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ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

Paper : 402

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

Answer any **five** questions

1. The Stockholm Declaration of 1972 has been described as the Magna Carta on Human Environment. Discuss fully. 16
2. What are the constitutional developments in India for protection of environment and the judicial role in that regard? 16
3. (a) What are the objects and reasons for enactment of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974? 10
(b) Define 'sewage effluent' and 'trade effluent', and point out the differences between the two. 6

4. What are the more important functions of the State Boards under the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981? 16
5. (a) Define 'environment', 'environmental pollutant' and 'environmental pollution' according to the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986. 6
- (b) What are the rules to regulate environmental pollution under the Act mentioned above? 10
6. (a) What is ozone depletion? 6
- (b) What are the threats posed to human existence by this problem? 10
7. "It shall be duty of every citizen of India to protect and improve the natural environment including forests, lakes, rivers and wildlife and to have compassion for living creatures."
What are the provisions of the Forest Act of 1927 and the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 for enforcement of the fundamental duties mentioned above? 16
8. (a) What are the four categories of forests dealt with under the Forest Act of 1927? 4
- (b) What steps have been taken by the Government for checking further deforestation? 8

(c) Can you give a few instances of the concern of the judiciary in this regard? 4

9. Explain the concept of sustainable development with some illustrations. 16

10. Give the facts, the points decided and the reasons thereof in any one of the following cases : 16

(a) *M. C. Mehta*
vs.
Union of India

(AIR 1988, SC 1037), Ganga Pollution (Tanneries) Case

(b) *Union Carbide Corporation*
vs.
Union of India

(AIR 1990, SC 273), Bhopal Case

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