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Assessment Test II(No Book Test)**

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Answer all questions on this paper itself.

There are four (04) questions and four (04) pages in this question paper.

01. a. Define the term “Global Warming”.

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- b. List five greenhouse gases indicating their main sources.

Name of the gas

Main sources

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- c. Explain briefly the negative and positive feed backs of global warming

Negative:

Positive:

¹ See, for example, the discussion of the relationship between the U.S. and the European Union in the final section of this paper.

d. “Global temperature rise will change the climatic factors related to agricultural productivity.”

Justify this statement.

02. a. What is “water pollution”?

b. Fill up the following table with correct word/s.

Category of Pollutant	Example	Sources
Infectious agents		
Organic chemicals		

Inorganic chemicals		
Plant nutrients		
Heat		
Oil		

c. Briefly explain the effect of plant nutrients on the quality of water.

3. a. Name four major Environmental Policies of the world

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b. What are the basic principles of the National Environmental Policy of Sri Lanka?

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c. What is meant by “Environmental Impact Assessment(EIA)”?

d. Explain briefly the major steps involved in Environmental Impact Assessment(EIA) Process with the help of a flow diagram.

4. a. Define the term “land degradation”.

b. "Natural forest cover performs many functions in protecting the underlying soil". Explain

c. Discuss the impacts of chemical degradation in soil.