## IAS Mains Agriculture 1997

## Paper-I

## **Section A**

- 1. Write short notes on any three of the following in about 200 words each:
  - a. Soil pollution
  - b. Retting injute
  - c. Sugarcane ratooning
  - d. Agroforestry
- 2. Give in tabular form the varieties, spacing and row proportion, fertilizer and irrigation schedules of
  - a. sugar + wheat
  - b. potato + mustard
  - c. cotton + green gram.
- 3. Define plant ecology. Discuss the role of autotoxicity in crop production.
- 4. Differentiate fertilizer-use-efficiency and fertilizer-ulilization-efficiency, Discuss the important agrotechnique for increasing fertilizer-use-efficiency in rice in sandy loam soil.

## Section B

- 5. Write short notes on any three of the following in about 200 words each:
  - a. Water logging
  - b. Watershed management
  - c. Soil moisture depletion approach
  - d. Training and visit system
- 6. Define dryland agriculture. Discuss the agro-techniques for stabilizing production under such condition.
- 7. Define maximum economical yield (MEY) Describe the important inputs and operations in wheat after toria.
- 8. Give a hit of non-monetary input Technology for small and marginal farmers in India . Discuss any four of them in detail.