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FIRST YEAR [BATCH 2020-23] MICROBIOLOGY [HONOURS]

Group - A

Answer **any five** questions of the following:

 $[5\times2]$

- 1. a) What do you mean by Discontinuous Streaking? Why is it used?
 - b) What are Capnophiles?

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- c) How does cross-linking in peptidoglycan occur?
- d) What is basal body of flagella made up of?
- e) Define 'natural and synthetic media'. Explain with example.
- f) Would you expect generation time to be a constant characteristic of a bacterial species? Explain.
- g) What is resolving power? How does it differ from maganification?
- h) What is numerical aperture? How is it related to resolving power?

Group - B

Answer **any four** questions of the following:

 $[4\times10]$

- 2. a) What do you mean by Lyophilisation?
 - b) Why is shaking done in culturing microbes?
 - c) Why is flaming done before culturing?
 - d) What is a Gas pack?

[2+2+2+4]

- 3. a) In the lag phase of growth the number of bacteria remains constant. Does this mean the cells are dormant and inert? Explain.
 - b) Indicate the various toxic derivatives of oxygen and explain how aerobic organismsmight protect themselves against these derivatives.
 - c) The mechanism of antimicrobial action caused by desiccation is similar to that caused by plasmolysis. Explain why?
 - d) Briefly discuss the mode of action and practical application of ethylene oxide for the destruction of microorganisms. [2+3+2+(2+1)]
- 4. a) How does sporulation in bacteria occur?
 - b) What is spore cortex made up of?
 - c) Why is sex pili named so?

[5+3+2]

5. a) Calculate the mean and standard deviation from the following data:

Class	9-11	12-14	15-17	18-19
interval				
Frequency	0	8	8	4

- b) What is quartile deviation?
- c) What is pictogram?

[6+2+2]

6. a) Calculate correlation coefficient from the following data:

X	5	9	13	17	21
Y	12	20	25	33	35

b) Calculate two regression equation from the following data:

X	1	2	3	4	5
Y	2	3	5	6	4

[4+6]

- 7. a) What do you mean by parfocal microscope? What is working distance?
 - b) Why should over-heatfixing is avoidable during bacterial smear preparation?
 - c) Why does Mycobacterium tuberculosis consider as acid-fast bacteria?
 - d) What is mordant? State its function during staining.
 - e) State the purpose of using oil-immersion in higher magnification lens?
 - f) Acidic stains function well in acidic environment and basic stains works well in alkaline environment. Justify the statement. [2+2+1+1+2+2]

