



CORE COURSE 1. Non-Chordates I

2 Marks Questions (20 questions)

• Remembering

- 1. Define classification, systematics, and taxonomy.
- 2. What is the taxonomic hierarchy?
- 3. State the principle of priority in zoological nomenclature.
- 4. What are taxonomic types? Give an example.
- 5. Define synonymy and homonymy in taxonomy.
- 6. What is the three-domain concept by Carl Woese?
- 7. What are the five kingdoms proposed by Whittaker?
- 8. Mention any two general characteristics of Protozoa.
- 9. Name the types of locomotion seen in Euglena, Paramoecium, and Amoeba.
- 10. What is conjugation in Paramoecium?
- 11. Define metagenesis with an example.
- 12. What is polymorphism in Cnidaria?
- 13. List two functions of coral reefs.
- 14. Define symmetry in Metazoa with examples.
- 15. What is segmentation in Metazoa?
- 16. Mention the general characteristics of Porifera.
- 17. What are spicules in sponges?
- 18. List any two parasitic adaptations of helminths.
- 19. Name the host organisms of Fasciola hepatica.
- 20. What are the pathogenic effects of Ascaris lumbricoides?

3 Marks Questions (15 questions)

• Understanding and Appling

- 1. Differentiate between classification, systematics, and taxonomy.
- 2. Describe the importance of taxonomic hierarchy in animal classification.
- 3. Explain the significance of the principle of priority in zoological nomenclature.
- 4. Compare the three-domain concept with the five-kingdom classification.
- 5. Explain the locomotion in Euglena.
- 6. Describe conjugation in Paramoecium.
- 7. Summarize the life cycle of Entamoeba histolytica.
- 8. Explain the canal system in sponges.
- 9. Describe metagenesis in Obelia with a diagram.
- 10. Explain the importance of coral reefs in marine ecosystems.
- 11. Describe the general characteristics of Platyhelminthes.
- 12. Outline the life cycle of Taenia solium.
- 13. Explain the pathogenicity of Wuchereria bancrofti.
- 14. Compare the classes within Porifera based on general characteristics.
- 15. Describe the adaptations of helminths for parasitism.

- Analyzing Evaluating, and Creating
 - 1. Analyze the evolutionary significance of symmetry in Metazoa.





- 2. Evaluate the role of segmentation in the evolution of complex organisms.
- 3. Discuss the diversity and conservation of coral reefs.
- 4. Classify Protozoa up to phylum according to Levine et al. (1980).
- 5. Discuss the life cycle and control measures for Plasmodium vivax.
- 6. Explain the canal system and its variations in Porifera.
- 7. Analyze the role of metagenesis in the life cycle of Cnidarians.
- 8. Compare and contrast the locomotion mechanisms in Euglena, Paramoecium, and Amoeba.
- 9. Discuss the pathogenicity and control measures of Fasciola hepatica.
- 10. Classify Platyhelminthes and describe the key features of its classes.
- 11. Evaluate the parasitic adaptations in Ascaris lumbricoides and Wuchereria bancrofti.
- 12. Explain the polymorphism in Cnidaria with examples.
- 13. Analyze the evolutionary significance of metagenesis in Obelia.
- 14. Create a comparative chart of characteristics between the five-kingdom and three-domain systems of classification.
- 15. Propose strategies for the conservation of coral reefs.





CORE THEORY 2 (CC2)- Molecular Biology

2 Marks Questions (20 Questions)

Remembering

- 1. Define Chargaff's Rule.
- 2. What are hypo- and hyperchromic shifts in DNA?
- 3. List the salient features of DNA.
- 4. What are the functions of tRNA and rRNA?
- 5. State the importance of RNA priming in DNA replication.
- 6. What is the significance of telomeres in replication?
- 7. Define semi-conservative replication.
- 8. What is the role of transcription factors?
- 9. State two differences between prokaryotic and eukaryotic transcription.
- 10. What is the wobble hypothesis?
- 11. Define codon degeneracy.
- 12. Name the processes involved in post-transcriptional modifications of eukaryotic RNA.
- 13. What is RNA splicing?
- 14. Define introns and exons.
- 15. State the role of enhancers and silencers in transcription regulation.
- 16. What is the lac operon?
- 17. Define DNA methylation.
- 18. What is the role of histone acetylation in gene expression?
- 19. State the principle of PCR.
- 20. What is Southern blotting used for?

