POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN SUSTAINABILITY SCIENCE (PGDSS)

Term-End Examination

June, 2022

MSD-012: ECOSYSTEM AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

- Note: Attempt any ten questions. Each question carries 10 marks.
- 1. Discuss ecosystem structure with an emphasis on the following : $4 \times 2 \frac{1}{2} = 10$
 - (a) Ecosystem components
 - (b) Trophic organization
 - (c) Species composition and stratification
 - (d) Size, scale and boundaries
- 2. What is Land Use Management ? Discuss land use pattern and land management in India. 5+5=10

- What are Natural Resources ? Describe the various types of natural resources with examples. 5+5=10
- 4. Explain renewable and non-renewable energy resources with suitable examples. 5+5=10
- **5.** Write short notes on the following : 5+5=10
 - (a) Types of Mineral Resources
 - (b) Impacts of Mining on Environment
- Define Agrobiodiversity. Discuss its features and role in biodiversity conservation. 2+8=10
- 7. Write short notes on the following : 5+5=10
 - (a) Community-based Agrobiodiversity Conservation
 - (b) Gender and Agrobiodiversity
- What is Biodiversity ? Explain the uses and importance of biodiversity. 2+8=10
- **9.** Describe soil profile and soil formation process. 5+5=10

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- Explain the hydrological cycle. Write a note on global rainfall pattern and its ecological implications. 5+5=10
- Define Water Pollution. Discuss the impacts of water pollution on environment and human health. 2+8=10
- 12. What are Biofuels ? Discuss how energy is generated from biomass.10