2022

M.A.

4th Semester Examination (CCAE)

HISTORY

PAPER-HIS-402

ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY OF MODERN INDIA

Full Marks: 50

Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

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

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

Group - A

Answer any four questions.

4×2

- 1. What is environmental history?
- 2. What is Anthropocene?

- 3. What was the main issue of Chipko movement?
- 4. When did the colonial forest dept established?
- 5. Who wrote This Fissured Land: An Ecological History of India'?
- 6. What is the concept of 'Desiccationism'?

Group - B

Answer any four questions. 4×4

- 7. What are the problems of water management in India?
- 8. What is meant by climate history?
- Explain the role of the KSSP in the Silent Valley Movement.

- 10. Write a note on the Forest Act of 1878.
- 11. Describe D Brandis Forest conservation principles.
- 12. Write a note on the erosion of traditional forest right in the late 19th century.

Group - C

Answer any two questions.

2×8

- 13. Critically discuss the mode of resource utilization in independent India.
- 14. Discuss the case of Narmada Bachao Andolan and its non-violent struggle against the Sardar Sarovar Dam project.
- 15. Do you think that colonialism constituted 'an ecological watershed' in the history of India?

16. Write a brief historiographical essay on the environmental history of modern India.

[Internal Assessment - 10 Marks]