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SIXTH SEMESTER U.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MARCH 2024

(CBCSS—UG)

Botany

BOT 6B 13—ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time: Two Hours

Maximum: 60 Marks

Section A

Answer **all** questions.

Each question carries 2 marks.

Ceiling: 20 Marks.

- 1. What are biodiversity hotspots?
- 2. What is Red Data Book?
- 3. Mention the important greenhouse gases and their sources.
- 4. What are non-biodegradable pollutants? Give an example.
- 5. Comment on el-nino.
- 6. What is meant by frequency in a community?
- 7. Mention the salient features of energy flow in an ecosystem.
- 8. Write a short note on estuarine ecosystem.
- 9. Distinguish between ex situ and in situ conservation.
- 10. What is climatic climax?
- 11. What do you understand by indicator species?
- 12. What is meant by lotic ecosystem? Give an example.

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Section B

Answer all questions.

Each question carries 5 marks.

Ceiling: 30 Marks.

- 13. Discuss the role of various organizations in conservation of biodiversity.
- 14. Write a brief account on the sources of water pollution.
- 15. Distinguish between Primary and secondary succession siting suitable examples.
- 16. Explain the morphological and anatomical adaptations found in xerophytes.
- 17. Give an account of the common techniques used in the study of plant communities.
- 18. Explain the various approaches followed in the management of environmental pollution.
- 19. Discuss the major threats to biodiversity.

Section C

Answer any **one** question. The question carries 10 marks.

- 20. What are sedimentary cycles? Explain Phosphorous with the help of a schematic diagram.
- 21. Explain ecological succession in xeric habitats siting suitable examples.

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