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UNDERGRADUATE (C.B.C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, APRIL 2018

Fifth Semester

Open Course—ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

[Offered by the BOS in Physics]

(2013 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 80

Part A

Answer all questions briefly. Each question carries 1 mark.

- 1. List any two nonrenewable energy sources.
- 2. State the merits of natural gas.
- 3. What is geothermal energy?
- 4. What are the disadvantages of fusion energy?
- 5. What is meant by solar desalination?
- 6. State the principle of solar cell.
- 7. What are secondary pollutants?
- 8. Explain marine pollution.
- 9. What is meant by source reduction?
- 10. State the features of biogas.

 $(10\times 1=10)$

Part B

Answer any eight questions. Each question carries 2 marks.

- 11. State the advantages of hydro energy.
- 12. How we can use biomass as a source of energy?
- 13. Explain the working of a solar dryer.
- 14. What are solar green houses? Explain.
- 15. Give the structure of an optical concentrator?

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- 16. Why we have to preserve environment?
- 17. Explain Climatic effects on environment.
- 18. Explain water pollution.
- 19. What are the disadvantages of chemical waste disposal method?
- 20. Explain waste minimization technique.
- 21. What are the characteristics of municipal solid wastes?
- 22. Give the biological method of waste treatment.

 $(8\times 2=16)$

Part C

Answer any six questions.

Each question carries 4 marks.

- 23. Comment on the storage of intermittently generated renewable energy.
- 24. Discuss flat plate as a high efficient and low cost solar collector.
- 25. Explain the spectral distribution and the relevant laws of solar radiation.
- 26. Briefly explain global warming. Suggest precautionary measures.
- 27. How we can reduce ground water pollution? Explain in detail.
- 28. Briefly explain the noise pollution in educational institution areas and suggest remedies.
- 29. Discuss on the environmental laws and acts in India.
- 30. Explain the chemical method for waste treatment and disposal.
- 31. Briefly explain management of solid wastes in Corporation areas.

 $(6\times 4=24)$

Part D

Answer any **two** questions.

Each question carries 15 marks.

- 32. Explain the basic principle of solar water heating and describe any *one* type of solar water heater. Bring out solar heating of buildings also.
- 33. Describe the water pollution and soil pollution factors which trigger the environmental pollution.
- 34. Discuss the waste management in municipalities in Kerala and suggest modifications.
- 35. Discuss the principle, construction and working of moving dome type biogas plant.

 $(2 \times 15 = 30)$