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SIXTH SEMESTER B.A./B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MARCH 2020

(CUCBCSS—UG)

Biotechnology

BTY 6B 13—PLANT BIOTECHNOLOGY

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 80 Marks

Section A

Answer any two out of four questions in about 1,500 words.

Each question carries 10 marks.

- 1. What are the techniques for protoplast isolation and fusion?
- 2. What are the applications of organ culture?
- 3. Narrate the techniques for callus induction and suspension culture? What are their applications?
- 4. What are the applications of: a) embryo rescue b) DH lines c) triploid plants d) ovary culture?

 $(2 \times 10 = 20 \text{ marks})$

Section B

Answer any seven out of fourteen questions in about 750 words.

Each question carries 5 marks.

- 5. What are the different kinds of plant growth regulators used in plant tissue culture?
- 6. Write down the different stages of direct organogenesis.
- 7. What are the applications of plant tissue culture in horticulture and forestry?
- 8. What are the different methods of production of transgenic plants?
- 9. What are the steps in micro-propagation up to hardening?
- 10. What are the applications somatic embryogenesis and somaclones?
- 11. What are the advantages of: a) hairy root culture b) polyembryony.
- 12. What are the steps in indirect organogenesis?
- 13. What is co-integrate and binary vector system of Agrobacterium tumefaciens?
- 14. What are media components of MS medium? What is the carbon source of MS?
- 15. What are the different stages cryopreservation and revival? What are the applications of cryopreservation?

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- 16. What are the applications of transgenic plants?
- 17. What is the significance of plant tissue culture in plant genetic transformation?
- 18. What are the steps in producing DH lines?

 $(7 \times 5 = 35 \text{ marks})$

Section C

Answer all questions in about 300 words.

Each question carries 3 marks.

- 19. Synthetic seeds.
- 20. Anther culture.
- 21. Ti plasmid.
- 22. Synthetic auxins.
- 23. Distant hybridisation.

 $(5 \times 3 = 15 \text{ marks})$

Section D

Answer all questions in about 200 words as brief notes.

Each question carries 2 marks.

- 24. macerozyme.
- 25. hetorokaryons.
- 26. Round-up Ready soya bean.
- 27. Vir genes.
- 28. TDZ.

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