



# LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

**B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION – PLANT BIOLOGY AND PLANT BIOTECHNOLOGY**

**FIFTH SEMESTER – APRIL 2024**

**UPB 5501 – PLANT PHYSIOLOGY**

Date: 02-04-2024

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 09:00 AM - 12:00 NOON

## Section A

**Answer the following, each within 50 words**

**(10 x 2 = 20 marks)**

1. Define osmosis.
2. Distinguish between transpiration and guttation.
3. What is soilless culture technique?
4. Comment on Donnan Equilibrium.
5. Mention the  $\text{CO}_2$  acceptor in  $\text{C}_3$  and  $\text{C}_4$  plants.
6. What is Kranz anatomy?
7. Define oxidative phosphorylation.
8. Mention the importance of Nitrogenase.
9. Define photoperiodism.
10. Mention any one natural and synthetic auxin and cytokinin.

## Section B

**Answer ANY 4, each within 500 words. Draw diagrams and flowcharts wherever necessary.**

**(4 x 10 = 40 marks)**

11. Write in detail about active and passive absorption of water by plants.
12. Critically comment on vital and transpiration cohesion adhesion theory.
13. Explain the types of hydroponics. Add a note on its merits and demerits.
14. Comment on Munch mass flow hypothesis.
15. Write in detail about light reaction.
16. Give a brief account on steps involved in glycolysis. Add a note on its energy budget.
17. Explain the factors responsible for seed dormancy. Add a note on methods to break dormancy.
18. Write short notes on mechanism involved in photoperiodism.

## Section C

**Answer ANY 2 of the following, each within 1200 words. Draw diagrams and flowcharts wherever necessary.**

**(2 x 20 = 40 marks)**

19. Explain the theories involved in opening and closing of stomata.
20. Enlist the importance of any five macronutrients in plants. Add a note on symptoms caused due to its deficiency.
21. Compare the dark reaction in  $\text{C}_3$  and  $\text{C}_4$  plants.
22. Explain the physiological effect of auxin, cytokinin and gibberalin.

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