

2022
M. Sc. (Biotechnology) Third Semester
MBIO-303: Plant Biotechnology

Time allowed: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

NOTE: Attempt five questions in all, including Question No. 1 which is compulsory and selecting one question from each Unit.

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1. Write brief notes on the following:-

- i) Embryo Rescue
- ii) DNA Banks
- iii) Transformation in monocots
- iv) Plants as Bioreactors

(4X4 =16)

UNIT-I

2. a) What is cryopreservation? Discuss the various steps of cryopreservation process.
b) Discuss various components of Plant Tissue Culture medium.

(8 each)

3. **Give a brief account of the following:**

- a) Production of haploid plants
- b) Protoplast isolation techniques
- c) Initiation and maintenance of callus cultures
- d) Production of virus-free plants

(4 each)

UNIT-II

4. a) Discuss the mechanism of *Agrobacterium* mediated gene transfer.
b) Describe the various direct DNA transfer in plants.

(8 each)

5. **Give a brief account of the following:**

- a) Gene silencing
- b) Bar and Barnase systems

(2)

- c) Applications of viral vectors
- d) Reporter genes and their examples

(4 each)

UNIT-III

- .6 a) Explain the various chloroplast transformation methods giving their advantages and limitations.
- b) Describe the various strategies for producing plant secondary metabolites in vitro.
- (8 each)
- .7 Give a brief account of the following:
- a) Biodegradable plastics
 - b) Oleosin partitioning technology
 - c) Edible vaccines
 - d) Biotransformation (giving suitable examples)
- (4 each)

UNIT-IV

- .8 a) Discuss the molecular marker assisted selection in plant breeding giving suitable examples.
- b) Under what conditions can plants be grown in a Green house ? Discuss the advantages and limitations of growing plants in a Green house ?
- (8 each)
- .9 Give a brief account of the following:
- a) RAPD markers
 - b) SCAR
 - c) QTLs
 - d) RFLP maps
- (4 each)