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**SEC1-P1-BOTANY**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 60

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

**The question paper contains Paper-1, Paper-2, Paper-3, Paper-4,  
Paper-5, Paper-6, Paper-7, Paper-8 and Paper-9.**

**Candidates are required to answer any *one* from *nine* papers and they should  
mention it clearly on the Answer Book.**

**PAPER-1**

**BIOFERTILIZER**

**GROUP-A**

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| 1.  | Answer any <i>four</i> questions from the following:                       | $3 \times 4 = 12$             |
| (a) | Give the full form of VAM. Name two species of VAM.                        | 1+2                           |
| (b) | Name two free-living nitrogen-fixing microbes.                             | $1\frac{1}{2} + 1\frac{1}{2}$ |
| (c) | Name two endophytic cyanobacteria used in rice cultivation.                | $1\frac{1}{2} + 1\frac{1}{2}$ |
| (d) | What is vermicompost? Name one organism used in producing vermicompost.    | 2+1                           |
| (e) | What is actinomycorrhizal symbiosis? Give one example of actinomycorrhiza. | 2+1                           |
| (f) | What is organic farming?   | 3                             |

**GROUP-B**

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| 2.  | Answer any <i>four</i> questions from the following:   | $6 \times 4 = 24$ |
| (a) | Describe the mass multiplication of <i>Rhizobium</i> sp.   | 6                 |
| (b) | Write down the salient features of cyanobacteria. How are they employ in improving the soil fertility? | 3+3               |
| (c) | Describe the process of recycling of bio-degradable waste carried out by municipality.                 | 6                 |
| (d) | Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of using organic fertilizers.                                 | 3+3               |
| (e) | Write short-notes on:  | 3+3               |
|     | (i) Azolla-Anabaena azollae association  |                   |
|     | (ii) Green manuring.   |                   |
| (f) | Discuss the advantages of using VAM to improve the yield in produce in a crop plant.                   | 6                 |

**GROUP-C**

3. Answer any ***two*** questions from the following:  $12 \times 2 = 24$
- (a) What is a bio-fertilizer? Mention the type of microorganisms used as a bio-fertilizers. Discuss the advantages of using bio-fertilizers over chemical fertilizers.  $2+5+5$
- (b) Describe the types and methods of vermicomposting.  $4+8$
- (c) Describe the mechanism of nitrogen fixation by cyanobacteria. Write down the significance of Anabaena-Azolla association. State in brief the importance of mycorrhizal association.  $6+3+3$
- (d) Discuss the crop response to *Azotobacter* inoculum. Describe the mass multiplication and maintenance of inoculum.  $4+4+4$

**PAPER-2****HERBAL TECHNOLOGY****GROUP-A**

1. Answer any ***four*** questions from the following:  $3 \times 4 = 12$
- (a) Write the full form of HPTLC and GLC.  $1\frac{1}{2} + 1\frac{1}{2}$
- (b) Write the scientific name and family of Ashoka. Give one use of this plant.  $1+1+1$
- (c) Give the botanical name of Black pepper. Write the adulterants.  $1+2$
- (d) What is the chemical nature of morphine? Which type of glucosides occurs in plant?  $1\frac{1}{2} + 1\frac{1}{2}$
- (e) What is ED<sub>50</sub> value?  $3$
- (f) Name a plant that is used in improving the memory. Write down its scientific name.  $1\frac{1}{2} + 1\frac{1}{2}$

**GROUP-B**

2. Answer any ***four*** questions from the following:  $6 \times 4 = 24$
- (a) Describe the biological methods of drug evaluation.  $6$
- (b) Write the botanical name, family and medicinal uses of:
- (i) Indian Goose berry
  - (ii) Fenugreek.  $3+3$
- (c) Describe the phytochemical screening tests for steroids.  $6$
- (d) Discuss the micropropagation technique of Tulsi.  $6$
- (e) What is the origin of siddha system of medicine? Discuss the role of medicinal plants in this system.  $2+4$
- (f) Write down the active principles of *Catharanthus roseus*. Write down the medicinal uses of this plant.  $3+3$

**GROUP-C**

3. Answer any ***two*** questions from the following:  $12 \times 2 = 24$
- (a) What is secondary metabolites? Discuss the phytochemical screening test for alkaloids and phenolic compounds.  $2+5+5$
- (b) Discuss the cultivation, harvesting, processing of medicinal plants with reference to *Withania somnifera*.  $4+4+4$
- (c) Write the botanical name, active principles and medicinal uses of following medicinal plants:
- (i) Plants with cardio-tonic property
  - (ii) Anti-rheumatic property.

