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III Semester M.Sc. Degree (C.B.C.S.S. - OBE - Regular) Examination, October 2024 (2023 Admission) BOTANY

MSBOT03 C13: Genetic Engineering, Plant Biotechnology and **Bioinformatics**

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 60

PART - A

Answer any five questions. Each question carries 3 marks.

- How can you produce a virus free plant using an in vitro system?
- 2. What are synthetic seeds, and how are they produced? Enlist the applications.
- 3. Name and explain a medical database.
- 4. Enlist the importance of gene editing in crop improvement.
- Differentiate Northern and Western blotting.
- Write about edible vaccine.

 $(5 \times 3 = 15)$

PART - B

Answer any three questions. Each question carries 6 marks.

- 7. Can you explain how Bt cotton and Golden rice is produced?
- 8. How can you isolate and culture the protoplast? How can you test the viability of protoplast?
- 9. Enumerate importance of Arabidopsis thaliana genome.
- Analyze the importance of RNAi and CRISPR-Cas9.
- 11. Enlist and explain importance of somaclonal variation.

 $(3 \times 6 = 18)$

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PART - C

Answer any three questions. Each question carries 9 marks.

- 12. Explain how secondary metabolites can be produced in vitro and how the production can be elicited.
- 13. Analyze different methods for gene amplification. Elaborate the protocols of each method.
- 14. Write about pollen, embryo and endosperm culture. Point out the applications and media used for it.
- 15. 'Many methods can be used for gene transfer in plants' . Mention two physical and two vector mediated methods and mention the significance of each.
- 16. Write an account on nucleotide and protein sequence databases.

 $(3 \times 9 = 27)$