## U. G. 6th Semester Examination 2022 BOTANY (Honours)

Paper Code: SEC-2

[CBCS]

Full Marks: 40 Time: Two Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

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

1. Answer any *five* of the following:

 $2 \times 5 = 10$ 

- (i) What do you mean by green manuring?
- (ii) Mention the differences between biofertilizers and chemical fertilizers.
- (iii) What do you mean by mass multiplication?
- (iv) What are diazotrophs? Name two of them.
- (v) Write down the full form of PGPR and PGPF.
- (vi) Differentiate between biodegradable and non-biodegradable wastes.
- (vii) What is actinorhizal symbiosis?
- 2. Answer any *four* of the following:

 $5 \times 4 = 20$ 

- (i) What is algalization? Give a brief account of the significant role of cyanobacteria in paddy cultivation.
- (ii) Briefly enumerate the municipal waste management emphasizing various composting methods.
- (iii) Give a brief account on methods of vermicomposting and its field application.

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(iv) Justify Rhizobium as a wonder biofertilizer and crop promoter.

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- (v) What are carrier-based inoculants? Briefly discuss the properties of an ideal carrier material.
- (vi) Write a short note on the biological control of plant pathogens.

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(vii) What do you mean by PSM? Write a short note on phosphate solubilizing bacteria in context with plant growth enhancement.

3. Answer any *one* of the following:

 $10 \times 1 = 10$ 

- (i) Briefly characterize the different types of mycorrhizal associations mentioning the name of their fungal partner. Explain the roles of arbuscular mycorrhizal fungi in plant nutrition, growth and yield.
- (ii) What is PGPR? State the role and significance of PGPR as a plant growth enhancer. Add a note on its harmful aspects. 2+6+2