G.C.E. (A/L) Examination - 2019

09 - Biology (NEW)

Distribution of Marks

• Paper I - $1 \times 50 = 50$

Paper II

Part A - Structured Essay (Answer all four questions)

Question No. 01	-	100
Question No. 02	-	100
Question No. 03	-	100
Question No. 04	-	100

 $100 \times 4 = 400$

Part B - Essay (Answer four questions only)

Question No. 05	-	150
Question No. 06	-	150
Question No. 07	-	150
Question No. 08	-	150
Question No. 09	-	150
Question No. 10	-	150

150 x 4 = 600

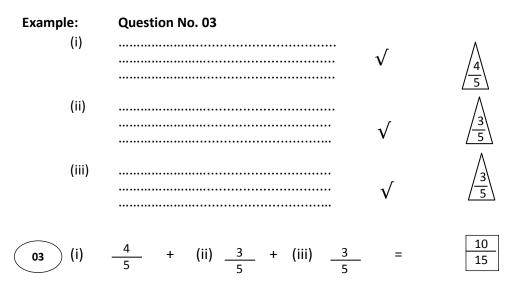
Total Marks = 400 + 600 = 1000

Paper II Final Marks = 100

Common Techniques of Marking Answer Scripts.

It is compulsory to adhere to the following standard method in marking answer scripts and entering marks into the mark sheets.

- 1. Use a red color ball point pen for marking. (Only Chief/Additional Chief Examiner may use a mauve color pen.)
- 2. Note down Examiner's Code Number and initials on the front page of each answer script.
- 3. Write off any numerals written wrong with a clear single line and authenticate the alterations with Examiner's initials.
- 4. Write down marks of each subsection in a \bigwedge and write the final marks of each question as a rational number in a \bigcap with the question number. Use the column assigned for Examiners to write down marks.



MCQ answer scripts: (Template)

- 1. Marking templets for G.C.E.(A/L) and GIT examination will be provided by the Department of Examinations itself. Marking examiners bear the responsibility of using correctly prepared and certified templates.
- 2. Then, check the answer scripts carefully. If there are more than one or no answers Marked to a certain question write off the options with a line. Sometimes candidates may have erased an option marked previously and selected another option. In such occasions, if the erasure is not clear write off those options too.
- 3. Place the template on the answer script correctly. Mark the right answers with a 'V' and the wrong answers with a 'X' against the options column. Write down the number of correct answers inside the cage given under each column. Then, add those numbers and write the number of correct answers in the relevant cage.

Structured essay type and assay type answer scripts:

- 1. Cross off any pages left blank by candidates. Underline wrong or unsuitable answers. Show areas where marks can be offered with check marks.
- 2. Use the right margin of the overland paper to write down the marks.
- 3. Write down the marks given for each question against the question number in the relevant cage on the front page in two digits. Selection of questions should be in accordance with the instructions given in the question paper. Mark all answers and transfer the marks to the front page, and write off answers with lower marks if extra questions have been answered against instructions.
- 4. Add the total carefully and write in the relevant cage on the front page. Turn pages of answer script and add all the marks given for all answers again. Check whether that total tallies with the total marks written on the front page.

Preparation of Mark Sheets.

Except for the subjects with a single question paper, final marks of two papers will not be calculated within the evaluation board this time. Therefore, add separate mark sheets for each of the question paper. Write paper 01 marks in the paper 01 column of the mark sheet and write them in words too. Write paper II Marks in the paper II Column and wright the relevant details. For the subject 51 Art, marks for Papers 01, 02 and 03 should be entered numerically in the mark sheets.

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6. Which of the following statements regarding chlorophyll is correct? (1) Chlorophyll absorbs violet, blue and red light. (2) Chlorophyll-b is the main light capturing pigment in plants. (3) Chlorophyll-a is most efficient for capturing green light. (4) Chlorophyll-a is involved in absorption and dissipation of excessive light energy. (5) In photosystem-I, chlorophyll-a absorbs light at 680 nm wavelength. 7. A compound formed during ethyl alcohol fermentation, lactic acid fermentation and aerobic respiration is (1) oxaloacetate. (3) acetaldehyde. (2) citrate. (4) acetyl CoA. (5) pyruvate. 8. During the evolution of organisms, coelom was first developed in (1) Annelida. (2) Arthropoda. (3) Mollusca. (4) Echinodermata. (5) Chordata. 9. Which of the following structures can be seen in annelids as well as in arthropods? (1) Clitellum (2) Parapodia (4) Capillaries (3) Ventral nerve cord (5) Chitinous exoskeleton 10. Which of the following plants is evolutionarily closest to Marchantia? (1) Anthoceros (2) Selaginella (3) Gnetum (5) Nephrolepis (4) Pogonatum 11. In dicotyledonous plants (1) stamens produce megaspores that develop into pollen grains. (2) pollen grain has two openings. (3) seeds are present within carpels. (4) perianth may be present. (5) vascular bundles in the stem are scattered. 12. Which of the following statements regarding the epidermis of plants is correct? (1) It usually consists of several layers of cells. (2) It is a permanent tissue. (3) Root hairs are multicellular projections of epidermal cells. (4) Trichomes are specialized epidermal cells. (5) Deposition of suberin in epidermal cells prevents water loss. 13. Select the correct statement regarding the adaptations of plants for efficient photosynthesis. (1) Plants are branched in a pattern that is suitable to absorb the maximum amount of carbon dioxide from atmosphere. (2) Large leaves are present in plants growing in dry environments to maximize light capture. (3) Leaves of some plants are arranged almost vertically to get the maximum amount of light. (4) Leaves of some plants are arranged horizontally to avoid damage by over intense light. (5) Plants grow tall to avoid shading by neighbouring plants. 14. During the opening of stomata (1) sodium ions are actively transported into guard cells. (2) turgor pressure of guard cells reduces. (3) carbon dioxide content in the substomatal cavity increases. (4) water potential in guard cells decreases. (5) potassium ions are passively transported into guard cells.

