2020

MICROBIOLOGY — HONOURS

Paper: CC-1

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) What are prions?
- (b) Why agar is preferable over gelatin as a solidifying agent? And who discovered the importance of agar as a solidifying agent?
- (c) Explain mycotoxin with an example.
- (d) Differenciate between bacterial and algal flagella.
- (e) Name the causative agent of giardiasis. What is its source?
- (f) Define single cell proteins with example.
- (g) Who was credited to have develop first vaccine and what was the disease the vaccine had been developed for?
- (h) What is dolipore septum?
- (i) Write two drawbacks of Koch's postulate.
- (i) What is tyndallization? Who invented this technique?
- (k) Write down the different plant body types in algae.
- (1) State the contribution of Anton von Leeuwenhoek.
- (m) What do you mean by the term Binominal nomenclature?
- (n) State the difference between viruses and viroids.
- (o) Name the pigments and storage products that can be observed in Rhodophyceae.
- 2. (a) What is eye-spot of algae?
 - (b) Why are algae important in the food chain of aquatic environment?
 - (c) Give concise account of algal thallus organization.
 - (d) Schematically represent haplobiontic life-cycle of algae.

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- **3.** (a) What was the purpose of swan-necked flasks that Louis Pasteur designed to disprove spontaneous generation?
 - (b) How did Edward Jenner introduce the modern method of vaccination?
 - (c) How did Leeuwenhoeks' work influence the contributions of Pasteur and Koch?
 - (d) What is the concept of pure culture? Who first obtained pure culture of bacteria and how? 2+3+2+(1+1+1)
- 4. (a) Write down the causative agent and symptoms of amoebiasis.
 - (b) Diagrammatically represent the life-cycle of *Plasmodium*.
 - (c) How protozoa differs from algae?
 - (d) Name different locomotory organs of protozoa.

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- 5. (a) Name two fungi each which are beneficial and pathogenic for human being, respectively, along with their mode of action.
 - (b) Describe the chemical composition of fungal cellwall.
 - (c) Name and describe different spores formed in asexual reproduction of fungi.

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- **6.** (a) What is the basis of Whittaker's five kingdom classification? Name the different kingdom proposed by this system of classification.
 - (b) Write short note on viroids.

(c) State the economic importance of algae.

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