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## POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (PGDESD)

## Term-End Examination

June, 2020

## MED-006: NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT: PHYSICAL AND BIOTIC

Time: 2 Hours Maximum Marks: 50

Note: Attempt any five questions. Each question carries 10 marks.

(a) "Communication plays an important part
in promoting biodiversity conservation."

Justify this statement and briefly explain
two major groups of communication.

(b)	Define	biological	diversity.	Name	and	
	explain levels of biological diversity giving					
	one example of each.				5	

- (a) What are problem soils? Describe the main types of problem soils.
  - (b) What are Wetlands? Describe their ecological importance and the functions they perform.
- 3. (a) What are natural resources? Briefly explain their *three* categories giving suitable examples.
  - (b) List the advantages of solar energy. Name the two forms in which it is harnessed. 5
- 4. (a) What is soil erosion? Briefly explain factors causing soil erosion.
  - (b) Differentiate between wetlands and estuaries giving their important features. 5

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5.	(a)	"Mountain and their vegetation are
		regarded as important life support
		systems." Justify this statement with
		suitable arguments. 5
	<b>(b)</b>	What is the importance of plants as a
		source of medicines ? Illustrate giving
		suitable examples. 5
6.	(a)	State any five reasons of habitat
		destruction. 5
	(b)	Give the full forms of the following: 5
		(i) EPA
		(ii) CBD
	ē	(iii) LIDOV

(iv) CITES

(v) UNCCD