D 12528 Name..... Reg. No..... FIRST SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, JANUARY 2006 **General Biotechnology** GBE 102—BIOMOLECULES Maximum: 80 Marks **Time: Three Hours Section A** Answer any two questions. 1. Give a detailed account of steps in protein purification. 2. Explain the functions of lipids. 3. Describe chromatographic techniques. $(2 \times 10 = 20 \text{ marks})$ **Section B** Answer any ten questions. 4. Derive Henderson-Hasselbalch equation. 5. Describe laws of thermodynamics. 6. What is Lambert-Beer law? 7. What are non-standard aminoacids and explain their function? 8. Explain Ramachandran effect. 9. What is the significance of protein denaturation and folding? 10. What is Hill plot? 11. Explain Bohr effect. 12. Write structure of : (b) Phenylalanine. (a) Lysine. (d) Palmitic acid. (c) Trehalose. (e) Linoleic acid. 13. What is centrifugation? Explain its significance. 14. Explain Bronsted-Lowry concept of acids and bases.

Section C

Answer all questions.

17. Explain Ligands.19. What are purines ?

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

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

15. Explain Mass spectroscopy.

16. What is Zwitterion?

18. What is isoelectric point?20. What are cerebrosides?