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FOCAL THEME

At this juncture of human civilization the world is facing an ecological crisis. Due to climate change, rapid strides in population growth, modern technology, resource exploitation and economic development, a host of environmental and socio-economic challenges is being faced today worldwide, including India (which has 18% of the world's population but only 2.4% of the world's total area). Population growth, (in India population is expected to reach 1.26 billion by 2050), uncontrolled urbanisation and industrialisation which has grown by leaps and bounds as well as over-exploitation of natural resources are all matters of grave concern. Environmental pollution as well as natural disasters are rampant as a result of anthropogenic interference and climate change which have disastrous effects on human life and property as well as on the earth's resources. Resource depletion, viz., land degradation, decreasing soil fertility, water scarcity, exhaustion of fossil fuels,

deforestation, loss of biodiversity, environmental as well as man-made hazards and disasters are all critical issues which have come up in the forefront. Irrational consumption together with over-exploitation of natural resources have also resulted in socio-economic problems like poverty, loss of habitat, health hazards, malnutrition and other demographic and developmental challenges and geopolitical issues.

Development in the modern world (thanks to progress in science and technology, globalisation, liberalisation, modernisation as well as the present day lifestyle with all its shine and glamour masks a disfigured planet. Ecological disaster threatens the very existence of life on earth today. The need of the hour is to focus on food and water security, energy security as well as social, political and economic security. Keeping these issues in the backdrop, herein lies the importance of developing strategies and planning as well as implementation of existing policies at local, regional and national levels in order to move

towards sustainable development, since we cannot afford not to develop for our survival on this planet

Applied geographical techniques like remote sensing and GIS, cartographic and statistical techniques, EIA and environmental auditing can go a long way to study trends and patterns of various environmental, social, cultural, economic and geopolitical issues and strategies can be developed and policies implemented to prevent, mitigate or overcome these problems. The interdisciplinary nature of the subject of Geography emphasizes holistic decisions balancing environment and development.

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- Effect of climate change and environmental challenges
- Biodiversity
- Natural hazards and disaster- vulnerability, mitigation and management.

II. NATURAL RESOURCES- CONSERVATION AND POLICIES

- Natural resource conservation and sustainable development.
- Use of alternative energy-problems and prospects
- Implementation of policies.

III. HUMAN RESOURCE AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

- Social and cultural dimension in geography.
- People, resources and development.
- Rural and urban society and economy-issues, challenges and policies.
- Geopolitics, conflict resolutions and peace studies.

IV. REGIONAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT.

APPLIED GEOGRAPHICAL TECHNIQUES

- Issues in rural and urban planning
- Regional Planning and sustainable development
- Techniques in applied geography-Remote Sensing and GIS, cartographic and statistical methods, EIA, environmental auditing etc.

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