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**B.A./B.Sc. (General) 6<sup>th</sup> Semester**  
**(2054)**

**BIOTECHNOLOGY (Elective)**

**Paper : Environmental and Fermentation Biotechnology**  
**BIOT-Elect-Sem.-VI-T**

**Time Allowed : Three Hours] [Maximum Marks : 75**

**Note :—**(1) Attempt *two* questions from Section A.

(2) Attempt *two* questions from Section B.

(3) Section C is compulsory.

**SECTION—A**

1. Write short notes on the following :

(a) Renewable and non-renewable resources.

(b) Methanogenic bacteria in biogas production.

(c) Photosynthetic pigments for energy. 5×3

2. (a) What is meant by gasohol and how can it be used as fuel ?

(b) Write short note on Microbial hydrogen production and its significance. 7,8

3. (a) Explain mechanism of action of *Bacillus thuringiensis* insecticidal toxins and their use in the control of insect pests. 8,7
- (b) How microbes help in enrichment of ores ? 8,7
4. (a) Explain the approaches used for biological control of insect pests.
- (b) Write short note on microbial degradation of xenobiotic compounds. 8,7

### SECTION—B

5. (a) What is meant by microbial strain improvement ? Explain one method in detail.
- (b) Why preservation of microorganism is needed ? How lyophilization helps in preservation ? 8,7
6. Write short notes on the following :
- (a) Carbon and nitrogen sources for fermentation media.
- (b) Significance of sterilization of nutrient medium. 8,7
7. Explain the following :—
- (a) Gel filtration chromatography
- (b) Two phase aqueous separation. 7,8
8. (a) Explain two methods of immobilization of cells and enzymes.
- (b) Draw well labelled diagram of fermenter and give functions of major components. 8,7

## SECTION—C

9. Explain the following :—

- (a) Fossil fuels and their significance
- (b) Conversion of sugar to ethanol
- (c) Biopesticide
- (d) Biofertilizers
- (e) Primary and secondary metabolites
- (f) Downstream process
- (g) Two methods of cell disruption
- (h) Ultrafiltration
- (i) Continuous culture
- (j) Antifoaming agents. 1.5×10