Department of History M A
Semester Third
Paper: History of Ecology and Environment
Core Course-HIST 331

Important Instruction: *All the students are required to prepare all three assignments separately. These assignments are compulsory and submit them in a time bound manner, otherwise admit card for the exams will not be generated. A sample of the title page is also attached.*

Assignment – I

Maximum Marks = 6

Note: Attempt any two questions of the following:
Q.1   What are the key sources for studying ecology and the environment in Indian history?
Q.2   How did the transition from hunting-gathering to settled agriculture impact the environment?
Q.3   Discuss the role of pastoralism in early societies and its relationship with the environment.
Q.4   How did river valley civilizations adapt to and modify their natural surroundings for agriculture?

$3 \times 2 = 6$

Assignment – 2

Maximum Marks = 6

Note: Attempt any two questions of the following:
Q.1   What is the significance of water and forests as natural resources in Indian history?
Q.2   How did classical Indian traditions depict the relationship between humans and nature?
Q.3   What were some traditional Indian practices of environmental conservation?
Q.4   Explain the role of forests in the economic and cultural life of early Indian societies.

$3 \times 2 = 6$

Assignment – 3

Maximum Marks = 8

Note: Attempt any two questions of the following:
Q.1   How did colonialism and industrialization impact environmental discourse and sustainable development in India?
Q.2   Discuss the key features of colonial forest policies and their impact on local communities.
Q.3   What were Gandhi's views on development and environmental sustainability?
Q.4   Explain the significance of the Chipko movement in India's environmental history.

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