3 Marks Questions (15 Questions)

• Understanding and Appling

- 1. Explain the Watson and Crick model of DNA with a diagram.
- 2. Discuss the types of RNA and their functions.
- 3. Describe the mechanism of DNA replication in prokaryotes.
- 4. Prove that DNA replication is bidirectional.
- 5. Explain the role of RNA primers in DNA replication.
- 6. Outline the transcription process in prokaryotes.
- 7. Compare prokaryotic and eukaryotic transcription.
- 8. Explain the wobble hypothesis with an example.
- 9. Describe the steps involved in mRNA capping and poly-A tail addition.
- 10. What is alternative splicing? Explain its significance.
- 11. Outline the regulation of the lac operon in prokaryotes.
- 12. Describe the role of DNA methylation in epigenetic regulation.
- 13. Explain the RecBCD model of DNA repair in prokaryotes.
- 14. What is the principle of Northern blotting?
- 15. Compare PCR and Western blot techniques.

5 Marks Questions (15 Questions)

• Analyzing, Evaluating, and Creating

1. Analyze the importance of Chargaff's Rule in understanding DNA structure.





- 2. Evaluate the Watson and Crick model in the context of DNA's biological function.
- 3. Discuss the semi-conservative nature of DNA replication with experimental evidence.
- 4. Analyze the importance of telomeres and their replication mechanism.
- 5. Discuss the role of transcription factors and their regulation in eukaryotes.
- 6. Explain the genetic code and its degeneracy, with examples.
- 7. Evaluate the mechanism of protein synthesis in prokaryotes.
- 8. Discuss the splicing mechanism and its importance in gene expression.
- 9. Analyze the regulatory roles of activators, enhancers, and repressors in transcription.
- 10. Explain miRNA-mediated gene silencing with an example.
- 11. Evaluate the role of histone modifications in epigenetic gene regulation.
- 12. Compare nucleotide excision repair and base excision repair mechanisms.
- 13. Analyze the role of the SOS repair mechanism in maintaining genome integrity.
- 14. Create a comparative chart of molecular techniques (PCR, Southern, Northern, and Western blots).
- 15. Propose a research experiment using PCR and Southern blotting to detect a gene mutation.





CORE COURSE 3: Non-Chordates II – Coelomates

2 Marks Questions (20 Questions)

- Remembering [CO-1]
 - 1. Define coelom.
 - 2. What is metamerism?
 - 3. List the general characteristics of Annelida.
 - 4. Name the types of nephridia in Annelida.
 - 5. Define tagmatization in Arthropoda.
 - 6. List the classes of Arthropoda.
 - 7. What is the evolutionary significance of Onychophora?
 - 8. Mention the respiratory organs in prawns and cockroaches.
 - 9. What is metamorphosis in Lepidopteran insects?
 - 10. List two characteristics of social life in termites.
 - 11. What is torsion in Gastropoda?
 - 12. Name the respiratory structures in **Pila** sp.
 - 13. List the general characteristics of Mollusca.
 - 14. Define the water vascular system.
 - 15. Name the larval forms of Echinodermata.
 - 16. State two affinities of Echinodermata with chordates.
 - 17. Mention the general characteristics of Hemichordata.
 - 18. Define hemocoel with an example.
 - 19. What is the function of the nervous system in **Pila** sp.?
 - 20. Name two features that relate Hemichordata with chordates.