- (d) Write a note on:
  - (i) Herbal food
  - (ii) Storage of Medicinal plant.

**PAPER-3**  
**NURSERY AND GARDENING**  
**GROUP-A**

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| 1. | Answer any <b>four</b> questions from the following:  | $3 \times 4 = 12$             |
|    | (a) What are the conditions that are essential for seed germination?                        | 3                             |
|    | (b) Write advantages and disadvantages of vegetative propagation.                           | $1\frac{1}{2} + 1\frac{1}{2}$ |
|    | (c) Write a brief note on seed certification system.  | 3                             |
|    | (d) Mention advantages and disadvantages of direct seeding.                                 |                               |
|    | (e) Define scarification and mention its significance.                                      | 1+2                           |
|    | (f) What is rooting medium? Give two examples of rooting medium suitable for garden plants. |                               |

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| 2. | Answer any <b>four</b> questions from the following:  | $6 \times 4 = 24$ |
|    | (a) Discuss about the common diseases of garden plants with reference to their managements. | 6                 |
|    | (b) Elaborate the significance and methods of selection of cuttings.                        | 2+4               |
|    | (c) Write a short note on manuring of garden plants.  | 6                 |
|    | (d) Discuss the role of storage system in seed bank. What is seed vault?                    | 5+1               |
|    | (e) Discuss the factors affecting seed viability.   | 6                 |
|    | (f) Write a short note on seed production technology.                                       | 6                 |

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| 3. | Answer any <b>two</b> questions from the following:   | $12 \times 2 = 24$ |
|    | (a) Briefly discuss the cultivation process of Cabbage. Give two common varieties of onion.               | 10+2               |
|    | (b) What do you mean by hardening of plant? Briefly describe the procedure of plant hardening.            | 2+10               |
|    | (c) Give an account of objectives and scope of nursery practices in present day.                          | 12                 |
|    | (d) What do you mean by soil layering? Discuss about different methods and significance of soil layering. | 2+8+2              |

**PAPER-4**  
**FLORICULTURE**  
**GROUP-A**

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| 1. | Answer any <b>four</b> questions from the following:                                | $3 \times 4 = 12$ |
|    | (a) What is pinching? Name two fungal diseases of ornamental plants.                | 1+2               |
|    | (b) Name three plant species commonly used for landscaping educational institution. | 3                 |
|    | (c) Define mulching. Why mulching is important in floriculture?                     | 1+2               |
|    | (d) Define cut flower. Name important species used as cut flowers in India.         |                   |

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| (e) What is Ikebana? How does Ikebana differ from the flower arrangement? | 1+2 |
| (f) Define the term “Wintering”. Why is wintering done in roses?          | 1+2 |

### **GROUP-B**

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| 2. Answer any <b><i>four</i></b> questions from the following:   | $6 \times 4 = 24$ |
| (a) Describe the elements of an English garden.  | 6                 |
| (b) Name the three important botanical gardens in India along with their respective locations. Discuss the distinguishable features of a Persian garden. | 3+3               |
| (c) Discuss the cultivation techniques of orchids. Name two important diseases of orchid.  | 4+2               |
| (d) Write short notes on:  |                   |
| (i) Hedge  |                   |
| (ii) Topiary.  |                   |
| (e) Describe the process of nursery management.  | 6                 |
| (f) Name two Japanese Gardens situated in India. Discuss the common symptoms of bacterial diseases of Ornamental plants.                                 | 2+4               |

### **GROUP-C**

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| 3. Answer any <b><i>two</i></b> questions from the following:  | $12 \times 2 = 24$ |
| (a) Write short notes on:  | $4 \times 3 = 12$  |
| (i) Seed sowing of Nursery plants  |                    |
| (ii) Mughal garden   |                    |
| (iii) Divine vines.  |                    |
| (b) What is indoor gardening? Mention its scope and importance. Briefly discuss the importance of ornamental trees in modern floriculture. | 2+4+6              |
| (c) Discuss the role of auxin, gibberellin, cytokinin and ethylene in the field of floriculture.   | 3+3+3+3            |
| (d) Explain the cultivation techniques of Carnation. Write the botanical name and family of the Carnation.                                 | 10+2               |

