

THIRD SEMESTER B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2014

(U.G.—CCSS)

Complementary Course—Biotechnology

BT 3C 02—ENVIRONMENTAL BIOTECHNOLOGY

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

I. Objective type question. Answer *all* questions.

(A) Name the following :-

- 1 An *in situ* remediation technology that uses microorganisms to biodegrade organic constituents adsorbed on soils.
- 2 Lead toxicity disease.
- 3 An organophosphorus pesticide.
- 4 Example for a green house gas.

(B) State whether true or false :

- 5 Minamata disease was caused due to Cadmium contamination.
- 6 The Torry canyon disaster was not a cause of oil pollution
- 7 Bioventing is an *ex situ* remediation technology that uses microorganisms to biodegrade organic constituents adsorbed on soils.
- 8 Lichen are biomonitors used to check air quality.
- 9 High soil moisture soils reduce bioventing performance.
- 10 Sulfurous acid is formed in the atmosphere due to automobile emission.
- 11 Spirulina is an excellent choice for use as SCP.
- 12 PCB is an organophosphorus pesticide.

(12 x ¼ = 3 weightage)

II. Short answer type questions. Answer *all* questions :

- 13 Radio active waste.
- 14 CFC's
- 15 Traffic pollution control strategies.
- 16 Biodegradation of petrochemical effluents.

Turn over

17 Use of fungi for biosorption technologies.

18 Advantages of bioremediation.

19 Hazardous waste.

20 *In situ* bio-remediation technologies.

21 Composting.

(9 x 1 = 9 weightage)

III. Short essay *or* paragraph questions. Answer any *five* questions.

22 Causes and effects of acid rain.

23 Mechanism of pesticide degradation.

24 Global warming.

25 Eutrophication.

26 Biological indicators of pollution.

27 IMViC test.

28 Solid waste management.

(5 x 2 = 10 weightage)

IV. Essay questions. Answer any *two* questions.

29 Describe causes and effects of climate change.

30 Illustrate current status and novel trends in environmental biotechnology.

31 Detail causes effects and control of air pollution

(2 x 4 = 8 weightage)