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Third Semester M.Sc. Examination, December 2018 Applied Chemistry (CBCS : 2016-17 Syllabus) BIOINORGANIC CHEMISTRY

Time : 3 Hours

Note : i) Answer Part **A** and **any four** questions from Part **B**. ii) Figures to the **right** indicate marks.

PART – A

- 1. Answer all the following sub-divisions :
 - a) Give two examples of radio pharmaceuticals used for imaging purposes.
 - b) Write the structures of solagonol and salvarasan.
 - c) What are the diseases caused due to deficiency of zinc ? Suggest the remedy.
 - d) List the essential and trace metals present in the biological system.
 - e) Which ring is present in chlorophyll ? How is it different from porphyrin ring ?
 - f) Why valinomycin binds K⁺ more strongly than Na⁺ ?
 - g) Why is cytochrome P-450 called 'Body's detoxification mechanism' ?
 - h) Give the structural features of rubredoxin.
 - i) Give two examples of blue copper oxidases. Mention their functions.

PART – B

Answer any four full questions :

- 2. a) Describe the mechanism of anticancer activity of cis-platin. Why is transplatin not an effective anticancer drug ?
 - b) Discuss briefly on the utility of gold compounds in the treatment of rhemotoid arthritis.
 - c) What are the physiological effects of cyanide poisoning ? How is it treated ? (5+4+4)

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Max. Marks: 70

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(4×13=52)

(9×2=18)

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- 3. a) What are the biochemical effects of mercury and lead poisoning ? Suggest the antidotes for their removal.
 - b) Write briefly on the metal complexes used as antimicrobial agents.
 - c) Why are essential metals in excess, toxic to the living systems ? What are the physiological effects caused due to deficiency and excess of copper and iron ? Suggest the remedy for there effects. (4+4+5)
- 4. a) Why is fixation of nitrogen difficult ? Describe the structural features of nitrogenase. Discuss the mechanism of nitrogen fixation by this enzyme.
 - b) Write the Z-scheme of photosynthesis. Enumerate the importance of magnesium in chlorophyll. (7+6)
- 5. a) How are ionophores classified ? Give one example for each type.
 - b) Describe the transport of Na⁺/K⁺ ions across biological membrane by Na⁺/K⁺ ATPase.
 - c) Write briefly on invitro nitrogen fixation by metal dinitrogen complexes.
 What are its demerits ? (5+4+4)
- 6. a) With a neat sketch, describe the structural features and function of carboxypeptidase.
 - b) Why are O_2^2 and O_2^- toxic to biological system ? Name the enzymes responsible for their removal.
 - c) Discuss the structural features of 2Fe 2S and 4 Fe 4S in oxidised and reduced form. Comment on their magnetic properties. (5+4+4)
- 7. a) Write the structure of vitamin B₁₂ coenzyme. Explain briefly on any four reactions that are catalyzed by it.
 - b) Describe the mechanism of iron storage and transport in biological system. (7+6)