3 Marks Questions (15 Questions)

• Understanding and Appling [CO-2, CO-3]

- 1. Explain the evolutionary significance of coelom.
- 2. Describe the structure and function of nephridia in Annelida.
- 3. Discuss the importance of metamerism in Annelida.
- 4. Classify Annelida up to classes with examples.
- 5. Compare the respiratory mechanisms in prawns and cockroaches.
- 6. Describe the structure and function of the insect compound eye (cockroach).
- 7. Explain the process of metamorphosis in Lepidopteran insects.
- 8. Summarize the social behavior of termites.
- 9. Describe the general characteristics of Onychophora.
- 10. Classify Mollusca up to classes with examples.
- 11. Explain the nervous system in **Pila** sp.
- 12. Describe torsion in Gastropoda and its significance.
- 13. Explain the water vascular system in Asterias.
- 14. Compare the larval forms of Echinodermata with their adult forms.
- 15. Discuss the relationship of Hemichordata with chordates.

5 Marks Questions (15 Questions)

- 1. Analyze the evolutionary trends in the development of coelom.
- 2. Discuss the significance of metamerism in the evolution of Annelida.





- 3. Evaluate the functional importance of nephridia in Annelida.
- 4. Compare the respiratory systems of prawns and cockroaches.
- 5. Analyze the evolutionary adaptations in Arthropoda that contributed to their diversity.
- 6. Evaluate the evolutionary relationship of Onychophora with Arthropoda and Annelida.
- 7. Discuss the role of torsion in the evolution and lifestyle of Gastropoda.
- 8. Explain the feeding and respiration mechanisms in **Pila** sp.
- 9. Analyze the affinities of Echinodermata with chordates, focusing on larval forms.
- 10. Compare the classification and general characteristics of Mollusca and Echinodermata.
- 11. Evaluate the ecological and evolutionary significance of the water vascular system in Echinodermata.
- 12. Discuss the evolutionary significance of Hemichordata and their relationship with chordates.
- 13. Create a comparative chart of the nervous systems in Annelida, Arthropoda, and Mollusca.
- 14. Propose a hypothesis on how the social life of termites contributes to their survival and evolutionary success.
- 15. Create a diagrammatic representation of the life cycle of Lepidopteran insects, focusing on metamorphosis.





CORE COURSE 4: Cell Biology

• 2 Marks Questions (20 Questions) Remembering [CO-1]

- 1. State the key features of the fluid mosaic model of the plasma membrane.
- 2. Define active and passive transport.
- 3. What is facilitated transport? Give an example.
- 4. Name the three types of cell junctions.
- 5. Mention the structural components of the endoplasmic reticulum (ER).
- 6. List two functions of the Golgi apparatus.
- 7. Define lysosomes and their primary function.
- 8. What is the semi-autonomous nature of mitochondria?
- 9. State the endosymbiotic hypothesis of mitochondrial origin.
- 10. Name the major steps of the mitochondrial respiratory chain.
- 11. What is the role of peroxisomes in cells?
- 12. Define centrosomes and their function in cell division.
- 13. Name the types of cytoskeletal filaments.
- 14. What are microtubules? Mention one accessory protein associated with them.
- 15. Define euchromatin and heterochromatin.
- 16. What is the function of the nuclear pore complex?
- 17. State the main phases of the cell cycle.
- 18. Define oncogenes and tumor suppressor genes.
- 19. Mention the role of p53 in cancer.
- 20. What is apoptosis?

3 Marks Questions (15 Questions)

- Understanding and Appling [CO-2, CO-3]
- 1. Explain the composition and organization of the plasma membrane according to the fluid mosaic model.
- 2. Compare active and passive transport with examples.
- 3. Describe the structure and function of tight junctions in cells.
- 4. Explain the process of protein sorting in the Golgi apparatus.
- 5. Describe the structure of the endoplasmic reticulum and its role in protein synthesis.
- 6. Discuss the chemiosmotic hypothesis in mitochondrial ATP synthesis.
- 7. Explain the structure and function of peroxisomes.
- 8. Describe the role of centrosomes in cell division.
- 9. Explain the functions of microfilaments in cellular processes.
- 10. Describe the packaging of chromatin into nucleosomes.
- 11. Compare euchromatin and heterochromatin.
- 12. Explain the role of proto-oncogene activation in cancer development.
- 13. Describe the RTK (Receptor Tyrosine Kinase) pathway with an example.
- 14. Compare the roles of JAK/STAT and RTK pathways in cell signaling.
- 15. Discuss the importance of apoptosis in maintaining cellular homeostasis.





