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VAC-103: Environmental Practices in Goa

**DURATION: 1 HOUR**

**TOTAL MARKS: 40 MARKS**

- Instructions: i) Start each question on a fresh page  
ii) All questions are compulsory with internal choice  
iii) Figures to the right indicate full marks  
iv) Illustrate your answers with suitable examples/diagrams.

**Q.1) Answer ANY FOUR questions from the following:-**

**(4 x 2)**

- i) What does Nature Worship mean?
- ii) Mention any two local terms used for sacred groves in Goa.
- iii) Describe any plant as the Natural Heritage of Goa.
- iv) What is Biodiversity and state its importance.
- v) State any one example of oral traditions protecting Goa's Biodiversity
- vi) List any two ways Oral traditions in Goa significantly protect the region's biodiversity

**Q.2 A) i) State any three types of Sacred Groves based on cultural traditions and geographical locations. (3)**

**OR**

**Q.2 A) i) State any three beliefs of nature worship (3)**

**Q.2 B) i) List any three myths that are contributing towards nature protection in Goa (3)**

**Q.2 C) i) Describe any two ecological significance of Sacred Groves in Goa (2)**

**Q.3 A) i) Elaborate on the concept of Guardian Spirits in Goa (3)**

**OR**

**Q.3 A) i) Discuss any three different terms used for Guardian Spirits and beliefs associated with it in Goa. (3)**

**Q.3 B) i) Explain threats that cause the degradation of sacred groves. (3)**

**Q.3 C) i) Elaborate on Invasive species as a threat to biodiversity. (2)**

**Q.4 A) i) Elaborate on Tiger worship in Goa. (3)**

**OR**

**Q.4 A) ii) Discuss any three Common Taboos and beliefs that contribute to the protection of nature. (3)**

**Q.4 B) i) Elaborate on the Worshipping of natural elements in Goa. (3)**

**Q.4 C) i) Write a short note on the significance of the Crocodile Festival (2)**

**Q.5 A) i) Interpret any three Traditional Ecological Festivals of Goa (3)**

**OR**

**Q.5 A) ii) Interpret any three Modern Ecological Festivals of Goa (3)**

**Q.5 B) i) Justify any three Strategies that can be implemented to Protect Sacred Groves. (3)**

**Q.5 C) i) Differentiate between Traditional Ecological Knowledge and Western Science (2)**

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