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IV Semester M.Sc. Degree (CBSS – Reg./Supple./Imp.) Examination, April 2023 (2019 Admission Onwards) BOTANY

BOT4 E 05 : Seed Technology Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 60 $(2 \times 8 = 16)$ I. Answer **any two** of the following. 1) Give an account on the objectives of ISTA. 2) What is seed dormancy? What are its various causes? 3) Describe the different methods of seed storage. OR 4) Describe the metabolic changes that occur during seed germination. II. Answer **any two** of the following. $(2 \times 6 = 12)$ 5) a) Define seed as per Seed Act, 1966. 1 b) What are the characteristics of a good quality seed? 2 c) Differentiate between seed and grain. 3 6) a) What is the purpose of seed certification? 1 b) Briefly mention the eligibility for certification of crop varieties. 2 c) List the phases of seed certification. 3 7) a) Define seed production. 1 b) What is germplasm bank? 2 c) Write a note on maintenance of inbred lines. 3 III. Answer **any six** of the following. $(6 \times 3 = 18)$ 8) Write a brief note on food reserves in seeds. 9) What are the factors affecting seed longevity in storage?



- 10) Briefly explain tetrazolium test.
- 11) Give a brief account on classification of seeds on seed coat character.
- 12) Write a note on factors affecting the longevity of seeds.
- 13) Give an account on the life span of seed.
- 14) Write a note on National Seed Corporation.
- 15) Give a brief account on the Seed Act of India, 1966.

IV. Answer any seven of the following.

 $(7 \times 2 = 14)$

- 16) Explain breeder seed and foundation seed.
- 17) What do you mean by genetic purity of seed?
- 18) Why do the mature seeds of edible fruits not germinate inside the fruits?
- 19) What is meant by physical purity of seed?
- 20) If you are a farmer, would you buy certified seeds? Why?
- 21) What is grow out test?
- 22) Write a note on sampling types.
- 23) What are TFL seeds?
- 24) Write a note on secondary dormancy in seeds.
- 25) What is after-ripening?

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