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**BASIC ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING
& ELEMENTARY BIOLOGY**

Time Allotted : 3 Hours

Full Marks : 70

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

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

**GROUP - A
(Multiple Choice Type Questions)**

1. Choose the correct alternatives for the following : $10 \times 1 = 10$
 - i) Temporary hardness of water is due to the presence of polyvalent metallic ions associated with
 - a) nitrate
 - b) sulfate
 - c) chloride
 - d) bicarbonate.
 - ii) Food chain which directly depends on solar flux is
 - a) grazing
 - b) detritus
 - c) general food chain
 - d) all of these
 - iii) The coldest region of the atmosphere is
 - a) troposphere
 - b) stratosphere
 - c) mesosphere
 - d) thermosphere.



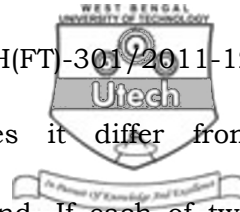
- iv) In an industrial area noise is measured by
- a) L_{10} (18 hrs) index b) Leq
- c) both (a) and (b) d) none of these.
- v) The normal hearing frequency range is
- a) 20 Hz - 40000 Hz b) 60 Hz - 40000 Hz
- c) 20 Hz - 20000 Hz d) 60 Hz - 60000 Hz.
- vi) Montreal protocol is related to
- a) disarmament b) freeze on use of CFCs
- c) water pollution d) land pollution.
- vii) Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) needs to
- a) start a project b) evaluate a project
- c) stop a project d) none of these.
- viii) In energy pyramid, the bottom level represents
- a) consumers b) producers
- c) scavengers d) decomposers.
- ix) The unit of biochemical reaction rate constant (K_1) is
- a) T^{-1} b) ML^{-1}
- c) $ML^{-1}T^{-1}$ d) $M^{-1}LT^{-1}$.
- x) Aspergillus bacteria play a significant role in the
- a) nitrogen cycle b) phosphorus cycle
- c) sulfur cycle d) oxygen cycle.

GROUP - B

(Short Answer Type Questions)

Answer any *three* of the following $3 \times 5 = 15$

2. "Carbon dioxide, though considered as a non-pollutant, is perhaps the single most important environmental problem facing us at present." Explain the statement in terms of greenhouse effect.



3. Define photochemical smog. How does it differ from industrial smog ?
4. Calculate the intensity of a 100 dB sound. If each of two machines produces sound of 50 dB simultaneously, what will be total sound intensity level ? Given the reference intensity = $1 \times 10^{-12} \text{ W/m}^2$
5. State Darcy's law for groundwater flow and hence define hydraulic conductivity. 3 + 2
6. How do you broadly classify the components of municipal solid waste ? Based on your classification, suggest suitable disposal method of each component. 5

GROUP – C

(Long Answer Type Questions)

Answer any *three* of the following. 3 × 15 = 45

7. a) Why 5-day, 20°C BOD value is accepted universally as a parameter to quantity biodegradable organic waste ? 3
 - b) In a rare case BOD value of an industrial wastewater may be obtained greater than COD value. Try to explain the typical content of this wastewater. 2
 - c) Try to establish the relationship among BOD exerted after time t , ultimate BOD, biochemical reaction rate content and time with regard to a wastewater sample. 5
 - d) Given the 5-day, 20°C BOD value of a wastewater is 250 mg/L, what will be its ultimate BOD value ? 5
($K_1 = 0.23/\text{day}$).
8. a) What is Dry Adiabatic Lapse Rate ? 2
 - b) Derive a relation of the variation of temperature with altitude for a parcel of air undergoing dry adiabatic lapse rate. 6
 - c) What is London smog ? 2
 - d) What is PAN ? Explain its formation chemically. 1 + 4



- 9. a) Discuss effect of oxygen demanding wastes on river. 3
- b) How the oxygen level of river is replenished ? 3
- c) What is Eutrophication ? 3
- d) What are the effects of eutrophication of environment ? 3
- e) How can you control eutrophication ? 3
- 10. a) What is activated sludge ? 3
- b) Draw a complete flow sheet of activated sludge process. 5
- c) What is food-to-microorganism ratio ? Why is it maintained in the aeration tank ? 2 + 1
- d) Why a portion of secondary sludge is returned to the reactor ? 2
- e) What is MLVSS ? 2
- 11. a) What are the catalytic reactions that destroy ozone layer ? 3
- b) What are effects of ozone destruction ? 3
- c) What is ozone depletion potential ? 2
- d) What are the substitutes of CFC ? 2
- e) Write short notes on temperature inversion. 5

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