

SECOND SEMESTER P.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2020

(CCSS)

Applied Plant Science

BOT 2C 15—ENVIRONMENTAL BIOLOGY

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

Part AI. Answer any *two* questions in not more than 500 words :

- 1 Describe the different approaches of biodiversity conservation.
- 2 Give an account on the structure and function of estuarine ecosystem. How is it different from fresh water ecosystem ?
- 3 Write an essay on the causes and consequences of global climate change.

(2 × 10 = 20 marks)

Part BII. Answer any *eight* questions in not more than 250 words :

- 4 Give a short account on the major terrestrial biomes.
- 5 Write the major causes of water pollution.
- 6 Explain thermal profile of atmosphere.
- 7 Explain the concept of habitat and niche.
- 8 Write an account on the Koppan climate classification.
- 9 Explain the process of formation and development of soil.
- 10 Elaborate the role of people's participation in global environmental issues.
- 11 Give a brief account on the different types of ecological successions.
- 12 Explain the composition and characteristic features of atmospheric strata.
- 13 Write the characteristic features of a population.

(8 × 5 = 40 marks)

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Part C

III. Answer any *ten* questions in not more than *five sentences* :

- 14 Define density of the population.
- 15 What is acid rain ?
- 16 What is hottest hotspot of biodiversity ? Write an example from Kerala.
- 17 Explain the concept of climax in ecological succession.
- 18 Explain soil horizon.
- 19 What is interdemec extinctions ?
- 20 What is the difference between National park and Biosphere reserve ?
- 21 What is desertification ?
- 22 What is Oceanic oscillations ?
- 23 Differentiate climate and weather.
- 24 Define density of the population.
- 25 Differentiate edges and ecotones ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

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BOT 2C 13—PLANT MORPHOGENESIS, EMBRYOGENESIS AND PLANT BIOTECHNOLOGY

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Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

Part AI. Answer any *two* questions in not more than 500 words. Each question carries 10 marks :

- 1 Briefly explain the techniques and applications of tissue culture.
- 2 Describe the procedure of *Agrobacterium* mediated gene transfer and discuss its merits and applications.
- 3 Describe the development of endosperm and discuss the types of endosperms in Angiosperms.

(2 × 10 = 20 marks)

Part BII. Answer any *eight* questions in not more than 250 words. Each question carries 5 marks :

- 4 Describe the role of different growth regulators in plant tissue culture.
- 5 Describe the significance of somatic embryogenesis in plant morphogenesis.
- 6 Distinguish between direct and indirect organogenesis ?
- 7 Describe the structure of microsporangium in Angiosperms.
- 8 Write a note on polyembryony.
- 9 Describe different types of fertilization based on pollen tube entry.
- 10 Describe the development of shoot apical meristem in Embryogenesis.
- 11 Write short note on metabolic engineering.

- 12 Describe the genetic aspects of floral organogenesis in *Arabidopsis*.
- 13 What are the factors influencing anther culture ?

(8 × 5 = 40 marks)

Part C

III. Answer any *ten* questions in not more than *five sentences*. Each question carries 2 marks :

- 14 Write a note on cybrid.
- 15 Distinguish between nuclear and cellular type of endosperm.
- 16 What do you mean by double fertilization ?
- 17 What are the functions of endosperm ?
- 18 Name two genes involved in root organogenesis.
- 19 What are plasmid vectors ?
- 20 What is the advantage of suspension culture ?
- 21 List out two applications of triploids.
- 22 What are plantibodies ? Give example.
- 23 What do you mean by somatic hybridization ?
- 24 What is electroporation ?
- 25 Distinguish between apospory and diplospory.

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BOT 2C 11—BIOCHEMISTRY, BIOPHYSICS AND IMMUNOLOGY

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Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

Part AI. Answer any *two* questions in not more than 500 words :

- 1 Describe the principle, function and applications of Electrophoresis.
- 2 Illustrate and explain the structure and classes of antibodies.
- 3 Explain structure, function and classification of enzymes.

(2 × 10 = 20 marks)

Part BII. Answer any *eight* questions in not more than 250 words :

- 4 Explain beta oxidation of fatty acids.
- 5 Give an account of different types of RNA.
- 6 Explain the classification of amino acids.
- 7 Write an account on primary immune response.
- 8 Write a note on Atomic force microscopy and scanning tunnelling microscopy.
- 9 Explain structure and function of leg haemoglobin.
- 10 Write about sources of different types of vitamins.
- 11 Explain cell mediated immunity.
- 12 Write an account on monoclonal antibodies.
- 13 Explain gluconeogenesis.

