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M.Sc. (IIIrd Semester) Examination, 2021

BOTANY

(Evolutionary Biology)

Time Allowed : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 70

Minimum Pass Marks : 25

SECTION - A

Note : Attempt any ten questions. Each question carries
one mark. **1×10=10**

Q. 1. Objective type :

Fill in the blanks :

- (i) The theory of evolution by natural selection,
first formulated in Darwin's book is _____.
- (ii) Dudhwa National Park is located in _____.
- (iii) MAB stands for _____.

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(iv) 'Project Tiger' in India was started in the year

_____.

(v) Gene mutation is produced in _____.

Multiple choice :

(vi) Sudden change in structure and activity of

gene is called :

- (a) Variation
- (b) Evolution
- (c) Mutation
- (d) Hybridization

(vii) Gene on one locus influence the gene on

another locus it is called :

- (a) Epistatic
- (b) Complementary
- (c) Duplicating
- (d) None

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(viii) When a character is controlled by two different genes independently or together the effect is called :

- (a) Duplicating genes
- (b) Supplementary gene
- (c) Epistasis
- (d) Complementary gene

(ix) Genes modified the effect of other gene is called :

- (a) Modifier
- (b) Supporter
- (c) Suppressor
- (d) Multiplier

(x) Who proposed mutation theory :

- (a) Hugo de Vries
- (b) Darwin

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(c) Weismann

(d) Dodson

(xi) When mutation is from wild type to new type it is called :

- (a) Forward mutation
- (b) Backward mutation
- (c) Point mutation

(xii) Point mutation results in :

- (a) Free martin
- (b) Intersex
- (c) Sickle cell anemia

SECTION - B

Note : Attempt any five questions. Each question carries 2 marks. **5×2=10**

Q. 2. Very Short Answer Type (25-30 words) :

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- (i) What is fossil ?
- (ii) What is species ?
- (iii) What is mutation ?
- (iv) What is biodiversity ?
- (v) What do you mean by ex-situ conservation of biodiversity ?
- (vi) Define phenotypic variation.
- (vii) What is continental drift ?

SECTION - C

Note : Attempt any five questions. Each question carries 4 marks. **5×4=20**

Q. 3. Short Answer Type (250 words) :

- (i) How is diversity at all levels generally conserved ?
- (ii) Define genetic diversity and species diversity.
- (iii) Give an account of biogeographical regions of India.

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- (iv) What do you understand by the modern "Synthetic theory" of evolution ?
- (v) Explain the mutation theory.
- (vi) Discuss the differences between the life on oceanic and continental islands.
- (vii) Explain the origin of unicellular and multicellular organisms.

SECTION - D

Note : Attempt any three questions. Each question carries 10 marks. **3×10=30**

Q. 4. Essay Type (more than 500 words) :

- (i) It is argued that although Darwin could think of "survival of the fittest" but could not foresee the "arrival of the fittest". Comment upon this statement using suitable examples.

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- (ii) What is biodiversity ? Why has it become important recently ?
- (iii) What are the three major threat categories of species ? Describe with examples.
- (iv) Write an essay on mutations.
