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FIRST SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2016

(Regular/Supplementary/Improvement)

(CUCSS-PG) CC15P ZO1 C03 – SYSTEMATICS AND EVOLUTION

(Zoology)

(2015 Admission Onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 36 Weightage

I Short answers (Answer all 14 questions. Each question carries 1 weightage)

- 1. Numerical taxonomy.
- 2. Law of priority.
- 3. Typological classification.
- 4. Synonym.
- 5. Gamma taxonomy.
- 6. Curation.
- 7. Taxonomic characters.
- 8. Homo neanderthalensis.
- 9. Good genes hypothesis.
- 10. Neutral theory of molecular evolution.
- 11. Parsimony analysis.
- 12. Peripatric speciation.
- 13. Founder principle.
- 14. Y Chromosomal Adam.

II. Short essay (Answer any 7 questions (7×2=14 weightage)

- 15. Describe the various Taxonomic characters.
- 16. Write on the role of DNA bar-coding in modern taxonomy.
- 17. Explain Taxonomic impediments.
- 18. What are the different types of taxonomic publication?
- 19. Briefly explain different types in descriptive taxonomy.
- 20. Explain homoplasy.
- 21. Describe the isolating mechanism and its role in speciation.

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- 22. Explain stabilizing selection.
- 23. Explain collapse of Orthogenesis.
- 24. Hardy-Weinbery equilibrium.

III. Long essay (Answer any 2 questions (2×4=8 weightage)

- 25. Explain International Code of Zoological Nomenclature.
- 26. Explain different species concepts
- 27. Wet and dry nosed primates: evolutionary importance.
- 28. Describe co-evolution with suitable example.
