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# M. Sc. DEGREE (CSS) EXAMINATION, FEBRUARY 2016 SUPPLEMENTARY

# THIRD SEMESTER - BOTANY BOT3RBBM – RESEARCH METHODOLOGY, BIOPHYSICAL INSTRUMENTATION, BIOSTATISTICS AND MICROTECHNIQUE

Time: Three hours Maximum Weight: 30

## **PART A**

# I. Answer any six questions. Each question carries 1 weight

- 1. What are the major objectives of Information and Library Network Centre?
- 2. Differentiate between resolution and resolving power of the microscope
- 3. What are the factors that determine the electrophoretic mobility of a particle?
- 4. Describe the following
  - (a) Normal distribution (b) Histogram
- 5. What are statistical significance tests?
- 6. What is the composition of Zirkle-Erliki fluid?
- 7. What are the advantages of double staining?
- 8. Write a brief description on Pubmed

(6x1=6)

#### PART B

# II. Answer any seven questions. Each question carries 2 weight

- 9. Differentiate between short communications and regular papers
- 10. Give an outline of the contents expected in a dissertation
- 11. Describe the working of electron microscopes. Add a note on different types of electron microscopes
- 12. Describe the basic principle and applications of X-ray cryatallography
- 13. Explain the principle and working of HPLC
- 14. Write a brief account on the working, types and uses of ultracentrifuge
- 15. Comment on the need of randomization in conducting experiments
- 16. How do we interpret the calculated value of Chi-square?
- 17. Describe a method used for the histochemical localization of total proteins in plant materials
- 18. What are the qualities of a good mounting media? Give examples for commonly used mounting media (7x2=14)

### **PART C**

## III. Answer any two questions. Each question carries 5 weight

- 19. Write an essay justifying the following statement
- "An appropriate design is required for the success of an experiment, and different designs are devised depending on the nature of study, number of variables, and the type of data to be collected."

- 20. Write a sample outline for a research project proposal
- 21. Describe the common methods of sectioning used to study the anatomical structure of plant materials? Add notes on the prospects and problems of each

(2x5=10)