

B.A. LL.B., (Hons) DEGREE NINTH SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS, NOVEMBER 2015

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 50

Answer **ANY FIVE** of the following.
Each question carries **TEN** marks.

(5 x 10=50)

- I. What is Public Trust Doctrine? Explain its importance as a tool for the protection of environment and discuss important cases where Supreme Court of India applied this doctrine.
- II. Explain the importance of preservation of forests and examine important legislations in this field. What further steps are required for the protection of wild life in India?
- III. Examine important sources of water pollution? Critically evaluate the role of Pollution Control Boards for the prevention and control of water pollution.
- IV. Define environment. Examine important developments in the field of environmental law in India since the Stockholm Conference of 1972.
- V. What is noise pollution? Examine the contribution of the judiciary in regulating noise pollution in India.
- VI. There is a long standing practice of cremating the dead on the banks of river Ganga, with a view to obtain salvation for the soul of the dead. As a result of this, the river is polluted and the water became unfit for drinking and other domestic purposes. Discuss if there is any law which will help in protecting the river water and mention important decisions where Supreme Court discussed this issue.
- VII. Write Short notes on **ANY TWO** of the following
 - (a). Environmental Impact Assessment.
 - (b). Global warming.
 - (c). Ramsar Convention on Wetlands
 - (d). Interlinking of rivers
- VIII. What is meant by Public Interest Litigation? Evaluate its role in the current Indian social sector as a vehicle for the delivery of social justice in environmental issues. Refer to decided cases.

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