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# FIFTH SEMESTER B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2017

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### Botany

BOT 5B 08—GENERAL AND BIOINFORMATICS, INTRODUCTORY BIOTECHNOLOGY AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY

Time: Three Hours Maximum: 80 Marks

#### Part A

# Answer all questions.

- I. Choose the correct answer:
  - 1 A name or number used to identify a storage location:
    - (a) Byte.

(b) Carry bit.

(c) A file.

- (d) An address.
- 2 A phylogenetic analysis tool:
  - (a) FASTA.

(b) SPDBV.

(c) MEGA.

- (d) GOLD.
- 3 In tissue culture medium, the embryoids formed is due to:
  - (a) Cellular totipotency.
- (b) Organogenesis.
- (c) Double fertilization.
- (d) Test tube culture.
- 4 What is/are the benefit(s) of micropropagation or clonal propagation?
  - (a) Rapid multiplication of superior clones.
  - (b) Multiplication of disease free plants.
  - (c) Multiplication of sexually derived sterile hybrids.
  - (d) All of the above.
- 5 The transgenic crop 'Golden rice' has the potential to solve:
  - (a) Night blindness.
- (b) Colour blindness.
- (c) Short sightedness.
- (d) Long sightedness.

- II. Name the following:
  - 6 Bioinformatics Tool used to compare predicted gene against nucleotide sequences.
  - 7 Who is the founder of Facebook?
  - 8 What are Contigs?
  - 9 Which site of tRNA molecule hydrogen bonds to an mRNA molecule?
  - 10 Name the enzyme used to join bits of DNA.

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

#### Part B

## Answer all questions.

11 Calculate the score of the DNA sequence alignment shown below with +1 for match, -1 for mismatch and -2 for gap:

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- 12 Differentiate between rooted and unrooted phylogenetic trees.
- 13 "The Agrobacterium is considered as Natural Genetic engineer of plants." Comment.
- 14 Explain the liposome mediated gene transfer in plant cells.
- 15 What is the significance of sterilization of the medium and explants in tissue culture?
- 16 Explain Hybridoma Technology.
- 17 Distinguish between dedifferentiation and redifferentition.
- 18 Define the terms gene and allele.
- 19 How does DNA fulfill the requirements of a genetic material?
- 20 Mention any four goals of Human Genome Project.

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

#### Part C

#### Answer any six questions.

- 21 Explain the applications of Internet.
- 22 Give an account of biological databases.
- 23 Write a short note on restriction enzymes.
- 24 What is DNA fingerprinting? Explain the procedure and applications.