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**INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL
LAW**

Paper : 6.4 (OP₅)

Full Marks : 80

Time : Three hours

**The figures in the margin indicate
full marks for the questions.**

1. Choose the correct option : $1 \times 10 = 10$

(i) The key pathway to sustainability of the earth is _____ .
(Anthropocentrism/Ecocentrism)

(ii) The Convention on Climate Change adopted in the Rio Earth Summit, 1992 was a _____ treaty. (bilateral/multilateral)

Contd.

(iii) Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) is a _____ requirement of sustainable development. (mandatory/optional)

(iv) In Article _____ of the Constitution of India, there is a mandatory duty on the part of every citizen of India to protect and improve the natural environment. [48-A/51A(g)].

(v) The United Nations Conference on The Human Environment was held in Stockholm, Sweden in the year 1972 _____. (from 5th to 16th June/5th to 18th July)

(vi) "The purpose of development should not be to develop things but to develop man" was the proclamation of the _____. (Rio Declaration/Cocoyoc Declaration)

(vii) The name of jurist associated with the doctrine of public trust is _____. (Prof. Joseph Sax/Prof. Upendra Baxi)

(viii) The Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) was adopted in the _____. (Rio Earth Summit, 1992/Johannesburg Summit, 2002)

(ix) "Poverty is the most important polluter of our environment". (True/False)

(x) _____ recognised "Deepor Beel wetland" of Assam as one of the biggest in Asia. (Vienna Convention, 1987/Ramsar Convention, 1971)

2. Write short notes on : 2×5=10

(i) Environmental Liability Insurance (ELI)

(ii) Stratospheric layer depletion

(iii) Global Warming

(iv) Public Trust doctrine

(v) Precautionary Principle.

3. What does the Basel Convention, 1989 regulate? Has the United States of America signed the Basel Convention?

How did India implement the guidelines of the Basel Convention? Discuss, briefly, giving reference to the relevant laws made in this regard. 4+2+6=12

Or

Discuss the role of the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) - International in the field of the wilderness preservation and the reduction of human impact on the environment in India. 12

4. What are the international mandates on the requirement of "Environment Impact Assessment" (EIA) for the proposed development projects?

Discuss, precisely, giving reference to the relevant provisions from the United Nations documents pertaining environmental protection. 6+6=12

Or

"In 1984-89, an Advocate named M. C. Mehta filed a bunch of Public Interest Litigations in the Supreme Court of India for the protection of fragile ecosystem".

How did the Apex court respond to these cases while maintaining the balance between environment and development? Discuss. 12

5. "Human rights violations lead to environmental degradation and that environmental degradation leads to human rights violations"

— U. N. Draft Declaration on the principles of Human Rights and the Environment, 1994.

In the light of the above statement, discuss the role of the United Nations towards interlinking human rights with the natural environment in International Law. 12

Or

Write notes on : 6+6=12

- (i) Global Environmental Facility
- (ii) Right to Information on the Environment.

6. Write an account on the role played by the National Green Tribunal (NGT) - Eastern zone in the field of conservation of environment. 12

Or

Explain the basic documents adopted in the Rio Earth Summit, 1992. 12

7. How would you differentiate between the rule of strict liability and the rule of absolute liability? Write an explanatory note, in this regard, giving special reference to the Oleum Gas Leak Case in India. 6+6=12

Or

Define the expression "Sustainable Development". What are the Sustainable Development Goals set by the United Nations General Assembly? Discuss. 4+8=12