

# Syllabus for Environmental Sciences/Studies (SCQP11)

## **Environmental Science(SCQP11)**

#### Note:

- i. The Question Paper which will have 75 questions.
- ii. All questions will be based on Subject-Specific Knowledge.
- iii. All questions are compulsory.
- iv. The Questions will be Bilingual (English/Hindi).

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**Earth Sciences:** Structure and composition of Environment- Atmosphere, Hydrosphere and Lithosphere, Earth Processes, Mineral and Power Resources in India, Biogeochemical Cycles, Meteorology, Climate Change, Origin and evolution of earth, Mineral and Power Resources in India.

**Physical and Chemical Sciences:** Fundamentals, Atmospheric Chemistry, Water Chemistry, Geochemistry, Green Chemistry. Water - physical characteristics, buffering capacity, Essential and trace elements in living systems, Bio-molecules - chemical components of cells, Bio- geochemical cycles – carbon, nitrogen and phosphorus, Hydrological cycle and global water balance, Toxicity of Heavy metals.

### Life Sciences:

**Origin of life:** Theories of evolution, genetic drift, speciation, cell organelles, cell division, modes of reproduction, principles of inheritance, epistasis, mutations, chromosomal aberrations, extra- chromosomal inheritance.

**Genetic Material:** DNA structure and replication, transcription and translation, chromosome structure, protein structure, mutability and repair of DNA, reverse genetics.

Photosynthesis, Plant growth hormones, Dormancy and seed germination, Respiration

**Plant and Animal systematics:** Bryophytes, Tracheophytes, Gymnosperms, Angiosperms. Membrane structure and Ion transport, ATPase - structure and function, Photosynthesis, Photoperiodism, Vernalization, RUBISCO.

Animal systematics, physiology and diseases: Cnidaria, Echinodermata, Chordata, Protostomia; Anatomy and physiology of humans; major classes of bacterial and viral pathogens, Apoptosisand cancer, inherited diseases, animal cell culture.

**Ecology and Environment:** Biosphere, Organizational levels of biosphere, Ecosystem: Structure and Types, Food Chain and Energy Flow, Population and Community Ecology, Biodiversity andits Conservation.

**Microbiology and Biotechnology:** Principles of Microbiology, Microbiology of Air, Water, Soil, Sewage, Recombinant DNA technology, principles of gene cloning, transposition, applications of biotechnology in medicine, industry, agriculture and environment.

**Natural resources and Management:** Natural Resources-Forest, Water, Minerals, Marine, Energy (Renewable and Nonrenewable) - Sources, Threats, Conservation and Management.

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**Global Environmental issues**: Ozone depletion and Global warming, Acid rain and Smog, Sustainable Development.

**Environmental Pollution:** Air, Water, Soil, Noise Pollution- Sources, Causes, Effects, Consequences.

Waste Management: Solid waste - disposal, Management; Waste to energy conversion.

**Instrumentation:** Principles and applications of microscopy, spectrophotometry, centrifugation, radioisotope techniques, electrophoresis and chromatographic separation techniques, Blotting and hybridization techniques.