15. Select the correct statement regarding nutritional requirements of plants. (1) Iron is a macronutrient required by plants. (2) Deficiency of sulphur can be identified by chlorosis of older leaves. (3) Magnesium is a component of carotenoids. (4) Deficiency of nitrogen causes chlorosis mainly in young leaves. (5) Molybdenum is required for nitrogen metabolism. 16. A feature seen in the sexual reproduction of all land plants is (1) non-requirement of external water for fertilization. (2) internal fertilization. (3) reduced gametophyte. (4) production of two types of spores. (5) having two types of sporophytes. 17. Which of the following statements regarding the responses of plants to light is correct? (1) There are two major classes of photoreceptors in plants. (2) Blue light photoreceptors regulate seed germination. (3) Exposure to direct sunlight stimulates vertical growth. (4) Green and red are the most important colours of light for regulating photomorphogenesis. (5) Positive phototropism occurs due to faster elongation of cells in the brighter side of the shoot. 18. The connective tissue that does not contain fibres under normal conditions is (1) areolar tissue. (2) adipose tissue. (3) blood. (5) bone. (4) cartilage. 19. Select the response with the correct example for different types of feeders seen among animals. Type of feeders Example (1) Substrate feeders Oysters (2) Fluid feeders Maggots Clams (3) Filter feeders Aphids (4) Substrate feeders (5) Bulk feeders Humming birds 20. Which of the following statements regarding the digestion of nucleic acids in food in man is correct? (1) It starts in the stomach. (2) DNA is broken down to nucleotides by nucleotidase. (3) Nucleosidase is involved in the digestion of nitrogenous bases. (4) RNA is broken down to nucleotides by pancreatic nuclease. (5) Intestinal nucleotidase acts on nitrogenous bases. 21. Which of the following may be a consequence of hypotension? (1) Unconsciousness (2) Kidney damage (3) Internal haemorrhage (4) Increase in heart beat (5) Stroke 22. The cells that mediate internal defences in innate immunity in man are (1) T cells and B cells. (2) T cells and phagocytes. (3) B cells and phagocytes. (4) natural killer cells and T cells. (5) natural killer cells and phagocytes.

23.	Which of the following responses correctly indicates the main nitrogenous excretory product of
	the given animal group? Animal group Main nitrogenous excretory product
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	(3) Frogs Uric acid
	(4) Sharks Urea
	(4) Sharks Orea (5) Insects Ammonia
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24.	In humans, voluntary muscular movements are coordinated by
	(1) thalamus. (2) pons Varolii. (3) mid-brain.
	(4) medulla oblongata. (5) cerebellum.
25.	Which of the following is the correct pathway of light and nerve impulses for the vision of humans'
	(1) cornea \rightarrow aqueous humour \rightarrow lens \rightarrow vitreous humour \rightarrow photoreceptors \rightarrow ganglion cells \rightarrow bipola
	cells \rightarrow optic nerve \rightarrow occipital lobe of cerebrum
	(2) cornea \rightarrow aqueous humour \rightarrow lens \rightarrow vitreous humour \rightarrow photoreceptors \rightarrow ganglion cells \rightarrow bipola
	cells \rightarrow optic nerve \rightarrow temporal lobe of cerebrum
	(3) cornea \rightarrow aqueous humour \rightarrow lens \rightarrow vitreous humour \rightarrow photoreceptors \rightarrow bipolar cells \rightarrow ganglion
	cells \rightarrow optic nerve \rightarrow occipital lobe of cerebrum
	(4) cornea \rightarrow vitreous humour \rightarrow lens \rightarrow aqueous humour \rightarrow photoreceptors \rightarrow bipolar cells \rightarrow ganglion
	cells \rightarrow optic nerve \rightarrow occipital lobe of cerebrum
	(5) cornea \rightarrow vitreous humour \rightarrow lens \rightarrow aqueous humour \rightarrow photoreceptors \rightarrow bipolar cells \rightarrow ganglion
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26.	In which of the following responses, the hormone and its main function are correctly matched?
	(1) Melatonin - Regulating biological rhythms
	(2) Thymosin - Regulating innate immunity
	(3) Adrenalin - Decreasing the metabolic rate
	(4) Oxytocin - Stimulating milk production
	(5) Parathyroid hormone - Lowering blood calcium level
27.	In spermatogenesis of man, reduction of chromosome number from diploid to haploid occur
	during the production of
	(1) sperms from spermatids.
	(2) spermatids from secondary spermatocytes.
	(3) secondary spermatocytes from primary spermatocytes.
	(4) spermatogonia from primordial germ cells.
	(5) primary spermatocytes from spermatogonia.
28.	This question is based on the following figure which shows the levels of hormones secreted by the
	anterior pituitary and ovary in blood during the normal reproductive cycle of mature human females
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	The hormones indicated as A, B, C and D are respectively
	(1) FSH, LH, estradiol and progesterone.
	(2) LH, progesterone, estradiol and FSH.
	(3) estradiol, LH, FSH and progesterone.
	(4) LH, estradiol, progesterone and FSH.
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29. Select the correct statement regarding human skeletal system.

- (1) Elbow joint formed by humerus, radius and ulna permits only flexion and extension of the fore arm.
- (2) Hinge joint formed by femur, fibula and patella permits standing upright for a long time.
- (3) Arches of the foot are important in distributing body weight only while standing.
- (4) Secondary curvatures in the thoracic and sacral regions of the vertebral column help to maintain erect posture.
- (5) A non-inflammatory degenerative disease called osteoporosis causes pain and restricted movement in the affected joints.
- 30. In man, sickle cell anaemia is an example for
 - (1) heterozygous dominance. (2) polygenic inheritance. (3) epistasis.
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- 31. Which of the following statements regarding the cross $Rr \times Rr$ is correct?
 - (1) The probability of having the allele r in both the egg and sperm at fertilization is $\frac{1}{2}$.

(5) epigenetics.

- (2) This is a dihybrid cross because two alleles are involved.
- (3) According to Mendelian inheritance, the probability of having dominant phenotype in F_2 generation by interbreeding of F_1 is $\frac{9}{16}$.
- (4) If 1:2:1 ratio of phenotypes was obtained in F_2 generation by interbreeding of F_1 generation, it may be due to codominance.
- (5) R and r are linked.

(4) pleiotropy.

- **32.** During the gametogenesis of a particular person, a gamete with 24 chromosomes was produced. This gamete was fertilized with a normal gamete and a child was born. Which of the following best explains this process and its result?
 - (1) Aneuploidy, trisomy, Down syndrome
 - (2) Polyploidy, trisomy, Klinefelter syndrome
 - (3) Aneuploidy, monosomy, Down syndrome
 - (4) Aneuploidy, monosomy, Klinefelter syndrome
 - (5) Polyploidy, trisomy, Down syndrome
- **33**. During replication of DNA, a cytosine molecule had been added instead of a thymine molecule in a gene. This mutated gene produced a peptide with the same amino acid sequence as the gene before mutation. This is an example for
 - (1) insertion and nonsense mutation.
 - (2) substitution and silent mutation.
 - (3) insertion and silent mutation.
 - (4) substitution and missense mutation.
 - (5) insertion and missense mutation.
- 34. DNA polymerase obtained from thermophilic bacteria is used for PCR because
 - (1) they contain more DNA polymerase than other organisms.
 - (2) that DNA polymerase does not have proofreading ability.
 - (3) that DNA polymerase is stable at high temperatures required for separation of DNA strands in the laboratory.
 - (4) it is the only DNA polymerase which can copy DNA in the laboratory.
 - (5) that DNA polymerase does not need a primer to initiate DNA synthesis.
- 35. A DNA fragment can be inserted in to a plasmid vector if that fragment has
 - (1) a nucleotide sequence identical to that of the vector.
 - (2) been cut by the same restriction enzyme which had been used to cut the vector.
 - (3) originated from the same cell type as of the vector.
 - (4) the same length as that of the vector.
 - (5) at least one origin of replication (Ori).

