

**LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034**



**M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION – BIOTECHNOLOGY**

**THIRD SEMESTER – APRIL 2023**

**PBT 3502 – PLANT BIOTECHNOLOGY**

Date: 04-05-2023

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 09:00 AM - 12:00 NOON

**PART A**

**Answer ALL the questions**

**I Choose the correct answer** (5 x 1 = 5)

- 1 The process of preservation of plant germplasm at ultralow temperature  
a) Cryotherapy      b) Cryopreservation      c) Cryotreatment      d) Cryopsy
- 2 Which one of the following is a visual marker?  
a) GUS      b) nptII      c) hpt      d) bar
- 3 The gene for golden rice was isolated from  
a) *Psidium*      b) *Bacillus*      c) *Erwinia*      d) *Agrobacterium*
- 4 Find out the one which is not a secondary metabolite?  
a) Vincristine      b) Vinblastine      c) Phytoalexins      d) Virus
- 5 *Ex-situ* conservation includes  
a) Sacred grove      b) Seed banking      c) Gene sanctuary      d) Hot spots

**II State whether the following are true or false.** (5 x 1 = 5)

- 6 The UV range which kills microbes in PTC is from 240-260 nm.
- 7 Selectable marker protects the plant from a selective agent which would kill the plant.
- 8 Consumption of yellow rice can reduce vitamin A deficiency.
- 9 Terpenoids are plant secondary metabolites.
- 10 Patent is an intellectual property right to use or sell an invention for a limited period.

**III Complete the following** (5 x 1 = 5)

- 11 Virus free plants can be obtained by \_\_\_\_\_ culture.
- 12 \_\_\_\_\_ gene is used to determine if foreign DNA is inserted into the host organism.
- 13 Herbicide tolerance is an example of \_\_\_\_\_ stress
- 14 \_\_\_\_\_ is done for introducing novel genes in plants by genetic engineering.
- 15 \_\_\_\_\_ are legal documents which give the owner exclusive rights to market a product.

**IV Answer the following within 50 words** (5 x 1 = 5)

- 16 Mention the composition of macerozyme used in protoplast isolation.
- 17 What are allozymes?
- 18 Define plantibodies.
- 19 Mention two methods for the separation of phytochemical.
- 20 What is patenting of genes?

**PART B**

**Answer the following each within 500 words.**

**(5 x 8 = 40 marks)**

**Draw diagrams wherever necessary**

- 21 a) Discuss the requirements in setting up a PTC laboratory.  
OR  
b) Distinguish between organogenesis and somatic embryogenesis
- 22 a) Describe the *in vitro* breeding tools used in crop improvement  
OR  
b) Enumerate the RNAi applications in plant biotechnology

- 23 a) Explain bacterial resistance genes in genetic engineering  
OR  
b) Describe the *Agrobacterium* method of gene transfer in crop plants
- 24 a) Discuss about two abiotic stresses in plants  
OR  
b) Give an account on thin layer chromatography technique in separation of phytochemicals
- 25 a) Give a short note on the protection of plant varieties and Farmers Right Act  
OR  
b) Explain the importance of cartgena protocol in food safety

**PART C**

**Answer any TWO of the following, each within 1500 words. (2 x 20 = 40 Marks)**

**Draw diagrams wherever necessary.**

- 26 With the help of illustration explain the biosynthesis of auxins
- 27 Give an account on RAPD markers and applications
- 28 Explain the production of genetically modified tomato plants
- 29 Discuss in detail IPR and different regulation involved in it .

#####