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B.Sc. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, MAY 2024

Fourth Semester

Core Course XIII—AGRICULTURAL MICROBIOLOGY

(For B.Sc. Microbiology) [2013–2016 Admissions]

Time: Three Hours Maximum Marks: 80

Part A

Answer all questions. Each question carries 1 mark.

Write about:

1. Rhizosphere. 2. A negative interaction between microbes and animals.

3. Synergism. 4. Mycorrhizae.

5. A bioderived pesticide. 6. Endophyte.

7. Cellulolytic bacteria. 8. Symbiosis.

9. Vector. 10. Myco viruses.

 $(10 \times 1 = 10)$

Part B

Answer any **eight** questions. Each question carries 2 marks.

Write short notes on:

- 11. Importance of pheromones in pest management.
- 12. 'Algal bloom causes death of organism." Explain the type of interaction.
- 13. RNAi pesticide.
- 14. Silage bacteria.
- 15. Fire curing and air curing in tobacco.
- 16. Field sanitation.
- 17. Commensalism.
- 18. Fungal pesticides.

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- 19. Disadvantages of IPM.
- 20. Amensalism.
- 21. Biopesticides.
- 22. Mycoparasites.

 $(8 \times 2 = 16)$

Part C

Answer any six questions. Each question carries 4 marks.

- 23. Explain integrated pest management.
- 24. Explain how viral diseases infect and transmit in plants.
- 25. Write about phyllosphere microflora.
- 26. Write about microbial warfare on plants.
- 27. Explain how fungal diseases can be controlled.
- 28. 'Plants are in warfare with microbes.' Explain.
- 29. Write about role of microbes in retting.
- 30. Give an account on defense mechanism in animals.
- 31. Write a note parasitism and predation.

 $(6 \times 4 = 24)$

Part D

Answer any **two** questions. Each question carries 15 marks.

- 32. Write an account on natural defence mechanism in plants to fight off bacterial and fungal infections.
- 33. Write an account on rumen mircobiology. Explain how microbes helps in digestion.
- 34. Explain how plant diseases can be controlled using biological methods.
- 35. Give an account on common microbial diseases in plants and its impact.

 $(2 \times 15 = 30)$