σ.	 Dry patana grasslands in Sri Lanka are found in (1) intermediate and wet zones. (2) dry and intermediate zones. (3) dry and arid zones. (4) dry, intermediate and wet zones. (5) arid, dry and intermediate zones.
87.	 Which of the following is not an environmental service value of biodiversity? (1) Regulating climate (2) Recharging ground water (3) Water purification (4) Helping disaster management (5) Prevention of soil erosion
8.	 Which of the following does not contribute to global warming? (1) Depletion of ozone layer (2) Cattle farming (3) Ozone in the lower atmosphere (4) Growth of phytoplankton (5) Water vapour in the atmosphere
9.	 Which of the following statements is correct regarding the culture media used to grow micro in the laboratory? (1) Agar in culture media provides the suitable pH range for the growth of microorganisms (2) Glucose is generally used to prepare culture media to grow fungi. (3) Culture media for bacteria are prepared using potatoes. (4) Any microorganism can be cultured in a culture media. (5) Sodium chloride is usually added to all culture media.
0.	Coliform bacteria were detected in a water sample obtained from a river. Drinking untreated wfrom this river may not likely to cause(1) typhoid.(2) cholera.(3) dysentery.(4) paratyphoid.(5) tetanus.
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43.	 Select the correct statement/statements regarding the respiratory pigments of animals. (A) Myoglobin is present in bony fishes. (B) Haemoglobin is present in mollusks. (C) Chlorocruorin is present in annelids. (D) Haemerythrin is present in annelids. (E) Haemocyanin is present in reptiles.
44.	 Smoking (A) stimulates the secretion of mucus by goblet cells in the respiratory tract. (B) causes tuberculosis. (C) decreases the oxygen transport in blood. (D) inhibits the action of cilia in the respiratory tract. (E) reduces heart beat.
45.	 Which of the following contributes/contribute for the maintenance of resting potential of a neuron? (A) Unequal distribution of Na⁺, K⁺, Cl⁻ and large anions inside and outside the neuron (B) Active transport of Na⁺ out of the neuron and K⁺ in to the neuron in 3:2 ratio (C) Opening of more K⁺ channels than Na⁺ channels in the neuron membrane (D) Transport of more Na⁺ in to the intracellular fluid of the neuron than K⁺ (E) Transport of Cl⁻ from the neuron to the extracellular fluid
46.	 Parthenogenesis (A) produces a complete individual from an unfertilized egg. (B) produces female honey bees. (C) can be observed in some lizards. (D) forms only diploid progeny. (E) can be seen in all invertebrates.
47.	Which of the following combinations is/are correct regarding the skeletons of animals?SkeletonExample(A) CoelomAnnelids(B) PseudocoelomCnidarians(C) Calcium carbonate platesEchinoderms(D) Bony platesReptiles(E) Gastrovascular cavityNematodes
48.	 In which of the following responses, the biomes that are encountered when traveling from the north pole towards equator are given in correct sequence? (A) Tundra, coniferous forests, temperate grasslands, deserts, tropical forests (B) Tundra, coniferous forests, temperate broad-leaf forests, chaparral, deserts (C) Tundra, temperate grasslands, coniferous forests, deserts, tropical forests (D) Tundra, temperate broad-leaf forests, coniferous forests, tropical forests, deserts (E) Tundra, coniferous forests, chaparral, temperate grasslands, savanna
49.	Select the correct combination/combinations with respect to the use of microbes in industries.ProductMicroorganism used in the production(A) YoghurtLactobacillus bulgaricus(B) VinegarGluconobacter sp.(C) Citric acidSpirulina sp.(D) LipaseRhizopus sp.(E) Vitamin CAspergillus oryzae
50.	 Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding spoilage of food? (A) Saccharolytic microorganisms are responsible for rancidity of food. (B) Putrefaction occurs mainly due to breakdown of proteins. (C) Lipolytic microorganisms are responsible for fermentation of food. (D) Acids are formed during fermentation. (E) Rancidity occurs due to generation of amines.

ශී ලංකා විභාග දෙපාර්තමේන්තුව இலங்கைப் பரீட்சைத் திணைக்களம் අ.පො.ස. (උ.පෙළ) විභාගය/ க.பொ.த. (உயர் தர)ப் பரீட்சை 2019 නව නිර්දේශය/ புதிய பாடத்திட்டம විෂයය අංකය විෂයය 09 **Biology** பாட இலக்கம பாடம் **ලකුණු දීමේ පට්පාටිය/புள்**ளி வழங்கும் திட்டம் I පතුය/பத்திரம் I පුශ්න පිළිතුරු පිළිතුරු පිළිතුරු පිළිතුරු පුශ්න පුශ්න පිළිතුරු පුශ්න පුශ්න

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Biology 09 - New Syllabus

PAPER II – PART A

1. (A) (i) (a) Name the three major types of lipids found in organisms.	
Fats/ Triglycerides/Tryacylglycerol	
steroids	
 phospholipids 	3 pts
(b) What is the type of lipid that forms a major component of the cell membrane?	
Phospholipids	1 pt
(ii) What is the main structural difference between saturated fatty acids and unsaturated	d fatty acids?
Saturated fatty acids have hydrocarbon chains without double bonds while unsaturated fatty acids have hydrocarbon chains with (one or more) double bonds	1 pt
(iii) State three functions of rough endoplasmic reticulum.	
 Transports proteins synthesized by ribosomes (attached to it) Synthesizes glycoproteins 	
 Produces transport vesicles (facilitates) growth of (own) membrane/ serves as membrane factory 	Any 3 pts
(iv) Name three types of vacuoles seen in organisms.	
Contractile vacuoles	
food vacuoles	
central vacuoles	3 pts
(v) State two significances of mitosis.	
Maintains genetic stability	
Growth and development	
Cell repair/replacement/ regeneration/tissue repair	
Asexual reproduction	Any 2 pts
(B)(i) Where does the Calvin cycle take place in the chloroplast?	
Stroma (ii)What are the three main steps of the Calvin cycle?	1 pt
 Carbon fixation/ carboxylation (of CO₂ acceptor/ RuBP) Reduction (of 3PGA) 	
 Regeneration of RuBP/ CO₂ acceptor 	3 pts
(iii) Where does the light reaction of photosynthesis take place'?	
Grana/ thylakoid membrane (of chloroplast) /membrane system of thylakoids	1 pt
(iv) State the three substances produced in the light reaction of photosynthesis.	
NADPHATP	

