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VASAVI COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING (Autonomous), HYDERABAD B.E. (ECE) II Year I-Semester Backlog (Old) Examinations, December-2017

Environmental Studies

Time: 3 hours Max. Marks: 70

Note: Answer ALL questions in Part-A and any FIVE from Part-B

Part-A $(10 \times 2 = 20 \text{ Marks})$

- 1. Define the term environment and explain.
- 2. Mention impacts of modern agriculture.
- 3. What is a food web and food chain?
- 4. Write briefly about saprophytes.
- 5. Elaborate the term: genetic biodiversity.
- 6. Define endemic and endangered species.
- 7. Define the term environmental pollution and causes thereof.
- 8. How thermal pollution occur? Mention its effects.
- 9. Write the methods of water conservation in agriculture.
- 10. Mention important steps in Environmental Impact Assessment study.

Part-B $(5 \times 10 = 50 \text{ Marks})$

11. a) Define the term-Flood. Mention the root causes and effects of floods. [5] b) Write a note on soil erosion indicating the types and remedial measures. [5] 12. a) Define ecosystem. Discuss the structure and function of an ecosystem. [6] b) Write about pond ecosystem with neat sketches. [4] 13. a) Discuss the different methods of conservation of biodiversity. [5] b) Explain the various threats to biodiversity. [5] 14. a) What are the various causes and effects of water pollution? [6] b) Write a detailed note on composting. [4] 15. a) What is acid rain? Mention the sources of acid rain, its impacts on environment. [4] b) Discuss the causes and effects on Ozone layer depletion. [6] 16. a) Discuss in details the benefits and problems of dams. [5] b) What is ecological pyramid? Explain its types. [5] 17. Answer any two of the following: a) Values of biodiversity. [5] b) Causes and effects of noise pollution. [5] c) Climate change. [5]