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Course Code: VAC-100

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Q.1) Answer the following questions

(4 x 2 Marks = 8 Marks)

1. List 2 renewable form of energy
2. Define the term “ecosystem”.
3. Illustrate an example of food web.
4. List two biodiversity hotspots in India

Q.2 A) i) Describe three methods of soil conservation that can be applied to prevent soil (3 Marks)

OR

Q.2 A) ii) Outline three reasons that lead to desertification. (3 Marks)

Q.2 B) Write a note on food chain (3 Marks)

Q.2 C) Discuss any 2 examples of endemic species found in India. (2 Marks)

Q.3 A) i) What are three environmental concerns linked to agricultural crop production? (3 Marks)

OR

Q.3 A) ii) Discuss how mining activities have specifically impacted the environment in Goa, its local ecosystem, biodiversity and land. (3 Marks)

Q.3 B) Discuss any three ecological or economic benefits provided by forest resources. (3 Marks)

Q.3 C) Elaborate on any two problems related to the use of groundwater. (2 Marks)

Q.4 A) i) Discuss the transfer and flow of energy within an ecosystem. (3 Marks)

OR

Q.4 A) ii) With the help of diagram, explain the pyramid of numbers, Include examples of both upright and inverted pyramids. (3 Marks)

Q.4 B) Describe the 3 types of biodiversity. (3 Marks)



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Q.4 C) Write a short note on any two threats to biodiversity. **(2 Marks)**

Q.5 A) i) There is an immediate need to adopt renewable source of energy. Discuss any one renewable energy source which you suggest to adopt at home and in your college and Why? **(3 Marks)**

OR

Q.5 A) ii) Provide a detailed discussion of any one water-related conflict. **(3 Marks)**

Q.5 B) Provide a brief overview of any one ecosystem, describing its key features, structure, and functions. Include two sustainable practices that could be implemented in tourism activities within this ecosystem. **(3 Marks)**

Q.5 C) A hotel near a coral reef has been experiencing a decline in its underwater biodiversity due to increased tourist activities. Propose two strategies the hotel could implement to help conserve this biodiversity while maintaining tourism. **(2 Marks)**