

**POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN  
SUSTAINABILITY SCIENCE (PGDSS)**

**Term-End Examination**

**December, 2015**

**MSD-015 : INSTITUTIONS, GOVERNANCE AND  
POLICIES**

*Time : 3 hours*

*Maximum Marks : 100*

***Note :** Answer **all** questions as per the instructions given in  
**each** question.*

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- 1.** Attempt **any ten** questions. Define the following terms in about **100** words each. Each question carries **two** marks : **10x2=20**
- (a) Conventions
  - (b) Organisations
  - (c) Protocols
  - (d) State
  - (e) Development
  - (f) Devolution
  - (g) Trust
  - (h) Alternative Dispute Resolution Mechanism
  - (i) Local government
  - (j) 'Tragedy of Commons' Paradigm
  - (k) Political ecology
  - (l) Law
  - (m) Environmental Management System
  - (n) Strategic Impact Assessment
  - (o) ISO 1401

2. Attempt **any eight** questions. Answer the following questions in about **300** words each. Each question carries **five** marks : **8x5=40**

- (a) What is precautionary pay principles ? Describe in brief the four elements of the principles.
- (b) Describe in brief any five ways in which people's participation can be strengthened as suggested by FAO.
- (c) Define Institution. How is institution different from organisations, rules and norms ?
- (d) Name any five major conventions and events that has influenced sustainable development discourse.
- (e) Describe any five dimensions suggested by World Bank to measure Good Governance.
- (f) What is Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) ? Explain any three significant features of PRA.
- (g) Describe the concept of good governance. Explain in brief any three attributes of good governance.
- (h) What is the Corruption Perception Index (CPI) ? Describe in brief the situation reported by the CPI across the countries in the world.
- (i) How people's participation in governance and development can be strengthened ? Explain any five methods.
- (j) Why there is a need for national policy for Sustainable Development ?
- (k) State any five provisions of the Environment Protection Act, 1986.

- (l) What is Local Agenda 21 ? Describe in brief it's mechanism and implementation processes.
- (m) Describe the concept of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). State any three underlying principles of EIA.

3. Attempt **any four** questions. Answer the following questions in about **500** words each. Each question carries **ten** marks each : **4x10=40**

- (a) Explain in detail any five features of Participatory Good Governance with suitable examples.
  - (b) State any five obligations of Public Authority under Right to Information Act.
  - (c) What is Agenda 21 ? State any eight principles of Agenda 21.
  - (d) Why is peoples participation in environmental governance essential ? Explain any four advantages of people's participation in development.
  - (e) State any five aspects that an environmental audit encompasses. Describe any five benefits of environmental audit.
  - (f) What is ISO 14001 ? Describe the three unique characteristics of ISO 14001. Name any five tangible benefits of ISO 14001.
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