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General Biotechnology

GB 3C3 - PLANT BIOTECHNOLOGY

Time: Three Hours Maximum: 36 Weightage

Section A

Answers all questions.

- 1. PR protein.
- 2. FLAVAR SAVER Tomato.
- 3. Ri plasmid.
- 4. Hairy root culture.
- 5. Cybrid.
- 6. Synseed.
- 7. Totipotency.
- 8. Meristoid.
- 9. Chimeras.
- 10. Sodium hypochlorite.

 $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ weightage})$

Section B

Answer any **seven** questions.

- 11. What is somatic embryo? Discuss the application of somatic embryo genesis.
- 12. Discuss the commercial perspectives of micro-propagation.
- 13. Discuss the possible modes of germ plasma conservation.
- 14. What is immobilization? Explain the application of immobilized plant cells.
- 15. Give a brief account on mutational breeding in plant tissue culture.
- 16. Give an account on strong plant promoters.

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- 17. Explain Herbicide resistance through plant transformation.
- 18. Explain the structure and function of binary and co-integrate vectors.
- 19. Describe how can we increase shelf life of fruits and flowers.
- $20. \ \ \, \text{Explain different gene transfer mechanisms in plant}.$

 $(7 \times 2 = 14 \text{ weightage})$

Section C

Answer any **two** questions.

- 21. Explain different methods for heploid production and its applications in plant breeding.
- 22. Describe the production, isolation and purification of protoplast and its application in Agronomy.
- 23. Write an essay on plant secondary metabolite production through tissue culture.

 $(2 \times 6 = 12 \text{ weightage})$