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Fifth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Dec.2016/Jan.2017
Genetic Engineering and Applications

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

Note: Answer FIVE full questions, selecting at least TWO questions from each part.

PART – A

- 1 a. Write a note on different types of vectors and their role in recombinant DNA technology. (10 Marks)
b. What is genetic code? (05 Marks)
c. Write a short note on safety guidelines of recombinant DNA research. (05 Marks)
- 2 a. What are Restriction endonucleases? Write a note on classification and mode action of exo and endonucleases. (10 Marks)
b. Write a detailed note on enzymes in gene modification and their mechanism of action. (10 Marks)
- 3 a. Explain polymerase chain reaction and its applications. (05 Marks)
b. Write a note on nucleic acid mutagenesis. (05 Marks)
c. Explain Southern and Northern hybridization techniques with diagrammatic representation. (10 Marks)
- 4 a. Write note on the isolation of plasmids. (05 Marks)
b. Explain briefly about purification and storage methods of nucleic acid. (05 Marks)
c. Explain the process of constructing genomic and cDNA libraries. (10 Marks)

PART – B

- 5 a. Explain Agrobacterium mediated gene transfer in plants. (05 Marks)
b. Write a note on transformation and electroporation gene transfer techniques. (05 Marks)
c. Define Ti plasmid with example. Explain in detail its structure, functions and advantages of its use in genetic engineering. (10 Marks)
- 6 a. Write a note on RFLP technique. (05 Marks)
b. Define transgenic crops with suitable examples and their advantages. (05 Marks)
c. Write a note on Biopharming. (05 Marks)
d. Explain the role transgenic science in animal improvement. (05 Marks)
- 7 a. Explain in detail the role of engineered microbes in the production of monoclonal antibodies and in the clearing of oil spills. (10 Marks)
b. Explain in detail the genetic manipulation involved in microbial biotechnology. (10 Marks)
- 8 a. What are the methods involved in gene therapy and explain its role in the treatment of cancer and SCID. (10 Marks)
b. Explain the terms gene targeting and gene silencing. What are possible challenges in gene therapy? Write a short note on the role of gene therapy in the treatment of muscular dystrophy. (10 Marks)

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Important Note : 1. On completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages.
2. Any scribbling of diagrams, equations, or calculations will be treated as unfair practice.