- b) Derive single point BET equation from BET equation and explain its importance.
- c) Give the examples of the cationic and nonionic surfactants with structures.
- d) Considering mass action model, determine counter ion binding for an ionic micelle.
- e) Draw the structure of a micelle.
- f) How can soap and detergent molecules behave against corona virus?
- g) Deduce the pressure of a surface film of an insoluble substance in water.

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# M. Sc. (CHEMISTRY) EXAMINATION, 2023

(2nd Semester)

**BIOCHEMISTRY AND ENVIRONMENTAL CHEMISTRY** 

## PAPER – V

Time : Two hours

Full Marks : 40

Use a separate answer script for each Unit.

#### <u>UNIT – 2051 a & 2051 b</u>

1. Answer *any four* questions.

 $2\frac{1}{2} \times 4$ 

- a) Discuss the role of BPG in release of O<sub>2</sub> from mother to developing fetus.
- b) Give an outline of speciation of mercury. Why is  $CH_3Hg^+$  more toxic than inorganic  $Hg^{2+}$ ?
- c) Discuss the structure and function of different components of nitrogenase enzyme.
- d) What is the role of ATP hydrolysis in nitrogen fixation? What is the function of leghemoglobin in nitrogenase activity?
- e) What do you mean by cooperative interaction in O<sub>2</sub> affinity of hemoglobin? How do you express the phenomenon by Hill equation and Hill plot?
- 2. Highlight the role of metal ions in maintaining structures of complex biomolecules. With suitable experimental evidence indicate that this is operative. What form or forms of toxicity could disrupt this?

- 3. Answer *any two* questions.
  - a) What are particle pollutants? Explain how presence of particle pollutants in the atmosphere enhances secondary pollution of a local area. Give one reason why secondary pollution is more harmful than primary.  $\frac{1}{2}+2+\frac{1}{2}$
  - b) Explain formation of "Criegee intermediate" in reference to atmospheric pollution. Why are they considered important in enhancing secondary pollution?  $1\frac{1}{2}+1\frac{1}{2}$
  - c) Discuss primary & secondary pollutants. Which is more harmful and why? 2+1
  - d) Discuss toxicity of mercury in a biological system.
    What are the chemical reasons that led to the disaster in "Minamata', the port city of Japan? 1+2

## <u>UNIT – 2052 a</u>

- 4. Answer *any four* of the following questions.  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 4$ 
  - a) What is  $\beta$ -oxidation? Write down the metabolic pathway of  $\beta$ -oxidation and calculate the total number of ATP produced on complete metabolism of one molecule of palmitic acid (C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>31</sub>COOH).

 $\frac{1}{2}$ +1+1

- b) What is urea cycle? Illustrate the metabolic reactions involved in urea cycle and comment on its importance.  $\frac{1}{2}+1+1$
- c) What do you understand by the terms 'preparatory phase' and 'pay off phase' of glycolysis? How does it differ from the steps involved in gluconeogenesis?  $1+1\frac{1}{2}$
- d) Derive Lineweaver-Burk equation from Michaelis-Menten equation for an enzyme catalysed single substrate reaction. How can K<sub>M</sub> and V<sub>max</sub> values be determined with this equation? What is K<sub>M</sub>?

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- e) Write down the steps for the interconversion of UDP-glucose and UDP-galactose involving UDP-glucose-4-epimerase and NAD<sup>+</sup>. What is Zymogen?  $1\frac{1}{2}+1$
- f) Distinguish the following pairs.
  - i) Induce-fit model and Lock-Key model.
  - ii) Lyases and Ligases.  $1\frac{1}{2}+1$

### <u>UNIT– 2052 b</u>

- 5. Answer *any five* questions :  $2 \times 5$ 
  - a) State the assumptions of Harkins-Jura equation for adsorption isotherm. Write down that equation also.

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