- 1. Analyze the functional significance of the fluid mosaic model in the plasma membrane's behavior.
- 2. Evaluate the mechanisms of transport across the plasma membrane with examples.
- 3. Discuss the structural and functional significance of gap junctions in intercellular communication.
- 4. Explain the vesicular transport mechanisms between the ER and Golgi apparatus.
- 5. Evaluate the endosymbiotic hypothesis in the context of mitochondrial structure and function.
- 6. Discuss the chemiosmotic hypothesis and its significance in ATP synthesis.
- 7. Analyze the role of accessory proteins in the assembly and regulation of the cytoskeleton.
- 8. Discuss the structural organization and functional importance of the nuclear envelope and nuclear pore complex.
- 9. Evaluate the regulation of the cell cycle and its disruption in cancer.
- 10. Discuss the roles of p53, Retinoblastoma, and Ras in tumor suppression and oncogenesis.
- 11. Explain the nucleosome as a basic unit of chromatin packaging and its role in gene regulation.
- 12. Analyze the role of RTK signaling pathways in growth and development.
- 13. Evaluate the JAK/STAT pathway and its importance in immune signaling.
- 14. Discuss the process and regulation of apoptosis, including its role in disease.
- 15. Propose a model for integrating cell signaling pathways with cell cycle regulation to control cancer progression.





CORE COURSE 5: Chordata

2 Marks Questions (20 Questions)

Remembering [CO-1]

- 1. List the three defining characteristics of chordates.
- 2. Define Protochordata and name its subphyla.
- 3. Mention two features of Urochordates.
- 4. What is the significance of metamorphosis in Ascidia?
- 5. Define the term "pharyngeal slits."
- 6. State two feeding adaptations in **Branchiostoma**.
- 7. Name two orders of cyclostomes.
- 8. What are the general characteristics of cyclostomes?
- 9. Name the two living subclasses of Pisces.
- 10. What are accessory respiratory organs in fishes? Provide an example.
- 11. Define parental care in fishes.
- 12. What is the function of the swim bladder in fishes?
- 13. Name the three orders of living amphibians.
- 14. Define paedomorphosis with an example.
- 15. List two differences between poisonous and non-poisonous snakes.
- 16. Mention the role of the Jacobson's organ in reptiles.
- 17. Define migration in birds with an example.
- 18. State the principles of flight in birds.
- 19. What is echolocation? Provide an example in mammals.
- 20. List two exoskeletal derivatives of mammals.

3 Marks Questions (15 Questions)

- Understanding and Appling [CO-2, CO-3]
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- 1. Describe the general characteristics of Phylum Chordata.
- 2. Classify Protochordata up to classes with examples.
- 3. Explain metamorphosis in Ascidia.
- 4. Describe the feeding mechanism in **Branchiostoma**.
- 5. Discuss the general characteristics of cyclostomes.
- 6. Classify cyclostomes up to order with examples.
- 7. Explain the role of accessory respiratory organs in fishes.
- 8. Describe the process of migration in fishes.
- 9. Discuss parental care in fishes with examples.
- 10. Explain metamorphosis in amphibians with examples.
- 11. Describe the poison apparatus and biting mechanism in snakes.
- 12. Compare the exoskeleton of birds and mammals.
- 13. Discuss the aerodynamic principles of flight in birds.
- 14. Explain adaptive radiation in mammals with reference to locomotory appendages.
- 15. Describe the mechanism of echolocation in microchiropterans.

