

2018
HISTORY
HIS : 305-B (OE)
HISTORY OF ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT
Full Marks: 80
Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicates full marks for the questions :

1. Answer the following questions: **4 × 2=8**

- (a) Who first used the word Ecology?
- (b) Which is the oldest Dam of India?
- (c) What are the main objectives of the Chipko movement?
- (d) Why is the Brahmaputra River important in Indian history?

2. Answer the following question: **4×5 =20**

- (a) What do you mean by conservation of natural resources?
Make a note.
- (b) Briefly highlight the main characteristics of hunting and food gathering.
- (c) What are the environmental consequences of the construction of huge dams?
- (d) Why did Sonaram Sangma, revolt against the British in Garo Hill?
Write a brief note.

3. Write the following questions: **2 ×10 = 20**

- (a) Discuss the historiography of environmental history of ancient India.

Or,

Discuss the pattern of agriculture practised in the Indus Valley civilization.

(b) What are the causes of Narmada Bachao Andaloon? Discuss.

Or,

What is indigenous knowledge? Discuss the indigenous knowledge on the resource management.

4. Answer the following questions:

2 × 16 = 32

(a) Discuss the reconstruction of climate history.

Or,

What are the ecological issues behind the Anti - Dam movement of Lower Subansiri Hydro Electric Project?

(b) Discuss the Nature - Human interaction with special reference to Nomadic pastoralism.

Or

What are the basic forest policies of the British, which led to the destruction of forestry in Assam? Discuss.
