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SECOND SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2021

(CUCSS-PG)

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CC19P ZO2 C06 - SYSTEMATICS AND EVOLUTION

(Zoology Core)

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 30 Weightage

Part I

Answer any *four* questions.

- 1. Enlist any four applications of Taxonomy.
- 2. In which way the Superspecies is different from the Morphospecies.
- 3. Comment on Empiricism.
- 4. Molecular drive.
- 5. Good gene hypothesis.
- 6. Principle of Priority.
- 7. Founder Principle.

$(4 \times 2 = 8 \text{ Weightage})$

Part II

Answer any *four* questions.

- 8. Describe the major ethics to be followed in taxonomy.
- 9. Comment on merits and demerits of various species concepts in taxonomy.
- 10. Briefly explain various types of Keys in taxonomy.
- 11. Write notes on different kinds of taxonomic characters and their functions.
- 12. Neutral theory of molecular evolution.
- 13. Which are the various stages in primate evolution.
- 14. Explain tempo of evolution.

$(4 \times 3 = 12 \text{ Weightage})$

Part III

Answer any two questions.

- 15. Write an essay on Newer trends in taxonomy with suitable examples.
- 16. Describe different mechanisms of evolution.

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- 17. Which are the major impediments of taxonomy? Add a note on the solutions to overcome those impediments.
- 18. Explain different Taxonomic Characters. How it is related to evolution?

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