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## FIRST SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2016

(Regular/Supplementary/Improvement)

(CUCSS-PG)

# CC15P ES1 C02 – ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

(Environmental Science)

(2015 Admission Onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 36 Weightage

### I. Answer <u>all</u> the questions. Each question carries 1 weightage.

- 1. What is spent fuel pool?
- 2. Explain the principle involved in MHD generator.
- 3. Point out the limitations of solar cells.
- 4. Explain the concept of clean coal.
- 5. Distinguish between nuclear fission and nuclear fusion.
- 6. Comment on the characteristics of gamma rays.
- 7. Explain solar constant.
- 8. Explain biological magnification.
- 9. What is meant by a photovoltaic system?
- 10. Comment on nuclear detoxification.
- 11. Point out the criteria for safe exposure.
- 12. What are transuranium elements?
- 13. State the first Law of Thermodynamics.
- 14. Comment on radiation doses.

## II. Answer *any seven* questions. Each question carries 2 weightage.

15. Write an account on nuclear fallout.

- 16. Mention any four radioactive waste disposal methods.
- 17. Explain the water degradation by energy production.
- 18. Comment on radioactive isotopes.
- 19. Describe the modern techniques involved in energy resource recovery using microbes.
- 20. Explain the temperature profile of different atmospheric layers.
- 21. Briefly explain energy management problems.
- 22. Write short notes on nuclear accidents.
- 23. Comment on the environmental impact of using biomass as a fuel.
- 24. Explain the reasons for energy crisis in India, and write a short note on possible alternatives.

## III. Write an essay on <u>any 2</u> of the following. Each question carries 4 weightage.

- 25. Write an essay on multipurpose projects of India and their impact on environment.
- 26. Write an essay on sustainable energy management.
- 27. Explain non renewable energy resources.
- 28. Describe briefly the different types of nuclear reactors with diagram.

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