## PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE (AUTONOMOUS)

## MSc DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2025

(Second Semester)

#### Branch - ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

#### WATER POLLUTION AND MANAGEMENT

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 75 Marks

#### SECTION-A (10 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks

 $(10 \times 1 = 10)$ 

|               |                 | ALL questions carry EQUAL marks                                                                                                                                           | (10 × 1    |     |
|---------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----|
| Module<br>No. | Question<br>No. | Question                                                                                                                                                                  | K<br>Level | СО  |
| 1             | 1               | An aquiclude can a) absorb water b) Repels water c) be impermeable to water d) be a rock system                                                                           | K1         | CO1 |
|               | 2               | The 'C' Henry's law equation is associated with a) Constant temperature b) Concentration of water molecules c) Concentration of dissolved gases d) Universal gas constant | K2         | CO1 |
| 2             | 3               | The method of dissolved oxygen identification is  a) Walkey Black method b) EDTA method c) Fenton reagent method d) Winkler's method                                      | K1         | CO2 |
|               | 4               | In the thermally stratified lake, Hypolimnion is a) Top layer b) Middle layer c) Bottom layer d) Aphotic layer                                                            | K2         | CO2 |
|               | 5               | Fluoridation is a process done to prevent a) Bone damage b) Skin damage c) Skin irritation d) Tooth decay                                                                 | K1         | CO3 |
| 3             | 6               | What is the threshold of BIS standard for faecal coliforms in potable water?  a) <100 cells in 100 ml b) <10 cells in 100 L c) <10 cells in 100 ml d) <50 cells in 100 ml | K2         | CO3 |
| 4             | 7               | Reverse osmosis technique removes from water.  a) Pathogens b) Dissolved salts c) Dissolved gases d) Grits                                                                | K1         | CO4 |
|               | . 8             | Biogas is produced through a) Aerobic process b) Pyrolysis c) Incineration d) Anaerobic process                                                                           | K2         | CO4 |
| 5             | 9               | The term carbon footprint refers to  a) Sequestered carbon  b) Amount of greenhouse gases generated c) Organic carbon available d) Total amount of carbon on earth        | K1         | CO5 |
|               | 10              | The biofilm reactors employ the use of a) Nanofiltration membrane b) Microorganisms c) Filtration Membranes d) Reverse osmosis                                            | K2         | CO5 |

## SECTION - B (35 Marks)

### Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

 $(5 \times 7 = 35)$ 

| Module | Question<br>No. | Question                                                                          | K<br>Level                                   | со  |
|--------|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-----|
| No1    | 11.a.           | Write a short note on the distribution of water on earth.                         |                                              |     |
|        |                 | (OR)                                                                              | K2                                           | CO1 |
|        | 11.b.           | Give an account on the water table and types of aquifers.                         | <u>                                     </u> |     |
|        | 12.a.           | Briefly demonstrate the stratification in lakes.                                  | K2                                           | CO2 |
| 2      |                 | (OR)                                                                              |                                              |     |
|        | 12.b.           | Outline the salient features of water quality parameters and analysis techniques. |                                              |     |
|        | 13.a.           | Describe the primary water treatment technologies.                                | K3                                           |     |
| 3      |                 | (OR)                                                                              |                                              | CO3 |
|        | 13.b.           | Enumerate the chemical methods of water purification.                             |                                              |     |
|        | 14.a.           | Explain the biogas production and applications.                                   | _                                            | CO4 |
| 4      |                 | (OR)                                                                              | КЗ                                           |     |
|        | 14.b.           | Examine the membrane filtration techniques and potable water safety.              |                                              |     |
|        | 15.a.           | Discuss on carbon footprint in water treatment plants.                            | 1                                            |     |
| 5      | (OR)            |                                                                                   | K4                                           | CO5 |
|        | 15.b.           | Explain the different types and criteria involved in water audits.                |                                              |     |

# SECTION - C (30 Marks) Answer ANY THREE questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

 $(3\times10=30)$ 

| Module<br>No. | Question<br>No. | Question                                                                                                        | K<br>Level | со  |
|---------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----|
| 1             | 16              | Explain the various water conservation strategies in India.                                                     | К3         | CO1 |
| 2             | 17              | What is meant by thermal pollution? How do they affect aquatic life?                                            | К3         | CO2 |
| 3             | 18              | Evaluate the drinking water standards and optimum ranges.                                                       | K4         | CO3 |
| 4             | 19              | Explain the various stages of sludge management and treatment methods.                                          | K4         | CO4 |
| 5             | 20              | Can wastewater be treated and reused? Explain the methods and the challenges involved in waste water treatment. | K5         | CO5 |