

2020

BIOCHEMISTRY — GENERAL

Paper : DSE-A-2

(Basic Microbiology)

Full Marks : 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words
as far as practicable.*

Day 1

1. Answer (*any five*) : 2×5
- (a) What is the function of flagella?
 - (b) What are the major differences between prokaryotes and eukaryotes?
 - (c) Write down two applications of micro-organisms in food industry.
 - (d) Give two examples of obligate intracellular parasites.
 - (e) Differentiate asexual and sexual reproduction in fungi.
 - (f) Write down two major general characteristic feature of amoeba.
 - (g) What are extremophiles?
 - (h) What do you mean by germ theory of disease?
 - (i) What is the full form of HIV? What disease does the virus cause?
 - (j) What are mycotoxins?
2. Answer (*any two*) questions :
- (a) (i) Draw the basic structure of T₄ bacteriophage and label it.
 - (ii) Mention the differences between archae-bacteria and eubacteria. 3+2
 - (b) (i) Briefly mention the economic importance of fungi in agriculture.
 - (ii) Define the terms : lysogeny and lytic. 3+2
 - (c) (i) Describe Whittaker five kingdom concept with a schematic representation.
 - (ii) What do you mean by spontaneous generation? 3+2
 - (d) (i) Mention the name of two economically important bacteria.
 - (ii) Briefly describe the characteristic features of fungal cell wall. 2+3

Please Turn Over

3. Answer (*any three*) questions :

- (a) (i) Write down the contribution of the following scientists in the field of microbiology.
Louis Pasteur
Edward Jenner
Robert Koch
- (ii) What are prions? How do they cause diseases?
- (iii) How lactic acid and alcohol is produced in industry using micro-organisms?
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- (b) (i) Describe Koch's postulates for germ theory of disease.
- (ii) Briefly describe the cell wall of gram-positive bacteria.
- (iii) What is meant by obligate parasite? Give example.
- (iv) Mention the contribution of Elie Metchnikoff in the field of medical microbiology. 3+3+2+2
- (c) (i) Briefly describe the life cycle of a λ-phage.
- (ii) Describe how fungi are involved in biodeterioration with special reference to paper and textile industry.
- (iii) Differentiate between lytic and lysogenic cycle of viruses. 3+(2+2)+3
- (d) (i) Mention the different kinds of pigments found in algae.
- (ii) How micro-organisms synthesize amino acid and vinegar?
- (iii) Describe briefly process of sexual reproduction in fungi. 2+(2+2)+4
- (e) (i) Name four foods that are produced by microbial fermentation. Briefly describe the role of micro-organisms in each case.
- (ii) What is heterokaryosis? (2+2+2+2)+2
- (f) (i) What are the different steps of virus infection and replication?
- (ii) Briefly describe Carl Woese's three kingdom classification.
- (iii) What is mycology? Mention two significant contributions of eminent mycologists in this field.
- (iv) What is eyespot food reserve? 3+2+(1+2)+2
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