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**ST MARY'S COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), THRISSUR-20**

**II SEMESTER (CBCSS-PG) DEGREE EXAMINATION, MARCH 2025**

**M Sc Microbiology**

**MBG2C07 : INDUSTRIAL MICROBIOLOGY**

**2024 Admission Onwards**

**Time:3 Hours**

**Maximum Weightage:30**

**Part A**

*Short answer type questions: Answer **any four** questions. Weightage 2 for each question.  
(4x2 = 8 Weightage)*

1. Define crowded plate technique. [BTL1]
2. What is the volumetric mass transfer coefficient? [BTL1]
3. Mention different electrodes used to measure pH in a fermenter. [BTL1]
4. Analyze factors that influence shelf life of a product. [BTL4]
5. Analyze the impact of Carbon source on the yield of acetone and butanol in the fermentation process. [BTL3]
6. Analyze the impact of yeast activity across different stages of beer fermentation. [BTL4]
7. Analyse the importance of water in media formulation. [BTL4]

**Part B**

*Short essay-type questions: Answer **any four** questions. Weightage 3 for each question.  
(4x3 = 12 Weightage)*

8. Explain the advantages of aqueous two-phase separation system for protein purification. [BTL2]
9. How would you explain the role of microbial fermentation in the industrial production of Vitamin B12? [BTL3]
10. Analyse the regulatory mechanisms involved in the biosynthesis of primary metabolites. [BTL4]
11. Apply your knowledge to categorize centrifuges based on their operational principles and applications in microbiology. [BTL3]

**Turn Over**

12. Evaluate the impact of fermentation on the safety and side effects of Ayurvedic medicines. Can fermentation reduce potential toxicity or improve therapeutic outcomes? [BTL5]
13. Differentiate between direct heat exchanger and indirect heat exchanger in continuous sterilization process. [BTL3]
14. Analyze the factors that affect the efficiency of lactic acid production from whey, and discuss on the optimization of these factors to enhance the overall yield. [BTL4]

### Part C

*Essay-type questions: Answer **any two** questions. Weightage 5 for each question.  
(2x5 = 10 Weightage)*

15. Explain inoculum development with suitable examples. [BTL3]
16. Explain in detail the different industrially important microbial enzymes. [BTL1]
17. Explain briefly about the aeration and agitation system in fermenter. [BTL4]
18. Analyze the influence of fermentation parameters such as aeration, pH, and temperature on Streptomycin yield. [BTL4]

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