MSD-015

## POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN SUSTAINABILITY SCIENCE (PGDSS)

## Term-End Examination

June, 2018

## MSD-015 : INSTITUTIONS, GOVERNANCE AND POLICIES

Time: 3 hours Maximum Marks: 100

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

- Attempt any eight questions. Answer the following questions in about 300 words each.
  Each question carries five marks. 8x5=40
  - (a) Define institutions. How does institutions influence our socio-economic life? Explain any three with suitable examples.
  - (b) "Despite the multiple treaties, conventions and agencies, the current global environmental management system has failed to address and solve the problems related to transboundary pollution, spill over shared resources." Justify the statement with suitable arguments and examples.
  - (c) What is the meaning of information in the context of Right to Information? State any three rights included under Right to Information.
  - (d) Name any five UN organisations which are directly or indirectly involved in sustainable development.

- (e) What is Green Policy? Name any three components of action plan of a green policy.
- (f) What is Local Agenda 21? Describe in brief it's mechanism and implementation process.
- (g) Explain the concepts of devolution, deconcentration and delegation in brief. Differentiate with examples the distinctions among these three concepts.
- (h) Explain any two basic principles of sustainable development with suitable examples.
- (i) Describe in brief any five methods used in Participatory Rural Appraisal.
- (j) Explain any five advantages of peoples participation in governance and development.
- (k) What is Corruption Perception Index (CPI)? Describe in brief the situation reported by the CPI across the countries in the world.
- (l) Describe in brief any five salient features of protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers' Rights Act, 2001.
- Attempt any six questions. Answer the following questions in about 400 words each. 10x6=60
  - (a) Explain in detail any five issues that hinder decentralised governance in India.
  - (b) State any five aspects that an environmental audit encompasses. Describe any five benefits of environmental audit.
  - (c) What are the five challenges to good governance as identified by the World Bank?
  - (d) Name any five major areas covered under current international standards under Environmental Management System(EMS). Describe any five key elements of EMS.

- (e) How do institutional designs affect the performance or outcome of any organisation or any programme? Analyse this in the context of any government programme in India which you consider as a success or failure.
- (f) State any ten obligations of Public Authority in India.
- (g) What is ISO 14001? Describe the three unique characteristics of ISO 14001. Name any five tangible benefits of ISO 14001.
- (h) What are Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)? State any three goals of MDGs. Evaluate India's progress in MDGs.
- (i) What is ecological imperialism? State any four aspects included in ecological imperialism. Discuss emergence of ecopolitics.