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FOURTH SEMESTER B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2020

(CUCBCSS – UG)

(Regular/Supplementary/Improvement)

CC15U BOT4 CO4 - PLANT PHYSIOLOGY, ECOLOGY & GENETICS

(Complementary Course: Botany)

(2015 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum: 64 Marks

Draw diagrams only when specified.

Part A

Answer *all* questions. Each question carries 1 mark.

- 1. The last seral stage of an ecological succession is _____
- 2. Name the tissue involved in absorption of atmospheric moisture in epiphytes.
- 3. Name the plant organelle described as 'suicide bags'.

4. The plant hormone known to be used for rooting is _____

5. Name the xerophytic plant with succulent, flat and fleshy stem for water storage and photosynthesis.

6. In Dominant Epistasis, the F₂ phenotypic ratio is _____

- 7. Name the intermediary product acting as the connecting link between Glycolysis and Kreb's cycle.
- 8. The term used to denote the condition in which both the members of an allelic pair are identical.
- 9. Name the structure that favours exudation of water in the form of liquid drops.
- 10. Name the physiological process involved in sweetening of jams and salting of fish, pickles etc.

(10 x 1 = 10 Marks)

Part B

Answer any *seven* questions. Each question carries 2 marks.

11. Desribe the structre of chloroplast.

12. Define water potential. What is its significance?

13. Point out the ecological adaptations of Cuscuta.

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- 14. Write short note on abscission.
- 15. Briefly describe vernalisation.
- 16. Write short note on process of succession.
- 17. What is meant by absorption spectra and action spectra?
- 18. Describe the law of independent assortment.
- 19. Write a description on incomplete dominance.
- 20. Briefly describe cyclic photophosphorylation.

(7 x 2 = 14 Marks)

Part C

Answer any *six* questions. Each question carries 4 marks.

- 21. Briefly describe the mechanisms involved in absorption of water.
- 22. Explain the mechanism of stomatal movements.
- 23. Explain the effects of auxins in plant growth and development.
- 24. Briefly explain ecological factors.
- 25. Describe hydrosere.
- 26. Describe Kreb's cycle with a schematic diagram.
- 27. Explain the mechanism of seed dormancy.
- 28. Discuss the mechanism and significance of terminal oxidation and phosphorylation in aerobic respiration.

(6 x 4 = 24 Marks)

Part D

Answer any two questions. Each question carries 8 marks.

- 29. Explain the mechanism of ascent of sap.
- 30. Explain non allelic gene interaction with an example.
- 31. Explain C_4 and C_3 cycles in photosynthesis.

 $(2 \times 8 = 16 \text{ Marks})$
