Time Allotted: 2 Hours



UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

B.Sc. Honours 3rd Semester Examination, 2023

CC7-GEOLOGY

PALAEONTOLOGY

Full Marks: 40

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The figures in the margin indicate full marks. 1. Write short notes on any *five* of the following: $1 \times 5 = 5$ (a) Mould fossil (b) Commensalism (c) Theory of Evolution (d) Proparian (e) Law of Faunal Succession (f) Recurrent fauna (g) Pallial Sinus (h) Umbo. 2. Answer any *three* questions from the following: $5 \times 3 = 15$ 5 (a) Using a suitable diagram, describe the different types of Biostratigraphic zones. (b) Using a suitable diagram, describe the method of Cladism and how it is used in 5 classification of organisms. (c) What is a type specimen? What are the different kinds of type specimens in 1 + 4palaeontology? (d) While doing fieldwork in the Himalayas, you find an inarticulate brachiopod in a 5 Himalayan rock. What conclusions can you deduce about the age of the rock, the palaeoecology and palaeoenvironment of that region? 5 (e) Briefly explain the importance of Edicaran fauna in palaeontology. 3. Answer any *two* questions from the following: $10 \times 2 = 20$ (a) With help of suitable examples, describe how fossils help us in knowing about 10 the climates of the past. (b) Using a suitable diagram, describe the different stages of ontogenic development 6+4of a trilobite. What is Ecdysis and what problem does it create while studying trilobite? (c) With the help of a suitable diagram, describe the different morphological 4+3+3 features of a typical Bivalve. Describe any 3 morphological features. How does pallial line give us information about the paleoecology of a bivalve?

(d) Using suitable diagrams, describe how fossils help in Correlation of rock strata.

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