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CORE COURSE IN BOTANY/PLANT SCIENCE

1B01BOT/PLS: Environmental Science and Phytogeography

(2014 Admn. Onwards)

Time: 3 Hours	Max. Marks: 40

SECTION - A

Answer all.

- 2. The national park in Kerala which gives protection to Nilgiri Tahr
 - a) Devikulam

b) Eravikulam

c) Silent valley

- d) Parambikulam
- 3. Alfred Wegener is associated with
 - a) Ecosystem

b) Ecological pyramids

c) Continental drift hypothesis

- d) Law of 10%
- 4. Which among the following is used to measure the health of water bodies?
 - a) BOD

- b) COD
- c) PAN
- d) GPS

 $(4 \times 1 = 4)$

SECTION-B

Answer any eight.

- 5. Explain vivipary. In which plant group is this commonly found?
- 6. Draw a food web and explain.
- Give an account of exhaustible energy resources.

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- 8. Explain eutrophication. What is its ecological significance?
- 9. What do you mean by sustainable life style?
- 10. What are Red data book and Green book?
- 11. Write a short note on velamen.
- 12. What do you know about the Age and area hypothesis in Phytogeography?
- 13. Give an account of photochemical smog.
- 14. Write briefly on rain water harvesting.
- 15. What role does the ozone umbrella play?
- 16. What are drought escapers?

 $(8 \times 2 = 16)$

SECTION-C

Answer any four.

- Describe the anatomical adaptations in xerophytes.
- Compare the ecological pyramids of biomass with respect to a tree ecosystem and a grassland ecosystem, with the help of diagrams.
- 19. Give a brief account of the different processes that lead to plant succession.
- 20. Explain the anthropogenic activities that cause degradation of land resources.
- 21. Give an account of the major vegetational types in India.
- 22. Explain the concept of 3 R's in environmental science.

 $(4 \times 3 = 12)$

SECTION-D

Answer any one.

- 23. Define lithosere. Describe the different seral stages in lithosere.
- 24. Give an account of the various factors that lead to depletion of natural resources.
- Explain the different types of biodiversity. Write about the threats to biodiversity.
 (1×8=8)