

**MSc DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2019  
(Third Semester)**

**Branch BIOTECHNOLOGY**

**PLANT BIOTECHNOLOGY**

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 75 Marks

**Answer ALL questions**

**ALL questions carry EQUAL marks**

**(2 + 5+S)**

- 1 a Promiscuous DNA  
b Explain Cytoplasmic male sterility in Brief,  
c Illustrate structure and expression of chloroplast DNA.  
' . OR  
d What are molecular chaperons?  
e How do Histone proteins bind to DNA?  
f Write a detailed note on protein transport in Chloroplast.
- 2 a Write down the list of ways by which sterilization might be achieved in PTC.  
b Define and explain different stages of micrOpropagation.  
c Explain protoplast isolation and fusion in detail  
**OR**  
d Differentiate Homokaryones and heterokaryon.  
e What do you understand by cytoprotectant? Name any two most frequently used cytoprotectant.  
f Define somoclonal variation. Discuss their achievements, advantages and limitations.
- 3 a Give examples of following :  
(i) Alkaloid (ii) Coumarin (iii) Flavonoid (iv) Sterol (v) Triterpens  
b What are the steps involved in the production of secondary metabolites from plant cell?  
c Write a note on Terpenoid pathway and their importance in plant defence mechanism.  
**■ OR '**  
d Synthetic seed.  
e Write a note on types of Phy tochemicals,  
f Describe the metabolic engineering of flavonoids.
- 4 a What is the basic principle of particle bombardment?  
b . How Bt genes are used in transgenics to kill the insect affecting crops?  
c Describe Abiotic stress in plants - mechanism and adaptation in detail.  
**OR**  
d Give some example of herbicides uses as sel ectable marker?  
e What are the roles of vir genes in Agrobacterium mediated transformation?  
f Illustrate Transgenic plants and their importance in disease resistance in detail.
- 5 a Write a note on use of remote sensing in agriculture,  
b Write a note on ^NAi.  
c Describe the role of molecular markers in QTL mapping in detail.  
**OR**  
d Write down the use of GIS in agriculture,  
e Discuss - DNA Barcoding in brief.  
f Elaborate the role plant vims vectors in transgenic genic protein expression.