Oxygen/ O₂

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3 pts

	How does an increase in the oxyge productivity in C3 plants?	n concentration in mesophyll cells affect photosynthetic	
	RuBP reacts/ binds w	ith oxygen/ Rubisco oxygenase reaction takes place	
	 and produces (only) of lose 50% of 3 PGA 	one molecule of 3 PGA/3 Phosphoglycerate/ lose one 3 PGA/	
	 reducing productivity 	. 3 p 1	ts
	Write in correct sequence, the fou according to the theory of biochen	r main stages by which the first cells have been produced nical evolution.	
	 Abiotic synthesis of s from inorganic molect 	mall organic molecules/ Synthesis of small organic molecules rules.	
	Polymerization (of ab	ove organic molecules) to form (organic) macromolecules	
	 Packing of macromol 	ecules into membrane/ formation of protocells	
	Nucleic acids gain sel	f-replicating capability 4 pt	ts
(ii) \	What is meant by polyphyletic?		
	Originated from more than o	ne ancestor 1	pt
(iii) I	Briefly describe what a zygosporar	igium is.	
	A sturdy structure		
	Multinucleated		
	 Produced by plasmog 	amy/ fusion of cytoplasms of two parent cells/gametangia	
	 and Karyogamy/ fusion of nuclei 		
	 during sexual reproduction 	uction	
	 of zygomycotes. 		
	Resistant to unfavora	ble environment/ conditions/ drying/ freezing	
		e (in adverse environmental conditions)	
	Produces haploid spo		ts
I		a feature seen in some plants. Name one phylum having eatures together with the feature of producing flagellated	
	Feature	Phylum	
(a) Presence of seeds		Cycadophyta 1 p	ot
(b) A	bsence of a vascular system	Bryophyta 1 pt	t
(v) (a)What are the structures used to	maintain osmotic balance in flukes?	
	Flame bulbs/ flame c	ells/ protonephredia 1 p	ot
	(b) Name the body cavity of nema	odes.	
	Pseudocoelom	1 p	νt
		<u>40 pts X 2.5 = 100mar</u>	<u>ks</u>

2. (A) (i) State the three basic functions of epithelial tissues of animals.

- Protection
- Secretion
- Absorption 3 pts

(ii) State three structural features of meristematic cells in plants.

- Isodiametric / (roughly) spherical
- Central nucleus
 - Dense/ thick cytoplasm

(iii) Name two types of specialized cells of found in the epidermis of plants.

• Trichomes

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- Guard cells
- Root hairs

Any 2 pts

7 pts

Any 3 pts

Any 2 pts

3 pts

(iv) You are given 12 potato strips immersed in distilled water, each of which is about 5 cm long and six petri dishes kept on graph papers, each containing sucrose solutions of 0.15 M, 0.20 M, 0.25 M, 0.30 M, 0.35 M and 0.40 M concentrations. State in correct sequence, the steps followed to determine the water potential of given fresh potato tissue.

- <u>Completely</u> immerse two potato strips in each sucrose solution / petri dishes
- (immediately) measure their length by the graph paper (placed under the petri dish)
- Leave (covered/ closed petri dishes) for 30 60 minutes (any value between these are accepted)
- Measure the length of potato strips (and calculate the mean value)
- Plot a graph of percentage mean change in length on Y axis and molarity/concentration of sucrose solution on X axis / Plot a graph of percentage mean change in length versus molarity/ concentration of sucrose solution.
- Determine the concentration of sucrose solution where there is no change in length (from the graph)
- Determine the water potential <u>using (relevant data) tables</u>

(v) State three functions of calcium in plants.

- Component of/participation in the formation of middle lamella/cell wall
- Maintenance of membrane structure
- Maintenance of membrane permeability
- Signal transduction

(B) (i)Name two plant genera having photosynthetic gametophytes.

- Pogonatum
- Nephrolepis
- Marchantia
- Anthoceros

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(ii) Name the group of plants having the least developed gametophytes.	
Anthophyta/ angiosperms/ flowering plants 1 p	t
(iii) What are sori?	
Cluster of sporangia 1 p	t
(iv) What is pollination?	
Transfer/ deposition of pollen to a mature stigma/ovule 1 p	t
(v) State three functions of cytokinins in plants.	
 Regulate cell division in shoots/ roots Stimulate / induce seed germination Modify apical dominance/ promote lateral/ axial bud growth Promote movement of nutrients into sink tissues Delay leaf senescence 	·c
(C) (i) (a) Where is the caecum located in the human alimentary canal?	3
At the junction/place where the ileum opens to the colon /between small intestine	
and large intestine/ between ileum and colon	
1 p	+
(b) Name the type of cells in gastric glands of man that secretes pepsinogen. Chief cells	
1 p	t
(ii) What is the main function of buffers present in saliva?	
Prevent tooth decay (by neutralizing acid)	
1 p	t
(iii) State whether the following substances are transported actively or passively across epithelium of intestinal villi.	F
(a) Vitamins: Actively (b) Amino acids: Actively (c) Fructose: Passively	
3 pt	S
(iv) (a) Name the main blood vessel formed by converging blood capillaries of the intestinal villi.	
Hepatic portal vein	
1 p	t
(b) Why is double circulation more effective than single circulation in supplying blood to body parts?	
Due to the higher pressure (exerted by heart) in systemic circulation/provides blood to organs at higher pressure 1 p	t

(v)(a) What is hypertension?

1 pt

Sustained elevated blood pressure above normal limits

(b) State consequences of hypertension.

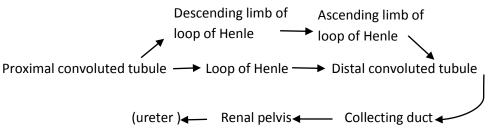
- Kidney damage
- Adrenal gland disorders
- Heart attack
- Stroke/ cerebral hemorrhage
- Damages blood vessels/arteries/arterioles/capillaries
- Death

Any 5 pts

40 pts X 2.5 = 100 marks

3. (A) (i) State three main differences between active immunity and passive immunity.

Active immunity	Passive immunity
 Long lasting (protection) Involve T and B lymphocytes/ 	Short term (protection) no involvement of T and B
T and B cells	lymphocytes/ T and B cells
 Memory cells develop/ immunolc memory retained 	ogic memory cells not developed/no immunologic memory
• Antibodies produced in the body	Antibodies gained from outside/ Readymade antibodies
	Any 3 pts
(ii) Name the two types of nephrons pre	sent in the human kidney.
Cortical nephrons	
 Juxtamedullary nep 	ohrons 2 pts
(iii) Write in correct sequence, the pathw ureter in man.	vay of a creatanine molecule from a Bowman's capsule to the

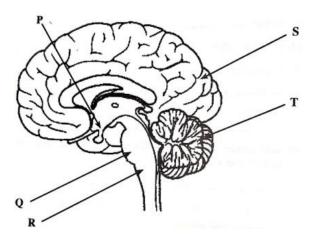


1 pt

(iv) State two disorders related to human urinary system.

