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# FIFTH SEMESTER B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2019

(CUCBCSS-UG)

### Zoology

ZOL 5B 07-ETHOLOGY, EVOLUTION AND ZOOGEOGRAPHY

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 80 Marks

#### Part A

- I. One Word Questions. Answer all questions. Each carries 1 mark :
  - 1 Which type of distribution is exhibited by flightless birds?
  - 2 Name the developmental arrest in animals resulting from extreme environmental conditions.
  - 3 Who proposed the concept of biogenetic law?
  - 4 Name the major group of mammals occurring in the Australian region.
  - 5 Name the type of learning that requires high degree of intelligence.
  - 6 Name the taxonomic group which is intermediate between species and subspecies.
  - 7 Name an evolutionary phenomenon resulting from genetic drift.
  - 8 Cite any two examples for convergent evolution.
  - 9 Write down the scientific name of 'Handy man'.
  - 10 Mention the dominant animal groups of Mesozoic Era.

 $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ marks})$ 

#### Part B

- II. Short Answer Questions. Answer any ten questions. Each carries 2 marks:
  - 11 Explain geographic barriers of animal distribution.
  - 12 Comment on the faunal characteristics of oceanic islands.
  - 13 Name the biogeographical zones of India.
  - 14 What is Cambrian explosion?
  - 15 What is permineralization?
  - 16 Write down the evolutionary significance of vestigial structures.
  - 17 What is Neo Lamarckism?
  - 18 What is industrial melanism?

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- 19 What is pre-adaptation?
- 20 Comment on the evolutionary significance of gene mutation.
- 21 Explain the features of Neanderthal man-
- 22 Describe the theory panspermia.

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

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## Part C

- III. Paragraph Questions. Answer any five questions. Each carries 6 marks :
  - 23 Explain the theory of punctuated equilibrium.
  - Describe the important fossil dating techniques.
  - Write notes on hibernation and aestivation.
  - Explain the chemical origin of life on earth.
  - 27 Describe the origin and evolution of birds.
  - Write notes on conditioned reflex.
  - 29 Explain the process of allopatric speciation.
  - Explain Darwin's theory of natural selection.

 $(5 \times 6 = 30 \text{ marks})$ 

#### Part D

- Essay Questions. Answer any two of the following. Each carries 10 marks:
  - Write an account on divergent evolution. Comment on its significance.
- Give an account on isolation and isolating mechanisms.
- Explain the various evidences of organic evolution.
- Explain the theory of Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium. Add notes on the factors that upset this equilibrium.

 $(2 \times 10 = 20 \text{ marks})$