## LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI - 600 034

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

FIFTH SEMESTER - NOVEMBER 2016

#### PB 5412 - AGRICULTURE & HORTICULTURE

Date: 09-11-2016	Dept. No.	Max.: 100 Marks
Time: 09:00-12:00	l	

Part-A

 $(10 \times 2 = 20 \text{ Marks})$ 

### Answer the following, each within 50 words.

- 1. Define Agronomy.
- 2. Distinguish between intercropping and crop rotation.
- 3. What is intercultivation?
- 4. Define organic farming.
- 5. How drip irrigation is useful in mango cultivation.?
- 6. Define botanical pesticide.
- 7. Mention any four botanical gardens in India.
- 8. Write the importance of nursery bed.
- 9. Define topiary.
- 10. What is a roof garden?

**PART-B** 

 $(5 \times 7 = 35 \text{ Marks})$ 

## Answer the following, each within 500 words only. Draw diagrams and flowcharts wherever necessary.

11. a) Briefly comment on the current status of agriculture in India.

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- b). Explain how a green revolution improved our agriculture production.
- 12. a) Write notes on alluvial soil and black soil.

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- b) Describe the methodology for agricultural soil collection and testing.
- 13. a) Describe the agronomic practices followed in groundnut cultivation.

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- b) What is a pest? Explain the general methods to control pest in crops.
- 14. a) Give an account of garden implements along with their uses.

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- b) What is Bonsai? Explain the methods in making and maintaining Bonsai plants.
- 15. a) Write notes on any 4 important garden operations.

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b) Explain the cultural practices associated with rose cultivation and its importance.

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(3 x15 = 45 marks)

Answer any three of the following, each within 1200 words only. Draw diagrams and flowcharts wherever necessary.

- 16. Write an essay on organic farming.
- 17. Give a general account on water resources and types of irrigation.
- 18. Explain the agronomic steps followed in Banana cultivation.
- 19. Explain in detail the various methods of layering and grafting.
- 20. Give a detailed account of the garden and its components.

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