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FIFTH SEMESTER B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION NOVEMBER 2014

(UG-CCSS)

Core Course - Geology

GL 5B 10 - PALAEONTOLOGY

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 30 Weightage

Illustrate your answers with neat sketches wherever necessary.

- I. Objective Type Questions. Answer all twelve questions:
 - 1. A diagnostic plant fossil of Lower Gondwana.
 - 2. An inarticulate brachiopod.
 - 3. The earliest bird.
 - 4. A trace fossil.
 - 5. Era of reptiles.
 - 6. The class to which corals belong.
 - 7. A Sinistral gastropod.
 - 7. Age of spirifer.
 - 8. Linear depression caused by the attachment of the muscles of the mantle to the shell.
 - 9. Centrally spaced tube like feature in nautiloid.
 - 10. Study of fossil spores and pollen.
 - 11. The Era of Modern Life.

 $(12 \times \frac{1}{4} = 3 \text{ weightage})$

- II. Short Answer Type Questions. Answer all nine questions:
 - 13. Siphuncle.

14. Siwalik mammals.

15. Pallial sinus.

16. Diatoms.

17. Arca.

18. Leaked fossil.

19. Peristome.

20. Index fossil.

21. Gangamopteris.

 $(9 \times 1 = 9 \text{ weightage})$

- III. Short Essay Type Questions. Answer any five questions:
 - 22. Life through ages.
 - 23. Ornamentation in Gastropoda.
 - 24. Geologic history of brachiopoda.
 - 25. Devonian fishes.
 - 26. Use of foraminifera in petroleum exploration.
 - 27. Fossilization.
 - 28. Graptolites

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

- IV. Essay Type Questions. Answer any two questions:
 - Draw a neat sketch of the morphological features of a trilobite fossil and describe. Add a no on its geologic distribution.
 - 30. Explain the morphological features of Echinoidea and their distribution.
 - 31. What are suture lines? Add notes on their significance in the study of ammonoids.

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