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( Nov/Dec )

ZOOLOGY

( Core )

Paper : C-2

**( Principle of Ecology )**

Full Marks : 53

Pass Marks : 21

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

1. Choose the correct answer : 1×5=5

(a) The transfer of food and energy in an ecosystem through a series of organisms is called

(i) food and energy transfer

(ii) food chain

(iii) food web

(iv) None of the above

- (b) Forest and wildlife are
- (i) renewable resources
  - (ii) non-renewable resources
  - (iii) inexhaustible natural resources
  - (iv) None of the above
- (c) The term 'ecosystem' was first coined by
- (i) Linnaeus
  - (ii) Bentham and Hooker
  - (iii) A. G. Tansley
  - (iv) None of them
- (d) The flow of energy in an ecosystem is
- (i) unidirectional
  - (ii) multidirectional
  - (iii) bidirectional
  - (iv) None of the above
- (e) The main components of an ecosystem are
- (i) the sun and plants
  - (ii) the sun and animals
  - (iii) plants and animals
  - (iv) biotic and abiotic factors

2. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : 4×2=8

- (a) Life tables
- (b) *r* and *k* strategies
- (c) Survivorship curves

3. Discuss the role of temperature and light in ecosystem. 3+3=6

4. Define species diversity. Write briefly about the different forms of species diversity. 2+4=6

Or

Discuss briefly about ecotone and edge effect. 3+3=6

5. What is biogeochemical cycle? Describe nitrogen cycle. 3+5=8

Or

Define ecosystem. Write about the different types of ecosystem with reference to forest ecosystem. 2+2+4=8

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6. Write short notes on (any two) :  $5 \times 2 = 10$

- (a) Ecological pyramid
- (b) Energy flow in ecosystem
- (c) Human modified ecosystem

7. Define population. Explain the Lotka-Volterra equation for competition.

$2 + 8 = 10$

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