

B.Com. (Honours)
First Year - Semester I
Foundation Course
Environmental Studies

COURSE CONTENT:

Module No.	Topics
I	<p>A. Introduction to Environmental Studies Definition, scope and importance, need for public awareness.</p> <p>B. Natural Resources Forest, water, mineral, food, energy and land resources.</p>
II	<p>Ecosystems Concept, structure, function, producers and consumers, energy flow, ecological succession and introduction of forest, grassland, desert and aquatic ecosystems.</p>
III	<p>A. Biodiversity Introduction, bio-geographical classification of India, value threats, biodiversity at global, national and local levels.</p> <p>B. Environment Pollution Its cause, effects and control measures of air, water, soil, marine, noise and thermal pollution- solid waste management and disaster management.</p>
IV	<p>A. Human Population and the Environment Population growth- variations among nations, Population explosion- Family welfare programme, Human Rights, Value Education, HIV\AIDS, Women and Child welfare.</p> <p>B. Social Issues and the Environment Sustainable Development, Urban Problem related to energy, Water Conservation, Environment Ethics, Climate Change, Global Warming, Ozone layer depletion, Environment Protection Act, Public Awareness.</p>