I Semester M.Sc. Degree (CBSS-Reg./Sup./Imp.) Examination, October 2022 (2019 Admission Onwards)

BOTANY

BOT 1C03: Bryology, Pteridology and Gymnosperms

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 60

SECTION - A

Answer any two. (Either a or b).

 a) Explain the general characters of Jungermanniales. What are the reproductive characters of Porella?

OR

- b) Write a note on the types of gametophytes in homosporous ferns.
- a) Write an account on Pteridospermales. Discuss their significance in the phylogeny of Gymnosperms.

OR

 b) Prepare a comparative account of the anatomical feature of Ginkgoales and Taxales.
 (2×8=16)

SECTION - B

Answer any two. (1 mark for part a; 2 marks for part b; 3 marks for part c)

- 3. a) Write a brief account of fossil bryophytes, citing examples.
 - b) Discuss the contribution made by Professor BK Nayar.
 - c) Structure of ovule in Welwitschia.
- 4. a) Describe Cleavage polyembryony citing examples.
 - b) Explain the affinities of Sphagnum with other members of bryophytes.
 - c) Discuss the trend of evolution of soral types in Pteridophytes.
- 5. a) Diversity of gametophytes in Lycopodiales.
 - b) Compare the features of Manoxylic and Pycnoxylic woods.
 - c) Explain the internal structure of Targionia.

 $(2 \times 6 = 12)$

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SECTION - C

Answer any six.

- 6. Briefly explain the classification of Bryophytes.
- 7. Briefly explain the contribution of Indian Bryologists.
- 8. Citing examples, discuss polyploidy in Pteridophytes.
- 9. Write an account on the sporocarp of Salvinia.
- 10. Write an account on the major weedy pteridophytes and their control.
- 11. Write an account of anatomical features of Ephedrales.
- 12. Structure of male cone and male gametophyte in Gnetales.
- 13. Write a note on the diversity of naturally occurring Gymnosperms in Kerala. (6x3=18)

SECTION - D

Answer any seven.

- 14. What are the general characters of Sphaerocarpus?
- 15. Explain the sporophyte of Andreaea.
- 16. Explain the importance of bryophytes as an indicator of atmospheric pollution.
- 17. Write an account on perennial gametophytes in Pteridophytes citing examples.
- 18. Write on the diversity and salient features of Halophytic pteridophytes.
- 19. Write an account on the medicinal pteridophytes of Southern India
- 20. Write a brief account of Glossopteridales.
- 21. Economic significance of Coniferales.
- 22. Brief account on the structure of Caytoniales.
- 23. Write a brief note on vegetative and reproductive parts of Pentoxylales. (7x2=14)