- Analyzing, Evaluating, and Creating [CO-4, CO-5, CO-6]
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- 1. Analyze the evolutionary significance of chordate features.
- 2. Compare the general characteristics of Urochordata and Cephalochordata.
- 3. Evaluate the structural adaptations of the pharynx in **Branchiostoma** for feeding.
- 4. Discuss the evolutionary significance of metamorphosis in Ascidia.
- 5. Evaluate the significance of accessory respiratory organs in the adaptation of fishes.
- 6. Discuss the different modes of migration in fishes with examples.
- 7. Analyze the various parental care strategies in fishes and their adaptive significance.
- 8. Evaluate the role of metamorphosis and paedomorphosis in the life history of amphibians.
- 9. Discuss the classification and adaptive significance of the orders of amphibians.
- 10. Compare the poison apparatus of snakes and the differences between poisonous and non-poisonous snakes.
- 11. Analyze the role of exoskeleton and feather adaptations in birds for flight and thermoregulation.
- 12. Evaluate the principles of aerodynamics in bird flight and its evolutionary implications.
- 13. Discuss the classification and adaptive significance of mammalian locomotory appendages.
- 14. Analyze the role of echolocation in microchiropterans and its significance in their survival.
- 15. Propose a diagrammatic representation of the evolutionary relationships among the major classes of chordates.





CORE COURSE 6: Animal Physiology: Controlling and Co-ordinating System

2 Marks Questions (20 Questions)

- Remembering [CO-1]
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- 1. Define epithelial tissue and state its functions.
- 2. Mention two types of connective tissues with examples.
- 3. What are the main types of muscular tissues?
- 4. Name the four primary types of tissues in animals.
- 5. Define ossification.
- 6. State the difference between compact and spongy bones.
- 7. Mention the types of cartilages found in mammals.
- 8. What is resting membrane potential in a neuron?
- 9. Define action potential.
- 10. Differentiate between myelinated and non-myelinated nerve fibres.
- 11. What are the types of synapses?
- 12. Name the principal hormones secreted by the thyroid gland.
- 13. Define the menstrual cycle and mention its phases.
- 14. What is the oestrous cycle?
- 15. State the role of the pancreas as an endocrine gland.
- 16. List two functions of the adrenal gland.
- 17. Define steroidal hormones and give an example.
- 18. What are the functions of the hypothalamus?
- 19. Name two placental hormones.
- 20. Mention the histological layers of the mammalian ovary.

3 Marks Questions (15 Questions)

• Understanding and Appling [CO-2, CO-3]

- 1. Classify epithelial tissues and describe their locations and functions.
- 2. Explain the structure and function of connective tissues with examples.
- 3. Compare the structure of skeletal, smooth, and cardiac muscle tissues.
- 4. Describe the process of ossification and its significance.
- 5. Explain the structure and types of cartilages.
- 6. Describe the propagation of an action potential in myelinated nerve fibres.
- 7. Explain the mechanism of synaptic transmission.
- 8. Describe the structure and function of the neuromuscular junction.
- 9. Discuss the histology of mammalian testis and its role in reproduction.
- 10. Explain the physiology of the menstrual cycle with its hormonal regulation.
- 11. Describe the histology and function of the thyroid gland.
- 12. Compare steroidal and non-steroidal hormones in terms of their mechanism of action.
- 13. Explain the signal transduction pathway for steroidal hormones.
- 14. Describe the role of the hypothalamus in neuroendocrine regulation.
- 15. Explain the functions of placental hormones during pregnancy.

5 Marks Questions (15 Questions)





- 1. Analyze the structural adaptations of epithelial tissues for their specific functions.
- 2. Discuss the types of connective tissues with examples of their locations and functions.
- 3. Compare the histological structure and functional characteristics of the three types of muscle tissues.
- 4. Evaluate the process of ossification and its role in skeletal development.
- 5. Discuss the functional significance of resting membrane potential and action potential in neuronal signaling.
- 6. Compare the types of synapses and evaluate their roles in neural transmission.
- 7. Analyze the molecular and chemical basis of muscle contraction with reference to the sliding filament theory.
- 8. Evaluate the histology and function of the mammalian ovary and its role in reproduction.
- 9. Discuss the physiological and hormonal regulation of the oestrous cycle.
- 10. Evaluate the structure and function of the adrenal gland and its role in stress response.
- 11. Analyze the mechanisms of action for steroidal and non-steroidal hormones and their physiological effects.
- 12. Discuss the hypothalamus-pituitary axis and its importance in neuroendocrine control.
- 13. Evaluate the roles of the thyroid and pancreas in endocrine regulation.
- 14. Discuss the signal transduction pathways of hormones and their implications for cellular responses.
- 15. Propose a model that integrates the functions of placental hormones with maternal and fetal physiology during pregnancy.





