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M.Sc. (IIIrd Semester) Examination, 2020 **BOTANY**

(Principles of Ecology)

Time Allowed: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 70

SECTION - A

Note: Attempt any ten questions. Each question carries

1 mark. 10×1=10

Q. 1. Objective type :

- (1) The earth summit held in 1992, was organised at _____.
- (2) _____ is an agreement to mitigate emission of green-house gases.
- (3) Transition zone between two structurally different ecosystems is called _____.

(2)

(4)	The food chain, in which	miroorganisms break
	down the energy rich co	mpounds synthesized
	by producers is	_food chain.

- (5) CITES stands for _____.
- (6) The evolution of new specie is known as:
 - (a) Succession
 - (b) Development
 - (c) Speciation
 - (d) Adaptation
- (7) Ecological pryramids were developed by:
 - (a) Charles Elton
 - (b) Crick Elton
 - (c) Mark Elton
 - (d) Merc Elton

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- (8) The rate at which organic matter is stored after the basic metabolic process is :
 - (a) Biomass
 - (b) Metabolism
 - (c) Net primary productivity
 - (d) None
- (9) Group of species exploiting a common resource are called :
 - (a) Ecological interactions
 - (b) Guilds
 - (c) Resource sharing
 - (d) Competition
- (10) In which process seeds germinate while they still attached with mother plant?

- (a) Endospermy
- (b) Gymnasium
- (c) Protoandry
- (d) Vivipary
- (11) Capability of an organism of survive and reproduce in a particular environment is known as:
 - (a) Adaptation
 - (b) Ecological interactions
 - (c) Succession
 - (d) Life cycle
- (12) Ramsar convention is based on :
 - (a) Soil conservation
 - (b) Wetland
 - (c) Watershed
 - (d) Climatic amelioration

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SECTION - B

Note: Attempt any five questions. Each question carries 2 marks. 5×2=10

Q. 2. Write notes (very short answer in 25-30 words only):

- (1) Environment
- (2) Ecology
- (3) Ecosystem
- (4) Biodiversity
- (5) Producer
- (6) Edge species
- (7) Niche

SECTION - C

Note: Attempt any five questions. Each question carries

4 marks.

5×4=20

Q. 3. Write short answer in 250 words:

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- (1) Global warming
- (2) Agricultural pollution
- (3) Life form
- (4) Kyoto Protocol
- (5) Seed
- (6) Climate change
- (7) Seedling ecology

SECTION - D

Note: Attempt any three questions. Each question carries 10 marks. 3×10=30

- Q. 4. Write essay type answer with internal choice where necessary (more than 500 words):
 - Comments on evolutionary ecology and environmental concepts.
 - (2) Describe the food chain, food web and energy flow in an ecosystem.

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(3) Explain the ecological succession with suitable diagrams.

(4) Describe biodiversity conservation under changing climatic context.

OR

Describe the various types of environmental pollution with management aspects.

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