

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE
(AUTONOMOUS)

BSc DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2025
(Third Semester)

Branch - BOTANY

VEGETATIVE PLANT BIOLOGY

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	The region of the root responsible for increase in length is: a) Root cap b) Zone of elongation c) Zone of maturation d) Pericycle	K1	CO1
	2	Fibrous roots are characteristic of: a) Dicot plants b) Monocot plants c) Gymnosperms d) Pteridophytes	K2	CO1
2	3	Pneumatophores are characteristic of: a) Maize b) Rhizophora c) Banyan d) Money plant	K1	CO2
	4	Mycorrhiza is an association between: a) Root and bacteria b) Root and fungi c) Root and algae d) Root and protozoa	K2	CO2
3	5	The underground stem of ginger is called: a) Bulb b) Corm c) Rhizome d) Tuber	K1	CO3
	6	Lenticels help in: a) Water absorption b) Gas exchange c) Food conduction d) Transpiration	K2	CO3
4	7	The cohesion-tension theory was proposed by: a) Dixon and Joly b) Strasburger and Sachs c) Haberlandt and Priestley d) Darwin and Wallace	K1	CO4
	8	The main tissue responsible for secondary growth is: a) Cambium b) Pith c) Cortex d) Phloem	K2	CO4
5	9	The arrangement of leaves on the stem is called: a) VERNATION b) Venation c) Phyllotaxy d) Phyllode	K1	CO5
	10	The leaf modified into a pitcher is found in: a) Pea b) Opuntia c) Nepenthes d) Acacia	K2	CO5

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SECTION - B (35 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

 $(5 \times 7 = 35)$

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	11.a.	(a) Describe the types of root systems with examples. (OR)	K1	CO1
	11.b.	(b) Write short notes on the structure and function of root hairs.		
	12.a.	Explain active and passive absorption of water. (OR)	K2	CO2
2	12.b.	Differentiate between symplastic and apoplastic pathways of water movement.	K3	CO3
	13.a.	Describe the anatomy of a dicot stem. (OR)		
3	13.b.	(b) Write short notes on anomalous stem structure in <i>Nyctanthes</i> .		
	14.a.	Write notes on the physical properties of wood. (OR)	K4	CO4
4	14.b.	Explain the chemical composition and economic uses of wood.		
	15.a.	Explain the internal structure of a dicot leaf. (OR)	K4	CO5
5	15.b.	Describe the mechanism of stomatal movement.		

SECTION - C (30 Marks)

Answer ANY THREE questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

 $(3 \times 10 = 30)$

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	16	Explain the developmental regions of the root tip and their respective functions.	K1	CO1
2	17	Write an essay on specialized roots and their adaptive significance.	K2	CO2
3	18	Describe the morphological types of stems and their functions.	K3	CO3
4	19	Discuss secondary growth in stems and its significance.	K4	CO4
5	20	Discuss leaf adaptations to drought, moisture, snow, and herbivory.	K4	CO5