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University of Kerala

Second Semester FYUGP Degree Examination, June 2026

Discipline Specific Core Course

HISTORY

UK2DSCHIS103 - Environmental History of Modern India

Academic Level: 100-199

2024 Admission onwards

Time: 2 Hours(120 Mins)

Max. Marks: 56

Part A. 6 Marks:Time 5 Minutes.(Cognitive Level :Remember(RE)/Understand(UN)) Objective Type.1 mark each,
Answer all questions

Qn No.	Question	CL	CO
1	Who wrote the book "The Unquiet Woods: Ecological Change and Peasant Resistance in the Himalayas"?	RE	1
2	State the country credited with pioneering environmental history as a formal academic discipline.	RE	1
3	What does Article 51A(g) concern ?	UN	1
4	The toxic gas released during the Bhopal Gas Tragedy in 1984 was---	UN	1
5	On which River was the Sardar Sarovar Dam constructed?	UN	4
6	Who wrote the book <i>India after Gandhi</i> ?	UN	1

Part B. 10 Marks.Time:20 Minutes (Cognitive Level:Understand(UN)/Apply(AP))Two-three sentences.2 marks each.Answer all questions

Qn No.	Question	CL	CO
7	Distinguish the greenhouse gases.	UN	4
8	Explain the concept of the Anthropocene.	UN	2
9	Develop the concept of Environmental Determinism	AP	2
10	How human induced activities affect climate change.	AP	1
11	Explain the concept of Water Footprint and India's position.	AP	4

Part C. 16 Marks.Time:35 Minutes.(Cognitive Level :Apply(AP)/Analyse(AN))Short Answer.4 marks each, Answer all 4 questions,choosing among options * within each question

Qn No.	Question	CL	CO
12	A) Briefly describe the commercialization of agriculture and its impact on land use during the colonial period. OR B) Interpret how do environmental governance and policy contribute to addressing Indian environmental challenges, and what key strategies can enhance their effectiveness.	AP	3, 5
13	A) Explain the key provisions of the Wild Life Protection Act 1972 and how they contribute to wild life conservation in India ? OR B) Commercial interest played a significant role in shaping British forest policy in India. Explain.	AP	3, 2
14	A) Discuss the efficacy of conservation movements in achieving desired goals in Independent India. OR B) Analyze how the Indian agriculture was transformed during the British period.	AN	4, 3
15	A) Examine the challenges and opportunities in balancing economic development and biodiversity conservation especially in developing countries. OR B) Examine the ways in which underprivileged sections of the society face difficulty in coping with environmental pollution.	AN	5, 5

Part D. 24 Marks. Time: 60 Minutes. (Cognitive Level :Analyse(AN)/Evaluate(EV)/Create(CR)) Long Answer 6 Marks each. Answer all 4 questions choosing among options * within each question

Qn No.	Question	CL	CO
16	A) Make an inference of the impact of unscientific agrarian practices over various environmental resources , particularly air, water and soil. OR B) Examine the measures to manage water crisis in India.	AN	4, 3
17	A) Explain the health hazards of air and noise pollution. OR B) Critically evaluate various types of environmental pollutions creating health hazard.	EV	4, 5
18	A) Illustrate the major factors responsible for water scarcity in India. OR B) Evaluate how industrial activities contributed to pollution in major metropolitan areas , and what steps can be taken to reduce their impact.	EV	5, 4
19	A) Estimate the human-wildlife conflict in Kerala. Formulate a strategy to reduce human-wildlife crisis. OR B) Design community-based and decentralized programs for preserving biodiversity in India.	CR	5, 6