# Previous M.Sc. Degree Examination OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2014

# (Directorate of Distance Education)

### **Botany**

# (DPA 510) Paper I – BIOLOGY AND DIVERSITY OF ALGAE, FUNGI, BRYOPHYTES, PTERIDOPHYTES AND GYMNOSPERMS

Time: 3 Hours] [Max. Marks: 75/85]

### Instructions to Candidates:

- 1) Answer **all** questions.
- 2) Repeaters shall answer questions from Section A, B and C only (Marks 75).

#### SECTION - A

I. Answer any **SEVEN** of the following:

 $7 \times 3 = 21$ 

- 1. Palmella stage
- 2. Red alga
- 3. Ascus
- 4. Fruticose lichen
- 5. Columella
- 6. Capsule
- 7. Mixed protostele
- 8. Vallecular canal
- 9. Resin duct
- 10. Pits

#### SECTION - B

II. Write short notes on any **THREE** of the following:  $3 \times 8 = 24$ 

- 11. Classification of plant kingdom
- 12. Anatomy of Cycadales
- 13. Life history of Phytophthora
- 14. Characteristics of Sphenopsida
- 15. Sexual reproduction in *Marchantia*

#### SECTION - C

III. Answer any **TWO** of the following:

 $2 \times 15 = 30$ 

- 16. Give an account of heterospory and seed habit.
- 17. Give an account of classification and economic importance of Lichens.
- 18. Explain the salient features of Gnetales and add a note on its angiospermic characters.
- 19. Comparative account on thallus organization in Rhodophyceae and Phacophyceae.

### SECTION - D

This Section shall be answered only by freshers having 85 marks as paper maximum in addition to Section A, B and C.

IV. Answer any **ONE** of the following:

 $1 \times 10 = 10$ 

- 20. Write an account on the life cycle of Psilopsida.
- 21. Describe the origin and evolution of land plants.

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# (DPA 520) Paper II – DIVERSITY OF ANGIOSPERMS AND PLANT TAXONOMY

Time: 3 Hours] [Max. Marks: 75/85]

### **Instructions to Candidates:**

- 1) Answer **all** questions.
- 2) Repeaters shall answer questions from Section A, B and C only (Marks 75).

### SECTION - A

I. Answer any **SEVEN** of the following:

 $7 \times 3 = 21$ 

- 1. Karyotype
- 2. Placentation
- 3. Holotype
- 4. Paris code
- 5. Corona
- 6. Bicarpellatae
- 7. Endosperm
- 8. Hutchinson
- 9. Spikelet
- 10. Flowers in Compositae

#### SECTION - B

II. Write short notes on any **THREE** of the following:

 $3 \times 8 = 24$ 

- 11. Engler & Prantl's system of classification
- 12. Cytology as a taxonomic tool

- 13. Endemism in Western Ghats
- 14. Give an account of Nymphaeaceae
- 15. Sustainable utilization of bioresources

#### SECTION - C

III. Answer any **TWO** of the following:

 $2 \times 15 = 30$ 

- 16. Give an account of Bentham & Hooker's system of classification. Add a note on its merits and demerits.
- 17. Explain with examples the use of phytochemistry in plant taxonomy.
- 18. Give the diagnostic characters of
  - (a) Meliaceae
  - (b) Apocyanaceae
  - (c) Zingiberaceae
- 19. Write on the importance of plant diversity in socio-economic development.

### SECTION - D

This Section shall be answered only by freshers having 85 marks as paper maximum in addition to Section A, B and C.

IV. Answer any **ONE** of the following:

 $1 \times 10 = 10$ 

- 20. Describe the characters of the families Scrophulariaceae and Orchidaceae.
- 21. Give an account of valid and effective publication of a species.

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# (DPA 530) Paper III – PLANT ECOLOGY AND PLANT GEOGRAPHY

Time : 3 Hours] [Max. Marks : 75/85

### **Instructions to Candidates:**

- 1) Answer **all** questions.
- 2) Repeaters shall answer questions from Section A, B and C only (Marks 75).

### SECTION - A

I. Answer any **SEVEN** of the following:

 $7 \times 3 = 21$ 

- 1. R. Mishra
- 2. IBP
- 3. Limnology
- 4. CFCs
- 5. Eutrophication
- 6. Vitality
- 7. Thermal stratification
- 8. Phytoplankton
- 9. Pangea
- 10. Acclimatization

### SECTION - B

II. Write short notes on any **THREE** of the following:

 $3 \times 8 = 24$ 

- 11. Paleotropics and Neotropics
- 12. Classification and types of pollutants.

- 13. Autecology
- 14. Microclimate
- 15. Principles of phytogeography

### SECTION - C

III. Answer any **TWO** of the following:

 $2 \times 15 = 30$ 

- 16. Write an essay on species dispersal and dispersal mechanisms.
- 17. Describe various types of interactions among populations.
- 18. Explain the mechanism of energy flow and mineral cycling.
- 19. Discuss the effect of water pollution on human health.

### SECTION - D

This Section shall be answered only by freshers having 85 marks as paper maximum in addition to Section A, B and C.

IV. Answer any **ONE** of the following:

 $1 \times 10 = 10$ 

- 20. Discuss the effect of global warming on ecosystem.
- 21. Describe the general process involved in plant succession. Add a note on climax community.

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# (DPA 540) Paper IV – MICROBIOLOGY

Time : 3 Hours] [Max. Marks : 75/85

### Instructions to Candidates:

- 1) Answer **all** questions.
- 2) Repeaters shall answer questions from Section A, B and C only (Marks 75).

#### SECTION - A

I. Answer any **SEVEN** of the following:

 $7 \times 3 = 21$ 

- 1. Actinobacteria
- 2. Yogurt
- 3. Microbial proteases
- 4. Aeroallergens
- 5. Pasteurization
- 6. Negative staining
- 7. Rhizobium
- 8. Rotorod sampler
- 9. Salmonella
- 10. Cheese

### SECTION - B

II. Write short notes on any **THREE** of the following:

 $3 \times 8 = 24$ 

- 11. Classification of fungi
- 12. Physical methods of sterilization

- 13. Phase contrast microscopy
- 14. Structure of viruses
- 15. Bacteriological examination of water
- 16. Production of vaccines from microbes
- 17. Methods of food preservation and control of food poisoning.

### SECTION - C

III. Answer any **TWO** of the following:

 $2 \times 15 = 30$ 

- 18. Discuss the industrial application of microbes.
- 19. Describe the ultrastructure and reproduction in bacteria.
- 20. Write an account on microflora of soil and add a note on the importance of nitrogen fixation.
- 21. Write on the principles and working of electron microscope.

### SECTION - D

This Section shall be answered only by freshers having 85 marks as paper maximum in addition to Section A, B and C.

IV. Answer any **ONE** of the following:

 $1 \times 10 = 10$ 

- 22. Briefly elucidate the recent advances in the field of microbiology.
- 23. Discuss the microbiology of dairy products.