BA (Programme, CBCS)

Semester-I

Paper Title- Environment and Sustainable Development: Some Issues in Contemporary India

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Course Overview

This course will entail an understanding of the Interdisciplinary nature of Environmental Studies. The students will read on the concept of Sustainable Development, Environmental Policies and Laws in India and the Environment Protection Initiatives undertaken for the spread of Environmental consciousness under the Environmental movements in India.

Unit I: Introduction

- Environmental Studies: Its scope and importance
- Importance of Sustainable Development
- Population, Development and Environment

Unit II: Environmental Policies and laws in India

- Sustainable Development initiatives
- Origin and Development of Environmental Laws
- Forest, People and Livelihood

Unit III: Environmental Movements

- Environmental Movements: Chipko, Silent Valley and Bishnois of Rajasthan
- Public Awareness and Environmental protection initiatives
- Complexities of Environment and Sustainable Development

Reading List:

World Commission on Environment and Development, *Our Common Future*, Oxford University Press,1987

Armin.Rosencranz, Shyam Divan and Martin L. Noble, *Environmental Law and Policy in India: Cases, material and Statues*, Oxford University Press, 1992

Mahesh Rangarajan ed: *Environmental Issues in India*, *A Reader*, Pearson, New Delhi 2006

Vanadana Shiva: Staying Alive, Women Ecology and Development, Zed Books, 1989

Anil Aggarwal and Sunita Narain: *The state of India's Environment, 1984-85: the Second Citizen Report,* Centre for Science and Environment: New Delhi, 1985