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SECOND SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2019

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(Zoology)

CC17P ZO2 C06 - SYSTEMATICS AND EVOLUTION

(2017 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours Maximum: 36 Weightage

- I. Answer *all* questions. Each question carries 1 weightage.
 - 1. Mitochondrial Eve.
 - 2. Enlist any 4 major goals of taxonomy.
 - 3. Define Morphospecies with example.
 - 4. Molecular drive.
 - 5. Nominalistic species concept.
 - 6. Write any 4 major objectives of classification.
 - 7. Geological evidence for evolution.
 - 8. Purpose of scientific collection.
 - 9. Sexy son hypothesis.
 - 10. Synonym.
 - 11. Hardy-Weinberg law.
 - 12. Cladistics.
 - 13. Type method.
 - 14. Homoplasy.

 $(14 \times 1 = 14 \text{ Weightage})$

- II. Answer any *seven* questions. Each question carries 2 weightage.
 - 15. How to overcome the existing impediments in taxonomic research?
 - 16. What are the advantages of molecular systematics over the traditional taxonomy?
 - 17. Which are the major mechanisms of natural selection?
 - 18. Which are the situations in which a taxonomic name is rejected by ICZN?
 - 19. Briefly explain the merits and demerits of different taxonomic keys.
 - 20. Comment on Neutral theory of molecular evolution.
 - 21. Explain major theories of classification.
 - 22. Write down the difficulties in the application of the biological species concept.
 - 23. Explain intra sexual and inter sexual selection with examples.
 - 24. How do we differentiate an Eco-species from a Ceno-species?

 $(7 \times 2 = 14 \text{ Weightage})$

- III. Answer any two questions. Each question carries 4 weightage.
 - 25. Explain the ethics to be followed while publishing a taxonomic paper.
 - 26. Write an essay on the major stages in primate evolution.
 - 27. Comment on taxonomic characters. How is it related to classification and evolution?
 - 28. Briefly explain the Tempo of evolution.

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