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THIRD SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2024

(CBCSS - PG)

(Regular/Supplementary/Improvement)

CC19P ESC3 C15 - BIODIVERSITY AND CONSERVATION

(Environmental Science)

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 Hours Maximum: 30 Weightage

Part-A

Answer any *four* questions. Each question carries 2 weightage.

- 1. Why is it necessary to conserve our water resources?
- 2. What are Ramsar sites? Explain.
- 3. How many biodiversity hotspots in India? Which are they?
- 4. What are the 3 major goals of the Convention on Biodiversity?
- 5. What is minimum dynamic area?
- 6. What are threatened species?
- 7. What are the benefits of ecotourism?

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

Part-B

Answer any *four* questions. Each question carries 3 weightage.

- 8. Explain the importance of microbial diversity.
- 9. What are the main levels of biodiversity? Explain.
- 10. What factors affect species diversity? Discuss the significance of species diversity.
- 11. How can human intervention affect biodiversity?
- 12. What is Chipko movement? Explain.
- 13. What is a DNA bank? Explain with examples.
- 14. What is the difference between CITES and TRAFFIC?

 $(4 \times 3 = 12 \text{ Weightage})$

Part-C

Answer any two questions. Each question carries 5 weightage.

- 15. Write a detailed note on coral reefs.
- 16. What are the various international programmes for biodiversity conservation. Explain.

- 17. Write a detailed note on IUCN categories.
- 18. Discuss the salient features of Wildlife Protection Act, 1972.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10 \text{ Weightage})$
