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BSS 453

Second Semester M.Sc. Degree Examination, September/October 2022 (CBCS) BIOSCIENCES Applied Microbiology

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 70

- 1. Write short notes on any four of the following (not exceeding 2 pages each): (4×4=16)
 - a) Microbes in the extreme environments.
 - b) Food spoilage microorganisms.
 - c) Bioconversion and decomposition.
 - d) Water quality and microbial indicators.
 - e) Fungal toxins.
 - f) Probiotics.

Write explanatory notes on **any five** of the following (**not** exceeding **3** pages **each**): (5×6=30)

- 2. Rumen microbiota and their role in digestion.
- 3. Milk borne pathogens and symptoms of infection.
- 4. Methods used for the estimation of soil microbial load.
- 5. MPN method and its applications in water quality.
- 6. Major components of the air microflora.
- 7. Advantages and disadvantages of bioremediation using microbes.
- 8. Critical environmental issues with genetically modified microorganisms.

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Write essay on any two of the following (not exceeding 8 pages each): (2×12=24)

- 9. Explain the fermentation process with suitable example. Add note on different microbial strains used for production of ethanol and lactic acid.
- 10. Explain in detail on the water-borne diseases and importance of water quality standards.
- 11. Soil microbes have significant role in maintaining the soil health. Justify with rational discussion.