2020

MICROBIOLOGY — HONOURS

Paper: CC-6

Full Marks: 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Answer question no. 1 and any three questions from the rest.

1. Answer any ten questions:

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- (a) Why oxygen inhibits the fermentation process?
- (b) What is meant by fastidious microorganisms? Give example.
- (c) What is an enrichment culture media? Give example.
- (d) Name two selective media and their uses.
- (e) Which group of bacteria contain unique coenzymes like coenzyme M and coenzyme F420?
- (f) Do cyanobacteria produce oxygen? State an important role played by the cyanobacteria.
- (g) All pathogenic organisms are chemoheterotrophs. Why?
- (h) What is substrate level phosphorylation?
- (i) Name the enzyme(s) catalysing the conversion of glucose to glucose-6-phosphate.
- (j) Mention the role of hydrogen oxidising bacteria in metabolism.
- (k) What is meant by symbiosome?
- (l) What is an antiporter? Give example.
- (m) Name an inhibiter of Na⁺K⁺ ATPase and mention its medical use.
- (n) What is the difference between ED Pathway and Glycolysis?
- (o) Explain proton motive force.
- 2. (a) Write down the reactions that occur in pyruvate dehydrogenase complex.
 - (b) Write down the ATP/GTP generating step of TCA cycle.
 - (c) Name the two three carbon molecules that are generated from cleavage of fructose 1, 6 bisphosphate.
 - (d) Why pentose phosphate pathway is called shunt? What are the two main functions of pentose phosphate pathway? 2+2+2+(2+2)

Please Turn Over

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- **3.** (a) What is ammonia assimilation? Discuss briefly the mechanism of ammonia assimilation in nitrogen fixing bacteria.
 - (b) Write the steps of module formation.
 - (c) Write the components of nitrogenase enzyme.
 - (d) Differenciate between nitrification and denitrificaton.

(1+3)+3+1+2

- **4.** (a) Do all photosynthetic bacteria produce oxygen during photosynthesis? Name one which producess oxygen.
 - (b) Although anaerobic respiration releases lesser amount of energy, it is useful in some ways.
 Explain.
 - (c) Write a short note on Hill Reaction.
 - (d) What is the net yield of ATP during homolactic and butyrate fermentation? 2+2+2+(2+2)
- **5.** (a) How bacteria can be classified nutritionally based on their source of energy and carbon? Explain with suitable examples.
 - (b) What are thermophiles? Explain how thermophiles and psychrophiles cope up with the extreme environmental condition.
 - (c) What is chemostat? How does a chemostat regulate growth rate and cell density independently? (2+2)+(1+2)+(1+2)
- **6.** Write brief notes on *any four* of the following :

 $2\frac{1}{2} \times 4$

- (a) Group translocation
- (b) Irreversible steps of TCA cycle
- (c) Methanogenesis
- (d) Adaptation of halophilic bacteria
- (e) Role of uncoupler in electron transport chain.