

## Section 6: Environment and Ecology (18 Questions)

Q.127 The silent valley forest in Kerala State falls in the category of:

- [A] Tropical deciduous forest [B] Tropical rain forest  
[C] Tropical Scrub forest [D] Evergreen coniferous forest

Q.128 The 'Blue Baby Syndrome' (methamoglobinemia) in infants is caused by

- [A] Nitrate pollution of ground water [B] Arsenic pollution of ground water  
[C] Fluoride pollution of ground water [D] Chromium pollution of ground water

Q.129 Salt water intrusion in coastal region is caused by

- [A] Dropping water table [B] Diminishing reservoir capacity  
[C] Dropping river flows [D] Climate change

Q.130 Who amongst the following scientists was awarded the 'Nobel Peace Prize' for contribution to Green Revolution

- [A] MS Swaminathan [B] Norman Borlaug  
[C] Kailas Nath Kaul [D] Sewall Wright

Q.131 Biofuels are classified as renewable source of energy because:

- [A] No new Carbon Dioxide is being released to the atmosphere during its usage  
[B] The source of biofuel is not fossils  
[C] The production of biofuel uses only solar energy  
[D] It is highly preferred over petrol or diesel

Q.132 The 'flow of energy' in an ecosystem is:

- [A] Unidirectional [B] Bidirectional  
[C] Multidirectional [D] Cyclic

Q.133 The species richness of an ecosystem is called as

- [A] Ecosystem richness [B] Biodiversity  
[C] Bio-enrichment [D] Forest

Q.134 'Sound' becomes hazardous noise pollution at decibels

- [A] Above 50 [B] Above 80 [C] Above 100 [D] Above 130

Q.135 In an ecosystem, bacteria are the

- [A] Producers [B] Primary consumers  
[C] Secondary consumers [D] Decomposers

Q.136 Taj Mahal is under environmental degradation threat due to

- [A] Sulphur Dioxide [B] Carbon Monoxide  
[C] Carbon Dioxide [D] Water Vapour

Q.137 Use of microorganism metabolism to remove pollutants from soil/water is known as

- [A] Bio-augmentation [B] Bio-remediation  
[C] Bio-magnification [D] Bio-mechanization

Q.138 The highest per capita emitter of Carbon Dioxide is

- [A] United States of America [B] China  
[C] India [D] Qatar

Q.139 Which of the following Indian States/Union Territory has the maximum percentage of mangrove forests cover?

- [A] Gujarat [B] West Bengal  
[C] Kerala [D] Andaman and Nicobar

Q.140 In an area, where DDT (dichlorodiphenyl trichloro ethane) has been used extensively, the bird population declines significantly because

- [A] Birds could not survive due to lack of food  
[B] Many of the eggs laid by birds did not hatch  
[C] Birds stopped laying eggs  
[D] Earthworms in the area got affected

Q.141 Most hazardous metal pollutant of the automobile exhaust is

- [A] Lead [B] Mercury [C] Cadmium [D] Copper

Q.142 Pollutants that have long lasting ill-effects on the environment are

- [A] Smoke and Chimney [B] Sulphur Dioxide  
[C] Pesticides [D] Carbon Monoxide

Q.143 Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) in river water

- [A] Increases when sewage gets mixed with river water  
[B] Remains unchanged when algal bloom occurs  
[C] Has no relationship with the concentration of oxygen in the water  
[D] Indicates the quantity of salmonella present in the water

Q.144 The Cauvery river water sharing agreement was

- [A] Signed in 1892 and amended in 1924  
[B] Signed in 1924 and amended in 2000  
[C] Signed in 1947 and amended in 1996  
[D] Signed in 1956 and amended in 2015