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Instructions for Candidates

- 1. Write your Roll No. on the top immediately on receipt of this question paper.
- 2. There are 6 questions.
- 3. Attempt any 4 questions.
- 4. All questions carry equal marks. Question No. 1 is compulsory.
- (a) Briefly explain the function of following proteins/ terms:
 - (i) Abortive transcription
 - (ii) CAP

- (iii) RNA Pol III
- (iv) EF-Tu
- (v) RISC
- (vi) Polycistronic mRNA
- (vii) Enhancers
- (viii) Insulators
 - (ix) Mediator complex
 - (x) Release factors
- (b) Briefly explain the following statements:
 - (i) RNA polymerase core enzyme is catalytically active but non-specific.
 - (ii) Transcriptional regulation in eukaryotes is primarily positive. (10,5)
- 2. Differentiate between the following (any 5):
 - (a) Group I and Group II introns
 - (b) Rho dependent and independent transcription termination.

- (c) RNA Pol I and RNA Pol II
- (d) Transcription and Replication
- (e) siRNA and miRNA
- (f) Lac Repressor and Trp Repressor (15)
- 3. (a) What are the different consensus sequences in the promoter region of prokaryotes and eukaryotes? Explain with the help of a diagram.
 - (b) You are provided with two proteins (X and Y), one of which can potentially bind onto the promoter sequence of gene Z and help RNA polymerase in regulating gene expression. Describe a technique with which you can confirm which one out of X and Y does bind to the promoter sequence.
 - (c) Briefly explain how mRNA ends are processed with the help of a diagram. (5,4,6)
- 4. (a) Diagrammatically explain how one eukaryotic gene can give rise to two functional proteins.
 - (b) Explain the phenomena of attenuation with the example of the Trp operon in bacteria.

- (c) Discuss the importance of GTP in the translation process. Explain how tRNA synthetases play the most crucial roles in determining the fidelity of translation. (4,6,5)
- 5. (a) Discuss the salient features of the Genetic code.
 - (b) Explain four mechanisms by which eukaryotic repressors repress transcription.
 - (c) Write the mechanism of action of the following:
 - (i) Rifampicin
 - (ii) α- Amanitin
 - (iii) Puromycin
 - (iv) Actinomycin D (5,6,4)
- 6. Write short notes on the following:
 - (a) DNA binding domains
 - (b) Spliceosome
 - (c) Sigma Factor
 - (d) Regulation of Gal genes in Yeast
 - (e) Histone modifications (15)