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63/2 (SEM-1) BOT 103

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BOTANY

(Theory Paper)

Paper Code : BOT-103

**(Gymnosperm, Angiosperm Anatomy and
Advanced Morphology)**

Full Marks – 80

Time – Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions.

1. Choose the correct answer of the following
questions [all questions are compulsory] : $1 \times 6 = 6$

(i) The tissue found in all of a plant's organs is

- (a) Parenchyma
- (b) Sclerenchyma
- (c) Collenchyma
- (d) Chlorenchyma

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- (ii) The pith and cortex are indistinguishable in
- (a) Monocot stem (b) Monocot root
- (c) Dicot stem (d) Dicot root
- (iii) Which is often referred to as the *Sago* palm ?
- (a) *Cycas* (b) *Pinus*
- (c) *Gnetum* (d) *Ginkgo*
- (iv) Which of the following is not a distinguishing characteristic of *Cycas* ?
- (a) Circinate type of foliage leaves
- (b) Absence of vessels in the xylem
- (c) Presence of arm parenchyma
- (d) Presence of motile sperm
- (v) Which period of Earth's history is the longest ?
- (a) Precambrian Time
- (b) Paleozoic Era
- (c) Mesozoic Era
- (d) Cenozoic Era

- (vi) The leaflet's anatomical characteristics indicate that *Cycas* is a
- (a) Xerophyte (b) Mesophyte
- (c) Hydrophyte (d) Parasite.

2. Answer the following short questions : $2 \times 5 = 10$

- (a) What is aerenchyma ? State its functions.
- (b) Mention the xerophytic characters of *Pinus*.
- (c) Differentiate between simple and complex tissue.
- (d) The flower is a modified shoot. Justify the statement.
- (e) Write any two characters of primitive stamens.

3. Write short notes on any six of the following :

$5 \times 6 = 30$

- (a) Cambium
- (b) Salient features of Cycadofilicales
- (c) General characteristic of dicot root anatomy
- (d) Annual ring
- (e) Bark vs. Cork

(f) Typs of placenta

(g) Economic importance of *Texas baccata L*

(h) Staminode.

4. Answer any *two* of the following questions :

10×2=20

(a) What is nodal anatomy? Draw and describe various leaf and branch gap patterns with traces.

2+8=10

(b) What is an apical meristem ? Describe various theories concerning the formation of apical meristem.

2+8=10

(c) Gnetum bridges the gap between gymnosperm and angiosperm, justify the statement with an example.

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5. Answer any *one* of the following questions :

14×1=14

(a) Describe the morphology and reproduction in Ginkgoales. Justify that *Ginkgo biloba* is a living fossil.

10+4=14

(b) Discuss the origin and evolution of angiospermic flower. Write the characteristic features of primitive flower.

8+6=14