## RAMAKRISHNA MISSION VIDYAMANDIRA

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## B.A./B.Sc. SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION, JUNE 2022 FIRST YEAR [BATCH 2021-24]

MICROBIOLOGY (GENERAL)

Time: 11 am – 1 pm Paper: II Full Marks: 50

1. Answer <u>any five</u> questions of the following:

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- a) What are nosocomial infection? Name one causative agent.
- b) What are opportunistic pathogens?
- c) How do autoinducer molecules perform quorum sensing?
- d) Give two example of nematophagous fungi?
- e) What are viroids?

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- f) Give two example of plant virus having single stranded DNA as genetic material.
- g) 'The mechanism of antimicrobial action caused by desiccation is similar to that caused by plasmolysis.' Explain why?
- h) Name the factors that affect microbial death rate.

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

 $[4 \times 10]$ 

- 2. a) Distinguish between:
  - i) Pathogen and pathogenicity
  - ii)  $ID_{50}$  and  $LD_{50}$
  - iii) Invasiveness and virulence
  - b) What is the role of normal micro flora in human body?
  - c) Which anatomical barrier of human host is difficult to penetrate by bacterial pathogen and why?
  - d) What is KDO and where it is found?

 $[(3\times1)+2+(1+2)+(1+1)]$ 

- 3. a) What is toxoid?
  - b) Write down the differences between endotoxin and exotoxin.
  - c) Why there is no normal flora in the lower respiratory tract?
  - d) What are spreading factors? Give example.
  - e) Define superantigen.

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- 4. a) Discuss the dynamic nature of rhizospheric soil.
  - b) Write down the function of mycorrhizal fungi.
  - c) How do root exudates influence rhizospheric microbiota?
  - d) What is the difference between rhizosphere and rhizoplane?

[3+2+3+2]

- 5. a) Explain the relationship between Tube worm and chemolithotrophic bacteria.
  - b) Write down the difference between commensalism and cooperation.
  - c) Justify that rumen is an anaerobic fermentation chamber.
  - d) Discuss about endoparasitic nematophagous fungi.

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6. Explain the various methods of animal viruses cultivation in laboratory.

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- 7. a) Mention important differences between 'sterilization' and 'disinfection'.
  - b) Briefly describe the mode of action and practical application of chlorine for the destruction of microorganisms.
  - c) A disinfectant is found to have a phenol coefficient of 3.0. What does this mean?
  - d) What is cold sterilization?

[3+4+2+1]

