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BOTANY

Paper B.IV : Pteridology and Gymnosperms

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 70

I. Answer **any two** of the following : (2x10=20)

- 1) Give an account of the morphological and anatomical features of Psilotales.
- 2) Write on the origin and evolution of Pteridophytes.
- 3) Give an account of the life cycle of Welwitschia.
- 4) Explain the contribution by Indian Botanists to Indian Gymnosperm studies.

II. Answer **any one** of the following : (1x10=10)

- 5) Give an account of the rare, endangered and endemic pteridophytes of South India.
- 6) Write on the economic importance of Gymnosperms.

III. Answer **any three** of the following : (3x5=15)

- 7) Heterospory
- 8) Sori-types
- 9) Equisetum – stem
- 10) Cycas – microsporophyll
- 11) Advanced features of Gnetum.

IV. Answer **any five** of the following : (5x3=15)

- 12) Plectostele
- 13) Epiphytic pteridophytes

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- 14) Vessels in pteridophytes
- 15) Impression
- 16) Pinus – Pollen grain
- 17) Suspensors
- 18) Heterangium
- 19) Corolloid root.

V. Answer **any five** of the following :

(5×2=10)

- 20) Transfusion tissue
- 21) Synangium
- 22) Sunken Stomata
- 23) Polyembryony
- 24) Tapetum
- 25) Secondary growth
- 26) Polystelic condition
- 27) Protostele.