SARDAR PATEL UNIVERSITY Programme: B.Com. Semester: I Syllabus with Effect From:June-2018

| Paper Code:UB01SCOM21 | Total Credit:3 | |
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| Title Of Paper: Environmental Studies | - Total Credit:3 | |

Objective: This course introduces students to concepts, methods and policy options in managing the environment using tools of economic analysis.

| Unit | Description of Detail | Weighting(%) |
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| Ι | Overview of Environmental Studies: | 25% |
| | > Definition | |
| | > Scope | |
| | ➢ Importance | |
| | Meaning and Concept of Renewable and Non Renewable Resources | |
| | Equitable use of resources for sustainable lifestyles | |
| II | Natural Resources and Associated Problems | 25% |
| | Concept and Threats | |
| | Forest Resources | |
| | ➤ Water Resources | |
| | Mineral Resources | |
| | Energy Resources | |
| | ➤ Land Resources | |
| | Role of individual in conservation of Natural Resources | |
| III | Ecosystem | 25% |
| | Concept, Structure, Functions of an Ecosystem | |
| | Producers, Consumers and Decomposers in Ecosystem | |
| | Food Chain, Food Web and Ecological Pyramid | |
| | Types, characteristics and Threats of Ecosystem | |
| | Types – Forest, Grassland, Desert and Aquatic Ecosystem | |
| | Role of Individual in sustaining Ecosystem | |
| IV | Biodiversity | 25% |
| | > Introduction | |
| | Types – Genetic, Species and Ecosystem | |
| | Biodiversity at Global, National and Local Levels | |
| | India as a Mega Diversity Nation | |
| | Threats and Conservation of Biodiversity | |

Basic Text & Reference Books:-

Text book of Environmental Studies for undergraduate Courses :
ErachBharucha, Publisher: University Press, University Grants Commission