- Bladder stones /Kidney stones/ Renal calculi
- Chronic Kidney disease / CKD /CKDu/ Chronic Kidney Disease of unknown etiology
- Kidney frailer any2 pts

(v) This question is based on the following diagram of the human brain.



(a) Name the structures labeled as P, Q, R, S and T in the above diagram.

P - Hypothalamus	Q - Pons Varolii
R – Medulla oblongata	S – Cerebrum/ Cerebral
	hemisphere/occipital lobe

T – Cerebellum

5 pts

(b) Name the structures responsible for the following functions of man.

Maintaining posture: Cerebellum / T	
	1 pt
Coordination of running: Medulla oblongata/R, Pons Varolii / Q	
	2 pts
Regulation of thirst: Hypothalamus / P	
	1 pt
(B)(i) What is a sensory receptor?	
A specialized structure which can detect a specific stimulus and	
 convert its energy to a changing membrane potential 	
 to be transmitted as an action potential to central nerves system 	
	3 pts

(ii)	Where are the receptors that detect sound vibrations located in the human ear?	
	Basilar membrane / organ of Corti	1 pt
(iii)) Name two trophic hormones secreted by anterior pituitary of man.	
	 Follicle stimulating hormone / FSH Luteinizing hormone / LH Thyroid stimulating hormone / TSH Adrenocorticotrophic hormone / ACTH 	Any 2 pts
(iv)) Give an example for aregulation involving a positive feedback mechanism related to end system in man.	locrine
	(Regulation involving/role of/action of)Oxytocin in child birth/parturition/ milk ejection	1 pt
(v)	Why does blood glucose level increase above the normal level in type 2 diabetes?	
	Failure of target cells to take up glucose from blood	1 pt
(i)	(a) State the importance of locating testes outside the abdominal cavity in man.	
	To be cooler /at a lower temperature than the body for proper/ efficient production of spe	erms.
		1 pt
	(b) Write in correct order, the pathway of sperms from testes to the urethra in man.	
	(Seminiferous tubules) —→ Epididymis →Vas deference →Ejaculatory duct	
	(urethra) 🖣	
		1 pt
	(c) What is the sperm nutrient present in the secretion of prostate gland of man?	
		No marks
(ii)	(a) What are the structures in the human ovary that contain hormone producing cells?	
	 (Growing/Graffian/Ovarian) Follicle, Corpus luteum	2 pts
	(b) What is fertilization?	
	Fusion of (haploid) nucleus/pronucleus of sperm/ male gamete and (haploid)nucleus/pronucleus of ovum/female gamete / fusion of (haploid) nuclei/prosperm and ovum/ male and female gemetes	onuclei of
		1 pt
	(c) In which phase of the human uterine cycle does implantation occur?	
	Secretory phase	1 pt

(iii)	(a) What is the basis of the early pregnancy tests?	
	Presence of hCG in urine / blood	
		1 pt
	(b) Give two examples for assisted reproductive technology methods.	
	In-vitro fertilization/IVF	
	Intra – cytoplasmic sperm injection /ICSI	
		2 pts
(iv)	(a) State three functions of the human skeletal system other than support, protection and	
	movement.	
	Storage / release of calcium	
	 Storage / release of phosphorous/ phosphate 	
	 Production of blood cells/red blood cells/white blood cells 	
		3 pts
	(b) What is the structural arrangement that provides nodding movement of the human skul	I?
	No marks	
	(c) In which human vertebrae, a prominent bifid spinous process is found?	
	3 rd to 6 th / typical cervical vertebrae	
		1 pt
(v)	(a) What is a sarcomere?	
	(repeating) contractile units present in striated muscle cell/fiber/ Region between two adjacent/consecutive Z-lines in the myofibril/functional unit of striated muscles / muscle cell/ muscle fiber	
		1 pt
	(b) Name the currently accepted theory of striated muscle contraction.	- 1
	Sliding filament theory	
		1 pt
	<u>40 pts X 2.5 = 100</u>	<u>marks</u>
4. (A) (i)	What is a pedigree chart?	
	Diagrammatic representation of the inheritance of a particular trait/character within a given	
	family tree	1 pt
(ii)	What are the data required to prepare a pedigree chart?	
	Data of a particular trait/character for many generations	1 pt
(iii)	What is denoted by each of the following symbols used in a pedigree chart?	
	- Affected/ diseased male	
	 (Not affected/Normal) female 	2 pts

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(iv) Hardy Weinberg equilibrium of a population and p ² in this equation?	is expressed as p ² +2pq+q ² =1.Whatare denoted by p	
p - Frequency / proportion of dominant alle	le	
p²- Frequency / proportion of dominant hom	ozygotes 2 pt	5
	recessive trait is expressed by about 4.000.If this n, about how many persons are heterozygous for that	t
32 000	1 p	t
(B)(i)State the significance of RNA polymerase in DI	NA synthesis.	
 Initiates synthesis of RNA on a DNA 	template by adding ribonucleotides	
 Adds/forms a short RNA primer (on 	the DNA template)	
Forms DNA-RNA hybrid to facilitate	the action of DNA polymerase	
,	3 pt	s
(ii) Name two final products of genes other thar		•
Ribosomal RNA/r RNA		
	2	_
Transfer RNA/ t RNA	2 pt	S
(iii) What is the source of genetic variation?		
Mutations	1 p	t
(iv)What are the information expected from a re	-	
Position/ location of restriction		
• Distance between restriction si	•	5
(v) (a)Give two applications of DNA fingerprinting	ng.	
 Paternity/ Parenting testing Criminal identification 		
Victim identification		
	ic / infectious organisms /agents	
	Any 2 pt	S
(b)Name the DNA delivery system specificall		
	<i>ium/ Agrobacterium</i> mediated (gene transfer)	
	1 p	t
(C)(i) What is meant by habitat in environmental bi		
Physical area where a species/ an org		t
(ii) (a) Sata the three types of interactions that d	occur in an accountant when abietic and bietic	
 (ii) (a) Sate the three types of interactions that of components are considered and give one example. 	-	
Type of interaction	Example	
• Biotic – biotic	Competition/ symbiosis/commensalism/ parasitism/ mutualism/ predation/feeding	
Biotic – abiotic	relationships Water/ nutrients uptake by plants (from soil) Obtaining oxygen (from air) by plants /animals	
• Abiotic – abiotic	Chemical reactions in soil	
(No marks are given for examples if intera	action is not written) 6 pt	5

