## ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE (B.Sc) Paper Code: ENVS1301

## **SEMESTER- III, JULY 2013 – 2016**

# I.FUNDAMENTALS OF ENVIRONMENT

Basic definitions, meaning & scope, the need and urgency for studying environmental science, interdisciplinary; types of environment, components of environment and ecosystem, Sustainable development, environmental ethics.

### II.GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES, IMPACTS AND REMEDIAL MEASURES

**Lithosphere:** Geogenic and anthropogenic sources of environmental degradations, causes and their impacts, Forest resources, land resource and agriculture; Disaster Management; Natural and manmade hazards; case studies.

Atmosphere stratifications and global environmental issues: In the Troposphere: Global environmental issues (Global warming, Acid rain, PC smog, Ozone depletion) and remedial measures. Types and sources of air pollutants; emission and air quality standards, PUC, air pollution control, Case studies.

**Hydrosphere:** Classification of water ecosystem as lentic and lotic; importance of wetlands; water pollution, point and non-point source of pollution. Physical, chemical and biological parameters of water; water issues and impacts, Case studies.

**Noise Pollution** – Sound and noise, sources and impacts of Noise Pollution; management of noise pollution.

**Radiation Pollution** – Sources, Units of radioactivity and radiation dose; biological impact of radiation, radioactive waste disposal. Case Studies.

# III. WASTE MANAGEMENT

**Solid waste management and disposal:** Types and sources of solid wastes, Special reference to E-waste and biomedical waste; recycling of wastes and waste minimization techniques; treatment of water in industries and potable water.

#### IV. BIODIVERSITY AND CONSERVATION

Biodiversity and Wildlife, present scenario, importance of biodiversity, wetlands and biodiversity; threats and impacts of biodiversity loss; Conservation measures, UN Initiatives. GMO- advantages and disadvantages.

### V. POPULATION

Community and Population; Characteristics, carrying capacity and growth curves; demographic transition, Factors affecting human population; Indian and global trend in population, Economic and environmental impacts of over population, Family welfare programme.

## SEMESTER IV, Paper Code: ENVS1402 (January-May)

### VI. ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES, LAW AND MANAGEMENT

**Environmental Policies and Strategies:** International initiatives, international organizations and national policy.

Important Environmental Legislations and case studies.

**Environmental Management:** Environmental audit; ISO standards, QMS and EMS; Environmental Labeling; Trade and environment; emission trading and carbon credits; carbon sequestration, Carbon capture and storage. Ecotourism and heritage management. Major Environmental Movements.

#### VII. ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

Sun as the ultimate source, solar flux; renewable and non-renewable energy sources, their prospects and limitations. Green building technologies.

## VIII. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA)

Definition, objectives, IAIA; origin and development of EIA in India; structural and functional components in EIA; basic procedures in EIA process; advantages and disadvantages in EIA; guidelines for EIA in India.

#### IX. MODERN TRENDS IN ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Role of Information Technology, Computer applications: Remote sensing, GPS and GIS in environmental management.

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