

2014

(May)

BOTANY

(Major)

Course : 601

(**Plant Physiology**)

Full Marks : 48

Pass Marks : 19

Time : 2 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. Fill in the blanks :

1×5=5

- (a) Plasmolysis occurs when a cell is placed in a — solution.
- (b) The hormone — signals the closure of stomata during severe draught.
- (c) The special chemical compound — is found in the root nodules of legumes.

(2)

- (d) The evolution of CO_2 in presence of light is known as —.
- (e) Exudation of liquids from edges of leaves is called —.

2. Write on/Answer the following in short : $3 \times 3 = 9$

- (a) Physiological effects of water deficit
- (b) "Transpiration is a necessary evil."
Justify the statement.
- (c) Emerson effect in photosynthesis

3. What is photoperiodism? Write the differences between short-day and long-day plants. What role does phytochrome play in flower initiation? $2+6+4=12$

Or

Write notes on the following : $3 \times 4 = 12$

- (a) Phytohormones
- (b) Physiology of seed dormancy
- (c) Symbiotic nitrogen fixation
- (d) Vernalization

(3)

4. Discuss the process of glycolysis mentioning specific enzymes. What is the net gain of ATP? 8+2=10

Or

Describe the active and passive absorptions of water by roots in higher plants. Comment briefly on their relative importance. 8+2=10

5. Write explanatory notes on any *three* of the following : 4×3=12

- (a) Significance of CAM
- (b) *nif* gene and nitrification
- (c) Grand period of growth
- (d) Dixon's theory of ascent of sap
- (e) Role of calcium and potash in plant nutrition

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