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SECOND SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY-2017

(Regular/Supplementary/Improvement)

(CUCSS - PG)

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

(Botany)

(2015 Admission Onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 36 Weightage

I Answer all questions briefly:

- 1. What is edge effect?
- 2. What is carrying capacity?
- 3. What is greenhouse effect?
- 4. What is Pangea?
- 5. What is MAB?
- 6. What is Taiga?
- 7. What is BOD?
- 8. What is meant by stratified forest?
- 9. What is continental drift?
- 10. What is Ridley's theory of endemism?
- 11. What is carpet flora?
- 12. What is EIA?
- 13. What is circum boreal vegetation?
- 14. What is a Red List?

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

II Answer any seven questions, each in not more than 100 words:

- 15. Give an account on hydrological cycle with emphasis on its role in global economy
- 16. Enumerate the important population characteristics.
- 17. Write note on secondary air pollutants
- 18. Discuss the threats to the fresh water ecosytem.

- 19. Write a note on dynamics of ecosystem.
- 20. Write a note on in situ conservation.
- 21. Enumerate the significance of Western Ghats. (2012) as large 80
- 22. Write a note on glaciations and its impact.
- 23. Describe the rainforest with its significance.
- 24. Describe the minor forest products of Kerala (A 2105)

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

III Answer any two questions in 300 words:

- 25. Explain the impact of deforestation on our environment.
- 26. Explain the different forest types on earth's surface.
- 27. Explain the major phenomena that bring about drastic changes in global climate.
- 28. Describe the relevance of national parks and wild life sanctuaries in conservation

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