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Zoology

ZOL 1C 03—ECOLOGY AND ETHOLOGY

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 30 Weightage

- I. Answer any four of the following (Short Answer type questions) (Weightage: 2)
 - 1 Define Spatial or habitat niche.
 - 2 What are the factors that limit population size?
 - 3 Define desert ecosystem and its types.
 - 4 What is Green building technology?
 - 5 What are the three general mating system?
 - 6 What does altruism means?
 - 7 What cause maternal behaviour?

 $(4 \times 2 = 8 \text{ weightage})$

- II. Answer any 4 of the following (Short essay type questions) (Weightage: 3):
 - 8 Differentiate Habitat and Niche.
 - 9 What causes Ecotones? Give some examples of Ecotones.
 - 10 What is Carbon credit? Mention any five countries that generate Carbon credit.
 - 11 What are the reasons for loss of Biodiversity?
 - 12 Explain life cycle of guppy. Draw and label the parts of guppy.

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- 13 Explain cognitive process.
- 14. Write some symptoms of Hormonal imbalance.

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- III. Answer any two of the following (Long essay type questions) (Weightage: 5):
 - 15 Explain Nitrogen cycle in detail.
 - Explain in detail about the ecological succession with its types.
 - 17 Describe Innate Releasing Mechanism with example and problems associated mechanism.
 - 18 Describe Reflex action and its process.

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