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III Semester M.Sc. Degree (C.B.C.S.S. – O.B.E. – Regular)
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BOTANY

Open Elective Course MSBOT03O02 : Basic Agricultural Practices

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 60

PART – A

Answer any five questions. Each question carries 3 marks.

- 1. Classify and describe the weeds on the basis of their life cycle.
- 2. What is Precision farming? Enlist the advantages.
- 3. Explain the methods of seed extraction from cereal crops.
- 4. Which Ministry governs the organic farming certification process and how?
- 5. What is a crop ideotype? Characterize the ideotype for Rice.
- 6. Define and describe the cultivation practices adopted for multiple cropping system. (5×3=15)

PART - B

Answer any three questions. Each question carries 6 marks.

- 7. Assess the relevance of sustainable agriculture in the modern world. Elaborate on some such practices.
- 8. Design strategies to enable the farmers of your locality to optimize manure and fertilizer use for yield enhancement in vegetable farming.
- 9. Evaluate the possible approaches to avoid over exploitation of water resources in farming.
- 10. What is weed management? Prescribe control measures to prevent excessive weed growth in unoccupied fields.
- 11. Compare the traditional and modern farming systems. Evaluate the merits and demerits of both systems. (3×6=18)



PART - C

Answer any three questions. Each question carries 9 marks.

- 12. What are next-generation pesticides? Demonstrate their utility in eliminating weeds, microbes and pests in comparison to conventional pesticides.
- 13. What is post-harvest technology? Analyze the sequential steps that may be adopted in post-harvest management of any organic produce.
- 14. Investigate the importance of natural resources to man. Add a note on natural resource management in sustainable agriculture.
- 15. Categorize the natural hazards likely to affect crop cultivation. Discuss strategies that may help farmers overcome these challenges.
- Give a report on the history of organic farming practices adopted in India. Add short descriptions on the different techniques of organic farming. (3×9=27)

