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FIRST SEMESTER M.Sc. (GENERAL BIOTECHNOLOGY) DEGREE EXAMINATION, MARCH/APRIL 2004

GBT 103. MICROBIOLOGY

Time : Three Hours

Maximum: 80 Marks

Section A

Answer any **two** questions. Each question carries 10 marks.

- 1. Describe the structure of a typical bacterial cell with illustrations and sketches.
- 2. Discuss the different biochemical pathways leading to energy production in aerobic bacteria.
- 3. Discuss the role of micro-organisms in biodegradation and Bioremediation.

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

Section **B**

Write briefly on any **ten** of the following. Each question carries 5 marks.

- 4. Enrichment culture methods.
- 5. Biological Nitrogen fixation.
- 6. Structure of Bacteriophage.
- 7. Replication of viruses.
- 8. Food preservation techniques.
- 9. Disinfectants.
- 10. Gene transfer in micro-organisms.
- 11. Microbial toxins.
- 12. Presumptive coliform test.
- 13. Mycoplasma.
- 14. AIDS.
- 15. Luis Pasteur.

Section C

Answer **all** questions. Each question carries 2 marks.

17. Pasteurisation.

19. Penicillin.

Write short notes on :

- 16. Yeasts.
- 18. Episomes.
- 20. Phototrophs.

 $(10 \ge 5 = 50 \text{ marks})$

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

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