2008

M.Sc.

1st Semester Examination

ZOOLOGY

PAPER-Z-101

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.

Group-A

(Non-Chordates)

1. Answer any two of the following:

- 2×2
- (a) Mention four characteristic features of Metazoa.
 - (b) Differentiate schizocoelic and enterocoelic colour formation.
 - (c) Importance of larva in aquatic life.
 - (d) Name the constituent minor phyla under Lophophorata.

2. Answer any two of the following:

- 4×2
- (a) Comment on the ecological role of free living nematodes.
- (b) Why flagship species are important from the point of non-chordates conservation.
- (c) Mention the triggering factors for the cyclomorphosis in Rohifera.
- (d) Highlight the role of Foraminifera in assessing environmental features of marine environment.
- 3. Answer any one of the following:
 - (a) Briefly describe the variation in stomal structures of soil inhabiting and plant feeding nematodes. Discuss the Benet and Clark's Model explaining the pumping cycle of nematodes.
 4+4
 - (b) Depict the major evolutionary divergences in extant Super-phyletic groups of metazoa, based on their embryonic, morphological and molecular criteria. Explain colonial blastea-planula theory with suitable diagram in respect to metazoan origin. 4+4

Group-B

(Chordate)

1. Answer any two questions:

2×2

(i) Cite one example of the following fish orders:

Pleuronectiformes,

Pereiformes,

Mugiliformes,

Lamniformes.

- (ii) Chemical structure of tyrosine and Di-iodotyrosine.
- (iii) Prerequisites of respiratory organs.
- (iv) Swimbladders of Protopterus State the evolutionary significance of the swim bladder of Protopterus.

2. Answer any two questions:

4×2

- (i) Fish gills.
- (ii) Explain the evolution of Membranous labyrinth in respect to 'dog-fish and rabbit'.
- (iii) Discuss the morphological adaptations for echolocation in Myotis lucifugus.
- (iv) Sketch the phylogeny of mammalian evolution after Colbert (1969) and Griffith (1978).

3. Answer any one from the following:

(a) (i) Separation of Urinary and gonadel duct in vertebrate.
(ii) Mammalian Metanephrictubules.
(b) (i) Iodine cycle in protochordates.
(ii) Osmoregulation in marine water fishes.