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# FOURTH SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, JUNE 2016

(CUCSS)

Environmental Science

## ES 4E 25—CURRENT ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES IN INDIA

(2014 Admissions)

me: Three Hours

Maximum: 36 Weightage

#### Part I (Short Answers)

Answer all fourteen questions.

- 1. Define acid deposition.
- 2. What is a bioassay?
- 3. Define leachate.
- 4. What is risk assessment?
- 5. Define environmental audit.
- 6. What are chlorinated hydrocarbons?
- 7. What are teratogens?
- 8. Define water quality criteria.
- 9. Define aerosol.
- 10. What is persistence?
- 11. Write any two the disadvantages of incineration.
- 12. What is a septic tank?
- 13. Define bio-monitoring.
- 14. What is carrying capacity?

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

### Part II (Short Essays)

Answer any seven of the following.

- 15. Write the composition of lithosphere.
- 16. Explain the concept and principles of sustainable development.
- 17. Describe the salient features of Bishnoi movement.

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- 18. What are Ramsar sites? Explain the environmental importance of wetlands.
- 19. Describe the environmental effects of coastal erosion.
- 20. What are the environmental impacts of El-nino?
- 21. Write a brief note on UNESCO world heritage sites in India.
- 22. Describe the characteristics of Urban heat island.
- 23. Write a note on silent valley movement.

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

### Part III (Essay Type)

Answer any two questions.

- 24. What are the sources of green house gases? Explain the effects and mitigatory measures of gl warming.
- 25. What are the causes of loss of bio-diversity? Explain the bio-diversity conservation methods
- 26. Write an essay on the causes and management of natural hazards in India.
- 27. What is sustainable development? Describe the concepts and principles of sustainable agricult  $(2 \times 4 = 8 \text{ weight})$