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(CBCS)

(5th Semester)

BOTANY

EIGHTH PAPER

(Environmental Biology and Ethnobotany)

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

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(Marks : 10)

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1. How does carbon dioxide in atmosphere enter in living organisms?

- (a) Burning of forest ()
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2. Alpha diversity is biodiversity present

- (a) within community ()
- (b) between communities ()
- (c) ranges of communities ()
- (d) outside community ()

3. The main causes of acid rain are
- (a) CO_2 and CO ()
 - (b) SO_2 and O_3 ()
 - (c) SO_2 and NO_2 ()
 - (d) NO and SO ()
4. Accumulation of a toxic chemical as it goes up a food chain is
- (a) biomagnification ()
 - (b) bioaccumulation ()
 - (c) bioremediation ()
 - (d) Both (a) and (b) ()
5. The Environmental (Protection) Act was enacted in the year
- (a) 1974 ()
 - (b) 1984 ()
 - (c) 1986 ()
 - (d) 1975 ()
6. Which one of the following is not included under *in-situ* conservation?
- (a) Sanctuary ()
 - (b) Botanical Garden ()
 - (c) Biosphere Reserve ()
 - (d) National Park ()
7. Savannas are grasslands with
- (a) thick trees ()
 - (b) bushes ()
 - (c) scattered trees ()
 - (d) no trees ()
8. When a species used to live in a large area but now lives only in a smaller area, it is called
- (a) paleoendemism ()
 - (b) neoendemism ()
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 - (d) microendemism ()

9. Ethno-medicinally which of the following plants is used as anthelmintic?

- (a) *Clerodendrum colebrookianum* ()
- (b) *Centella asiatica* ()
- (c) *Artemesia nilagirica* ()
- (d) *Eupatorium odoratum* ()

10. The staple food of Mizoram, *Oryza sativa* belongs to the family

- (a) Asteraceae ()
- (b) Poaceae ()
- (c) Polygonaceae ()
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(SECTION : B—SHORT ANSWERS)

(Marks : 15)

Write notes on the following in brief :

3×5=15

UNIT—I

1. Level of biodiversity

OR

2. Nitrogen cycle

UNIT—II

3. Ozone layer depletion

OR

4. Biomagnification

UNIT—III

5. Conservation of soil

OR

6. Patent

UNIT—IV

7. Phytogeography

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8. Biodiversity of Andaman region

UNIT—V

9. Economic importance of fibre-yielding plants

OR

10. Three botanical names and families of three plants used as food

(SECTION : C—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

Answer the following questions :

10×5=50

UNIT—I

1. Define natural resources. Explain the renewable and non-renewable resources.

2+8=10

OR

2. Write short notes on the following :

5+5=10

(a) Concept of biosphere

(b) Interaction of environmental factors

UNIT—II

3. What is greenhouse effect? Mention its impact on the environment and various remedial measures to check it.

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OR

4. Write short notes on the following :

5+5=10

(a) Non-biodegradable pollutants

(b) Formation of photochemical smog

UNIT—III

5. What is biodiversity loss? Write an account of *ex-situ* and *in-situ* conservation for mitigating biodiversity loss. 2+8=10

OR

6. Write short notes on the following : 5+5=10
- (a) IPR
 - (b) Environmental laws

UNIT—IV

7. What is vegetation? Describe the major vegetation types found in India. 2+8=10

OR

8. Write short notes on the following : 5+5=10
- (a) Types of endemics and threat to endemic regions
 - (b) The concept of hotspot

UNIT—V

9. What do you mean by ethnobotany? Discuss its scope and significance. 2+8=10

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10. Write short notes on the following : 5+5=10
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