

2018

BIOTECHNOLOGY

BIT 301

PLANT BIOTECHNOLOGY

Full Marks: 80

Time: 3 hours.

The figures in the margin indicates full marks for the questions :

All questions are compulsory

Q1 Define the following: (1×10=10)

- a. Binary vector
- b. Micropropagation
- c. Callus
- d. Embryo Rescue
- e. Protoplast
- f. Cybrid
- g. Synkaryon
- h. Quantitative trait loci (QTL)
- i. Germplasm
- j. Abiotic Stress

Q2. Answer the following questions: (2×5=10)

- a. Draw a schematic diagram of a Ti-plasmid.
- b. Name four plant secondary metabolites.
- c. Differentiate between symmetric and asymmetric hybrid.

d. Name four techniques for obtaining virus free plants.

e. Define foreground and background selection.

Q3. Write short notes on *any four* of the following: (5×4=20)

a. Male sterility in plants and their application

b. Vector-less or direct DNA transfer

c. Techniques for cloning single cell

d. Post-harvest loss

e. Oleosin partitioning Technology

Q4. Answer *any two* of the following questions: (8×2=16)

a. Describe the stages of Micropropagation. (8)

b. Describe the *Agrobacterium* mediated gene transformation. (8)

c. What is Barnase-Barstar system? Explain with a suitable example.

(8)

Q5. Answer elaborately to *any two* of the following questions: (12×2=24)

a. Explain any four marker system used in plant breeding. (3×4=12)

b. Illustrate with suitable diagrams the mechanism of DNA transfer in plants using Ti-plasmid. (3+9=12)

c. Describe three methods used for plant germplasm conservation.

(4×3=12)

d. Explain four strategies to introduce herbicide resistance. What are Cry proteins? Explain their use in insect/pest resistance in plants.

(6+1+5=12)
