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THIRD SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, DECEMBER 2014

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Botany

BO 03 CT 09-PLANT PHYSIOLOGY, METABOLISM AND BIOCHEMISTRY

Time: Three Hours Maximum: 36 Weightage

- I. Answer all the fourteen questions very briefly:
 - 1 What is meant by Donnan equilibrium?
 - 2 What are phytochromes? What is its importance?
 - 3 Write a brief account of water oxidising clock.
 - 4 Differentiate between Apoplast and Symplast.
 - 5 What is meant by transamination?
 - 6 What are allosteric enzymes?
 - 7 Write an account of anapleurotic reaction.
 - 8 What is fermentation?
 - 9 Comment on Km value of an enzyme.
 - 10 What are isoenzymes?
 - 11 What are terpenes?
 - 12 Explain the molecular structure of amino acids.
 - 13 Differentiate between Fats and Oils.
 - 14 What is peptide bond? How is it formed?

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

- II. Answer any seven questions. Each question carries 2 weightage:
 - 15 What are antitranspirants? Add a note on its applications.
 - 16 Comment on red drop and enhancement effect. What is the significance of these two?
 - 17 Describe the role of auxins in plants.
 - 18 Give an account of salinity stress. Describe the tolerance mechanisms.
 - 19 Explain briefly nitrogen fixation in leguminous plants.
 - 20 Explain the synthesis of saturated fatty acid.

- 21 Write an account of alkaloids.
- 22 Give an account of PRPP and its significance.
- 23 Describe the primary and secondary structure of proteins.
- 24 Explain the structure of a nucleotide. How different nucleotides are linked together?

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

III. Answer any two questions in 300 words each:

- 25 Explain the mechanism of transport of organic solute.
- 26 Describe C₄ pathway. What are the anatomical peculiarities of C₄ plants?
- 27 Explain Electron Transport system. How does it work and from what sources it derive reducing power for operation?
- 28 Give an account of the classification of carbohydrates. Explain the structure and functions cellulose, starch and glycogen.

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