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B.Sc. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, APRIL 2022

Fifth Semester

Core Course—PALAEONTOLOGY

(Common for B.Sc. Geology and B.Sc. Geology and Water Management)

[2013 to 2016 Admissions]

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 80

Draw neat sketches wherever necessary.

Part A

Answer all questions.

Each question carries 1 mark.

Name the following:

- 1. A plant leaf fossil without a mid-rib.
- 2. Flowering plants began to appear from this period.
- 3. Index fossil of Upper Cambrian.
- 4. The stratigraphic range of Zaphrentis.
- 5. Crinoids were very abundant during this era.
- 6. A gastropod with both anterior and posterior canals.
- 7. Number of plates in the apical disc.
- 8. A Cephalopod with ammonitic suture line.
- 9. The outer skeletal part of a coral.
- 10. A Trilobite with genal spines.

 $(10 \times 1 = 10)$

Part B (Short Answer Questions)

Answer any eight questions in not more than 100 words each.

Each question carries 2 marks.

11. Belemnites.

- 12. Petrifaction.
- 13. Articulata and Inarticulata.
- 14. Moulds and Casts.

15. Productus.

16. Index fossils.

17. Pygidium.

18. Turritella.

19. Gryphaea.

20. Palial line and Palial sinus.

21. Nautilus.

22. .Trace fossils.

 $(8 \times 2 = 16)$

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Part C (Short Essays)

Answer any six questions in not more than 300 words each.

Each question carries 4 marks.

- 23. Give an account of Siwalik fauna.
- 24. General morphology of Echinoids with neat diagram of the dorsal side.
- 25. Conditions favourable for fossilization.
- 26. Different forms of gasteropod shell.
- 27. Basic principles of taxonomy and binomial nomenclature of species.
- 28. Types, age and distribution of Gondwana plant fossils.
- 29. General morphology and evolutionary history of Corals.
- 30. Mass extinction during Permian.
- 31. General morphology and stratigraphic importance of Trilobites.

 $(6 \times 4 = 24)$

Part D (Essay Questions)

Answer any two questions in not more than 1000 words each.

Each question carries 15 marks.

- 32. Give a detailed account of the uses of fossils in Geology.
- 33. Describe the general morphology, classification, description of important genera, their ages and geological history of Graptolites.
- 34. Give an account of the general morphology, description of important genera, their ages and geological history of Lamellibranchs.
- 35. Give an account of the general morphology, description of important genera, their ages and geological history of Foraminifera.

 $(2 \times 15 = 30)$