

B.Sc. Sem.-6 Examination

CC - 310

Bio-Technology

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Time : 2-00 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 50

Paper 310: Environmental Biotechnology.

1. (A) Discuss various methods for solid waste treatment and give its importance. 7
(B) Describe methods for testing drinking water. 7
2. (A) Describe Indian standards for safe drinking water. 7
(B) Explain treatment of liquid waste by activated sludge process. 7
3. (A) Discuss the relationship between molecular structure and Biodegradability giving suitable examples. 7
(B) Explain abatement of harmful wastes by Bioventing and Bioslurping. 7
4. (A) Describe material prone to biodeterioration and means to control it. 7
(B) List heavy metals acting as pollutant and explain its sources and harmful Effects. 7
5. (A) Explain principle of microbial leaching and describe popular designs for mining by leaching. 7
(B) Discuss biotechnological uses of Cellulose and Lignins as substrate. 7
6. (A) Explain sources and advantages of Methane and Hydrogen fuels. 7
(B) Discuss principle of Microbially-enhanced Oil Recovery. 7
7. (A) Write a detailed note on Environmental Impact Assessment. 7
(B) Explain harmful effects and controls of Sea-weed and algal blooms. 7
8. (A) Describe the sources of Green-house gases and its harmful effects. 7
(B) Summarize importance of biodiversity and means to conserve it. 7
9. Answer the following (Any Eight) 8

Q-1 Which of the following approach is used for the treatment of solid wastes, in which waste is dumped into pits?

- A Biofilters
- B Incineration
- C Landfills
- D Anaerobic digestion

Q-2 How can Biotechnology contribute to waste treatment and environment management?

- A Development of microorganism with novel capabilities of degradation.
- B Development of Cleaner technologies which generate less pollutants
- C Promote the use of recalcitrant chemical pesticides as biocontrol agents
- D Both A and B

Q-3 Landfill sites can be useful in which of the following ways?

- A As a source of Biogas and sites to develop landscape gardens
- B Source of toxic and corrosive material
- C Increase the population of disease vectors like flies
- D All of these

Q-4 Which of the following is Not True about eutrophication?

- A Promotes microbial and plant growth by providing anaerobic waste water treatment.
- B Addition of organic matter and inorganic nutrients to the natural reservoirs like river.

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- C Addition of waste water into the river to promote aerobic digestion.
- D Eutrophication sometimes raises the river water temperature.

Q-5 Find the correct statement.

- A Xenobiotic compounds like halogenated and aromatic hydrocarbons are only toxic to the prokaryotes.
- B Mostly recalcitrant xenobiotic compounds are hydrophilic in nature.
- C Xenobiotic compounds never enter into the food chain and food web
- D DDTs and PCB's have been found in human tissues in sublethal concentration due to the biomagnification phenomenon.

Q-6 Identify the correct pair.

- A CHCl_3 DDT and BHC - Halocarbons
- B Recalcitrant xenobiotic compounds - Highly unstable
- C BOD - Biodegradable oxygen demand
- D BOD - estimate amount of chemically oxidisable organic matter present in water.

Q-6 The correct relation between Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) and Chemical oxygen demand (COD) is given by _____?

- A $\text{BOD} > \text{COD}$
- B $\text{COD} > \text{BOD}$
- C $\text{COD} = \text{BOD}$
- D None of these

Q-7 BOD measures

- A Biologically oxidizable organic matter.
- B Number of pollutants in waste water.
- C Industrial pollution.
- D All of these.

Q-8 The term Municipal solid waste includes

- A Mining wastes
- B Agro-wastes
- C Household, commercial and institutional wastes
- D All of these

Q-9 Which of the following disadvantages are of in situ bioremediation?

- A Low cost
- B Seasonal variation of indigenous microbial activity due to environmental factors.
- C Both A and B
- D Includes minimal site disruption

Q-10 Which of the following waste disposal methods produce polluting gases?

- A Landfill
- B Incineration
- C Bioventing
- D Bioreactor

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Q-11 The bioremediation technique includes contaminated solid materials + microorganisms + water formulated into slurry is called.

- A Aerated lagoons
- B Low -shear airlift bioreactor
- C Fluidized- bed soil reactor
- D All of these.

Q-12 At this stage of waste water treatment, settle sewage is formed

- A Preliminary treatment
- B Secondary treatment
- C Primary treatment
- D Sludge treatment

Q-13 During tertiary waste water treatment, phosphate is usually removed by

- A Filtration
- B Precipitation using lime or alum
- C Lagooning
- D Slow sand filters

Q-14 Microorganisms can remove metals by which of the following mechanism?

- A Adsorption and precipitation
- B Complexation
- C Volatilization
- D All of these

Q-15 _____ approach promotes biodegradation by stimulating indigenous microorganisms' growth at the contaminated site.

- A In situ intrinsic bioremediation
- B In situ engineered bioremediation
- C Ex situ intrinsic bioremediation
- D Ex situ engineered bioremediation

Q-16 Bioslurping in situ bioremediation technology includes

- A Soil washing + vitrification
- B Bioventing + vacuum enhanced pumping
- C Land farming
- D Soil vapour extraction

Q-17 _____ are the most common contaminants found in hazardous sites according to EPA

- A PCBs
- B Heavy metals
- C VOCs
- D All of these

Q-18 What is True about Bioventing?

- A Injection of air into the groundwater to provide oxygen for groundwater remediation.

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- B Needs water to receive air flow and get some humidity to be dispersed into dry soil
- C Both A and B
- D Promotes aeration of the unsaturated vadose zone of the contaminated soil to stimulate aerobic biodegradation.

Q-19 Carrots are used to absorb DDTs can be explained by ____ phytoremediation technique.

- A Rhizofiltration
- B Phyto stabilization
- C Phytoaccumulation
- D Phytovolatilization

Q-20 Bioleaching can be defined as

- A Metals are dissolved from ore bearing rocks using microorganism.
- B Recovery of low-grade ores which cannot be economically processed with chemical methods.
- C Both A and B
- D None of these
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