## **PAPER-5**

### **MEDICINAL BOTANY**

### **GROUP-A**

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| 1. Answer any <b><i>four</i></b> questions from the following:    | $3 \times 4 = 12$ |
| (a) Explain the term Siddha.                                      |                   |
| (b) What do you understand by endemic species? Give two examples. |                   |
| (c) Explain the term Umoor-e-tabiya.                              |                   |
| (d) What is ethnoecology?   |                   |
| (e) Explain sacred grove.   |                   |
| (f) What is in-situ conservation? Give an example.                |                   |

**GROUP-B**

2. Answer any ***four*** questions from the following:  $6 \times 4 = 24$
- (a) Discuss the future of pharmacognosy in relation to herbal food. 6
  - (b) Discuss the application of ethnobotany and the treatment of infertility and blood pressure. 3+3
  - (c) Write a note on folk-medicine prevalent in India. 6
  - (d) Discuss the conservational effort of the government on endangered medicinal plants. 6
  - (e) How ex-situ conservation is helpful in preserving the medicinal plants? 6
  - (f) Write down the objectives of Nursery. 6

**GROUP-C**

3. Answer any ***two*** questions from the following:  $12 \times 2 = 24$
- (a) Discuss the criteria for medicinal plants to be incorporated in Red-list Data Book. Who prepares Red-list Data? 10+2
  - (b) Write short notes on concepts of:
    - (i) Panchamahabhutas
    - (ii) Saptadhatu
    - (iii) Tridosha.
  - (c) Briefly describe medicinal plant production through the following:  $3 \times 4 = 12$ 
    - (i) Cutting (ii) Layering (iii) Grafting (iv) Budding.
  - (d) Discuss the role of sacred grove and folk medicine in ethnobotany. What is palaeo-ethnobotany? 10+2

**PAPER-6****PLANT DIVERSITY AND HUMAN WELFARE****GROUP-A**

1. Answer any ***four*** questions from the following:  $3 \times 4 = 12$
- (a) What do you mean by species diversity?
  - (b) What is the difference between in-situ and ex-situ conservation?
  - (c) What are avenue trees?
  - (d) Name two beneficial microbes and their economical importance. 2+1
  - (e) Write the full forms of — IUCN, UNESCO and NBPGR. 1+1+1
  - (f) What is NTFP? Give examples. 2+1

**GROUP-B**

2. Answer any ***four*** questions from the following:  $6 \times 4 = 24$
- (a) Write a note on loss of genetic diversity.
  - (b) Write an account on ethical and aesthetic values of biodiversity. 3+3
  - (c) Describe the importance of forestry and their utilization in India. 3+3
  - (d) State the functions of UNEP and UNESCO. 3+3
  - (e) Give an account of important fruit crops of India.

- (f) Write short notes on:
- (i) Social approaches to conservation
  - (ii) Ornamental plants of India.

**GROUP-C**

3. Answer any ***two*** questions from the following:  $12 \times 2 = 24$
- (a) Give a detailed account of biodiversity legislation and conservation.
  - (b) What is sustainable development? Briefly describe the concept of sustainable development with suitable examples.  $3+9$
  - (c) Define biodiversity. Explain the different levels of biodiversity.  $2+10$
  - (d) Write short notes on:
    - (i) Alcoholic beverages
    - (ii) Agrobiodiversity.  $6+6$

**PAPER-7**

**ETHNOBOTANY**

**GROUP-A**

1. Answer any ***four*** questions from the following:  $3 \times 4 = 12$
- (a) Define traditional knowledge. Give examples.
  - (b) Name three plants used as food plants by ethnic communities.
  - (c) Write a short note on sacred grove.
  - (d) Write down the significance of herbarium specimens in ethnobotanical studies.
  - (e) Define biopiracy and cite an example of biopiracy.
  - (f) Write down the role of ethnobotany in modern medicinal practice.

