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I SEMESTER M.Sc. (CBCSS-PG) DEGREE EXAMINATION, November 2024 M.Sc Botany

BOT1C02 : Mycology and Lichenology, Microbiology and Plant Pathology 2024 Admission Onwards

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Weightage: 30

Part A

Short answer type questions: Answer any four questions. Weightage 2 for each question

1.	What are lichens? Provide two uses of lichens.	[BTL1]
2.	What is rhizosphere?	[BTL1]
3.	What is the role of biocides in protection?	[BTL1]
4.	What are the different types of plant disease management strategies?	[BTL3]
5.	What are prions and viroids?	[BTL4]
6.	Explain mycorrhizial association. Compare ectomycorrhiza with endomycorrhiza.	[BTL4]
7.	Describe the distinctive features of viruses and their various types?	[BTL4]
		(4x2 = 8 Weightage)

Part B			
Short essay-type questions: Answer any four questions. Weightage 3 for each question			
8. List out and explain the toxins and enzymes that are involved in pathogenesis.	[BTL4]		
9. Discuss about the biotic and abiotic causes of plant diseases.	[BTL4]		
10. Discuss the role of biofertilizers and biopesticides in agricultural microbiology.	[BTL4]		
11. Outline the symptoms, causal organism and control measures of Bacterial Blight of paddy.	[BTL3]		
12. Elaborate on the classification of bacteria according to Bergey's manual.	[BTL4]		
13. Distinguish between fungal homothallism and heretothallism.	[BTL1]		

14. What is a Plasmid? Give an account on different plasmids and their importance.

Part C

Essay-type questions: Answer any two questions. Weightage 5 for each question

15. Examine the role of fungi as saprophytes in the decomposition of organic matter.

[BTL2]

16. Discuss the mechanisms involved in the process of pathogenic infection in plants.

[BTL1]

17. Discuss the different symptoms of plant diseases with suitable examples.

[BTL2]

18. Describe how industrial microbiology benefit in individual's life.

[BTL5]