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V SEMESTER   COMMERCE   TIME: 6 HRS/WEEK
COM 5101(4)   COMMERCIAL GEOGRAPHY   MAX MARK:100
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OBJECTIVES: To acquire knowledge about natural resources, their utilization and protection, challenges and opportunities from a commercial point of view.
        To understand the impact of the resources on the Indian economy and measures to be implemented.

UNIT – I: India - an introduction, location and size, political units, India's neighbors Environmental pollution - Global Warming - Measures to be taken to protect the Earth.

UNIT – II: India – Agriculture and Forestry:: Land Use - Soils - Major crops – Food and Non-food Crops – Importance of Agriculture – Problems in Agriculture – Agriculture Development. Forests – Status of Forests in Andhra Pradesh – Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Compensatory Afforestation Fund (CAF) Bill, 2015 - Forest Rights Act, 2006 and its Relevance – Need for protection of Forestry.

UNIT – III: India – Minerals and Mining: Minerals – Renewable and non Renewable – Use of Minerals – Mines – Coal, Barites, etc. – status in Andhra Pradesh.

UNIT – IV: India – Water Resources – Rivers: Water resources - Rationality and equitable use of water – Protection measures - Rivers - Perennial and peninsular Rivers - Interlinking of Rivers - Experience of India and Andhra Pradesh.

UNIT – V: India - foreign trade - role and importance, challenges facing Indian exports, foreign trade policy, balance of trade and balance of payment, current account deficit.

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