2017

M.Sc.

1st Semester Examination

FISHERIES SCIENCE

PAPER-FSC-102

Subject Code-28

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.

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

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

Unit-I

(Taxonomy and Classification of Fishes)

1. Answer any two questions from the following:

- (a) Define microtaxonomy and macrotaxonomy.
- (b) State the important properties of zoological nomenenclature.

 2×2

- (c) Define cladogram. State its importance in fish evolution.
- (d) Mention the important characteristics of Mollusca. Give examples of two molluscas having aquaculture importance.
- 2. Answer any two questions from the following: 2×4
 - (a) Discuss different taxonomic characters which are used in the classification of fishes.
 - (b) Give an idea about cytotaxonomical approach for fish identification.
 - (c) Discuss the importance of taxonomy in Aquaculture.
 - (d) State about dichotomous key with proper explanation.
- 3. Answer any one question from the following: 1×8
 - (a) (i) Mention the important differences between class Elasmobranchi and Teleostomi.
 - (ii) Give the order name and order characters of the following fishes:

Mystus mystus; Scoliodon sorrakowah;

Lates calcarifer; Tenualosa ilisha.

- (iii) Add a note on the importance of order Cypriniformes fish in Indian environment. 2+4+2
- (b) (i) Define Binomial and Binominal nomenclature.
 - (ii) Discuss 'Law of priority' in Zoological nomenclature with proper examples.
 - (iii) What is holotype? Write the significance of holotype.
 - (iv) Write a note on System Nature. 2+2+2+2

Unit-II

(Biomechanics, Distribution and Evolution of Fishes)

- **4.** Answer any *two* questions from the following: 2×2
 - (a) What is biological clock?
 - (b) Point out distribution of any two lung fishes.
 - (c) What are zoogeographical realms?
 - (d) Why devonian period is called on the 'Age of fishes'?
- **5.** Answer any *two* questions from the following: 2×4
 - (a) Briefly narrate circadian rhythms with example.

- (b) Briefly describe the evolution of any one group of fish by using the phylogenic tree.
- (c) Give an account on the living fossil of fishes.
- (d) Briefly explain the notable features of chimera fish or ghost shark.
- **6.** Answer any one question from the following: 1×8
 - (a) What are agnatham fishes? Give an account on the general features and importance of agnatham fishes. Add a note on evolutionary significance of Dipnoan fishes.

2+4+2

(b) What is fish migration? Briefly describe the type of fish migration with example. Add a note on significance of fish migration.
2+4+2