2022

B.F.Sc. 1st Semester Examination

Fundamentals of Microbiology

PAPER - BFSC-104

Full Marks: 50

Time: 2 hours



The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

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

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

- **1.** Answer any **ten** from the following questions: $2 \times 10 = 20$
 - (x) What is bacterial flagella?
 - Differentiate between bacteria and cyanobacteria.
 - (c) What is Archaebacteria?
 - (d) Define frameshift mutation.
 - What is bacterial transformation?

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(f) What is nitrification? Name any one nitrifying bacteria.

(g) Mention the names of two microbial media.

(h) What is facultative anaerobe? Give an example.

(I) What is sewage?

(i) Define virion.

(k) What is differential staining?

(1) How do psychrophiles differ from thermophiles?

(m) Mention the role of phosphorus in biological system.

(n) Differentiate between metabolism and mineralization.

(o) What is the main difference between homolactic and heterolactic fermentations?

2. Answer *any* **six** from the following questions: $5 \times 6 = 30$

(a) Draw and describe different phases of bacterial growth curve. 5

(b) What is bacterial capsule? State its composition and roles. 2+1½+1½=5

(c) What is conjugation? What is Hfr bacteria? State its significance. 2+1½+1½=5

(d) What is agar? Mention its use. Define selective and differential media with example. 1+1+1½+1½=5

(e) Write the role of microorganisms in carbon cycle. What is nitrogen fixation? 3+2=5

(f) What is sterilization? Write the mode of action of moist heat and UV ray mediated sterilization. $2+1\frac{1}{2}+1\frac{1}{2}=5$

g) What is fermentation? Write its significance. Write two industrial applications of fermentation process.

2+11/2+11/2=5

(h) Write the economic significance of aquatic microorganisms.

(i) Differentiate bacteria on the basis of flagellar position with diagrams. 5

(j) Write short notes on microbial biofilms and bacterial photosynthesis. 2½+2½=5