(b) Wha	at is ecosystem diversity?	
V	ariety of habitats, living communities and ecological processes in the living world	
		1 pt
(iii) (a) Wha	at is a flagship species?	
Species	selected as a symbol/ icon to represent an ecosystem in need of conservation	
		1 pt
(b) Nam	ne a flagship species in Sri Lanka.	
В	lue magpie	1 pt
(iv) State th	ne environmental problems that occur due to open dumping of solid waste.	
• Cre	ate/provide breeding grounds for vectors of diseases/ mosquitoes/flies/mice	
• Spr	eading of water borne diseases/ typhoid/ paratyphoid/cholera/ dysentery/ gastroenterit	tis
• Ger	nerate unpleasant smell/ odour	
• Ger	nerate methane/causing explosions/ contribute to global warming	
• Gro	ound water/ water resources can be contaminated/ polluted	
	9	5 pts
(v) Briefly (explain what a sanitary landfill is.	
• An e	engineered/ a planned means of disposal of waste	
• Wa	ste is spread in layers	
• Tigh	htly compacted/ volume is greatly reduced	
• Wa	ste is covered with soil	
• Wa	ste will be decomposed through	
• biol	logical and	
• che	mical processes.	
	7	⁷ pts

40 points X 2.5 = 100marks

General Certificate (A/L) Examination – 2019 New Syllabus 09 – Biology Marking Scheme PAPER II - PART B - Essay

- 5. (a) Briefly describe the general characteristics of enzymes.
 - (b)(i) Explain how pH and temperature affect the rate of enzymatic reactions.
 - (ii) Explain the action of competitive and non-competitive inhibitors in enzymatic reactions.

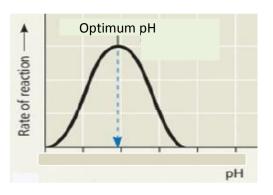
(a) Briefly describe the general characteristics of enzymes.

- 1. (Most) enzymes are globular proteins.
- 2. They are biological catalysts.
- 3. They increase the rate of reactions by
- 4. lowering the activation energy of the reactions.
- 5. (Most) enzymes are heat labile/ sensitive.
- 6. They do not alter the nature/ properties of the end products.
- 7. They are (highly) specific to the substrate/ substrate specific.
- 8. <u>Most/Some</u> catalyzed reactions are reversible.
- 9. The rate of enzymatic reaction is affected by (pH, temperature, inhibitors) and <u>substrate</u>/ <u>enzyme</u> <u>concentrations</u>.
- 10. They are not used up during the reaction/ They can be reused/ remain unchanged.
- 11. They possess (specific) active sites where the reactions take place/ enzyme binds with substrate.
- 12. <u>Some</u> enzymes need non-proteinous components/ cofactors (to catalyze the reactions/ for their activity).

(b) (i) Explain how pH and temperature affect the rate of enzymatic reactions.

Effect of pH

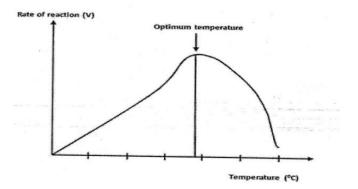
- 1. Enzymes function (most) effectively within a certain pH range.
- 2. The pH at which the highest rate of reaction occurs is the optimum pH of the enzyme.
- 3. A change in pH above or below the optimum pH leads to decline in enzyme activity/rate of reaction
- 4. due to the alteration of chemical bonds,
- 5. involved in formation of enzyme-substrate complex/ This prevents formation of enzyme-substrate complex.



Fully labeled correct diagram is required (marks 4/0)

Effect of Temperature

- 6. Increase in temperature increases molecular motion.
- 7. Therefore, the speed of moving molecules of enzymes
- 8. and substrate will be accelerated.
- 9. This will enhance the colliding probability for/enhances collisions between <u>enzyme active sites</u> and <u>substrate molecules</u>.
- 10. More collisions result in greater chances for the reaction to occur/increase in rate of reactions.
- 11. This continues up to a certain point/ optimum temperature,
- 12. beyond which there is a rapid decline in enzymatic activity/ decrease in rate of reaction,
- 13. denaturing the enzyme
- 14. due to the disruption of hydrogen bonds,
- 15. ionic bonds and
- 16. other weak chemical bonds (of enzyme active sites), thus
- 17. changing the shape of the active site of enzyme
- 18. altering its complementary nature,
- 19. preventing (complementary) binding of enzyme active site and substrate molecules/ formation of enzyme-substrate complex
- 20. and reduces the rate of reaction.



Fully labeled correct diagram is required (marks 4/0)

(b) (ii) Explain the action of competitive and non-competitive inhibitors in enzymatic reactions.

- 1. Competitive inhibitors compete with substrate (selectively) for the active site of enzymes
- 2. due to their resemblance with (shape/ nature of) the substrate.
- 3. Therefore the number of active sites available declines.
- 4. (Actions of) competitive inhibitors are (mostly) reversible.
- 5. Non-competitive inhibitors do not compete with substrate (molecules).
- 6. They bind to (a part of) enzyme other than active site and
- 7. changes the shape of the enzyme/ active site and
- 8. active site becomes less effective/prevents for the formation of enzyme-substrate complex.

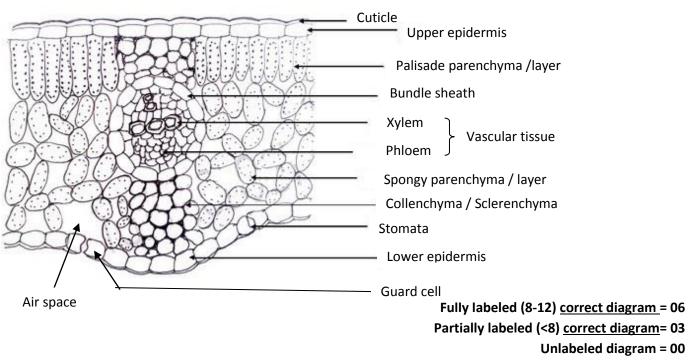
12 +20 + 8 = 40 points Any 36 points X 4 = 144 marks Diagrams 8 marks <u>Maximum 150 marks</u>

- 6. (a) Describe the histological structure of a typical dicotyledonous leaf as observed in a transverse section and state the functions of different structures seen.
 - (bl Describe the mechanism of phloem translocation.
 - (a) Describe the histological structure of a typical dicotyledonous leaf as observed in a transverse section and state the functions of different structures seen.
 - 1. Outermost layer is epidermis (is found in both sides of the leaf/ upper and lower epidermis)
 - 2. which is single layered and
 - 3. covered with cuticle.
 - 4. Stomata are found in the epidermis.
 - 5. They are surrounded by guard cells.
 - 6. Mesophyll is composed of parenchyma cells and
 - 7. are found between upper and lower epidermis.
 - 8. On the upper part of the leaf/ (just) beneath the upper epidermis,
 - 9. (mesophyll cells called) palisade layer is present
 - 10. consisting of (one or more layers of) elongated cells.
 - 11. Spongy layer (consisting of loosely arranged parenchyma cells)
 - 12. with air spaces/intercellular spaces
 - 13. located between palisade layer and lower epidermis.
 - 14. Mesophyll cells contain chloroplasts.
 - 15. Vascular tissue/ vascular bundles /veins consist of xylem and phloem.
 - 16. Outer layer of a vein is a bundle sheath layer/ cells.
 - 17. Sclerenchyma / collenchyma present (in upper and lower sides of the main vein).

