

2018

BOTANY

BOT 102

BRYOLOGY, PTERIDOLOGY & PALEOBOTANY

Full Marks: 80

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicates full marks for the questions

Q1). Answer the following Multiple Choice Questions

(all are Compulsory)

1×9= 9

- (i) The simplest known sporophyte among the Bryophytes is seen in:
- (a) *Riccia* (b) *Polytricum*
(c) *Funaria* (d) *Anthoceros*
- (ii) *Psilophyton* was discovered by-
- (a) A.C. Seward (b) J.W. Dawson
(c) C.A. Arnold (d) Birbal Sahni
- (iii) Who amongst the following is regarded as the 'Father of Indian Bryology'?
- (a) Prof. D.D. Pant (b) Prof. K.C. Mehta
(c) Prof. S.R. Kashyap (d) Prof. P.N. Mehta
- (iv) Which one of the following is not characteristics features of early embryophytes?
- (a) Presence of Archegonium (b) Motile sperms

- (c) Water is essential for fertilization
- (d) Photosynthetically independent sporophytes
- (v) Which of the following species of *Riccia* is aquatic?
- (a) *Riccia himalyensis* (b) *Riccia discolor*
- (c) *Riccia fluitans* (d) *Riccia crystalline*.
- (vi) Bryophytes are called amphibians of Plant Kingdom because:
- (a) Bryophytes like amphibians live in damp shady places and close to water body
- (b) Bryophytes like amphibian ancestors are one of the most primitive organisms in this world
- (c) Amphibians have close relation with bryophytes in their habitat
- (d) All of these
- (vii) Which of the following group is commonly known as 'Lantern'.
- (a) Polytricho -phyta/psida (b) Sphagno-pyta/psida
- (c) Andreaeao-phyta/psida (d) Takakio-phyta/psida
- (viii) In leptosporangiate type of sporangial development the sporangia develops from
- (a) Single superficial cells (b) A group of cells
- (c) Two cells (d) Three cells
- (ix) Elaters are present in sporogonium of :
- (a) *Riccia* (b) *Marchantia*
- (c) *Sphagnum* (d) *Selaginella*

Q2). Distinguish between (any Three)

4 × 3 = 12

- a. Sphenophyllales vs Lepidodendrales
- b. Eusporangiate and Leptosporangiate
- c. Gametophyte of *Riccia* and *Marchantia*
- d. Homospory and Heterospory
- e. *Polytrichum* and *Funaria*

Q3). Write an explanatory note on any Four of the following 5 × 4 = 20

- a. Economic importance of bryophytes
- b. Telome Theory
- c. Origin of vascular cryptogams
- d. Classification of fossil plants
- e. Bryophytes as pollution indicator and monitoring.

Q4). Answer the following questions (any Three)

9 × 3 = 27

- a. Define apospory and apogamy. Discuss in detail the different life cycle of aposporous and apogamous fern. 2+7=9
- b. What is GTS? Briefly describe the fossilization process. 2+7=9
- c. What is Heterospory? Explain the biological significance of Heterospory. How does *Selaginella* show the seed habit characters? 2+4+3=9
- d. Give an account on morphological and reproductive diversity of Bryophytes with the help of suitable sketches. 3+3+3=9

Q5). Answer the following questions (any One)

1 × 12 =12

- a. Give an account on interrelationships and origin of Bryophytes.
- b. Describe the most recent system of classification on vascular cryptogams you have studied.
