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M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION – BIOTECHNOLOGY



THIRD SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2024

PBT3MC01 – PLANT BIOTECHNOLOGY

Date: 07-11-2024

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 01:00 pm-04:00 pm

SECTION A – K1 (CO1)

Answer ALL the questions (5 x 1 = 5)

1 Choose the best option

- a)** The ability of every single plant cell to develop into whole plant.
i) Cryopsy ii) Cryopreservation iii) Totipotency iv) Parthenocarpy
- b)** Fusion products with the nucleus of one parent and extra-nuclear genome of the other parent cell.
i) Cybrid ii) Hybrid iii) Protoplast iv) Peroxisome
- c)** Select the widely used technique which involve the targeted removal or inactivation of a specific gene within an organism's genome.
i) Gene knock-in ii) Gene knock-out iii) TALEN iv) CRISPR
- d)** Red pigment that belongs to a group of chemicals called carotenoids.
i) Acetosyringone ii) Astaxanthin iii) Solanine iv) Sesquiterpene
- e)** Which committee plays a role in regulating genetically modified foods?
i) GEAC ii) USDA iii) ICAR iv) ICMR

SECTION A – K2 (CO1)

Answer ALL the questions (5 x 1 = 5)

2 Answer in one or two sentences

- a)** Draw the chemical structure of 2,4-D.
- b)** Mention the advantages of syn seeds.
- c)** Define transgenic plant.
- d)** What are carotenoids?
- e)** Give the expansion for GEAC.

SECTION B – K3 (CO2)

Answer any THREE of the following (3 x 10 = 30)

- 3** Discuss the role of growth hormones in plant tissue culture.
- 4** Briefly explain the importance of RFLP markers.
- 5** Describe the sonication assisted transformation technique.
- 6** Illustrate the shikimic acid pathway in plants.
- 7** Write a short note on intellectual property rights.

SECTION C – K4 (CO3)

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| | Answer any TWO of the following | (2 x 12.5 = 25) |
| 8 | Compare and contrast organogenesis and somatic embryogenesis with the help of an illustration. | |
| 9 | Give an account on RAPD technique and its applications. | |
| 10 | Briefly explain the nutraceutical values of algae. | |
| 11 | Summarize your ideas about ethical issues in genetically modified foods. | |

SECTION D – K5 (CO4)

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| | Answer any ONE of the following | (1 x 15 = 15) |
| 12 | Justify the statement that virus resistant plants are produced through plant tissue culture. | |
| 13 | Summarize on the progress of transcriptomics studies on plants. | |

SECTION E – K6 (CO5)

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| | Answer any ONE of the following | (1 x 20 = 20) |
| 14 | Elaborate on the mevalonic acid pathway in production of phytochemical compounds. | |
| 15 | Discuss the importance of Nagoya protocol on biosafety and add a note on biosafety regulatory agencies. | |

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