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M.A. (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION,  
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Second Semester

Economics – Elective

RESOURCE ECONOMICS

(For those who joined in July 2023 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (15 × 1 = 15 marks)

Answer ALL the questions.

Choose the correct answer.

1. Land is a/an \_\_\_\_\_ resource of utmost importance  
(a) Natural (b) Artificial  
(c) Both (d) None
2. The use of land is determined by \_\_\_\_\_  
(a) Physical factors (b) Human factors  
(c) Both (a) and (b) (d) None of these

3. When the wind and water cause the displacement (or) washes away the top layer of soil it is called \_\_\_\_\_

- (a) Desertification
- (b) Soil erosion
- (c) Water-logging
- (d) Overgrazing

4. The biggest driver of deforestation is \_\_\_\_\_

- (a) Agriculture
- (b) Forest fire
- (c) Volcanic activities
- (d) None of the above

5. Which of the following is NOT a principle of social foresting?

- (a) Principle of democracy
- (b) Principle of deforestation
- (c) Principle of Forest area extension
- (d) Principle of employment

6. The government of India was announced the draft National Forest Policy Bill in \_\_\_\_\_

- (a) 1952 (b) 1988
- (c) 2018 (d) 2023





7. Human uses of water resources include \_\_\_\_\_  
 (a) Agricultural (b) Industrial  
 (c) Household (d) All of the above
8. Natural sources of fresh water include \_\_\_\_\_  
 (a) Surface water (b) Ground water  
 (c) Frozen water (d) All of these
9. What is a "Bawri"?  
 (a) A traditional way of collecting water  
 (b) An underground water supply  
 (c) An underground tank to store water  
 (d) A canal providing water to agricultural land
10. A mineral is a pure \_\_\_\_\_ substance that occurs naturally in the earth's crust  
 (a) Organic (b) Inorganic  
 (c) Single element (d) None
11. Minerals that do not contain iron are called  
 (a) Ferrous (b) Non – ferrous  
 (c) Non-metallic (d) All of the above
12. The MCDR, 1988 contain \_\_\_\_\_ provisions  
 (a) 60 (b) 62  
 (c) 66 (d) 68

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13. Which of the following is a non-renewable resource?  
 (a) Coal (b) Solar  
 (c) Geothermal (d) Tidal
14. 'Blue Revolution' is related with the following  
 (a) Fish production  
 (b) Oil seed production  
 (c) Milk production  
 (d) Food Grain production
15. What is the main source of energy on earth?  
 (a) The geological energy  
 (b) The mechanical energy  
 (c) The sun  
 (d) None of the above

PART B — (5 × 4 = 20 marks)

Answer ALL the questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

16. (a) Explain the soil Erosion.

Or

- (b) State the wasteland.

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17. (a) Narrate the objectives of urban forestry.

Or

(b) Mention the effects of deforestation.

18. (a) Outlines the water demand and utilization.

Or

(b) Write a short note on 'Capital outlay'.

19. (a) Explain the mineral fuels.

Or

(b) Write a brief note on 'Resource Extraction costs'.

20. (a) Indicate the objectives of conservation.

Or

(b) Explain the Non-Renewable resources.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL the questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

21. (a) Discuss the land resources in India.

Or

(b) Elucidate the preventive measures of land degradation.

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22. (a) Enumerate the constraints in social forestry.

Or

(b) Analysis the recent National Forest Policy Act.

23. (a) Examine the cost-Benefit Ratio.

Or

(b) Briefly explain the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA).

24. (a) Describe the types of mineral resources.

Or

(b) Explain in detail the mineral conservation and Development Rules, 1988.

25. (a) Summarise the conservation of renewable resources.

Or

(b) Briefly discuss the energy conservation.

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