4 SEM TDC BOTH (CBCS) C 9

2024

(May/June)

BOTANY (Core)

Paper: C-9

(Plant Ecology and Phytogeography)

Full Marks: 53
Pass Marks: 21

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

- 1. (a) Choose the correct answer of the following: 1×3=3
 - (i) The first necessity of an ecosystem is water/oxygen/energy/nitrogen.
 - (ii) For recycling of matter which one is important?

(Producers/Decomposers/ Consumers/All of these) (iii) A basic constituent of all organic compounds and a major element involved in energy fixation is nitrogen/carbon/oxygen/sulphur.

(b) Fill in the blanks:

 $1 \times 2 = 2$

(i) The first organisms to become established in an ecosystem undergoing succession are known as _____.

he stable community that ends the succession is termed the

- **2.** Write short notes on any *three* of the following : $4\times3=12$
 - (a) Scope of ecology
 - (b) Light as an ecological factor
 - (c) Ecotone and edge effect
 - (d) Commensalism
 - (e) Physical properties of soil
- 3. Define population. What are the different attributes of population? Write in brief the population interactions with suitable example. 2+4+6=12

Or

Write explanatory notes on the following:

6+6=12

- (a) Synthetic characters of community
- (b) Ecological pyramid of number
- 4. Define ecosystem. Describe the structure of an ecosystem by taking any example you have studied. 2+10=12

Or

Write notes on the following:

4×3=12

- (a) Productivity
- (b) Grazing food chain
- (c) Nitrogen cycle
- Discuss the principles of phytogeography.
 Differentiate static phytogeography from dynamic phytogeography.
 10+2=12

Or

Write notes on the following:

6+6=12

- (a) Types of endemics
- (b) Floristic regions of Assam
