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IV Semester M.Sc. Degree (C.B.C.S.S.-OBE - Regular)

Examination, April 2025 (2023 Admission) BOTANY

MSBOT04C15 : Cell and Molecular Biology

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 60

PART - A

Answer any five questions. Each question carries 3 marks.

- 1. Define non-disjunction and explain its consequences.
- 2. Differentiate between apoptosis and necrosis.
- 3. What are the key characteristics of transformed cancer cells?
- 4. What are point mutations? Give an example.
- Describe the function of cohesions in chromosome segregation.
- 6. What is chromosome banding, and why is it significant?

(5×3=15)

PART - B

Answer any three questions. Each question carries 6 marks.

- Differentiate between tight junctions and desmosomes in terms of structure and function.
- 8. What are polytene chromosomes, and how do they differ from lampbrush chromosomes?
- Describe the role of tumour suppressor genes in preventing cancer.

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- 10. Explain the nucleosome model of eukaryotic chromosome organization.
- Explain the mechanism of base excision repair in DNA.

(3×6=18)

PART - C

Answer any three questions. Each question carries 9 marks.

- 12. How do cyclins and cyclin-dependent kinases (CDKs) regulate the cell cycle ?
- Compare mitochondrial and chloroplast genomes in terms of structure and function.
- 14. Describe the operon concept in bacteria with an example.
 15. What are the major steps involved in cancer metastasis?
- 16. Differentiate between prokaryotic and eukaryotic transcription.

(3×9=27)