

**THIRD SEMESTER M.A./M.Sc./M.Com. DEGREE (REGULAR) EXAMINATION
NOVEMBER 2020**

(CBCSS)

Botany

BOT 3C 09—BIOTECHNOLOGY AND BIOINFORMATICS

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

Section A

*Answer at least **three** questions.
Each question carries 2 weightage.
All questions can be attended.
Overall Ceiling 6.*

I. Each answer not to exceed five sentences :

- 1 What are major components of plant tissue culture media ?
- 2 What are synthetic seeds? How they are produced ?
- 3 What is antisense RNA technology ? Give an example that evolved through this technology.
- 4 Define gene piracy. Add note on patenting of GMOs.
- 5 Give expansion of HTTP, HTML, URL and WWW.
- 6 What is SWISS-PROT and EMBL ?
- 7 Define DNA microarrays. Write major applications.

(3 × 2 = 6 weightage)

Section B

*Answer at least **three** questions.
Each question carries 4 weightage.
All questions can be attended.
Overall Ceiling 12.*

II. Each answer not exceed 250 words:

- 8 Define bioreactor. Give an account on different types of bioreactors used in plant cell culture.
- 9 Prepare a flow chart showing step by step procedure in anther culture
- 10 Illustrate enzymatic method of DNA sequencing.

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- 11 Outline the creation of transgenic animals. Add a note on ethics of cloning.
- 12 What are terminator and traitor technologies ?
- 13 Give an account on free software foundation and their major contributions.
- 14 What are secondary databases ? Elaborate on different types of secondary databases.

(3 × 4 = 12 weightage)

Section C

*Answer at least two questions.
 Each question carries 6 weightage.
 All questions can be attended.
 Overall Ceiling 12.*

III. Each answer not to exceed 500 words :

- 15 Give an elaborate account on applications of plant tissue culture.
- 16 Discuss steps involved in gene cloning.
- 17 Describe major achievements of genetic engineering by citing suitable examples you have been studied.
- 18 What are nucleic acid databases ? Discuss features of different nucleic acid databases

(2 × 6 = 12 weightage)