PAPER 10 SOCIETY, ENVIRONMENT AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Course Code: SO5CRT10

Core Course: No. of credits: 4 No. of contact

hours: 72

Module I Basic Concepts

Multi-disciplinary Nature of Environmental Studies- Definition, Significance and Scope of Environmental Studies

Environment: Definition and Types - Concept of ecosystem.

Natural Resources: Renewable and non-renewable resources-Role of individual in conservation of natural resources
(12 hours)

Module II Biodiversity and its conservation

Introduction- India as a mega-diversity nation- Threats to biodiversity: habitat loss, poaching of wildlife, man-wildlife conflicts

Environmental Pollution: Types, Causes, effects and control measures.

Climate change, global warming and their impact on social life.

Solid waste Management: Causes, effects and control measures of urban and industrial wastes.

Disaster management: Drought, flood, landslide, earthquake, and cyclone. **(18 hours)**

Module - III Environmental Sociology

Environmental Sociology: Definition, scope, importance- Rise, decline and resurgence.

Social ecology and its major categories.

Synthesis of societal and environmental dialectics.

Environmental movements in India (Narmada Bachao Andolan, Silent valley, Plachimada Agitation for basic needs)

(12

hours)

Module - IV Discourses of Environmental Sociology

Theoretical foundations of Environmental Sociology -Classical theories of Weber and Marx- Treadmill of production, Contemporary discourses on environment: Eco Centrism, Eco Marxism, Eco Feminism, Green politics, Green Budgeting, Green Technology and Corporate Environmental Responsibility (Brief description)

(12 hours)

MODULE - V Human Rights

UNIT-1 - Introduction to Human Rights

An Introduction to Human Rights, Meaning, concept and development – History of Human Rights – Different Generations of Human Rights – Universality of Human Rights – Basic International Human Rights Documents – UDHR, ICCPR, ICESCR, - Value dimensions of Human Rights

UNIT - 2 - Human Rights and United Nations

Human rights co-ordination within UN system- Role of UN secretariat – The Economic and Social Council- The Commission Human Rights – The Security Council and Human Rights- The Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination – The Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women – the Committee o Economic, Social and Cultural Rights- The Human Rights Committee- Critical Appraisal of UN Human Rights Regime

UNIT- 3- Human Rights National Perspective

HumanRights In Indian Constitution – Fundamental Rights- The Constitutional Context of Human Rights- directive Principles of State Policy and Human Rights- human Rights of Women- children- minorities- Prisoners – Science Technology and Human Rights – National Human Rights Commission – State Human Rights Commission- Human Rights Awareness in Education

(18 hours)

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- (M) Magazine (R) Reference (TB) Textbook