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UNDERGRADUATE (C.B.C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, OCTOBER 2015

Fifth Semester

Open Course—ENVIRONMENTAL CHEMISTRY

(Offered by the Board of Studies-Chemistry)

[2013 Admissions]

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 80 Marks

Part A

Answer all questions.

Each questions carries 1 mark.

- 1. Name two greenhouse gases.
- 2. Name two examples of nonconventional energy sources.
- 3. Name the heavy metal pollutant that caused "Itai Itai" disease.
- 4. Name a factor that causes eutrophication.
- 5. Name two cancer causing agents.
- 6. What is meant by BOD?
- 7. The upper portion of the lithosphere is enriched with elements and and ...
- 8. Name two macronutrients in soil.
- 9. Name an organochlorine pesticide.
- 10. Name two pollutant gases that cause acid rain.

 $(10 \times 1 = 10)$

Part B

Answer any eight questions.

Each question carries 2 marks.

- 11. What is meant by renewable and non-renewable energy sources? Give examples.
- 12. What are the important sources of metal ion toxicity?
- 13. What is radiation? What is it due to?
- 14. What are the chief factors responsble for water pollution?
- 15. Explain bio-magnification using a suitable example.
- 16. What is meant by green chemistry?
- 17. What is meant by lime status and lime requirement?

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- 18. Discuss how micro-organisms can be used for the treatment of effluents.
- 19. How can noise pollution bicontrolled?
- 20. In what way do CO2 cause air pollution?
- 21. Describe the toxic effects of pesticides.
- 22. What are the control measures to check air pollution?

 $(8 \times 2 = 16)$

Part C

Answer any six questions.

Each question carries 4 marks.

- 23. Discuss the use of solar radiation as a source of electrical energy.
- 24. What is the importance of ozone layer? What are the causes of depletion of ozone layer?
- 25. Discuss on water quality standards and water quality index.
- 26. What are the causes and adverse effects of global warming?
- 27. Explain the briefly the effects electric and magnetic field in the environment.
- 28. Discuss the common techniques adopted for the treatment and disposal of hazardous wastes.
- 29. Differential between COD and BOD.
- 30. Write a note on soil pollution. What are the effects of soil pollutants?
- 31. Discuss the principles of green chemistry.

 $(6 \times 4 = 24)$

Part D

Answer any two questions. Each question carries 15 marks.

- 32. Discuss in detail the advanced waste treatment processes to improve the quality of water to a point to which it can be reused.
- 33. What are different types of wastes? Discuss on the possibility of reuse and recycling of waste.
- 34. Discuss the common techniques of sampling and analysis of CO, SO₂, H₂S and hydrocarbons.
- 35. Explain the sources of heavy metals such as Pb, Hg, As and Cd in water as pollutants and discuss the toxic effects on man.

 $(2 \times 15 = 30)$