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B.A. Philosophy

Core Course—ECO PHILOSOPHY

(Prior to 2013 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum Weight : 25

Part A (Multiple Choice Questions)

Answer all questions

Each bunch of four question carries a weight of 1.

BUNCH I

1. The Greek word 'oikos' means _____.
(a) Ecology. (b) Economics.
(c) House. (d) Environment
2. "The long-term value of the rain forest is far greater than the uses to which the timber is put." This is a warning of need for the _____ of forests.
(a) Diversity. (b) Conservation.
(c) Destruction. (d) All these.
3. _____ proposed a 'land ethic'.
(a) Aldo Leopold. (b) Rachel Carson.
(c) Peter Singer. (d) Ernst Haeckel.
4. _____ is an important concept in ecology.
(a) Biosphere. (b) Ecosystem.
(c) Conservation. (d) All these

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BUNCH II

5. Reducing, reusing, and recycling things imply a _____ change in our attitude to environment.
- (a) Legal. (b) Personal.
(c) Compulsory. (d) Negative.
6. _____ is the view that life and biology are central to reality and being.
- (a) Anthropocentrism. (b) Ecocentrism.
(c) Biocentrism. (d) Homocentrism.
7. 'Ensuring _____ equity' is a principle of sustainable development.
- (a) International. (b) Inter-generational.
(c) Human. (d) All these.
8. _____ is/are true about Deep Ecology.
- (1) The term was coined by a Norwegian philosopher.
(2) Instrumental value of living beings is the core idea.
(3) Living beings cannot be ranked according to their relative value.
(4) Human being is a distinct component of any ecosystem.
- (a) one and two. (b) only one.
(c) one and three. (d) three and four.

BUNCH III

9. Find out the best matching items for those in List A from List B.

LIST- A

1. The Brudtland Commission.
2. James Lovelock.
3. Biocentrism.
4. Ecological crisis.
- (a) 2,4,1,3.
(c) 1,4,3,2.

LIST-B

1. Robert Lanza.
2. Global.warming
3. Sustainable development.
4. Gaia.
- (b) 3,2,4,1.
(d) 2,3,1,4.





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10. _____ is critical of Deep Ecology.
- (a) Murray Bookchin. (b) Arne Ness.
(c) Warwick Fox. (d) All these.
11. Anthropocentrism is based on _____.
- (a) Species conceit. (b) Ecocentrism.
(c) Social ecology. (d) Deep ecology.
12. Shallow Ecology does not imply _____.
- (a) Ecosophy. (b) Ecology.
(c) Anthropocentrism. (d) None of these.

BUNCH IV

13. Eduard Suess introduced the concept of _____.
- (a) Organism. (b) Deep Ecology.
(c) Biosphere. (d) Anthropocentrism.
14. Restoration ecology involves _____ human activity to recover a damaged ecosystem.
- (a) No. (b) Intentional.
(c) Forced. (d) Useless.
15. _____ seeks to protect bio-diversity at all levels.
- (a) Anthropocentrism. (b) Conservation.
(c) Biosphere. (d) Atmosphere.
16. 'Environmental degradation and destruction on a catastrophically short time scale' is a/an _____ crisis.
- (a) Natural. (b) Anthropogenic.
(c) Divinely dictated. (d) Organic.

(4 × 1 = 4)

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Part B (Short Answer Questions)

*Answer any **five** questions.
Each question carries a weight of 1.*

Write short notes on the following :

17. Ecosophy.
18. Non-anthropocentrism.
19. Holistic perspective of nature.
20. Consequentialist ethics.
21. Intrinsic and instrumental value.
22. Transpersonal ecology.
23. Individualism and environmental ethics.
24. Name any *two* environmental movements.

(5 × 1 = 5)

Part C (Short Essay Questions)

*Answer any **four** questions.
Each question carries a weight of 2.*

25. Distinguish between biosphere and ecosystem.
26. Analyze the main differences between environmental ethics and ecophilosophy.
27. Bring out the ecological value of biodiversity. Give examples.
28. Summarize the basic principles of Deep Ecology.
29. Elucidate the ecosophical value of intergenerational justice.
30. Distinguish between restoration ecology and conservation ecology.

(4 × 2 = 8)





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Part D (Essay Questions)

*Answer any **two** questions.*

Each question carries a weight of 4.

31. Define 'ecology' and describe its key concepts.
32. Bring out the significance of environmental ethics today. Add a comparative account of the biocentric and ecocentric perspective of environmental ethics.
33. Write notes on any two of the following :
 - (a) Ecology and environmentalism.
 - (b) Anthropocentrism and ecocentrism.
 - (c) Sustainable development.

(2 × 4 = 8)

