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Title of paper: AIR SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS

Course code: EHS 564

Time allowed: 2 hours

Marks allocation: 100 Marks

Instructions:

- 1) Read the questions and instructions carefully
- 2) Answer ANY FOUR (4) questions
- 3) Each question is weighted 25 marks
- 4) Write neatly and clearly
- 5) Begin each question on a separate sheet of paper

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QUESTION 1

- a) What are air pollution assumptions? 4
- b) Discuss the errors in respirable dust sampling. 5
- c) How can errors be eliminated in air sampling 6?
- d) Mention 8 health effects associated with carbon monoxide. 16

QUESTION 2

- a) How can individuals contribute to clean air? (12)
- b) As an OHS officer you are asked to carry out air sampling around an area with a lot of vegetation. What are the key effects that you will be looking for on trees for instance? (12)
- c) What is a primary pollutant? (1)

QUESTION 3

- a) Discuss the 3 types that use passive sampling. (9)
- b) List the 3 types of filters used in direct reading instrument method. (6)
- c) List 5 health effects caused by pollution in beach water. (5)

QUESTION 4

- a) Write short notes on the following. (15)
 - Area sampling
 - Personal sampling
 - Integrated sampling
- b) What are the major sources of odor in a local authority that you might sample to determine the nature of the air quality? (6)
- c) What do you understand by LOD as pertaining to air contaminants?
- d) What is the LOD for SO₂? (1)

QUESTION 5

Discuss how Air Sampling for hazardous dust and welding fumes is carried out using the diagram below. (25)

Typical Air Sampling Equipment and Air Sampling Set-Up

