## LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI - 600034

M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION - BIOTECHNOLOGY

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Max. : 100 Marks

| SECTION A |  |  |  |
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| Answer ALL the questions |  |  |  |
| 1 | Choose the best option (5x1 | ( $5 \times 1=5$ ) |  |
| a) | The photoreceptor regulating phototropism in higher plants is called <br> a) phytochrome <br> b) blue/UV-A photoreceptor <br> c) cytochrome <br> d) UV-B photoreceptor | K1 | CO1 |
| b) | Higher concentration of nitrate in surface water can stimulate the rapid growth of <br> a) algae <br> b) bacteria <br> c)fungi <br> d) virus | K1 | CO1 |
| c) | Fluorescence In Situ Hybridization techniques are used for the detection of <br> a) DNA \& RNA sequences <br> b) prions <br> c) virions <br> d) Fungi | K1 | CO1 |
| d) | Multidrug-resistant tuberculosis (MDR-TB) are resistant to at least <br> a) isoniazid. <br> b) isoniazid and rifampicin. <br> c) isoniazid, rifampicin, and any fluoroquinolone. <br> d) isoniazid, rifampicin, any fluoroquinolone, and one second- line drug. | K1 | CO1 |
| e) | What is the use of mass spectroscopy? <br> a) Determination of molecule weight <br> b) Elucidating the chemical structures of molecules <br> c) A and B <br> d) None of the above | K1 | CO1 |
| 2 | Answer in one or two sentences (5x1 | ( $5 \times 1=5$ ) |  |
| a) | Summarize bio fungicides with examples | K2 | CO1 |
| b) | What is benthos and where are they found? | K2 | CO1 |
| c) | List the characteristics of psychrophiles. | K2 | CO1 |
| d) | Classify $\beta$ lactamases and ESBL genes. | K2 | CO1 |
| e) | What are secondary metabolites? | K2 | CO1 |
| SECTION B |  |  |  |
|  | Answer any THREE of the following in 500 words ( $\mathbf{~ x}$ | ( $\mathbf{3} \times 10=30)$ |  |
| 3 | Discuss nutrient cycles as biogeochemical cycles. | K3 | CO2 |
| 4 | Illustrate the importance of bioassays for evaluating water quality. | K3 | CO 2 |
| 5 | Explain the method to analyse single cells or particles as they flow past single or multiple lasers while suspended in a buffered salt-based solution. | K3 | CO 2 |
| 6 | Explain the action of antiviral and antiprotozoan drugs. | K3 | CO2 |
| 7 | Analyse the importance of probiotics on growth and development using Zebra fish model. | K3 | CO 2 |

Answer any TWO of the following in 500 words

| 8 | Compare Nitrogen fixing bacteria and synthetic bacteria in improving soil fertility. | K4 | CO3 |
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| 9 | Demonstrate intercellular communication in biofilm cells. | K4 | CO3 |
| 10 | Categorise and explain the types of insitu bioremediation. | K4 | CO3 |
| 11 | Assess the utilisation of LAMP to detect food allergens. | K4 | CO3 |

## SECTION D

Answer any ONE of the following in 1000 words ( $1 \times 15=15$ )

| 12 | a) Summarize biological cycling components of sulphur and potassium. <br> b) Write a note on biopesticides and their advantages. | K 5 | CO 4 |
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| 13 | Discuss the methods that could be adapted if a liquid medium is provided for air <br> sampling. | K 5 | CO 4 |

Answer any ONE of the following in $\mathbf{1 0 0 0}$ words ( $1 \times 20=20$ )
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Elaborate on the methods to understand the microbial diversity in a given environment using a culture - independent molecular methods.
15 Compile the mechanisms of antibiotic resistance.

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