

**TDC (CBCS) Odd Semester Exam., 2020
held in March, 2021**

ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

(5th Semester)

Course No. : EESHCC-502T

(Organizational and Evolutionary Biology)

Full Marks : 50

Pass Marks : 20

Time : 3 hours

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

SECTION—A

1. Answer any ten of the following questions :

2×10=20

- (a)* What is geological timescale?
- (b)* Define the term 'era'.
- (c)* What are the different periods on evolutionary timescale?
- (d)* Name the oldest era.

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- (e) What is adaptation?
- (f) What do you mean by genetic variation?
- (g) How is gene mutation involved in evolution?
- (h) What is natural selection?
- (i) What are aerobic and anaerobic metabolisms?
- (j) Define monomer and polymer.
- (k) How does anaerobic metabolism work?
- (l) What are present-day prokaryotes? Give two examples.
- (m) Write the name of two major mechanisms that lead to evolution.
- (n) What is genetic drift?
- (o) What do you mean by molecular clocks?
- (p) Define gene duplication.
- (q) What is gene pool?
- (r) What is the significance of population genetics?
- (s) What is gene frequency?
- (t) Name the major variants of speciation.

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SECTION—B

Answer *any five* questions

- 2. Describe different aspects of evolutionary timescale. 6
- 3. Explain the origin of unicellular and multicellular organisms. 6
- 4. Describe evolution of organisms with special reference to Lamark's concept. 6
- 5. Explain Darwin's theory of evolution with example. 6
- 6. Write briefly the Oparin-Haldane hypothesis on the evolution of cell. 6
- 7. Write the evolution of unicellular eukaryotes and explain its stages involved in evolution. 6
- 8. What is phylogeny? How are protein and nucleotide sequences analyzed? 1+5=6
- 9. Describe the natural evolution of molecules. 6
- 10. What is genotype frequency? Describe Hardy-Weinberg law and its principles. 2+4=6
- 11. Define migration and genetic drift. Describe the phenomena involved in both and the similarities between the two. 2+4=6

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