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Core Course in Botany/Plant Science 6B12BOT/PLS – BIOTECHNOLOGY AND CROP IMPROVEMENT

Time: 3 Hours Total Marks: 40

SECTION - A (Answer all)

- 1. Agar is obtained from
 - a) Gracillaria
- b) Padina
- c) Codium
- d) Spirogyra

- 2. Bt toxin is a toxin produced by
 - a) B. subtilis

b) B. thuringiensis

c) B. cereus

- d) B. megaterium
- 3. Which are joining enzymes?
 - a) Polymerase
- b) Ligase
- c) Endonuclease d) Plasmids
- 4. Removal of anther from a flower is called
 - a) Budding

b) Emasculation

c) Hybridization

d) Mutation breeding

 $(4 \times 1 = 4)$

SECTION - B (Answer any eight)

- 5. Define binary vectors and shuttle vectors.
- 6. What is meant by disease diagnosis?
- Mention the major plant breeding institutes in India.
- 8. What is Golden rice?
- 9. What is meant by Patent?
- 10. Describe drought resistance.

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- 11. Define acclimatization.
- 12. Describe DNA micro array.
- 13. What is long shelf life?
- 14. Define GMOs.
- 15. What are the mechanisms involved in rRNA technology?
- 16. What is Heterosis?
- 17. Define plasmids. Mention its types.
- 18. Describe nanoparticles.
- 19. What is vaccine and drugs?
- 20. What is cDNA library?

 $(8 \times 2 = 16)$

SECTION - C (Answer any four)

- 21. Briefly explain restriction endonuclease.
- 22. What are the applications of nanotechnology in life sciences ?
- 23. Describe the role of Agrobacterium in plant transformation.
- 24. Briefly explain the types of selection in plant breeding.
- Write notes on methods of breeding.
- 26. Briefly explain the applications of Biotechnology.
- 27. Describe Gene therapy and DNA finger printing.
- 28. What are the steps involved in plant introduction? (4x3=12)

SECTION - D (Answer any one)

- 29. What is plant breeding? Explain objectives of plant breeding.
- 30. Define vectors. Briefly explain types of vectors and their characteristic features.
- 31. Briefly explain PCR with its requirements and types.