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# NH-138

November-2025

M.Sc., Sem.-III

**BOT-503 : Botany**

**(Plant Biotechnology)**

**Time : 2:30 Hours]**

**[Max. Marks : 70**

- Instructions :** (1) All Questions carry equal marks.  
(2) Attempt all Questions.

1. Discuss morphogenesis, somatic embryogenesis, synthetic seeds and their advantages in PTC. 14

**OR**

1. (A) What is androgenesis and gynogenesis ? Discuss their significance in Plant tissue culture. 7  
(B) Describe the role of therapy methods (chemo and thermo) in producing virus free plants. 7

2. Explain Somatic hybridization and its advantages. 14

**OR**

2. (A) Write a note on bioreactors used for plant cell culture. 7  
(B) Explain the role of biotechnology in plant improvement with suitable examples. 7

3. Describe in detail the industrial applications of secondary metabolites. 14

**OR**

3. (A) Discuss the cytotoxic phytochemicals. 7  
(B) Explain one fine chemical produced by plants like Shikonine. 7

4. Describe distant hybridization in detail with applications. 14

**OR**

4. (A) Explain in-vitro pollination along with its applications and limitations. 7  
(B) Write short notes on embryo culture and embryo rescue in plant breeding. 7

5. Attempt any **seven** out of **twelve** MCQs/Short question (**one** or **two** line answer)/ Fill in the blanks/True or False etc. **14**

- (1) Name four plant growth regulators used in tissue culture.
  - (2) Explain pathogen indexing.
  - (3) Name two meristem cultures.
  - (4) What are hairy root cultures ?
  - (5) What are phytochemicals ? Give one example.
  - (6) What is biotransformation ?
  - (7) Mention source plant of Berberine.
  - (8) Define primary metabolites.
  - (9) What is the role of digoxin in medicine ?
  - (10) What are pre- and post- fertilization barriers ? Give one example for each.
  - (11) Define cisgenesis.
  - (12) Mention about cryoprotectants.
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