2018

BOTANY

(Major)

Paper: 3.2

(Instrumentation and Laboratory Techniques)

Full Marks: 60

Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

| 1. | Fill | in the blanks: 1×7= |
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| | (a) | The fluorescence microscope exposes a specimen to UV, violet or blue light and forms an image of the object with the resulting light. |
| | (b) | Scanning electron microscopy is mostly used to reveal |
| | (c) | cuvettes should not be used in case of UV spectroscopy. |
| | (d) | In case of microbial media, MSM stands for |
| | (e) | Nessler's reagent is used to detect the presence of in a sample. |

| Ť. | (f) | The interior of a glass electrode in pH meter is filled with solution. | |
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| | (g) | The size of the label in a standard herbarium sheet is | |
| 2. | Brie | efly write on the following: 2×4=8 | |
| | (a) | Lux meter | |
| | (b) | Fixatives | |
| | (c) | Paper chromatography | |
| | (d) | Indicator solutions | |
| 3. | Write notes on any three of the following: 5×3=15 | | |
| | (a) | Working principle and applications of UV-Vis spectrophotometer | |
| | (b) | Bacteriological incubators | |
| | (c) | Somogyi's reagent | |
| | (d) | Preparation of the stain acetocarmine | |
| | (e) | Mounting media | |
| 4. | Answer the following questions: 10×3=30 | | |
| | (a) | What do you mean by microscopy? Briefly write about the working principles and applications of electron and fluorescence microscope. 2+(4+4)=10 | |

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Or

What is sterilization? Why is sterilization necessary in microbiological works? Briefly write about the different bacterial culture media and their sterilization process. 2+2+6=10

(b) What do you mean by thin-layer chromatography? How does it differ from paper chromatography? Briefly write about the principle, application and limitations of thin-layer chromatography.

2+2+6=10

Or

Write notes on the following: 5+5=10

- (i) Principles and applications of autoclave and centrifuge
- (ii) Application of camera lucida
- (c) Briefly write about the field and herbarium techniques associated with botanical samples. Write a special note about the preservation of succulent and xerophytic plants.

 5+5=10

Or

Write about the following:

5+5=10

- (i) The method of preparation of molar, ppm and percentage solutions
- (ii) Biological applications of digital camera
