

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE  
(AUTONOMOUS)  
MSc DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2025  
(Fourth Semester)

Branch – BOTANY

**PLANT BIOTECHNOLOGY**

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 75 Marks

**SECTION-A (10 Marks)**

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks

(10 × 1 = 10)

| Module No. | Question No. | Question  | K Level | CO  |
|------------|--------------|---|---------|-----|
| 1          | 1            | What is plant biotechnology?<br>a. Cell division and Multiplication<br>b. Creating thousands of plants through tissue culture<br>c. Somatic Hybridization<br>d. Introduction to desirable traits into the plant parts through genetic modification            | K1      | CO1 |
|            | 2            | What role do phytohormones play in plant biotechnology?<br>a. Improving plant taste<br>b. Controlling plant color<br>c. Regulating plant growth and development<br>d. Enhancing plant fragrance   | K1      | CO1 |
| 2          | 3            | Which of the following factor does not influence totipotency?<br>a. Non reduced nitrogen      b. Source of explants<br>c. Relative Humidity          d. Light intensity   | K1      | CO1 |
|            | 4            | What are somaclones?<br>a. Plants genetically identical to the original plant<br>b. Plants automatically identical to the original plant<br>c. Plants morphologically identical to the original plant<br>d. Plants chemically identical to the original plant | K1      | CO1 |
| 3          | 5            | What is protoplast?<br>a. Cell wall + Plasma membrane    b. Plant cell- Cell wall<br>c. Cytoplasm + Cell wall    d. Plasma membrane- Cytoplasm  | K1      | CO1 |
|            | 6            | Give example of somatic hybrids?<br>a. Hybrid protoplasts              b. Protoplasts<br>c. Fused plasmids                  d. Fused chloroplast  | K2      | CO2 |
| 4          | 7            | The enzyme which cleaves RNA is -----<br>a. DNA ase                              b. Ribonuclease<br>c. Ligase                                  d. Protease  | K2      | CO2 |
|            | 8            | Why is a eukaryotic cloning required?<br>a. Cloning gene                          b. Variety<br>c. Availability                            d. Large scale production  | K2      | CO2 |
| 5          | 9            | The first genomic libraries were cloned in?<br>a. Plasmid                                  b. Bacteria<br>c. Human                                  d. Plants   | K2      | CO2 |
|            | 10           | What is the primary goal of DNA sequencing ?<br>a. To study protein protein interacting<br>b. To identify protein structures<br>c. To determine the order of nucleotides in a DNA molecule<br>d. To analyze gene expression patterns                          | K2      | CO2 |

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**SECTION – B (35 Marks)**

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks (5 × 7 = 35)

| Module No. | Question No. | Question   | K Level | CO  |
|------------|--------------|--|---------|-----|
| 1          | 11.a.        | Explain the scope and concept of plant tissue culture.                       | K2      | CO2 |
|            |              | (OR)   |         |     |
|            | 11.b.        | Summarize the physiological roles of Gibberellins.                           |         |     |
| 2          | 12.a.        | Illustrate the process of Organogenesis method.                              | K3      | CO2 |
|            |              | (OR)   |         |     |
|            | 12.b.        | Build the techniques of somaclonal variation.                                |         |     |
| 3          | 13.a.        | Predict the production of haploids and its significance in crop improvement. | K3      | CO3 |
|            |              | (OR)   |         |     |
|            | 13.b.        | Determine the methods and <i>invitro</i> conservation of Germplasm.          |         |     |
| 4          | 14.a.        | Analyze the tools of genetic engineering.                                    | K4      | CO4 |
|            |              | (OR)   |         |     |
|            | 14.b.        | Simplify the development of shuttle vector.                                  |         |     |
| 5          | 15.a.        | Summarize the role cDNA libraries.   | K4      | CO4 |
|            |              | (OR)   |         |     |
|            | 15.b.        | Focus the Maxam Gilbert method of DNA sequencing.                            |         |     |

**SECTION -C (30 Marks)**

Answer ANY THREE questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks (3 × 10 = 30)

| Module No. | Question No. | Question   | K Level | CO  |
|------------|--------------|--|---------|-----|
| 1          | 16           | Simplify the types of sterilization.                                   | K4      | CO4 |
| 2          | 17           | Simplify the techniques of callus culture and cell suspension culture. | K4      | CO4 |
| 3          | 18           | Categorize the isolation fusion and culture of protoplast.             | K4      | CO4 |
| 4          | 19           | Illustrate enzymes and cloning vectors in Recombinant DNA technology.  | K3      | CO3 |
| 5          | 20           | Interpret the techniques of southern and Northern hybridization.       | K3      | CO3 |

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