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Instructions regarding Internal Assessment preparation and submission:

- i. All answers should be **hand written**;
- ii. Internal assessment should be arranged as follows:
 - a. Cover page (to be downloaded from website);
 - b. Copy of ID card;
 - c. Question paper
 - d. Contents
 - e. Answer of any *one* question for each of Courses C.C. 1.1 1.5
 - f. IAs to be submitted to respective LSCs on or before date specified at the university website.

No IA submission will be accepted after the specified date.



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C.C. 1.1: Society, Development and Ecology

Q1. Answer any *one* from the following:

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- a. Describe the different stages of ecological succession with suitable example. [10]
- b. Define food chain. Explain the types of food chain. Briefly discuss food web with suitable examples. [2+4+4]
- c. Briefly discuss any energy flow model of an ecosystem. [10]

C.C. 1.2: Environmental Pollutions I

Q2. Answer any *one* from the following:

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- a. What is acid rain? What are its adverse effects? Describe the basic chemical reactions of acid rain with equations. [2+3+5]
- b. What are the advantages of rainwater harvesting? Name the various components of roof top rainwater harvesting system. [4+6]
- c. Discuss the physicochemical characteristics of water. "Water is a universal solvent" Explain. [6+4]

C.C. 1.3: Natural Resources and Environment

Q3. Answer any *one* from the following:

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- a. Briefly discuss the major five food groups. State the climatic conditions required for paddy cultivation. [5+5]
- b. What are the applications of solar energy? State the advantages and disadvantages of solar energy. [5+5]
- c. Write short notes on: i. Photovoltaics ii. Biogas [5+5]

C.C. 1.4: Environmental Politics

Q4. Answer any *one* from the following:

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- a. Discuss critically the role of developing countries in finalising the Framework Convention on Climate Change. [10]
- b. Write short notes on: (a) Environmental diplomacy; (b) West Phalian system [5+5]
- c. Give an account of the developments on different environmental issues in UN conference held in Rio de Janeiro, 1992. [10]

C.C. 1.5: Environmental Policies, Laws and Regulations

Q5. Answer any *one* from the following:

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- a. Write a brief note on The Environment (Protection) Act, 1986. [10]
- b. Highlight the main objectives of the National Environmental Policy of 2006. What were its major provisions and in what ways those have been implemented in the country? [6+4]
- c. Write short notes on: i. Responsibilities of the State Pollution Control Board ii. National Green Tribunal. [5+5]