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## May 2024 B.Tech. (ENV) VI Semester Soil Pollution and Remediation (PCC-ENV-603)

Time: 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks: 75

## Instructions:

- 1. It is compulsory to answer all the questions (1.5 marks each) of Part-A in short.
- 2. Answer any four questions from Part-B in detail.
- 3. Different sub-parts of a question are to be attempted adjacent to each other.

## PART-A

(a)	Define soil pollution.	(1.5)
(b)	What are the sources of soil pollution?	(1.5)
(c)	Name one sustainable agricultural practice health.	for soil (1.5)
(d)	Why is soil monitoring important?	(1.5)
(e)	Define soil spectroscopy.	(1.5)
(f)	What are the causes of soil pollution?	(1.5)
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(1.5)

- (h) Describe soil washing in one sentence. (1.5)
- (i) Name one common heavy metal found in soil. (1.5)
- (j) What is the role of organic matter in soil fertility? (1.5)

## PART-B

- 2. (a) Describe the process of risk assessment for soil contaminants and its significance in environmental management. (10)
  - (b) Discuss the sources and pathways of heavy metal contamination in soil. (5)
- 3. (a) Define soil remediation and discuss its importance in environmental management. (5)
  - (b) Describe the principles and applications of phytoremediation in treating soil contamination. (10)
- 4. Describe the role of pesticides and fertilizer in soil pollution, and propose sustainable alternatives. (15)
- 5. (a) Discuss the effects of heavy metals on soil quality and human health. (5)
  - (b) Explain how soil pollution can lead to groundwater contamination and its consequences. (10)
- **6.** (a) Define soil management and explain its importance in sustainable agriculture. (10)

- (b) Describe the methods used for sampling soil contaminants in the field. (5)
- 7. Explain the concept of precision agriculture and its applications in optimizing soil management practices.

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