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**Faculty of Agriculture**  
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**AG3CO17 Fundamentals of Plant Breeding**  
Programme: B.Sc. (Hons.) Branch/Specialisation: Agriculture

**Duration: 3 Hrs.**

**Maximum Marks: 50**

Note: All questions are compulsory. Internal choices, if any, are indicated. Answers of Q.1 (MCQs) should be written in full instead of only a, b, c or d. Assume suitable data if necessary. Notations and symbols have their usual meaning.

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viii.	Mating between closely related individuals is called-	<b>1</b> 1    1    3	ii. Define Hardy Weinberg law. Also write the factors affecting gene frequencies with suitable examples.
(a)	Intersex		OR   iii. Explain biotic and abiotic resistance in detail.
(b)	Inbreeding		<b>6</b> 2    1    4
(c)	Para-sexuality		
(d)	Bisexuality		
ix.	Alpha, beta and Gamma rays are called –	<b>1</b> 1    1    4	Q.6   Attempt any two-
(a)	Physical Mutagens		i. Write a note on plant breeders rights.
(b)	Chemical mutagens		ii. Explain farmers rights.
(c)	Polyploid		iii. Define briefly intellectual property rights.
(d)	Diploid		*****
x.	Basic requirements for protection of a variety under PBR-	<b>1</b> 1    1    5	
(a)	Distinctiveness	(b) Uniformity	
(c)	Stability	(d) All of these	
Q.2	i. What is primary centre of origin?	<b>2</b> 1    1    1	
ii.	Explain in brief domestication, acclimatization and plant introduction.	<b>6</b> 2    1    1	
OR	iii. Write major objectives of plant breeding.	<b>6</b> 1    1    1	
Q.3	Attempt any two-		
i.	Explain mechanism that promote self pollination.	<b>4</b> 2    1    2	
ii.	What is male sterility? Explain different types of male sterility.	<b>4</b> 2    1    2	
iii.	What is apomixes? Write its types with examples.	<b>4</b> 2    1    2	
Q.4	i. Write the breeding methods utilised in self pollinated crops.	<b>2</b> 1    1    3	
ii.	Explain recurrent selection in respect to recurrent selection for GCA, SCA and reciprocal recurrent selection.	<b>6</b> 2    1    3	
OR	iii. Describe heterosis and inbreeding depression in detail.	<b>6</b> 2    1    3	
Q.5	i. What is heritability? Write its types.	<b>2</b> 1    1    4	

**Marking Scheme**  
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Q.1	i) (c). N.I. Vavilov ii) (a). Protein iii) (d). All of these iv) (a). Cleistogamy v) (c). 30 vi) (b). M.S. Swaminathan vii) (a). F <sub>2</sub> generation viii) (b). Inbreeding ix) (a). Physical Mutagens x) (d). All of these	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
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Q.2	i. What is Primary centre of origin? Definition – 1 mark Features – 1 mark ii. Explain in brief Domestication, Acclimatization and Plant introduction. Domestication – 2 marks Acclimatization – 2 marks Plant introduction – 2 marks	2 6
OR	iii. Write major objectives of Plant Breeding. (1 mark for each objective)	6

Q.3	i. Explain Mechanism that promote self pollination. Self pollination – meaning (1 mark) Mechanisms promoting self pollination (3 mark)	4
	ii. What is male sterility? Explain different types of male sterility. Definition of male sterility (1 mark) Types of male sterility with its detailing (1 mark each)	4

OR	iii. What is Apomixes? Write its types with examples. Apomixes (1 mark) Types of Apomixes with example (1 mark each)	4
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Q.4	i. Write the breeding methods utilised in self pollinated crops. (0.5 marks for each breeding method) ii. Explain recurrent selection in respect to recurrent selection for GCA, SCA and reciprocal recurrent selection. Recurrent selection for GCA (2 marks) Recurrent selection for SCA (2 marks) Reciprocal recurrent selection (2 marks)	2 6
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OR	iii. Describe Heterosis and inbreeding depression in detail. Definition of heterosis – 1 mark Types of heterosis with example (1 mark each) (1+1+1)	6
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Q.5	i. What is heritability? Write its types. Definition of heritability (1 mark) Types of heritability (0.5 + 0.5 marks)	2
	ii. Define Hardy Weinberg law. Also write the factors affecting gene frequencies with suitable examples. Definition of hardy Weinberg law (1 mark) Mathematical formula (1 mark)	6
	OR      iii. Explain Biotic and abiotic resistance in detail. Biotic resistance (3 marks) Abiotic resistance (3 marks)	6

Q.6	i. Write a note on Plant Breeders rights. Meaning of Plant Breeders rights (1 mark) Plant Breeders rights (1 mark for each breeders right)	4
	ii. Explain Farmers rights. Meaning of Farmers rights (1 mark) Farmers rights (1 mark for each Farmers right)	4
	OR      iii. Define briefly Intellectual property rights. Definition of IPR. (1 mark) A note on intellectual property rights (3 marks)	4