SEMESTER II

Geog. 102 Introduction to Physical Geography I Cr. Hours:03 BS Geography 4 Years Programme, University of the Punjab, Lahore

Introduction to Physical Geography

- Scope and Branches of Physical Geography
- o Relationship with other branches of knowledge

• The Earth and its Origin

- The Solar system and the Earth
- Theories about the Earth's Origin, shape and size, rotation and revolution, composition and structure, distribution of land and water

Lithosphere

- o Internal Structure of the Earth
- o Rocks Their Origin, Formation and Types
- o Plate Tectonics
- o Mountain Building
- o Geomorphic Processes
- o Earthquakes
- Volcanic activity
- Weathering, Erosion and Deposition
- Landforms produced by Surface Water, Ground Water, Wind and Glaciers

Atmosphere

- o Composition and Structure of Atmosphere
- o Atmospheric Temperature
- Air pressure and Winds
- Air masses and Fronts (classification, distribution and associated weather)
- Cyclones and Weather Disturbances.
- Hydrological Cycle
- Atmospheric Moisture and Precipitation
- o Climatic Classification: Koppen's classification
- o Atmospheric Pollution.

Hydrosphere

- Configuration of Ocean floor
- Ocean Deposits

- o Composition, Temperature, and Salinity of Ocean Water,
- o Movements of the Ocean Water: Waves, Currents and Tides.

Biosphere

- Forest Biomes
- Major forest types

Books Recommended:

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- 9. Monkhouse, F.J. (1996). Principles of Physical Geography, London Hodder & Stoughton.
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- 15. Taylor, J. (1993) Integral Physical Geography, London Longman
- 16. Thompson, R.D. et. al (1986). Process in Physical Geography, London, Longman.
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