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B.Sc. in Applied Sciences

Third Year Semester II Examination – January / February 2023

CHE 3204 – FOOD CHEMISTRY

Time: 02 hours

Answer any four (04) questions

01. (a) Describe the three forms of water present in foods and their effect on reactions in foods. (20 marks)
- (b) Briefly explain why water exhibits unique properties with compared to other small molecules. (20 marks)
- (c) Explain an experimental method to determine the monolayer moisture content of a food. (20 marks)
- (d) Describe how the moisture content of food influences their stability/shelf life using the moisture sorption isotherm and related reactions. (40 marks)
02. (a) What are the desirable effects of denaturation on functional properties of proteins? (20 marks)
- (b) Explain the factors affecting the denaturation of protein. (25 marks)
- (c) Describe the properties and importance of food enzymes. (25 marks)
- (d) Giving suitable examples, elaborate the functional properties of protein in different food products. (30 marks)
03. (a) Briefly explain how the fatty acid composition of lipids affect the quality of dietary lipids. (20 marks)
- (b) Describe the functional role of fat in different foods using suitable examples. (20 marks)
- (c) Explain **five (05)** physical and/or chemical properties of lipids that influence on their functionality. (30 marks)

- (d) "Some of the undesirable physico-chemical changes occur during processing of edible fat due to certain chemical reactions". Comment on the above statement highlighting physico-chemical changes and relevant chemical reactions. (30 marks)

04. (a) Illustrate the formation of a disaccharide using relevant chemical structures. (20 marks)
(b) Explain the chemical reaction responsible for the formation of caramel in and state the physico-chemical changes that resulted in food due to the above reaction. (35 marks)
(c) Explain **five (05)** selected functional properties of carbohydrates and their applications in the food industry. (45 marks)
05. (a) "Food colloids give the texture and mouthfeel to different food products". Comment on the statement giving suitable examples. (25 marks)
(b) Explain how antioxidants could extend the shelf life of oily foods. Use suitable chemical reactions to explain your answer. (25 marks)
(c) Write short notes on **two (02)** of the below-mentioned topics. Note the word limit per topic is 200. (50 marks)
(i) Food preservatives
(ii) Stability of vitamins and minerals
(iii) Food colorants

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