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5th Semester Examination BOTANY (Honours)

Paper: DSE 2-T

[CBCS]

Full Marks: 40

Time: Two Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

[Plant Breeding]

Group - A

Answer any *five* of the following questions: $2 \times 5 = 10$

- 1. Comment on the utilities of plant breeding.
- 2. Define euploidy and aneuploidy.
- 3. How can distant hybridization contribute?
- 4. What steps are taken for the acclimatization of crop?
- 5. Explain a three-way cross.

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- 6. State the principles of two methods of cross pollinating plants.
 - Name some methods of vegetative propagation and mention the unique advantange of such propagation.
 - 8. How is the expression of quantitative characters controlled?

Group - B

Answer any *four* of the following questions: $5\times4=20$

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- 9. Write short note on:
 - (a) Centres of origin of crops
 - (b) Domestication of crop plants
- 10. How can genetic homozygosity be achieved in self pollinating species through breeding?
- 11. Briefly describe the role of biotechnology in crop improvements.
- 12. How does broad sense heritability differ from narrow sense heritability?
- 13. Write on the genetic basis of inbreeding depression. 5
- 14. What is backcross? How does it contribute to the plant breeding?

Group - C

Answer any *one* of the following questions: $10 \times 1 = 10$

- 15. Explain the skin colour inheritance of human beings. Write the role of mutations in crop improvement. 5+5
- Define heterosis. How is transgressive inheritance related to it? Mention the hypotheses used for the explaining cause of heterssis.

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OR

[Stress Biology]

Group - A

Answer any *five* of the following questions: $2 \times 5 = 10$

- 1. Define halophyte. Cite one example.
- 2. What is phospholipid signaling?
- 3. What is osmotic adjustment?
- 4. How changes happen in root-shoot ratio of plants during environmental stress?
- 5. Mention the differences between abiotic and biotic stresses.
- 6. What is cross-protection?
- 7. What are PR-proteins?
- 8. What is hypersensitive reaction?

Group - B

Answer any four of the following questions:

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- 9. Write a brief note on processes of salt resistance and cold resistance of higher plants. 2½+2½
- 10. Write a short note on jasmonates.

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- 11. Discuss the calcium modulation on stress sensing mechanisms in platns.
- What is reactive oxygen species? Write its scavenging mechanism.
- 13. Write different symtoms of salt stress.
- 14. Write down the arenchyma development mechanism in response to hypoxia.

Group - C

Answer any *one* of the following questions: $10 \times 1 = 10$

- 15. What is pathogenesis? Write down the role of different proteins related to pathogenesis. 2+8
- 16. Define ROS. Discuss ROS scavenging pathways to protect cells from oxidative stress. 2+8

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