

2016

**M.Sc. Part-II Examination**

**BOTANY**

**PAPER—VIII**

*Full Marks : 60*

*Time : 3 Hours*

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

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

*Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.*

*Answer Q. No. 1 and any three from the rest.*

1. Answer any six of the following : 2×6

(a) Define multiple allelism with suitable example.

(b) Define reciprocal cross.

(c) Name two factors causing transposition of a DNA sequence.

*(Turn Over)*

- (d) Define topological domain. Indicate at least two major topological features of nucleic acid.
- (e) Differentiate B and Z DNA.
- (f) Define 'Maternal inheritance' with suitable example.
- (g) What are 'B' chromosomes ?
- (h) What is gene targeting ?
- (i) Distinguish between dedifferentiation and redifferentiation.
- (j) Distinguish between oligogene and polygene.
2. What are cyclines ? Discuss the role of different cycline in regulation of cell cycle. Add a note on different check points evident in a cell cycle. 2+8+6
3. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : 8×2
- (a) Maxam and Gilbert's method of DNA sequencing
- (b) Nucleosome
- (c) Western blotting
- (d) Quantitative inheritance.

4. Define somatic hybridization. Illustrate the procedure of embryo culture with suitable sketches. What is anther culture ? Mention the various steps involved in protoplast isolation. Briefly mention the prospects of tissue culture in forestry. 2+5+2+3+4
5. Indicate the major objectives of plant breeding. Describe the mechanism of self-incompatibility with suitable diagrams. Mention the prospects and achievements of transgenic technology in plants. Mention atleast two methods of direct gene transfer in plants. 2+7+5+2
6. What is transcription ? Mention the different parts of transcriptional units. Give schematic account of DNA replication. How does the free linear part of telomere replicate ? 2+4+6+4