2022

M.Sc.

2nd Semester Examination

ZOOLOGY

PAPER—Z00-201

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 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.

ZOO-201.1 BIOSYSTEMETICS

1. Answer any two questions:

 2×2

(a) What is meant by 'Systemetics' and 'Taxon'?

1+1

(b) What is the full form of ICZN? Give an example of a trinomial nomenclature.

(Turn Over)

- (c) What are micro and macro taxonomy? 1+1
- (d) Short note: Ring species.
- 2. Answer any two questions:

2×4

- (a) Briefly discribe about the Biological Species Concept.
- (b) Differentiate taxonomy from systematics. What is meant by 'Holotype'? 3+1
- (c) Write a short note on Cytotaxonomy.
- (d) What do you mean by typological species concept? Why it is not acceptable? 2+2
- 3. Answer any one question:

1×8

(a) What are the differences between sympatric and allopatric speciation. Explain with examples.

6+2

(b) State the roles of taxonomy in applied science. Give an example of industrial melanism with a short description.
6+2

ZOO-201.2 ECOLOGICAL PRINCIPLES

4. Answer any two questions:

 2×2

- (a) Differentiate biotic community from ecological guild.
- (b) Mention different types of ecological succession.
- (c) What is edge effect? Give one example.
- (d) Define ecological equivalent with an example.
- 5. Answer any two questions:

2×4

- (a) Explain the main essence of Gaia hypothesis.
- (b) With labelled diagram highlight different types of food webs.
- (c) Elaborate the concept of resource partitioning mentioning its significance in ecosystem functioning.
- (d) Briefly discuss the significance of Evolutionary Stable Strategy (ESS).

6. Answer any one question :

- 1×8
- (a) Define ecosystem. The functioning of ecosystem is considered as homoestatic system — Justify the statement. Explain resistance and resilience stabilities. 2+3+3
- (b) Enlist different factors responsible for population regulation. Mention the types and significance of survivorship curves with examples. Highlight the differences between species Diversity Index and Species Richness Index. 3+3+2