

M.A. Examination, 2015
Semester-IV
Geography
Special Paper – XXI
(Environmental Geography)

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 40

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.
Answer **three** questions, selecting **one** from each unit.

Unit-I

(Contents of Environmental Geography)

1. What do you understand by sustainability? Explain how consensus has been achieved on the issues of sustainable development in *national* and *international* levels. 6+8=14
2. Elucidate the attributes of an ecosystem and justify why it is referred to as a system. Explain with examples how ecotourism can protect the ecosystem? 6+8=14

Unit-II

(Environmental Degradation)

3. What do you understand by environmental degradation? Identify and discuss the causes of environmental degradation through human interference. 3+10=13
4. Classify drought. Suggest some effective measures to cope with drought hazard. 5+8=13

Unit-III

(Environment and Development – Related Issues)

5. What is Agenda 21? Comment on the nature of social conflict arising out of development projects with suitable examples. 3+10=13
 6. Differentiate *environmental audit* from *environmental impact assessment*. Bring out the methods of standardization of Environmental Management System in India. 3+10=13
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