

M.Phil 1st Semester Examination, 2019

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

(Environmental History)

PAPER—EVS-112

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2 hours

Answer any **four** questions

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks

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

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary

1. What do you understand by climate and climate change ? Discuss in brief the impact of climate change on natural calamities. 4 + 6

2. Differentiate between Eutrophic and Oligotrophic Water body with suitable examples. 5 + 5
3. What is tropical rain forest ? Why is the rain forest an important global resource ? What is forest fire ? Write a note on Amazon forest fire and its current status. 2 + 2 + 2 + 4
4. Reflect your opinion on : $3\frac{1}{2} + 3\frac{1}{2} + 3$
- (a) Oil spill pollution
- (b) Air quality in major Indian cities
- (c) Sense of smell.
5. Evaluate the main patterns of writing environmental history as a subject of scholarly discussion. What are the fundamental ideas generated by the global environmental history ? 5 + 5
6. How do you conceptualise environment as a site of racial conflict and class struggle all over the world ? What are the limitations of locating environment as a subject of identity construction ? 5 + 5

7. Is it viable to situate environment as a Dalit subject ? Exemplify the context from the Indian subcontinent. 5 + 5
8. Trace the principle arguments of Eco-feminism in relation to environmental ethics. What are the problems with Ecofeminism ? 5 + 5
9. Assignment Writing (to be submitted by the candidates before examination) : 10
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