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First Semester M.Sc. Degree Examination, May 2022 Botany

BO 212 : BRYOPHYTA, PTERIDOPHYTA AND GYMNOSPERMS

(2019 Admission Onwards)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 75

- I. Write short notes on the following questions.
- 1. Peat moss
- 2. Heterospory
- 3. Pycnoxylic wood
- 4. Amphigastria
- 5. Paleobotany
- 6. Seed-fern
- 7. Sporocarp
- 8. Perichaetium
- 9. Index fossil
- 10. Mesarch.xylem

 $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ Marks})$

- II. Answer the following questions in not more than **50** words.
- 11. (a) Give the diagnostic features of Jungermanniales.

OR

- (b) What are elaters? Explain their function.
- 12. (a) Explain the merits of telome theory.

OR

- (b) Comment on the harmful effects of Salvinia.
- 13. (a) Give the salient features of Bennettitales.

OR

- (b) Comment on the Angiosperm characters of Gnetopsida.
- 14. (a) What is polyembryony? Mention its types.

OR

- (b) Explain Geological time scale.
- 15. (a) Distinguish between bract scale and ovuliferous scale.

OR

(b) Comment on Radiocarbon dating.

 $(5 \times 2 = 10 \text{ Marks})$

- III. Answer the following questions in not more than **150** words.
- 16. (a) Explain the vegetative methods of reproduction in Bryophytes.

OR

(b) Comment on the range of thallus organization in Bryophytes.

17. (a) Explain the spore producing structures in Pteropsida.

OR

- (b) Describe the external morphology of Azolla.
- 18. (a) What is Fossilization? Mention different types of Fossils.

OR

- (b) Write a brief account on *Zygopteris*.
- 19. (a) Comment on the major contributions of Sit Kashyap.

OR

- (b) Write a brief account on the features of thallus and sporogonium in *Targionia*.
- 20. (a) Comment on the major similarities and differences of Pteridophytes with Bryophytes.

OR

- (b) Describe the external morphology of Ophioglossum.
- 21. (a) Explain the salient features of Pentoxylales.

OR

- (b) Comment on woody gymnosperms.
- 22. (a) Describe the structure of Lepidocarpon. Draw labelled diagram.

OR

(b) Explain the uses of Fossil.

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

IV. Answer the following questions in not more than 250 wo	IV.	250 words.
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23.	(a)	Give an account on the	e economic importance of Bryop	hytes.
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OR

- (b) Describe the thallus structure and reproduction in Adiantum.
- 24. (a) Write the classification of Gymnosperms by KR. Sporne and add a note on the diagnostic features of major classes.

OR

(b) Give an elaborate account of the structure and reproduction in Rhynia.

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