M. Sc. (BIOTECHNOLOGY) EXAMINATION, 2023

(1st Year, 2nd Semester)

MICROBIOLOGY

PAPER - 234

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 50 (Written 40 + Internal Assessment 10)

Group – A

Question number 1 is compulsory and answer *any five* questions from the rest (4 marks each).

1. Answer *any eight* questions from the following :

8×1=8

- i) How does yeast differ from fungi?
- ii) Name two human diseases that are caused by protozoa.
- iii) What is the function of bacterial outer membrane?
- iv) Give two examples of human diseases that are not caused by any microbes.
- v) Mention the important contribution of Paul Ehrlich.
- vi) Why bacterial growth stops at the stationary phase?
- vii) What is the function of clavulanic acid?
- viii) What are the differences between batch culture and continuous culture?
- ix) Why is mycoplasma mostly pathogenic?
- x) What are the difference between penicillin and ampicillin?
- xi) What is prion? Name one disease that is caused by prion.
- xii) How does spheroplasts differ from protoplast?
- 2. Briefly describe the methods to isolate both the bacteria in pure form, from a mixture of Gram negative *Escherichia coli* bacteria with Gram Positive *Bacillus subtilis* bacteria.
- 3. Briefly describe the WAY pathway of bacterial chemotaxis.
- 4. Briefly describe the Baltimore classification of virus.
- 5. How bacterial endospore set the limit of sterilization by autoclaving?
- 6. What are the desirable properties of an ideal antimicrobial agent?
- 7. Describe different ways to monitor bacterial growth.
- 8. What are the special features of Sabouraud's Dextrose agar?
- 9. What are the important properties of different *Clostridium* Sp?
- 10. What is Pulse Polio Vaccination?
- 11. Why are the extreme thermophiles are also barotolerant?

Group – B

Answer any three questions.

- Describe some possible effects of endophytic bacteria on plants. List the differences between endophytes and mycorrhizae.
 2+2
- How does commensalism differ from cooperation and mutualism? Nitrification is a good example of which of the above-mentioned process and why.
 2+2
- 14. Define the different mechanisms of Plant Growth-Promoting Bacteria (PGPB) in sustainable agriculture.
- Explain with examples of the biochemical process carried out by the microorganisms in the carbon cycle.
 4
- 16. Explain Koch's Postulates and give your opinion on their Exceptions in the modern biology of pathogenesis.4