



# LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 600 034

**B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – SOCIOLOGY**

**FIFTH SEMESTER – APRIL 2025**

**USO 5602 – ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIOLOGY**



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Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 01:00 PM - 04:00 PM

## SECTION A - K1 (CO1)

**Answer ALL the Questions**

**(10 x 1 = 10)**

### 1. Definitions

- Ecosystem
- Energy crisis
- Alienated labour
- Climate change
- Food insecurity

### 2. True or False

- Ecology is the study of behaviour of individuals.
- The theory of risk society was given by John Hannigan.
- The concept of sustainable development was first introduced in the report 'Our Common Future'.
- Pyrolysis is a method of solid waste management.
- Genetically modified food crops received widespread appreciation from Dr. Vandana Shiva.

## SECTION A - K2 (CO1)

**Answer ALL the Questions**

**(10 x 1 = 10)**

### 3. Match the following

- Social constructionist approach - Green belt movement
- Human Exceptionalism Paradigm - UNCCD
- Wangari Maathai - John Hannigan
- Desertification - Ecofeminist
- Bina Agarwal - Riley Dunlap

### 4. Define

- Environmental Sociology
- Sustainable development
- Ecological citizenship
- Carbon sink
- Biodiversity

## SECTION B - K3 (CO2)

**Answer any TWO of the following in 600 words each.**

**(2 x 10 = 20)**

- Establish the relationship between environment and Sociology.
- Illustrate the significance of new ecological paradigm.
- Bring out the detrimental consequences of global warming.
- Analyse the patterns of consumerism and the environmental damage that it causes.

## SECTION C – K4 (CO3)

**Answer any TWO of the following in 600 words each.**

**(2 x 10 = 20)**

- Explain the theory of treadmill of production.
- Elaborate your understanding of environmental justice.
- Assess the theory of ecological modernisation.
- Explain the significance of ecofeminism.

**SECTION D – K5 (CO4)**

**Answer any ONE of the following in 1000 words (1 x 20 = 20)**

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| 13. | Summarise and evaluate the contributions of any two classical sociologists towards environment. |
| 14. | Examine different types of environmental degradation and their mitigation strategies.           |

**SECTION E – K6 (CO5)**

**Answer any ONE of the following in 1000 words (1 x 20 = 20)**

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| 15. | Critically evaluate Ulrich Beck's theory of risk society.                    |
| 16. | Assess the relevance of environmental movements and their impact in society. |

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