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## PG (NEW) CBCS M.Sc. Semester-II Examination, 2019 BOTANY

PAPER: BOT-202

(PALAEOBOTANY, PALYNOLOGY & PLANT REPRODUCTIVE BIOLOGY)

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 Hours

ESTD 201

## Use separate Answer-scripts for each unit

BOT 202.1
Palaeobotany

Marks-20

1. Answer any two questions of the following:

2×2=4

- a) What is meant by index fossil?
- b) What is lithostratigraphy?
- c) Distinguish between cast and mould.
- d) Distinguish between relative dating and absolute dating.
- 2. Answer any two questions of the following:

4×2=8

- a) Graphically represent the geological time scale upto period.
- b) Describe the megafloristies of Rajmahal formation (upper Gondwana).
- c) Write a short note on Plate tectonics.
- d) Discuss the role of fossils in stratigraphic deductions between different exposed rock strata.
- 3. Answer any one question of the following:

8×1=8

- a) What is continental drift theory? Who is the proponent of this theory?
   Write down the evidences in favour of this theory.
- b) Describe plant succession through geological time scale.

(Turn over)



## BOT 202.2 Palynology & plant reproductive biology

## Marks-20

4. Answer any two questions of the following:

2×2=4

- a) What does it mean by aperture of a pollen grain?
- b) Name the important component found in pollen wall. Mention its chemical nature.
- c) What does it mean by pollen vector?
- d) How oblate pollen grain differ from prolate ones?
- 5. Answer any two questions of the following:

4×2=8

- a) Write a short note on melissopalynology.
- b) Write briefly about extra exinoxs wall materials of pollen grains.
- c) Define herkogamy and dichogamy. Discuss their role in breeding system of plants.
- d) Write down the full form of ELISA and discuss the role of ELISA technique in detection of allergens.
- 6. Answer any one question of the following:

8×1=8

- a) What is sporoderm? Illustrate different types of surface features found in pollen grains/ spores.
- b) How simple aperture differ from compound ones? Discuss different types of compound apertures found in pollen grains.

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