(8 × 5 = 40 marks)

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Part C

III. Answer any *ten* questions in not more than *five* sentences :

- 14 What is complement fixation ?
- 15 Differentiate multi enzymes and isozymes.
- 16 Write about Z DNA.
- 17 What are the functions of different phyto hormones ?
- 18 Write a note on buffers.
- 19 Write about uses of ELISA.
- 20 Explain immune electrophoresis.
- 21 Write about major reactions of reducing sugars.
- 22 Write a note on hyper sensitivity.
- 23 What are super antigens ?
- 24 Explain principles of thermodynamics.
- 25 Write about omega fatty acids.

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BOT 2C 09—PLANT PHYSIOLOGY

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Maximum : 80 Marks

Part AI. Answer any *two* questions in not more than 500 words. Each question carries 10 marks :

- 1 Write an account on the various types of biotic and abiotic stress conditions. Add a note on the biochemical responses to stress and explain how plants overcome stress.
- 2 Give a diagrammatic representation of the Krebs cycle, specifying the enzymes involved in each step and the number of ATP produced.
- 3 Describe the process of primary and secondary cell wall formation in plants.

(2 × 10 = 20 marks)

Part BII. Answer any *eight* questions in not more than 250 words. Each question carries 5 marks :

- 4 Describe the sequence of events during fruit ripening.
- 5 Explain the different mechanisms of metabolite transport through cellular channels.
- 6 Illustrate and describe the electron transport chain.
- 7 Explain the conversion of a fertilized ovule into a fruit.
- 8 What is the difference between short-day, long-day and day-neutral plants ? Explain with examples.
- 9 Discuss the conversion of a vegetative meristem into a floral meristem during floral initiation.
- 10 Illustrate and explain the ultrastructure of the chloroplast.
- 11 Explain the process of photorespiration.

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- 12 What are the different types of signals ? Elaborate on the properties of five signal receptors.
- 13 Highlight the role of Ca^{++} and Calmodulin as secondary messengers in signal transduction.

(8 × 5 = 40 marks)

Part C

III. Answer any *ten* questions in not more than *five sentences*. Each question carries 2 marks :

- 14 Distinguish between CAM and VAM.
- 15 What are the intermediate compounds produced during glycolysis ?
- 16 Explain how the stomata facilitate gaseous exchange in plants.
- 17 What are plasmodesmata ?
- 18 What is the ABC model of flower development ?
- 19 What are photoreceptors ?
- 20 What is the death hormone ?
- 21 What are the different types of abiotic stress the plants are exposed to ?
- 22 What are heavy metals ?
- 23 What is the difference between qualitative and quantitative trait loci ?
- 24 Compare differentiation and de-differentiation.
- 25 What is the role of aquaporins in imbibition ?

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- 1 What are the major hotspots of biodiversity in the world ? Explain major threats to biodiversity.
- 2 Briefly explain the causes and consequences of soil pollution. Write its control measures.
- 3 Write an essay on the impact of global climate change.

(2 × 10 = 20 marks)

Part BII. Answer any *eight* questions in not more than 250 words. Each question carries 5 marks :

- 4 Write short note on different soil types in India.
- 5 Briefly explain different biodiversity management approaches.
- 6 Explain age structured population.
- 7 Write a short note on the species interactions.
- 8 Give an account on the various types of ecological succession.
- 9 Explain the concept of habitat and niche.
- 10 Elaborate community structure and attributes.
- 11 Explain mineral cycling.
- 12 What are the different factors that regulate the population growth.
- 13 Explain the composition and character of different atmospheric strata.

(8 × 5 = 40 marks)

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Part C

III. Answer any *ten* questions in not more than five sentences. Each question carries 2 marks :

- 14 Explain the concept of climax in ecological succession.
- 15 What are Aquifers ?
- 16 What is hottest hotspot of bio-diversity ? Write an example.
- 17 Differentiate endangered and endemic plants.
- 18 Differentiate climate and weather.
- 19 Define the density of population.
- 20 What is Red Data Book ?
- 21 What is the difference between climate and weather ?
- 22 Explain two positive species interactions.
- 23 What is interdemic extinction?
- 24 What is Oceanic oscillations ?
- 25 Differentiate fundamental and realized niche.

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Part AI. Answer any *two* questions in not more than 500 words :

- 1 Describe the techniques of androgenesis and discuss the factors that influenced androgenesis.
- 2 Briefly explain different types of suspension cultures and the methods to assess growth in culture.
- 3 With the help of suitable drawings describe the process involved in microsporogenesis.

