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PG (Agriculture) M.SC. Semester- III Examination, 2023 AGRONOMY PAPER: AGRON 508 (THEORY)

(AGRONOMY OF MEDICINAL, AROMATIC & UNDER-UTILIZED CROPS) Full Marks: 50 Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.

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

GROUP-A

1. Answer any **FIVE** of the following questions:

 $2 \times 5 = 10$

 $5 \times 4 = 20$

- a) What do you understand by under-utilized crop?
- b) What are the objectives of value addition?
- c) Write down the importance of French bean cultivation.
- d) What is staking?
- e) What are the scientific names and family of citronella, basil, lathyrus and tea?
- f) Define medicinal plants.
- g) Name the species of *Dioscorea* are under cultivation for edible purpose and diosgenin production purpose.
- h) What do you understand by minor forest produce?

GROUP-B

- 2. Answer any **FOUR** of the following questions:
 - a) Explain constrains of tea and coffee production.
 - b) Discuss on flue cured tobacco. How *Cyperus rotundus* nuts are useful? 3+2
 - c) Write a short note on importance of aromatic plants in Indian scenario.
 - d) Explain different curing process of tea.

e) Write a short note on BOAA.

- f) Describe the medicinal properties of Rauwolfia and Opium.
- g) Discuss the uses of Sesbania/drumstick.
- h) Describe the harvesting and processing of Isabgol.

GROUP-C

3. Answer any **TWO** of the following questions: $10 \times 2=20$

- a) Write importance and scope for cultivation of medicinal plants in India.
- b) Explain benefits of rice bean in modern agriculture. Write down the different distillation process for essential oil extraction.
- c) Write down the cultivation practices of citronella with reference to varieties, soil & climatic requirement and other cultural practices.
- d) Write down the cultivation practices of rose. Classify mint. 7+3