

PGDAV College (Evening)

(University of Delhi)

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Lesson Plan

Paper: GE: Environment and Society

Week	Topics to be covered
1	Unit-1: Social and cultural construction of 'environment'; environmental thought from historical and contemporary perspective in light of the concepts of Gross Net Happiness and Aldo Leopolds's Land Ethics
2	Unit-2: Issues in Environmentalism Significant global environmental issues such as acid rain, climate change and resource depletion; interface between environment and society
3	Unit-2 (Contd.): Historical developments in cultural, social, and economic issues related to land, forest and water management in a global context
4	Unit-3: Development-Environment conflicts Development issues and related impacts such as ecological degradation; environmental pollution
5	Unit-3(Contd.): Development induced displacement, resettlement and rehabilitation: problems, concerns and compensative mechanisms; discussion on project affected peoples (PAPs)
6	Unit-4: Urbanization and environment Production and consumption-oriented approaches to environmental issues in India as well as global context; impact of industry and technology on environment
7	Unit-4 (Contd.): Urban sprawl, traffic congestion and social economic problems; conflicts between economic and environmental interests
8	Unit-5: Environmental and social inequalities of race, class, gender, region and nation- state in access to healthy and safe environments; history and politics surrounding environmental, ecological and social justice.
9	Unit-5 (Contd.): Environmental Ethics, issues and possible solutions

	Unit-6: Brief account of Forest conservation act, 1980 1988; Forest Dwellers act, 2008
10	Unit-6 (Contd): Land acquisition act 1894, 2007, 2011, 2012; Land acquisition rehabilitation and resettlement act, 2013
11	Unit-7: Community participation: State. Corporate, civil society, community and individual level initiatives to ensure sustainable development
12	Unit-7 (Contd.): Case studies of environmental movements (Appiko movement, Chipko movement, Narmada Bachao Andolan; corporate responsibility movement; appropriate technology movement
13	Unit-7 (Contd.): Environmental groups and movements; citizen groups; role played by NGOs; environmental education and awareness
14-15	Field Work/ Project Work/Revision/Remedial Classes/ Documentaries etc.