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PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE (AUTONOMOUS)

MSc DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2019 (Fourth Semester)

Branch-BOTANY

ENVIRONMENTAL BOTANY

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 75 Marks

<u>SECTION -A (30 Marks)</u> Answer ALL questions ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks (5 x 6 = 30)

1 a Write brief note on Ecological niche.

OR

b Give an account on abiotic environmental factors.

2 a Give a detailed account on population growth curves. OR

b Write short notes on : (i) Herbivory (ii) Camivory.

3 a Write a general note on ecological succession.

b Mention the characteristic features of xerophytes.

4 a Illustrate the Nitrogen Cycle.

OR

b Write about the structure and functions of an ecosystem.

5 a Highlight the scope and importance of environmental education. OR

b List out various natural resources and their management.

<u>SECTION -B (45 Marks!</u> Answer any THREE questions ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks (3 x 1 5 = 45)

- 6 Explain the different types of habitat of subcontinent.
- 7 Explain the mechanism of litter fall decomposition and climatic factors associated with decomposition.
- 8 Enumerate the methods of analysis of communities.
- 9 Explain the strategies of ecosystem restoration.
- 10 Write in detail about the application of GIS and RS technology in environmental studies.