GENERIC ELECTIVES -19: ENERGY AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Credit distribution, Eligibility and Pre-requisites of the Course

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Energy and the Environment (GE-17)	4	3	0	1	Class XII Pass	---

Learning Objectives

- To develop basic understanding of energy, issues related to energy, importance of energy in terms of economy, health and the environment.
- To understand different sources of energies, renewable and non-renewable sources of energy. To understand the importance of green fuels.
- To make the students understand the adverse effect of pollution, and possible remediations.

Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course student will be able to learn:

- Describe basic energy concepts
- Account for conventional and renewable energy technologies and their application
- Reflect and evaluate the environmental impact of energy production and the relationship between energy production, consumption and climate change
- Reflect on energy costs, analyse the consequences of today's energy consumption
- Efficient use of energy, water and other resources, Use of renewable energy, such as solar energy
- Pollution and waste reduction measures, and the enabling of re-use and recycling
- Good indoor environmental air quality, Use of materials that are non-toxic, ethical and sustainable
- Consideration of the environment in design, construction and operation

Syllabus Theory:

Unit 1: **13 Hours**

Introduction, chemistry and energy, conversion of chemical energy to electrical energy, Carbon cycle, Greenhouse gases, Global warming and climate change, Carbon footprint, zero-carbon or low-carbon energy. Electrical energy and steam energy, Energy Alternatives, Hidden Costs of Energy.

Unit 2: **10 Hours**

Production methods for electric power: Non-Renewable (conventional) sources of energy: Fossil fuels: Coal, petroleum and Natural gas. Energy transformation. Renewable energy sources: solar, hydropower, wind, geothermal, wave, ocean thermal, tidal, ocean currents, nuclear energy, biomass.

Unit 3: **12 Hours**

Production methods for electric power: Renewable (green) energy, conversion and storage systems. Nuclear fusion, Hydrogen fuels, photovoltaic solar cells, hydroelectric. Sustainable energy, biomass, Biofuels, production of biofuels, advantages, blending of biofuels with conventional fuels, Carbon Capture and Reuse, Waste to Energy Technologies.

Unit 4: **10 Hours**

Air Pollution, Urban and Indoor Air Pollution, Pollution and waste reduction measures, chemical remediation of air pollution. Effect of pollution on health and economy.

Practicals: **(30 Hours)**

Tutorials

1. Conversion of biomass to biofuels (2-3 different biofuels)
2. Working on solar cell model.
3. Working on wind turbine model.
4. Working on geothermal energy model.
5. Working on hydroelectric plant model.
6. Presentations by students

References:

Theory

1. Rao, C S., **Environment pollution control Engineering**, New Age International reprint 2015, 2nd edition
2. Bharucha, E., **Textbook of Environmental Studies**, Universities Press (2005)
3. Wright, R.T., **Environmental Science-Towards a sustainable Future**, Prentice Hall (2008) 9th edition.
4. Ahluwalia, V. K., **Energy and Environment**, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI) (2019).

References:

Practicals

- Challapalli Narayan Rao, **Practical approach to implementation of Renewable Energy Systems,** Evincepub Publishing, 2022

Keywords: Energy, Renewable and non-renewable energy resources, Synthetic fuels, Biofuels, Carbon footprint, air pollution, remediation, pollution related health and economy.

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.