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## IV Semester M.Sc. Degree (C.B.S.S. – Reg./Supple. – (One Time Mercy Chance)/Imp.) Examination, April 2024 (2014 Admission Onwards) BOTANY

BOT4 E 05 : Seed Technology

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 60

I. Answer **any two** of the following.

 $(2 \times 8 = 16)$ 

1) Explain the physiology and biochemistry of seed germination.

OR

- 2) Give an account on post-independence development in seed technology in India.
- 3) What are the different types of seed storage? Mention the seed factors affecting storage life.

OR

4) Give an account on seed production in self-pollinated crops.

II. Answer any two of the following.	(2×6=12)
5) a) What is stratification?	1
b) Differentiate primary and secondary dormancy.	2
c) Discuss various causes of seed dormancy.	3
What is the validity period of seed certificate?	1
b) What is physical purity ?	2
c) What are the physical quality parameters?	3
7) a) What is the tag colour of certified seed?	1
b) What is nucleus seed?	2
c) Differentiate between certified seed and truthful labelled seed	<b>3</b>



III. Answer **any six** of the following.

 $(6 \times 3 = 18)$ 

- 8) Discuss the stages of seed crop inspection.
- 9) How can genetic purity be maintained during seed production?
- 10) Discuss the effects of storage environment on seed deterioration.
- 11) Give a brief account on maintenance of inbreed lines.
- 12) Describe briefly seed certification standards.
- 13) Explain the functions of NSC.
- 14) Write a note on germplasm bank. (See John)
- 15) Discuss the role of seed industries in India.
- IV. Answer any seven of the following.

 $(7 \times 2 = 14)$ 

- 16) Define seed.
- 17) What is meant by breeder seed?
- 18) Write a note on roughing.
- 19) What is composite sample?
- 20) Mention the goals of seed technology.
- 21) What is meant by "off type"?
- 22) Define seed priming.
- 23) What is meant by pollen shedders?
- 24) Write a note on seed coat characters.
- 25) What is DUS test? What is its use?

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