

# VIDYASAGAR UNIVERSITY

## **B.Sc. Honours Examination 2021**

(CBCS)

**1st Semester** 

## ZOOLOGY

PAPER-C2T & C2P

### ECOLOGY

Full Marks : 60

Time : 3 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

### THEORY : C2T

### Group – A

Answer any *three* questions.  $3 \times 12$ 

1. (a) Define survivorship curve.

(b) What is type of survivorship curves found in - a) Man b) Fish c) Bird?

(c) Define commensalism and ammensalism with suitable example.

2+6+4

2+4+4+2

- 2. (a) Distinguish between *in-situ* and *ex-situ* conservation.
  - (b) Mention the objectives of *in-situ* conservation.
  - (c) Discuss about advantages and disadvantages of in-situ conservation.

(d) What is Red Data Book?

- **3.** What is Keystone species? Explain it with example. Write about vertical stratification with explanation, justification and example. 3+9
- Differentiate between Antochthonous and Allochthonous sources of nutrients. Explain and classify the ecological pyramid cinsidering all possible features with example. 3+9
- 5. (a) What is meant by density dependent population regulation?
  - (b) Explain edge effect citing suitable example.
  - (c) Draw the relationships among primary, secondary, net and groups productivities. 3+4+5
- 6. (a) Differentiate Antecology and Synecology.
  - (b) Write about the level of organisation with explanation and example.

4+8

#### Group – B

Answer any *two* questions.  $2 \times 2$ 

- 7. Mention the formula for exponential population growth.
- 8. Define succession and seral stage.

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9. Mention the significance of Bell-shaped Age pyramid.

10. Comment on Biosphere Reserve.

#### **PRACTICAL : C2P**

Answer any one question. 1×15

- Calculate the Shannon Weiner diversity from the data supplied. Make comments on the result.
  12+3
- Write working principle, chemicals required, procedure and calculation to measure dissolved oxygen (DO) in the water sample. Comment on your prospective findings.
- **3.** What is pH? How is it measured? Write the effect of pH in aquatic organisms along with ecological importance of observed value. 2+5+8

Answer any *one* question. 
$$1 \times 5$$

- **4.** Identify the following Zooplankton. Mention the systematic position and comment on its ecological significance. 2+3
- **5.** Briefly highlight the method of pH and coment on the prospective outcome. 3+2