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FOURTH SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2019

(CUCSS - PG)

(Botany)

CC15P BO4 E13 - ENVIRONMENTAL BIOLOGY AND BIODIVERSITY

CONSERVATION

(Regular/Improvement/Supplementary) (2015 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 36 Weightage

Part A

Answer *all* questions. Each question carries 1 weightage.

- 1. Explain carrying capacity.
- 2. What is ecological foot print?
- 3. Write a note on Cairo conference.
- 4. Describe Gaia hypothesis.
- 5. Explain virtual libraries.
- 6. Explain Biodiversity Act.
- 7. Describe the ecological thoughts of Vandana Siva.
- 8. Note on Ecotourism.
- 9. Explain coevolution with examples.
- 10. Describe Upavana vinoda.
- 11. Expand and explain IPR.
- 12. Explain ecological niche and guild.
- 13. Describe the types of Disaster management
- 14. What is cybernetics?

(14 x 1 = 14 Weightage)

Part B

Answer any seven questions. Each question carries 2 weightage.

- 15. Differentiate between r and K selection.
- 16. Write a note on the positive and negative interactions.
- 17. Describe human population expansion and its causes.
- 18. Explain the climatic change and its impacts.
- 19. Briefly describe the principles of deep ecology.
- 20. Explain the causes, effects and solutions of acid rain.
- 21. Explain the Global initiative Stockholm (2011).

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- 22. Describe the Allee principle of aggregation and refuging.
- 23. Explain the role of NGOs in biodiversity conservation.
- 24. Write a note on wetlands.

(7 x 2 = 14 Weightage)

Part C

Answer any *two* questions. Each question carries 4 weightage.

- 25. Write an essay on characteristics of population. What are the ecological consequences of overpopulation?
- 26. Write an essay on the forest types of Kerala.
- 27. Write an essay on community ecology.
- 28. Wite an essay on the major threats of biodiversity and methods to overcome the threats for the better preservation of biodiversity.

(2 x 4 = 8 Weightage)