(2 × 10 = 20 marks)

Part BII. Answer any *eight* questions in not more than 250 words :

- 4 Describe the mode of sterilization techniques used in plant tissue culture.
- 5 Describe the different types of endosperm in angiosperms.
- 6 What are the requirements for pollen germination and pollen tube growth ?
- 7 What is a bioreactor ? Describe its significance.
- 8 Describe the different phases of organogenesis.
- 9 Describe the structure of female gametophyte in angiosperms.
- 10 How does polyembryony occur in angiosperms ?
- 11 Describe the floral development in *Antirrhinum*.
- 12 Describe the biotechnological applications of plant tissue culture.
- 13 Describe the factors affecting cryopreservation.

(8 × 5 = 40 marks)

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Part C

III. Answer any *ten* questions in not more than five sentences :

- 14 What do you mean by somatic embryogenesis ?
- 15 Distinguish between totipotency and pluripotency.
- 16 What is tapetum? List out the different types.
- 17 What do you mean by microgametogenesis ?
- 18 What are plantibodies ? Give example.
- 19 What is RNAi ? List out two applications.
- 20 Name two plant derived vaccines.
- 21 Distinguish between autogamy and allogamy.
- 22 Write a note on molecular farming.
- 23 Describe the significance of endosperm culture.
- 24 What do you mean by microinjection ?
- 25 What is vitrification ?

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- 1 Explain the types, principles and applications of chromatography.
- 2 Describe the structure, functions and classification of proteins.
- 3 Write an account on primary and secondary immune response.

(2 × 10 = 20 marks)

Part BII. Answer any *eight* questions in not more than 250 words :

- 4 Explain Omega and Beta oxidation of fatty acids.
- 5 Write about structure and functions of enzymes.
- 6 Explain the production and applications of monoclonal antibodies.
- 7 Describe TCA cycle and its importance.
- 8 Explain MHC and antigen presentation.
- 9 Explain allosteric inhibition with example.
- 10 Write about biosynthesis of purines.
- 11 Explain functions and sources of vitamins.
- 12 Write an account on NMR and X-ray crystallography.
- 13 Explain cell mediated immunity.

(8 × 5 = 40 marks)

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Part C

III. Answer any *ten* questions in not more than *five sentences* :

- 14 What are functional food ?
- 15 Write a note on HAT medium.
- 16 Explain Henderson-Hasselbalch equation.
- 17 Write about artificial sweeteners.
- 18 Differentiate lymphocytes and lymphokines.
- 19 Explain the applications of radioisotopes in Biology.
- 20 What are suicidal inactivators ?
- 21 Explain ninhydrin reaction.
- 22 Write about properties of water.
- 23 What is flow cytometry ? Mention the uses.
- 24 Write about importance of rubisco enzyme.
- 25 Explain substrate level phosphorylation.

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Part AI. Answer any *two* questions in not more than 500 words :

- 1 Describe photosynthesis in plants. Highlight the difference between C3 and C4 cycles.
- 2 Write an account on the physiological changes during floral initiation in plants.
- 3 Describe the process of active and passive transport of solutes across the cell membranes.

(2 × 10 = 20 marks)

Part BII. Answer any *eight* questions in not more than 250 words :

- 4 What is osmosis ? Illustrate and explain the potato osmoscope.
- 5 Explain the energy mechanisms in nutrient uptake.
- 6 What is the role of genes and proteins in the regulation of plant growth and development ?
- 7 Write an account on the ABC model of flower development.
- 8 Distinguish between climacteric and non-climacteric fruits.
- 9 Describe the role of macronutrient and micronutrients in plant growth.
- 10 Describe the impact of brassinosteroids in the plant growth.
- 11 Differentiate between cryptochromes and phytochromes.
- 12 What is cell senescence ? Explain the biochemical and genetic basis of senescence.
- 13 What is QTL mapping ? Is it possible to relate QTLs with stress mechanism in plants ?

(8 × 5 = 40 marks)

Turn over

Part C

III. Answer any *ten* questions in not more than *five* sentences. Each question carries 2 marks :

- 14 What is the function of VAM in nutrient uptake ?
- 15 What is an orthodox seed ?
- 16 Expand the term 'CAM' and describe.
- 17 What are vacuolar malate channels ?
- 18 Identify the steps between which ATP molecules are generated in the citric acid cycle.
- 19 What is growth velocity profile ?
- 20 What is oxidative phosphorylation ?
- 21 Name and describe one model plant used in botanical experiments, highlighting its importance.
- 22 What is Cytochrome C oxidase ?
- 23 Write a brief account on any one application of the QTL mapping.
- 24 What are ureides ?
- 25 Do the heat shock proteins protect the plants ? How do they work ?

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