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Total Marks: 40

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> IV Semester B.Sc. Degree (CBCSS - 2014 Admn. - Regular) Examination, May 2016 CORE COURSE IN BOTANY/PLANT SCIENCE 4B04 BOT/PLS: Bryology, Pteridology, Gymnosperms and Palaeobotany

Time: 3 Hours

SECTION-A

Answer all:

- A feature exhibited by Gnetum
 - a) Transfusion tissue

b) Algal layer

c) Pavement tissue

- d) Mucilage canal
- 2. Which of these is not a fossil?
 - a) Cast
- b) Compression c) Petrifaction
- d) Wax

- 3. Riccia is a
 - a) Hornwort
- b) Moss c) Liverwort d) Fern

- 4. Rhizophore is a characteristic of
 - a) Nephrolepis
- b) Selaginella
- c) Cycas
- d) Marsilea (4x1=4)

SECTION-B

Answer any eight:

- List out the primitive features of Cycas.
- 6. Differentiate between pycnoxylic and manoxylic wood.
- 7. Write the economic importance of bryophytes.
- 8. Explain the morphology of equisetum plant with the help of diagrams.
- Describe the structure of Funaria gametophyte using sketches.

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- 10. Explain the structure of the Marsilea plant.
- 11. Discuss stelar evolution in pteridophytes.
- 12. Write on the process of fossil formation.
- 13. Give an account on the angiosperm characters of Gnetum.
- 14. How does the Riccia sporophyte differ from that of Anthoceros ?
- 15. Explain diploxylic condition.
- 16. Heterospory leads to seed habit. Comment.

(8×2=16)

SECTION-C

Answer any four:

- 17. Write an account on the affinities of bryophytes with pteridophytes.
- 18. What are coralloid roots? Explain its morphology and anatomy using diagrams.
- 19. Draw and describe the structure of the gemma cup.
- 20. What is meant by geological time scale?
- 21. Give the structure of gametophyte of Nephrolepis.
- 22. Discuss the theories related to the origin of bryophytes.

(4×3=12)

SECTION-D

Answer any one:

- 23. Anthoceros is a synthetic genus. Discuss.
- 24. Illustrate and compare the strobilus structure in Cycas, Pinus and Gnetum.
- Describe the sporophyte structure and life cycle in Selaginella with the aid of sketches. (1x8=8)