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SECOND SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, JULY 2016

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(Botany)

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

(2015 Admission)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 36 Weightage

I Answer all questions briefly:

- 1. What is ecotone?
- 2. Explain theory of glaciation.
- 3. Explain the phenomenon of El-Nino.
- 4. What are hotspots? Give two examples from India.
- 5. Differentiate between circumboreal and circumaustral distribution.
- 6. What is Phytochoria?
- 7. What is Gaia hypothesis?
- 8. What is Keystone species?
- 9. What is MAB programme?
- 10. Explain IUCN.
- 11. What is Continental drift?
- 12. What is neoendemism?
- 13. What is Cryopresevation?
- 14. Write a note on Wildlife Sanctuary.

(14 x 1 = 14 weightage)

II Answer <u>any seven</u> questions each in not more than 100 words:

- 15. Explain the Environmental Impact Assessment.
- 16. Differentiate between Socio-forestry and Agroforestry.
- 17. Explain Evergreen forest.
- 18. Write a note on theory of land bridges.

- 19. Explain the consequences of deforestation.
- 20. Write a note on Deep ecology.
- 21. Give a brief note on National Parks.
- 22. Write a note on continuous plant distribution.
- 23. Describe the characteristics of population.
- 24. Explain the global trends in primary productivity.

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

III Answer any two questions in 300 words:

- 25. Write an account of Phytochoria in India.
- 26. Give a detailed account of major and minor forest products of Kerala.
- 27. Explain the sustainable utilization of bio-resources with relevation of biodiversity conservation.
- 28. Describe the causes, effects and control of air and water pollution.

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