

## **UNEB GUIDE PAPER II-2023.**

**AVP- alternative valid point.**

**(Semicolon);-marking point.**

**/ (oblique stroke)-separates alternative within the mark point.**

1.a(i) **Initially or (at 8°C),** rate of photosynthesis was zero;

From **8°C to 30°C,** rate of photosynthesis increased

**rapidly/steeply/dramatically/sharply;**

From **30°C to 40°C,** rate of photosynthesis increased gradually to peak or maximum;

From **40°C to 48°C,** rate of photosynthesis decreased rapidly;

From **48°C to 58°C,** rate of photosynthesis decreased gradually to zero;

(ii) From **13°C to 45°C,** rate of respiration increased gradually to peak; because respiratory enzymes work **slowly/less sensitive** to temperature; so that the rate of respiration does not exceed rate of photosynthesis; to avoid all photosynthetic products from being metabolized/respired/used up in respiration for the net gain in biomass to occur;

**AVP-** low metabolic rate of plants hence don't require much energy.

**AVP-**Respiration depends on carbohydrates which are products of photosynthesis; so increase in photosynthesis increases amounts carbohydrates produced increasing the rate of respiration;

Beyond **45°C,** rate of respiration decreased to zero because temperature exceeded the optimum causing denaturation of respiratory enzymes;

(iii) From (just after) **40°C to 45°C,** rate of respiration increased gradually while rate of photosynthesis decreased rapidly; because photosynthetic enzymes have lower optimum temperature than respiratory enzymes; so photosynthetic enzymes denature before respiratory enzymes;

Rate of respiration decreased less rapidly while photosynthetic rate decreased more rapidly after the peak; because

photosynthetic enzymes are more sensitive to temperature compared to respiratory enzymes; so photosynthetic enzymes are easily denatured than respiratory enzymes;

From **58°C to (just before) 70°C**, rate of respiration decreased gradually while rate of photosynthesis was zero; because the remaining few respiratory enzymes are denatured while all photosynthetic denatured;

(iv) With increasing temperature, both the rate of photosynthesis and respiration increase to peak; (maximum) because of increased activation of enzymes; Further increase in temperature, (At high temperatures) both the rate of photosynthesis and respiration decrease to zero; because of denaturation of enzymes;

**At 46.5°C**, rate of photosynthesis and rate of respiration were equal/same/equivalent because of the attainment of the **compensation point**;

With increasing temperature, the rate of photosynthesis increased rapidly while rate of respiration increased gradually **(to their peak)** because photosynthetic enzymes are more sensitive to temperature; to carry out photosynthesis at very low temperature producing sugars (glucose) which is respired for survival of plant;

**Accept any other phrasing that makes sense.**

b) Similarities

(In both)

- Amount of carbondioxide absorbed increased;
- Amount of carbondioxide absorbed attained the maximum or peak;
- Amount of carbondioxide absorbed was equal or same or equivalent at **30°C**;
- Amount of carbondioxide absorbed decreased after the peak;
- Amount of carbondioxide absorbed start at the same temperature;

Differences

**Below 30°C, amount of carbondioxide absorbed by Plant A was higher while that of Plant B was lower;**

**Above or Beyond 30°C, amount of carbondioxide absorbed by Plant B was higher while that of Plant A was lower;**

**Amount of Carbondioxide absorbed by Plant A attains a peak (maximum) at lower temperature while amount of Carbondioxide absorbed by Plant B attains peak at a higher temperature;**

**Amount of Carbondioxide absorbed by Plant B attains a higher peak (maximum) while that of Plant A attains a lower Peak;**

**Amount of Carbondioxide absorbed by Plant A attains a minimum value while that of plant B doesn't;**

**Initially (at 10°C) amount of carbondioxide absorbed by Plant A was higher while that of plant B was lower;**

**Between 30°C and 40°C, amount of carbondioxide absorbed by Plant A decreased while that of plant B increased;**

**Beyond 40°C, amount of carbondioxide absorbed by plant A decreased rapidly while that absorbed by plant B decreased gradually;**

**c) Plant B- C4 plant; because enzymes have higher optimum temperature; photosynthetically more efficient than plant B/absorbed more carbondioxide;**

**Plant A- C3 plant; because photosynthetic enzymes have lower optimum temperature; lower photosynthetic efficiency/absorbed less carbondioxide;**

**d) Light intensity; more photons of light increases amount of ATP and reduced NADP increasing photosynthesis; too much light bleaches chlorophyll/photo-oxidation of chlorophyll; less amount of light lowers photosynthesis due to reduced ATP and reduced NADP;**

**Water; low water amount causes flaccidity of cells closing stomata preventing entry of Carbondioxide and decreasing photosynthesis; suitable amount of water makes leaves turgid and stomata open to take up carbondioxide;**

**AVP-** Chlorophyll concentration, Herbicides eg DCMU, oxygen concentration, Pollutants eg soot.

e) Carbondioxide from the atmosphere is used to form malate in the Mesophyll cells; Malate is shunted (actively transported) through plasmodesmata into bundle sheath cells where it produces carbondioxide, pyruvate and hydrogen atoms which reduce the oxidized NADP in bundle sheath cell;

Carbondioxide acceptor is RuBP (ribulose biphosphate); RUBP combines or reacts with CO<sub>2</sub> to form six carbon unstable compound catalyzed by RuBP carboxylase; six carbon unstable compound breaks down into two molecules of GP (Glycerate-3-phosphate); ATP is used to phosphorylate the two molecules of GP to form two molecules of glycerate biphosphate;

NADPH<sub>2</sub> reduces the two molecules of glycerate biphosphate; to glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate (GALP)

Some GALP is used to form organic molecules like carbohydrates, proteins and lipids;