## U.G. 1st Semester Examination - 2021 ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE [HONOURS]

Course Code: ENVS-H-CC-L-02

(Environmental Chemistry and Environmental Physics)

Full Marks : 40 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 **five** of the following:  $2 \times 5 = 10$ 
  - a) Write the difference between primary standard and secondary standard solution with an example of each.
  - b) Deduce the molecular formula and name of CFC-12.
  - c) Give the strategic classification of different water quality parameters.
  - d) The first ionization energies of alkaline earth metals are higher than those of the alkali metals. Explain.
  - e) State the significance of humus and saccharides in soil.

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- f) Why is NO<sub>2</sub> more significant species than SO<sub>2</sub> in atmospheric chemical reaction?
- g) Define maximum mixing height.
- h) What do you mean by Rayleigh scattering?
- 2. Write short notes on any **two** of the following:  $5 \times 2 = 10$ 
  - a) Photochemical smog
  - b) Soil components
  - c) Arsenic: Sources and biochemical effects
  - d) Chemical bonds: Types and examples
- 3. Answer any **two** of the following:  $10 \times 2 = 20$ 
  - a) Explain the following terms (with example) in relation to pollutants: receptor, sink and pathway. What are the main components in acid rain? State two main ways of acid deposition. 6+2+2=10
  - b) Explain the acid-base and ion-exchange reactions in soil. Discuss the effects of DDT and its accumulation in aquatic food chain.

5+5=10

c) State Kirchhoff's law of radiation. Calculate the coefficient of emission if 512 J of radiant

heat incident on a body absorbs 224 J. Explain hydraulic potential with a neat sketch. How do hydroelectric power plants work?

d) The Minamata Chemical company discharges Hg into Minamata Bay, but the fish in the bay were found to contain CH<sub>3</sub>Hg<sup>+</sup>. How can you explain the missing link? Why is alcohol more polar than carbonyl? Write a short note on diffusion and dispersion of pollutants into the atmosphere.

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