### Syllabus for VAC- Environmental Science, Mizoram University (NEP-2020), 2023

# ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE Paper Code: VAC/EVS/

Credits: 2

Full Marks- [75+25]

## **Unit-I: Environmental Science and Biodiversity**

Scope, importance and multidisciplinary nature of environmental science; Concept, classification, causes for depletion and conservation of natural resources; Concept of an ecosystem; Types, component, structure and function of an ecosystem; Major ecosystems (terrestrial, aquatic, artificial); Ecological succession; Basics of biodiversity, Hotspot of biodiversity; Causes and effects of biodiversity loss.

### **Unit-II: Environmental Pollution and Waste Management**

Sources, types of pollution; Causes of air pollution, effects of air pollution, and control of air pollution; Causes of water pollution, effects of water pollution, and control of water pollution; Causes of soil pollution, effects of soil pollution, and control of soil pollution; Causes of noise pollution, effects of noise pollution, and control of noise pollution; Solid waste-generation sources, characteristics, and disposal; solid waste management-principles, hierarchy, and techniques

## **Suggested Readings:**

- 1. Basu, M. and Xavier, S. 2018. Fundamental of Environmental Studies. Cambridge University Press, Kolkata.
- 2. Bharucha, E. 2015. Text Book of Environmental Studies. University Press (India) Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad
- 3. Vanramliana *et al.*, 2015. A text book of Environmental Science. Scientific Book Centre, Guwahati.
- 4. Daniel, D. C. 2014. Environmental Science. Jones and Bartlett Publishers, London.
- 5. Prasad, G. 2018. Handbook of Environmental Science. Discovery Publishing House, New Delhi
- 6. Rajagopalan. 2019. Environmental Studies: from crisis to cure. Oxford University Press, New Delhi.
- 7. Saha, T.K. 2013. Ecology and Environmental Biology. Books & Allied (P) Ltd. Kolkata.
- 8. Santra, S.C. 2018. Environmental Science. New Central Book Agency (P) Ltd., Kolkata.
- 9. Sharma, P.D. 2017. Ecology and Environment. (10<sup>th</sup>Revised Edition). Rastogi Publication, Meerut.
- 10. Allaby, M. 2019. Basics of Environmental Science, Routledge, London