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B.A./B.Sc. (General) Sixth Semester Bio-Chemistry Paper – A: Molecular Biology –II

Γime allowed: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 45

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

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- I. Answer the following in brief:
 - a) What do you understand by a transcription factor?
 - b) Which organelles play a role in protein targeting?
 - c) Elaborate on the modes of phage infection.
 - d) What is the role of DBD in nuclear receptors?
 - e) Discuss the structure of a drosophila egg.
 - f) What are the ways by which proteins can be modified?
 - g) What are the techniques used in genome sequencing?
 - h) Define the function of zygotic genes in drosophila.
 - i) What is the role of the mat locus?

(9x1)

<u>UNIT - I</u>

- II. a) Transcriptional activators and transcriptional repressers play a key role in prokaryotic cells. Discuss how they control the lac operon.
 - b) What do you understand by post-translational modification of proteins? (5,4)
- III. Write short notes on the following:
 - a) Lysogenic mode
 - b) Protein targeting
 - c) Chaperones

(3x3)

UNIT - II

- IV. a) Most of the specialized cells in a multicellular organism are capable of altering their patterns of gene expression in response to extracellular signals. Discuss the role of hormones in the regulation of eukaryotic gene expression.
 - b) A large number of proteins behave as transcription factors and regulate gene expression. Elaborate on the role of zinc fingers. (5,4)

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- V. Write short notes on the following:
 - a) Leucine zippers
 - b) Chromatin modifiers
 - c) Promoters

(3x3)

UNIT - III

- VI. a) What is the role of restriction nucleases? Using a suitable diagram show their mechanism of action.
 - b) What are the major differences between a genomic DNA library and a cDNA library? (5,4)
- VII. Briefly discuss the following:
 - a) Maternal effect genes
 - b) Syncytial blastoderm
 - c) Vectors

(3x3)

<u>UNIT - IV</u>

- VIII. a) What are SNPs? How are they analyzed?
 - b) Discuss the usefulness of SNPs in the field of forensics.

(5,4)

- IX. a) What is comparative Genomics? What are the ways by which it can be studied?
 - b) Briefly describe the contribution of microarrays in the field of molecular biology. (5,4)