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# B.Sc. IV Semester Degree Examination, Sept./Oct. - 2024 BOTANY

## DSC-IV: Ecology and Conservation Biology

(NEP)

Time: 2 Hours Maximum Marks: 60

Note:

- (i) Answer **all** the Sections.
- (ii) Draw diagrams wherever necessary.

#### **SECTION - A**

Answer all the sub-questions.

10x1=10

- 1. (a) Define Ecology.
  - (b) What is soil humus?
  - (c) What are Sunken Stomata?
  - (d) Give an example for artificial ecosystem.
  - (e) Define Ecotone.
  - (f) What is Natality?
  - (g) What are Shola forests?
  - (h) What is pollution?
  - (i) Expand ICUN.
  - (j) Name India's largest Botanical garden.

#### **SECTION - B**

Answer **any four** of the following questions.

4x5=20

- **2.** Write a note on Physio-Chemical properties of soil.
- **3.** Describe the carbon cycle.
- **4.** Write a note on vegetation of the Western Ghats.
- **5.** Write a note on Inter-specific interactions with examples of plant communities.
- **6.** Write a note on threats to biodiversity.
- 7. What are Ecological Pyramids? Describe the number Pyramid.



#### **SECTION - C**

Answer any three of the following questions.

3x10=30

- **8.** What are ecological factors? Write the effect of temperature and humidity on plants growth.
- 9. Illustrate the structure of pond ecosystem with suitable diagram.
- 10. Describe the methods of plant community sampling.
- 11. Describe the causes, effects and control measures of water pollution.
- 12. What is In-Situ conservation? Write a note on National Parks and Sanctuaries.

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