B.Sc. 6th Semester (Honours) Examination, 2021 (CBCS) **Subject: Environmental Science** Paper: DSE-3 (Water & Water Resources)

Time: 3 Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words

1. Answer *any six* of the following:

i) Explain the significance of BOD and COD for wastewater recovery.

ii) What is lentic water? What is its importance?

iii) Mention the role of macro-invertebrates and microbes in controlling properties of water.

iv) Elucidate the rainwater harvesting in an urban setting.

v) Explain the significance of Dissolved Oxygen (DO) content in a waterbody.

vi) What is the difference between pH and alkalinity?

vii) Write a short note on sodium adsorption ratio (SAR).

viii) What do you mean by salinity of water? The salinity of sea water is 35 % - What does it indicate?

2. Answer any three of the following:

i) Explain hydrological cycle. How do the anthropogenic activities perturb the cycle?

ii) Why India is regarded as a water deficient country? What steps should be taken to overcome India's water deficit?

iii) Explain the role of watershed management to conserve the water resources.

iv) Describe the formation and properties of aquifers?

v) Briefly explain the groundwater resource scenario in India.

Paper: DSE-3 (OR) (Atmosphere & Global Climate Change)

1. Answer any six of the following:

i) Explain the salient features of global warming potential (GWP) phenomenon.

ii) What is albedo? Mention its significance?

iii) Explain *El-Nino* with its effect on Peruvian economy.

iv) Briefly describe the characteristics of major greenhouse gases.

v) What is Environmental Lapse Rate? How does it vary with altitude in the atmosphere?

vi) State the effects of urbanization on microclimate.

vii) What is temperature inversion? Why is troposphere the most turbulent region in the atmosphere?

viii) What are carbon footprint and carbon handprint?

2. Answer any three of the following:

i) Discuss with suitable diagram the different pathways of energy transfer in atmosphere.

ii) What are the impacts of ozone layer depletion? Briefly describe the measures to control ozone layer depletion?

iii) Draw a simplified diagram to show the general circulation of the atmosphere over the globe and discuss the possible reasons for the formation of subtropical high pressure over 30° N and S latitudes?

iv) Describe the impacts of climate change on environment and human health.

v) What are the International initiatives for tackling climate change? What India has done about tackling climate change?

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Full Marks: 60

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