## 3 (Sem-2/CBCS) BOT HC 2

## 2023

## **BOTANY**

(Honours Core)

Paper: BOT-HC-2026

(Archegoniate)

Full Marks: 60

Time: Three hours

## The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

- Answer the following question:  $1 \times 7 = 7$ 
  - (i) What is gemma CUP?
  - (ii) Polytrichum is mainly \_\_\_
    - (a) Heterothallic
    - (b) Homothallic
    - (c) Both (a) and (b)

      (Choose the correct answer)

- (iii) The antherozoids of Anthoceros are
  - (a) Monoflagellate
  - (b) Biflagellate
  - (c) Quadriflagellate
  - (d) Multiflagellate
    (Select the correct answer)
- (iv) Mention the name of an aquatic fern.
- (v) What is coralloid root?
- (vi) Name one Gymnosperm where xylem vessels i.e. tracheae is present.
- (vii) Name one homosporic pteridophyte that found in India.
- 2. Write short answer of the following: 2×4=8
  - (i) Why sporophyte of *Riccia* is considered simple in structure?
  - (ii) Mention two angiospermic characters of the ovule of Gnetum.
  - (iii) Mention two xerophytic characters of Pinus leaf.
  - (iv) Write notes on synangium of Psilotum.

- 3. Answer the following questions: (any three) 5×3=15
  - (i) What is transfusion tissue? Explain briefly its function.
  - (ii) Economic importance of Bryophyta.
  - (iii) Describe briefly the sporophyte of Polytrichum with labelled diagram.
  - (iv) Why Gnetum is considered as most advanced of the Gymnosperm?
  - (v) Compare the internal structure of early land plants *Cooksonia* and *Rhyńia*.
- 4. Write descriptive answers of the following questions: (any three) 10×3=30
  - (i) Describe the life history of *Marsilea* with special reference to its reproductive structure.
  - (ii) Give a comparative account of the development of the female gametophyte in *Cycas* and *Pinus*.
  - (iii) Why *Ginkgo biloba* is called living fossil?

    Describe briefly its male and female cone with labelled diagram.

    4+6=10

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- (iv) Define Heterospory. Trace its origin in pteridophytes and point out its significance. 3+7=10
- (v) Give a comparative account of gametophytic structures of Marchantia and Anthoceros.
- (vi) With the help of labelled diagram describe the sporophyte of Sphagnum.