Functions

- 18. Cuticle prevents water loss/ protection
- 19. Epidermis protection
- 20. Stomata exchange of gasses/ transpiration
- 21. Spongy parenchyma/ air space exchange of gases/storages of gases
- 22. Mesophyll/ palisade/ spongy tissue photosynthesis.
- 23. vein/ vascular bundle/xylem/ phloem transport
- 24. Sclerenchyma/Collenchyma Support
- 25. Guard cells controlling gas exchange /transpiration

Any 20



(b) Describe the mechanism of phloem translocation.

Phloem sap moves from sugar source to sugar sink. Mainly sucrose is transported through phloem.

- 1. Sugar is loaded into sieve tube/sieve tube element (via the companion cells/ transfer cells from mesophyll cells of source)
- 2. actively/using ATP/using metabolic energy
- 3. against concentration gradient.
- 4. (in some plants) From companion cells/ transfer cells, sugar diffuses/ enters into sieve tubes
- 5. via plasmodesmata/ symplast.
- 6. (This increases the solute concentration and)reduces water potential of the sieve tubes
- 7. resulting in entering of water into the sieve tubes
- 8. by osmosis
- 9. from adjacent xylem vessels.
- 10. This generates/builds up positive (hydrostatic) pressure in sieve tubes,/increases (hydrostatic) pressure in sieve tubes.
- 11. which forces the sap flow (transported) along the sieve tubes
- 12. to the area of low pressure potential.
- 13. At the sink unloading takes place
- 14. where sucrose is removed from sieve tubes/sugar molecules diffuse from phloem (into sink)
- 15. increasing the water potential in the sieve tubes.
- 16. Therefore water moves from sieve tubes to adjacent xylem vessels by osmosis
- 17. resulting in a decrease in (hydrostatic) pressure in sieve tubes
- 18. establishing a pressure potential gradient from source to sink.
- 19. (This mechanism is explained by) pressure flow hypothesis.

Any 16 20+16 = 36 36 X 4 = 144 marks Diagram 6 marks <u>150 marks</u>

- 7. (a) Describe the mechanism of ventilation of lungs in man.
 - (b) Explain how breathing of man is homeostatically controlled.
 - (a) Describe the mechanism of ventilation of lungs in man.

Ventilation is accomplished by breathing, which is

- 1. alternating movement of air into and out of the lungs
- 2. referred to as inhalation/ inspiration and exhalation/ expiration, respectively.
- 3. Inhalation is negative pressure breathing/ In inhalation, air is pulled in to lungs./negative pressure breathing
- 4. Inhalation is an active process where
- 5. contraction of ribs muscles/ intercostal muscles and
- 6. diaphragm (muscles)
- 7. leads to expansion of thoracic cavity/ increase in the volume of thoracic cavity.
- 8. This allows visceral and parietal pleura (surrounding the lungs) slide smoothly past each other
- 9. increasing the lung volume.
- 10. As a result the pressure within the lungs decreases (in relation to the outside air)
- 11. creating a pressure gradient between the atmosphere and lungs.
- 12. Air flows from (higher pressure in the) atmosphere to (the lower pressure in) the lungs.
- 13. Exhalation is a passive process.
- 14. The rib muscles/ intercostal muscles and
- 15. diaphragm relax
- 16. reducing the volume of thoracic cavity.
- 17. As a result, the pressure inside the lungs increases
- 18. forcing air out of the lungs.
- 19. When activity increases (during exercise)/ during deep breathing, additional muscles (of neck, back and chest) are used/ involved
- 20. to <u>further</u> increase the volume of thoracic cavity.

(b) Explain how breathing of man is homeostatically controlled.

- 1. Breathing is controlled by an involuntary mechanism.
- 2. Medulla oblongata is the main breathing regulating centre (at the base of the brain).
- 3. A negative feedback mechanism is involved (in regulating this process).
- 4. During inhalation, sensors/receptors detect stretching of the lungs and
- 5. send nerve impulses to the medulla oblongata and
- 6. further inhalation is inhibited.
- 7. This prevents over expansion of lungs.
- 8. High CO_2 in blood lowers the pH (in blood).
- 9. pH change is detected by the sensors/ chemoreceptors in the medulla oblongata and
- 10. in major blood vessels/ arteries and aorta.
- 11. Medulla oblongata increases the depth and
- 12. the rate of breathing,
- 13. until the excess CO₂ is removed
- 14. in the exhaled air/ through exhalation.

- 15. pH of the blood comes to its normal value/ 7.4.
- 16. When O₂ concentration (in blood) becomes very low, oxygen sensors
- 17. found in aorta and
- 18. carotid arteries
- 19. send impulses to medulla oblongata to increase the breathing rate.
- 20. The regulation of breathing is also modulated by additional neural circuits in the Pons (Varolii).

20 + 20 = 40 Any 38 X 4 = 152 marks <u>Maximum 150 marks</u>

- 8. (a) Briefly describe the significance of polyploids in agriculture.
 - (b) Discuss possible environmental issues that may occur due to genetically modified organisms used in agriculture.

(a) Briefly describe the significance of polyploids in agriculture.

- 1. Polyploidy is the presence of more than two (complete) sets of homologous chromosomes per nucleus.
- 2. This is widely used in plant breeding.
- 3. Used for increasing size of plant organs/ gigas effect.
- 4. Caused due to increased number of gene copies.
- 5. Results in reduced fertility
- 6. due to meiotic errors.
- 7. Allows the production of seedless varieties.
- 8. eg. triploid watermelon
- 9. Used as a bridge for gene transferring
- 10. between two species having different ploidy levels.
- 11. Restoration of fertility
- 12. by genome doubling.
- 13. Promotes buffering effect
- 14. by masking deleterious alleles by extra copies of wild type alleles.
- 15. Allows functional diversification of redundant gene copies in which
- 16. one member of duplicated gene pair mutates and
- 17. acquires a new function without compromising essential functions.
- 18. It increases heterozygocity
- 19. which enhances vigour.
- 20. eg. Maize/ potato/ alfalfa
- 21. It improves the quality of the product and
- 22. increases the tolerance to (biotic and abiotic) stresses.

