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## I Semester M.Sc. Degree (C.B.C.S.S. – OBE-Reg./Supple./Imp.) Examination, October 2024 (2023 Admission Onwards) BOTANY

MSBOT01C01: General and Applied Microbiology

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 60

PART - A

## Answer any five questions.

 $(5 \times 3 = 15)$ 

- 1. Classify bacteria based on oxygen requirements.
- 2. Describe types of nutrient media used in microbial growth.
- 3. Explain the taxonomy of viruses based on genetic material.
- 4. What are toxoids? How are they used in immunization programs?
- 5. Define transposons and their role in antibiotic resistance.
- 6. Explain unique features of Halophiles and their habitat.

PART - B

Answer any three questions.

 $(3 \times 6 = 18)$ 

- 7. Describe the concept and application of metagenomics in studying microbial communities.
- 8. Summarize the steps involved in introducing a foreign gene into a bacterial cell.

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- 9. Discuss the containment measures in place for biosafety level IV labs.
- 10. Differentiate between vector-borne and airborne diseases with examples.
- 11. As a microbiologist in a hospital, outline the disinfection procedures to control healthcare-associated infections.

PART - C

Answer any three questions.

 $(3 \times 9 = 27)$ 

- 12. Discuss the use of ribosomal RNA (rRNA) in phylogenetic classification of microbes.
- 13. Differentiate viroids from viruses and outline their transmission.
- 14. Evaluate the impact of biofertilizers on soil health and crop yield.
- 15. Discuss public health policies for controlling an outbreak of hepatitis A.
- 16. Explain the principle of the Ziehl-Neelsen staining method and its use in microbiology.

