

Course Syllabus Gyanmanjari Institute of Technology Semester-1/2

Subject: Environment Science-BETXX10203

Type of course: Value Added Course

Prerequisite: NA

Rationale: To inculcate the environmental values translating into pro-conservation actions. Honorable Supreme Court of India has made it 'mandatory' to introduce a basic course on environment at the undergraduate level.

Teaching and Examination Scheme:

Teachi	ng Sche	me	Credits	Credits Examination Marks					
CI	Т	- p	C	Theor	y Marks		tical irks	CA	Total Marks
		•		ESE	MSE	V	Р	ALA	
2	0	0	2	60	30	10	00	50	150

Legends: CI-ClassRoom Instructions; T – Tutorial; P - Practical; C – Credit; ESE - End Semester Examination; MSE- Mid Semester Examination; V – Viva; CA - Continuous Assessment; ALA-Active Learning Activities.

Continuous Assessment:

Sr. No	Active Learning Activities	
1	Global Case Study Case study on environmental issues given by faculty. Analysis and outcome will be submitted by students on MOODLE (in a group of four students).	10
2	Shoot & Quote Submit Five photos with appropriate quotes of environment Pollution.	10
3	Community Connect Student should participate in social activity related to the environment and submit selfie/photographs	10



4	Poster Presentation Based on theme assigned by faculty.		
5	Quiz Unit wise quiz of 10 MCQ's.	10	
	Total	50	

Course Content:

Unit No.	Course content	Hrs	% Weightage
1	Chapter-1: Fundamentals of Environmental Science Environment and Environmental studies: Definition, concept, components and importance. Ecosystem and Ecology: Structure and Function of ecosystem, Brief concept of Autecology and Synecology. Food chain, food web and ecological pyramids. Biogeochemical cycles in ecosystems: (Carbon, Nitrogen and Phosphorous cycle).	8	25
2	Chapter-2: Environmental pollution and Climate change Definition, causes, effects and control measures of: a. Air pollution b. Water pollution (thermal and marine pollution) c. Land pollution d. Radiation pollution and nuclear hazard. e. Noise pollution Chapter-3: Climate change Global warming and climate change, Ozone depletion and impact, Acid rain: Causes, effects and control measures, the greenhouse effect.	8	25



3	Chapter-4: Natural Resources Forest Resources: Uses and overexploitation of forests and consequences of deforestation. Water Resources: Use and consequences of over-utilization, concept of rain water harvesting and watershed management, water conflicts. Food Resources: Sources of food, food problems- Indian scenario, Impacts of modern agriculture on environment (Fertilizer - pesticide problem, water logging and salinity), Organic farming. Chapter-5: Renewable energy Energy Resources: Renewable and Non-Renewable energy sources, Renewable energy: Solar energy, Wind energy, Tidal energy, Biogas plant	8	25
4	Chapter-6: Biodiversity and its conservation: Definition, concept, levels and values of biodiversity. Biodiversity of India, India as a mega diversity nation, Hotspots of biodiversity. Threats to Biodiversity (Habitat loss, poaching of wildlife and man wildlife conflict) Conservation of Biodiversity, Ecotourism.	8	25

Suggested Specification table with Marks (Theory):60

		Distribution of (Revised Bloom		S		
Level	Remembrance (R)	Understanding (U)	Application (A)	Analyze (N)	Evaluate (E)	Create (C)
Weightage	35%	40%	25%	0	0	0

Note: This specification table shall be treated as a general guideline for students and teachers. The actual distribution of marks in the question paper may vary slightly from above table.



Course Outcome:

After	After learning the course, the students should be able to:				
COI	Develop and understanding of key environmental concepts such as biodiversity, sustainability, natural resources and ecosystem.				
CO2	Identify and analyze environmental problems, such as climate change, pollution and environmental degradation.				
CO3	Gain knowledge about impact of technology on environment.				
CO4	Learn how to use computer technology to address environmental problems and promote sustainability.				
CO5	Develop research skills to investigate and analyze environmental issues and apply scientific methods to solve environmental problems.				

Instructional Method:

The course delivery method will depend upon the requirement of content and need of students. The teacher in addition to conventional teaching method by black board, may also use any of tools such as demonstration, role play, Quiz, brainstorming, MOOCs etc.

From the content 10% topics are suggested for flipped mode instruction.

Students will use supplementary resources such as online videos, NPTEL/SWAYAM videos, ecourses, Virtual Laboratory

The internal evaluation will be done on the basis of Active Learning Assignment

Practical/Viva examination will be conducted at the end of semester for evaluation of performance of students in laboratory.

Reference Books:

- [1] Environmental studies by Benny Joseph, Tata MCgraw-Hill-2005
- [2] Environmental studies by Dr. D.L. Manjunath, Pearson Education-2006
- [3] Environmental studies by R. Rajagopalan, Oxford Publication-2005
- [4] Principles of Environmental Science by Curnningham. W.P. & Cunningham M.A., TataMcGraw Hill Publishing Co. Ltd., New Delhi.
- [5] Textbook of Environment & Ecology by Deeksha Dave and S.S. Katewa, Cengage Learning India Pvt. Ltd., Patparganj, Delhi, 2009

