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#### THIRD SEMESTER M.Sc DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2015 (CUCSS)

# Environmental Science ES 3C 16 ECOSYSTMS AND GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE (2014 Admission)

Time: Three Hours Maximum: 36 Weightage

### Part I Short Answers (Answer all 14 questions)

14X1 = 14 weightage

- 1. What are transboundary pollutants?
- 2. Define ecosphere.
- 3. Define Gaia hypothesis.
- 4. What are Hadley cells?
- 5. Define anticyclone.
- 6. What is albedo?
- 7. Define global warming potential.
- 8. What is coral bleaching?
- 9. What is adiabatic lapse rate?
- 10. What is tropopause?
- 11. Define temperature inversion.
- 12. What are sea sprays?
- 13. What is plume?
- 14. How will you measure atmospheric humidity?

## Part II Short essays (Answer any seven of the following)

7X2 = 14 weightage

- 15. Explain the Earth's geological history.
- 16. Describe the vertical stratification of atmosphere.
- 17. Explain the factors that affect climate.
- 18. Explain the circulation pattern of winds in the atmosphere.
- 19. Describe the energy balance of atmosphere.
- 20. What are the causes and effects of monsoon in India?
- 21. Write a note on ozone depleting substances.
- 22. Write a note on enhanced green house effect.
- 23. Explain the effect of climate change on biodiversity.
- 24. Describe the flexibility mechanisms of Kyoto protocol.

## Part III Essay type (Answer any two questions)

2X4 = 8 weightage

- 25. Write an essay on ENSO and their consequences on the globe.
- 26. What is carbon sequestration? Describe the role of oceans and forests as carbon sinks.
- 27. What is climate change? What are the factors and mitigatory effects of climate change?
- 28. What are the factors contributing to ozone depletion. Describe the salient features of Monotreal protocol.