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U.G. 6th Semester Examination - 2022 GEOGRAPHY [HONOURS]

Discipline Specific Elective (DSE)

Course Code: GEO-H-DSE-T-04A (Soil and Bio Geography)

[NEW SYLLABUS under CBCS]

Full Marks : 60 Time : $2\frac{1}{2}$ Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

1. Answer any **ten** questions of the following:

 $2 \times 10 = 20$

- i) What is Chernozem soil?
- ii) Define soil structure.
- iii) Define soil pH.
- iv) What is soil moisture?
- v) What is ecotone?
- vi) Who are detritivores?
- vii) What is biomass?

- viii) Define food chain.
- ix) What is meant by energy pyramid?
- x) State the location of Savanna.
- xi) Why is tropical rain forest biome highly dense?
- xii) What is meant by nitrogen fixation?
- xiii) Define biodiversity.
- xiv) What is national park?
- xv) What is MAB?
- 2. Answer any **four** questions of the following:

 $5 \times 4 = 20$

- i) Mention the significance of NPK in soil.
- ii) Highlight the causes of soil erosion in the hilly region.
- iii) Give the concept of ecosystem with a necessary diagram.
- iv) Illustrate the concept of trophic structure.
- v) Mention the consequences of deforestation.
- vi) State the reasons of biodiversity loss.

3. Answer any **two** questions of the following:

$$10 \times 2 = 20$$

i) Give a detailed account on the formation and characteristics of lateritic soil profile.

ii) Discuss soil texture and its significance.

$$8+2=10$$

iii) Explain the structure and significance of nitrogen cycle with necessary illustrations.

iv) Bring out the controlling factors and types of biodiversity. 7+3=10
