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# PG Agriculture M.SC. Semester- III Examination, 2023 GENETICS AND PLANT BREEDING PAPER: PGS 504 (Practical)

## (BASIC CONCEPTS OF LABORATORY TECHNIQUES)

Full Marks: 80

Time: 3 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.

#### 1. Answer any **THREE** of the following questions:

 $5 \times 3 = 15$ 

- a) Why safety measures in lab is important?
- b) Why autoclaves are being used for media preparation?
- c) Discuss on washing, drying and sterilization of glassware. Write its importance.
- d) List five major glass goods with their uses in the laboratory.
- e) How buffer solutions are prepared?

#### 2. Answer any **ONE** of the following questions:

 $10 \times 1 = 10$ 

- a) Describe one flowering plant with botanical descriptions in relation to taxonomy.
- b) Estimate the leaf chlorophyll content by spectrophotometer.

## 3. Answer any <u>TWO</u> of the following questions:

 $10 \times 2 = 20$ 

- a) Describe different steps of tissue culture.
- b) Describe different parts of compound microscope.
- c) Briefly discuss about handling techniques of chemical substances. Write down about five lab safety symbols with proper explanation. What are the first rules of chemical safety? 4+4+2

### 4. Answer any **TWO** of the following questions:

 $10 \times 2 = 20$ 

- a) Mention the different instruments generally used in agricultural laboratories.
- b) Define seed viability. Explain the process of determining the viability of seed.
- c) How we sterilize the prepared media and in which condition? Why should agar plates be kept upside down while drying in the incubator? What are the advantages of autoclave? 4+4+2
- d) Define paper chromatography. Explain the procedure of paper chromatography.
- 5. Practical notebook

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6. Attending of Viva-voce

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