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M. SC. (ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE) (MSCENV)

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MEV-013: ENVIRONMENTAL CHEMISTRY

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note:(i) Answer any **ten** questions.

- (ii) Each question carries 10 marks.
- 1. Explain the basic instrumentation for UV-Vis spectrophotometry and its environmental applications.
- 2. What is adsorption? Explain the mechanism of adsorption with suitable examples.
- 3. Explain the toxic effects of the following on enzymes:
 - (a) Mercury
 - (b) Arsenic

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- 4. Write short notes on the following:
 - (a) Bioplastics
 - (b) Soil profile
- 5. Explain the reasons for the following:
 - (a) Graphite acts as a lubricant
 - (b) Use of DDT as insecticide banned
 - (c) Addition of alum to purity water
 - (d) Aluminium sulphate is used as coagulant
- 6. What is scintillation process? Describe the working mechanism of scintillation counter.
- 7. What is the working principle of HPLC? What is the advantage of HPLE over GLC?
- 8. Describe the mechanism of ozone formation in the lower atmosphere.
- 9. Explain the following in brief:
 - (a) Aerosols in atmospheric smog
 - (b) Harmful effects of Nitrogen oxides

- 10. Define water quality. Explain physical properties of water.
- 11. What are the various applications of radioisotopes in environmental monitoring?
- 12. Explain the role of carbonate system in oceans.
- 13. What are the applications of chromatography technique in environmental monitoring?
- 14. What are supercritical fluids (SCF)? Explain with examples the reactions in which SCFs are used as green solvents.