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# FIRST SEMESTER M.A./M.Sc./M.Com. DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2019

(CBCSS)

## Botany

BOT 1C 03—ANGIOSPERM ANATOMY, ANGIOSPERM EMBRYOLOGY PALYNOLOGY AND LAB TECHNIQUE

(2019 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 30 Weightage

#### Part A

### Answer any four questions.

Each question carries a weightage of 2.

- 1. Explain parthenocarpy and its significance.
- 2. Differentiate heterospory and heterospermy.
- 3. Explain melittopalynology.
- 4. Comment on pollen-pistil interaction.
- 5. Differentiate with examples eurypalynous and stenopalynous taxa.
- 6. Discuss any two histochemical tests to localise plant metabolites.
- 7. Write a note on the bidirectional activity of cambium.

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

## Part B

Answer any four questions.

Each question carries a weightage of 3.

- 8. Give an account on wood anatomy.
- 9. Explain the development of cork cambium and its activity in stem and root.
- 10. What is maceration? Explain the various methods.
- 11. What is dehydration? Explain the process using non-solvant of paraffin.
- 12. Describe the anomalous secondary growth in beet root.

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- 13. Enlist the contributions of Erdtman and Nair to palynology.
- 14. Explain the process of embedding using pareffin wax method.

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

#### Part C

Answer any two questions.

Each question carries a weightage of 5.

- 15. Write an essay on the recent advances in palynological studies,
- 16. Explain with examples the role of anatomy in relation to plant taxonomy
- 17. Describe with diagrams the process of microsporogenesis and male-gametophyte development in angiosperms.
- 18. What are stains? Give an account on principles and methods of staining techniques.

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