

KERALA AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY

B.Sc (Hons.) Agriculture 2016 Admission II Semester Final Examination-August-2017

Soil and Water Conservation Engineering (1+1)

Marks: 50

Time: 2 hours

I Fill up the blanks

(10x1=10)

- 1 Susceptibility of the soil to get eroded is called -----
- 2 Water use efficiency is maximum for ----- irrigation system
- 3 The process of filling water into the suction pipe and pump up to the delivery valve is called -----
- 4 The amount of water retained in the soil after excess water is drained away by gravity drainage is called -----

State True/False

- 5 Percolation tanks are used for ground water recharging.
- 6 Gully erosion is the advanced stage of rill erosion.

Match the following

- 7 Multi slot divisor
- a Peak runoff rate

8 Saltation

- b Fertigation
- 9 Rational formulae
- c Wind erosion

10 Venturi injector

d Soil loss

II Write short notes on any FIVE

(5x2=10)

- 1 Sheet erosion
- 2 Bench Terracing
- 3 Axial flow pumps
- 4 Fertigation
- 5 Strip cropping
- 6 Agents of soil erosion
- 7 Types of contour bunds

III Answer any FIVE

(5x4=20)

- Explain the working of a centrifugal pump.
- 2 Factors affecting soil erosion.
- What is runoff coefficient? Calculate the peak runoff rate from a watershed of 18 ha area having a rainfall intensity of 10 cm/hr and runoff coefficient of 0.3.
- 4 Explain USLE equation.
- 5 Explain the different stages of gully erosion.
- 6 What are the advantages and disadvantages of sprinkler irrigation?
- 7 Explain the components of a roof water harvesting system.

IV Write essay on any ONE

(1x10=10)

- 1 Explain the different engineering measures used for controlling soil erosion by water.
- What are the different methods of irrigation? Explain the major components of a drip irrigation system.
