

2018

M.Sc.

Part-II Examination

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

PAPER—VIII

Full Marks : 100

Time : 4 Hours

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.*

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.*

*Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.*

Answer Q. No. 1 and any five questions from the rest.

1. Answer any ten questions : 10×2

- (i) Why is natural gas known as cleanest fuel ?
- (ii) Mention the idea of a 'large dam'.
- (iii) What is 'Plasma'?
- (iv) Explain—'All energy directly or indirectly originates from nuclear energy'.

(Turn Over)

- (v) What is green energy ?
- (vi) How does the tidal energy is converted to electrical energy ?
- (vii) What are the different types of fossil fuels ?
- (viii) How does solar energy influence earth's climate ?
- (ix) Write two negative impacts of large hydroproject.
- (x) Write the relation between Sievert (Sv) and 'rem'.
- (xi) What is MHD power generator.
- (xii) Write four names of radiation monitoring devices.
- (xiii) What are the impacts of global warming ?
- (xiv) Write two basic differences between dry and wet natural gases.
- (xv) What is OTEC ?
- (xvi) Write down the chemical equation where glucose is formed by photosynthesis.
2. (a) Give a comparative account of environmental impact of fossil fueled power plant and hydroelectric plant.

- (b) What are the advantages and disadvantages of using a solar pond as the thermal energy collector? 8+8
3. (a) Why solar energy is called 'environmental friendly and independent' ?
- (b) Write notes on (i) radiative zone and (ii) convective zone of the sun. 8+8
4. Give a general outline of ocean energy. How does tidal energy converted into electrical energy ? What are the advantages and disadvantages of tidal energy ? 7+3+6
5. (a) How wind power is transformed to electrical energy ?
- (b) Describe the factors that determine placing of wind parks. 8+8
6. Write the characteristics of hazardous waste ? Why is radioactive waste a hazardous waste ? Give an outline of radioactive waste management and disposal. 6+2+8
7. (a) What is the principle of generating nuclear electricity ? Why is fusion not used till date for producing green electricity ?
- (b) Give schematic diagram of nuclear reactor operation. 6+2+8

8. (a) Describe with a flowchart about different steps of refining of petroleum.
- (b) Write a short note on different types of coal based on its energy content ? 8+8
9. What are the resources of geothermal energy ? Narrate the geothermal energy use pattern in different countries of the world. 4+12
10. (a) Why is Sun the Earth's primary source of energy ?
- (b) Describe solar energy spectrum with graphical presentation. 8+8
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