

2008

MICROBIOLOGY

PAPER—XIX

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2 hours

Answer any *two* questions from each Group

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks

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

GROUP—A

[Marks : 20]

Answer any *two* questions from the following

1. (a) Differentiate between ecotone and edge.
(b) Differentiate between little omnivory and frequent omnivory.
(c) Differentiate between gene frequency and genotype frequency.

(Turn Over)

- (d) Differentiate between grazing pathway and detritus pathway of energy flow.
- (e) Comment on types of food web. 2 × 5
2. (a) Concept of source-sink population.
- (b) Population growth curve.
- (c) Calculate the gene frequency of M and N on the basis of following blood types in a population sample :
- M - 123, MN -72, N -10. 4 + 3 + 3
3. Explain in what way stability of an ecosystem is maintained through feedback control. Distinguish between resistance stability and resilience stability. Define biodiversity. 5 + 3 + 2

GROUP—B

[Marks : 20]

Answer any *two* questions

4. (a) Compare the efficiencies of trickling filter with activated sludge treatment.
- (b) What is Coliform index ?

(c) What is membrane filter test? State its significance. (3 + 3) + 1 + 3

5. (a) What is bioremediation ?

(b) Compare the advantages and disadvantages of intrinsic, *ex situ*, and *in situ* bioremediation.

(c) How PCBS are degraded ?

(d) How microbiologicals copper is recovered from low grade ore ? 1 + 3 + 3 + 3

6. Write notes on (any four) :

$$2\frac{1}{2} \times 4$$

(i) Barophiles

(ii) Acidophiles

(iii) Xenobiotics substances

(iv) Biosafety Laboratories

(v) Biomagnification

(vi) Eutrophication.