(b) Discuss possible environmental issues that may occur due to genetically modified organisms used in agriculture.

- 1. Development of insect tolerant crops may harm the non-target insects
- 2. by accidentally ingesting the toxin produced in GM crops
- 3. because toxin maybe dispersed in pollen and
- 4. and be deposited on non-crop plants (on which such insects feed).

- 5. Cross pollination may transfer the transgene to non-GM varieties of the same crop
- 6. contaminating organic/ non-GM farming and
- 7. wild relatives of the crop.
- 8. Death of insects due to feeding on insect resistant GM crops
- 9. causes environmental imbalance.
- 10. (Use of herbicide tolerant crops may) form super weeds
- 11. which are tolerant to herbicides/ cannot be controlled by herbicides.
- 12. Cause gene pollution/ spread of foreign genes to naturally growing plants.
- 13. (Use of herbicide tolerant crops may) promote overuse of herbicides.
- 14. (Development of GM crops) leads to GM crop dominance/ use of limited number of varieties/ lowers crop diversity/ narrowing of crop diversity.
- 15. This results in low tolerance to environmental impacts
- 16. which may wipeout entire crop fields by a single environmental event
- 17. resulting in food scarcity.
- 18. This also results in loss of genes from crop gene pool.

22 + 18 = 40 Any 38 points X 4 = 152 marks <u>Maximum 150 marks</u>

9. (a) Describe the characteristic features of inland wetland ecosystems of Sri Lanka.

- (b) Explain the effects of discharging wastewater into natural water sources.
- (a) Describe the characteristic features of inland wetland ecosystems of Sri Lanka.
- 1. Wetlands are permanent or temporary accumulations of water
- 2. with associated plants and animals.
- 3. Rivers and streams
- 4. that are originating in the wet highlands
- 5. are perennial and
- 6. those in dry zone are seasonal.
- 7. There is hardly any/ no vegetation/ plants in running water/ rivers and streams.
- 8. Marshes and swamp forests
- 9. are low-lying areas
- 10. which receive water through surface runoff/ flood waters from rivers
- 11. and ground water seepage.
- 12. Contain peat and
- 13. (water logged sticky) clay soil.
- 14. Provide habitats for water birds/ fish/ amphibians/ many animals.
- 15. Plant species are *Colocasia* species/ *Aponogeton* species/ reeds.
- 16. Villus
- 17. are the flood plains of the reservoirs.
- 18. (Vegetation is dominant with) grasses/ sedges.
- 19. Especially important for elephants and
- 20. birds.
- 21. Reservoirs
- 22. are man-made and
- 23. are manly scattered in the lowland dry zone.
- 24. (Free-floating) invasive alien plant species are present.

(b) Explain the effects of discharging wastewater into natural water sources.

- 1. Contamination of water bodies by pathogens (through wastewater)
- 2. may cause typhoid fever,
- 3. cholera,
- 4. diarrhoea/ dysentery.
- 5. Chemical pollution of water bodies/ pollution due to chemicals in waste water.
- 6. Some of these chemicals are resistant to biodegradation/do not biodegrade.
- 7. Excessive nitrates and
- 8. phosphates in wastewater
- 9. cause eutrophication
- 10. resulting in excessive growth of algae and
- 11. cyanobacteria
- 12. called algal blooms.
- 13. Some cyanobacteria produce toxins/poisonous substances.
- 14. Algal blooms cause oxygen depletion zones/ increases BOD.
- 15. greatly reducing populations of fish/ other aquatic species.
- 16. It also causes bad odour/ smell.

24 + 16 = 40 Any 38 X 4= 152 marks <u>Maximum 150 marks</u>

10. Write short notes on the following.

- (a) Theory of natural selection
- (b) Energy budget of animals
- (c) Fetal membranes

(a) Theory of natural selection

- 1. This is one of the theories of evolution
- 2. put forward by Darwin and Wallace.

This theory is based on the following observations made by Darwin

- 3. Each species produces more offspring than the environment could support/over production.
- 4. The (individuals of a) population/ a species vary in characteristics /among their inheritance traits/there is variation.

The above observations were interpreted by Darwin as follows to explain the process of natural selection

- 5. Certain (inherited) traits/characters of a population are capable of exhibiting better survival and
- 6. reproduction.
- 7. They are successful in competition (with others).
- 8. Individuals with such favorable traits/characters/ those who are successful in competition can survive and produce more offspring (than others)/ survival of the fittest thus
- 9. enhancing the abundance of favorable characteristics/traits (for survival and reproduction)in that population (gradually /over several generations)

Some favourable characteristics for survival and reproduction are

- 10. Escaping from predators/defense
- 11. Tolerating physical/ stress conditions
- 12. (Successful in) obtaining food
- 13. Resistance against diseases
- 14. (High) fertilizing probability

- 15. (Large) number of offspring produced.
- 16. Favorable traits are selected naturally/natural selection.

Any 14 pts

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(b)Energy budget of animals

- 1. Energy budget is a balance sheet of energy intake against energy expenditure in a particular animal
- 2. Basic model of energy budget C = M + U + F + P, where
- 3. C = Energy content in the food sources taken in
- 4. M = Energy spent for metabolic activities
- 5. U = Energy associated with urinary loss
- 6. F = Energy associated with fecal loss
- 7. P = Energy associated with production/ growth and development
- 8. In energy budgets, energy content in the food intake is compared with energy expenditure.
- 9. Energy differences between the energy intake and energy expenditure for metabolism and excretion are available
- 10. for production/ for growth and reproduction
- 11. For each animal, energy budgets can be calculated based on energy measurements from field and laboratory.

11 pts

c) Fetal membranes

- 1. They are extra-embryonic membranes that appear after implantation
- 2. which provide a life supporting system for further embryonic/fetal development.
- 3. Chorion
- 4. is the main embryonic portion of the placenta.
- 5. Chorion protects the embryo/fetus from immune responses of mother and
- 6. produce hCG hormone.
- 7. Amnion
- 8. is a protective membrane surrounding the embryo/fetus,
- 9. creating a fluid filled cavity which
- 10. serves as a shock absorber and
- 11. prevents desiccation.
- 12. Yolk sac
- 13. contributes to the cells that will become blood cells
- 14. until fetal liver takes over.
- 15. Yolk sac is the source of primordial germ cells (that migrate to the developing gonads).(Allantois which is a small (outer) pouching of the yolk sac, serves as an early site for blood formation/ produces blood. It is associated with development of urinary bladder)

Any 13 pts 14 + 11 + 13 =38 38 X 4 = 152 <u>Maximum 150 marks</u>