. What is a key stone species?
 - 14. What is the uniqueness of Western Ghats?

 $(14 \times 1 = 14 \text{ Weightage})$

- II. Answer any *seven* questions, each in not more than 100 words:
 - 15. What are Ramsar sites? Explain their significance by giving examples from Kerala.
 - 16. What are the strategies to be followed in conservation of RET species?
 - 17. Write note on secondary air pollutants.
 - 18. Give a brief account of seed banks.
 - 19. Write a note on afforestation.
 - 20. Explain the concepts carrying capacity.
 - 21. Describe the man- animal conflict in agro ecosystem.

- 22. Write a note on cryopreservation.
- 23. List out the salient features of Taiga.
- 24. Describe the role of ozone depletion in global climate change.

 $(7 \times 2 = 14 \text{ Weightage})$

III. Answer any *two* questions in 300 words:

- 25. Give an account of minor and major forest products of Kerala.
- 26. Describe the salient feature of forest types in Kerala.
- 27. Discuss the impact of climate change on agriculture in India.
- 28. Describe the various programmes under UN with the objective of conservation on natural resources.

 $(2 \times 4 = 8 \text{ Weightage})$