**GROUP-B**

2. Answer any ***four*** questions from the following:  $6 \times 4 = 24$
- (a) Discuss the different categories of plants used by tribal people with reference to resins and oils.
  - (b) What is Intellectual Property Rights? Write down the role of IPR in protection of traditional knowledge.  $2+4$
  - (c) Discuss the role of ethnic communities in participatory forest management.
  - (d) Discuss the role of ethnic communities in the conservation of plant genetic resources.
  - (e) Give examples of ancient literature relevant to ethnobotany. How do they help in preservation of traditional knowledge?  $2+4$
  - (f) Write short notes on:
    - (i) India as a traditional knowledge hotspot
    - (ii) Major ethnic groups of India.  $3+3$

**GROUP-C**

3. Answer any ***two*** questions from the following:  $12 \times 2 = 24$
- (a) "Ethnobotany is an important tool to protect the interests of ethnic groups." Justify the statement with example. 6+6
- (b) Write down the aims and scope of ethnobotanical survey. Discuss the methods used for collecting ethnobotanical data. 6+6
- (c) Discuss the legal aspects associated with ethnobotany. Write an account on the current scenario of the marketing of traditional medicinal plants. 6+6
- (d) Mention the significance of following plants in ethnobotanical practices: 6+6
- (i) *Azadirachta indica*
- (ii) *Indigofera tinctoria*.

**PAPER-8****MUSHROOM CULTURE TECHNOLOGY****GROUP-A**

1. Answer any ***four*** questions from the following:  $3 \times 4 = 12$
- (a) What is mother culture? How is it maintained? 2+1
- (b) Mention the scientific name of two poisonous mushroom.  $1\frac{1}{2} + 1\frac{1}{2}$
- (c) What are the factors affecting the mushroom bed preparation? 3
- (d) What are the pure culture and spawn?  $1\frac{1}{2} + 1\frac{1}{2}$
- (e) Mention two mushroom research centres in India.  $1\frac{1}{2} + 1\frac{1}{2}$
- (f) What are the health benefits of Edible mushroom? 3

**GROUP-B**

2. Answer any ***four*** questions from the following:  $6 \times 4 = 24$
- (a) Discuss briefly the long-term storage of mushroom. 6
- (b) Describe the process of cultivation of *Volvariella volvacea*. 6
- (c) Discuss any one spawn preparation technique of edible mushroom. 6
- (d) Discuss the process of composting in mushroom cultivation. 6
- (e) Briefly describe the post-harvest management of mushroom. 6
- (f) Discuss the historical development in mushroom cultivation in India. 6

**GROUP-C**

3. Answer any ***two*** questions from the following:  $12 \times 2 = 24$
- (a) Define sterilization. Discuss the different types of sterilization techniques used in mushroom cultivation. 2+10
- (b) What are the substrate used in the cultivation of button mushroom? Briefly describe the method of cultivation of oyster mushroom. 3+9

- (c) Write short notes on: 6+6  
 (i) Edible mushroom  
 (ii) Infrastructure require for mushroom cultivation.
- (d) Compare the process of short term storage and long term storage with relevant examples. 6+6

**PAPER-9****INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHT****GROUP-A**

1. Answer any **four** questions from the following:  $3 \times 4 = 12$
- (a) Write the full forms of (i) TRIPS (ii) NBPGR.  $1\frac{1}{2} + 1\frac{1}{2}$
- (b) Write down the characteristics of IP. 3
- (c) Explain how IP infringement can be redress. 3
- (d) What is industrial design? Give an example. 2+1
- (e) What is Copyright? In what domain Copyright works? 2+1
- (f) What are the differences between integrated circuit design and industrial design? 3

**GROUP-B**

2. Answer any **four** questions from the following:  $6 \times 4 = 24$
- (a) Write a note on: 3+3  
 (i) Database protection  
 (ii) Economic importance of IPR.
- (b) Briefly discuss the objectives of Patents under Patent act, 1970. 6
- (c) What is Sui-Generis regime? What are the legal provision for providing protection to indigenous people and local communities? 2+4
- (d) With the help of example explain how India has been fighting bio-piracy. 6
- (e) Write a note on Bioprospecting and Plant Variety Protection. 3+3
- (f) Discuss the scope of WTO in relation to patent regime.

**GROUP-C**

3. Answer any **two** questions from the following:  $12 \times 2 = 24$
- (a) Describe the rights of farmers under The Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers Rights Act, 2001. 6+6
- (b) Discuss in detail the objectives, types and rights of trademarks. 4+4+4
- (c) Write short notes on:  
 (i) Multilateral treaties  
 (ii) Passing off  
 (iii) Benefit sharing of Biodiversity.
- (d) Discuss the laws related to protection of semi-conductor chips. What do you understand by domain protection? How is it maintained? 8+2+2

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