

Time: 180 Minutes

Maximum Marks: 50

(i) Answer all the questions.

(ii) Draw neat sketches wherever necessary.

Q. No.		Questions	Marks
1	a)	In the context of lipid bilayers, the amphipathic nature of phospholipids: a) Allows for the formation of a semi-permeable membrane b) Prevents water from entering the cell c) Creates strong covalent bonds between adjacent cells d) Enables easy protein synthesis across the membrane	1
	b)	Determine the function of hydrophobic interactions in proteins' tertiary structures. a) They form ionic bonds between charged side chains. b) They help the protein fold into a compact structure by excluding water. c) They form hydrogen bonds between polar side chains. d) They stabilize the primary structure.	1
	c)	Name the organelle primarily responsible for the production of ATP in eukaryotic cells a) Nucleus b) Mitochondrion c) Golgi apparatus d) Endoplasmic reticulum	1
	d)	In cellular communication, signal transduction pathways are essential for: a) Directly synthesizing proteins b) Relaying signals from the cell membrane to the nucleus c) Transporting molecules across the cell membrane d) Degrading proteins	1
	e)	In neuronal communication, neurotransmitters are released from one neuron and bind to receptors on the next neuron. This type of communication is an example of: a) Direct cell-to-cell contact b) Endocrine signaling c) Synaptic signaling d) Paracrine signaling	1
2	a)	Identify the cause for stroke. a) Blood flow to heart is blocked b) Blood flow to the brain is blocked c) Blood flow to the lungs is blocked d) Irregular heartbeat	1
	b)	Predict the roundness nature of lens during the visualization of distant objects. a) Less convex b) More convex	1

		c) More sphericity d) Less sphericity	
	c)	P wave in ECG graph corresponds to a) Depolarization of the atria b) Depolarization of the ventricles c) Represents the repolarization of the ventricles d) Depolarization of the atria and ventricles	1
	d)	Indicate the correct target of National Policy on Biofuels 2018 a) Achieving 30% blending of ethanol in petrol by the year 2030 b) Achieving 20% blending of ethanol in petrol by the year 2030 c) Achieving 30% blending of biodiesel in petrol by the year 2030 d) Achieving 20% blending of biodiesel in diesel by the year 2030	1
	e)	Identify the major part of <i>Jatropha curcas</i> plants which acts as major source of raw materials for biodiesel production a) Root b) Stem c) Flower d) Seeds	1
3	a)	Illustrate the working principle of Brain-Computer Interfaces in brief.	2
	b)	Distinguish pulmonary circulation and systemic circulation.	2
	c)	MRI scanning is safer than CT scanning. Justify this statement.	2
	d)	Explain the vision physiology process for a distant object	2
	e)	'The contractions of muscles in lungs affect breathing'. Justify the statement.	2
4	a)	Name any two genetically modified food crops and list out the key benefit associated with their genetic modification.	2
	b)	Describe any two mechanisms of antibiotic resistance by suitable example.	2
	c)	List out the four characteristics of a biosensor.	2
	d)	Classify secondary biofuels based on their feedstock source for production.	2
	e)	Outline the 5Rs of precision farming.	2
5		Each pair of alleles segregates independently during gamete formation. Justify this statement by doing a dihybrid cross between yellow-round seeds and green-wrinkled seeds.	5
6		Explain the theory of evolution by natural selection as proposed by Charles Darwin.	5
7		Illustrate the structure, physiology and anatomy of heart tissues using a neat diagram.	5
8		Differentiate between communicable and non-communicable diseases with suitable example.	5