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EXAMINATION FOR INTERNAL STUDENTS

For The Following Qualification:-

M.Sc.

ESGY1: The Sustainable Development Problematic

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PAPER ENVSGY01:   The 'Sustainable Development' Problematic

DURATION: 3 Hours

This paper consists of ten questions. Answer TWO questions only. All questions carry equal marks.

1. "Concern for the degradation of the immediate living environment should be complemented by an understanding of the broader issues of maintaining the ecosystem as a whole". Discuss.

2. Assess the role played by the issue of population in the development of sustainability discourses.

3. What economic tools can be used in the pursuit of environmental goals, and how effective are they?

4. Discuss the significance of the land and of food production for the issue of sustainable development.

5. "If the South could move directly to a more technologically advanced stage of development, the problem of sustainability could be reconciled with that of narrowing the North-South divide". Discuss.

6. In what ways have corporate and business interests reacted to the environmental challenge, and are such responses part of the problem or of the solution?

7. What are the implications for the sustainability problematic of the relationship between poverty and growth?

8. What new challenges have been posed for sustainability by the changes in the global political economy over the past two decades?

9. "Even if I would be paid to participate, I will not go [to Johannesburg], because I do not want to be part of another scam just fooling the world - Rio was enough." (Tsuma Hamisi, Kenya). What accounts for the disillusionment expressed by many grassroots activists about the Johannesburg summit, and how justified was it?

10. What social issues need to be addressed in envisaging a future sustainable scenario and the transition to it?

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