



UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

B.A./BBA/B.Com. LL.B. (5 yr.) Honours 6th Semester Examination, 2021

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

PAPER CODE-CC15/CC17

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Question no. 7 is compulsory and attempt any *four* from the rest questions

GROUP-A

Maximum word limit up to 200 words

1. "It is remarkable that India was the first country in the world to enshrine environmental protection as a state goal in its Constitution". Comment on the above statement with the help of constitutional provisions to protect environment. Is there any fundamental right to environment in India? 10
2. What do you understand by the polluter pays principle? Discuss its applicability in India with the help of decided cases. 10
3. "An enterprise which is engaged in a hazardous or inherently dangerous industry which poses a potential threat to the health and safety of the persons working in the factory and residing in the surrounding areas owes an absolute and non-delegable duty to the community." 10
Critically analyse the above statement in the light of the decided case M.C. Mehta v. Union of India, AIR 1987 SC 965.
4. What are the powers of the Central Government to protect and improve the environment under the Environment Protection Act, 1986? Do you think that the said Act is sufficient to tackle the environmental problems? 10
5. Write a note on how Environmental Policy of India has changed from ancient to present times. What are the salient features of Environmental policy 2006? 10
6. State the composition of Central Board under the Water (Prevention and Control) Act, 1974. What are the powers and functions of the Central Board under the said Act? 10

GROUP-B

Maximum word limit up to 100 words

7. Write short notes on any *two* of the following: 5×2 = 10
- (a) Significance of 42nd Amendment Act relating to Environment
 - (b) Environmental Impact Assessment
 - (c) Salient features of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980
 - (d) Agenda 21 of Rio Declaration, 1992.

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