CORE COURSE 7: Fundamentals of Biochemistry

2 Marks Questions (20 Questions)

- Remembering [CO-1]
 - 1. Define monosaccharides and give one example.
 - 2. Name two derivatives of monosaccharides.
 - 3. What are the primary functions of carbohydrates in living organisms?
 - 4. List the three major types of lipids.
 - 5. What is the significance of unsaturated fatty acids in the human diet?
 - 6. Define β -oxidation of fatty acids.
 - 7. What is a triacylglycerol and its function?
 - 8. Name two types of phospholipids and their biological importance.
 - 9. Define glycolysis.
 - 10. State the function of the citric acid cycle in cellular metabolism.
 - 11. What is gluconeogenesis?
 - 12. Define transamination in protein metabolism.
 - 13. What are glucogenic and ketogenic amino acids?
 - 14. List two essential amino acids.
 - 15. What are the structures of purines and pyrimidines?
 - 16. Define nucleotides and their role in nucleic acid structure.
 - 17. Name two co-factors required for enzyme activity.
 - 18. What is Michaelis-Menten kinetics?
 - 19. What is the role of isozymes?
 - 20. Name two inhibitors of the electron transport chain in oxidative phosphorylation.

3 Marks Questions (15 Questions)

• Understanding and Appling [CO-2, CO-3]

- 1. Describe the structure of a disaccharide with one example.
- 2. Explain the significance of polysaccharides in living organisms.
- 3. Discuss the difference between saturated and unsaturated fatty acids.
- 4. Describe the process of fatty acid biosynthesis.
- 5. Explain the structure of sphingolipids and their biological importance.
- 6. Discuss the main steps of glycolysis and its energy yield.
- 7. Describe the pentose phosphate pathway and its function in the cell.
- 8. Compare the metabolism of glucogenic and ketogenic amino acids.
- 9. Discuss the various protein bonds that stabilize the protein structure.
- 10. Describe the mechanism of enzyme action with an example.
- 11. Explain how the urea cycle contributes to nitrogen metabolism.
- 12. Describe the function of the mitochondrial respiratory chain.
- 13. Compare the structures of nucleosides and nucleotides in nucleic acids.
- 14. Describe the factors that affect the rate of enzyme-catalyzed reactions.
- 15. Explain the process of redox reactions in oxidative phosphorylation.

5 Marks Questions (15 Questions)

- 1. Analyze the structure and biological importance of carbohydrates, with examples.
- 2. Discuss the biosynthesis and breakdown of fatty acids, including the steps in β-oxidation for palmitic acid and linoleic acid.





- 3. Evaluate the physiological importance of essential and non-essential amino acids.
- 4. Analyze the metabolic pathways involved in glycolysis and their regulation.
- 5. Discuss the biochemical significance of the citric acid cycle in cellular metabolism.
- 6. Explain the molecular and chemical basis of muscle contraction and the role of proteins in this process.
- 7. Evaluate the role of nucleic acids in cellular functions, discussing the structure and metabolism of nucleotides.
- 8. Discuss the mechanisms of enzyme inhibition and their biological relevance.
- 9. Evaluate the factors influencing enzyme specificity and the importance of enzyme cofactors.
- 10. Analyze the oxidative phosphorylation process, including the role of the mitochondrial respiratory chain.
- 11. Compare the various modes of enzyme regulation and their effects on metabolic pathways.
- 12. Discuss the role of the electron transport system and its inhibitors in cellular respiration.
- 13. Evaluate the mechanisms of signal transduction pathways for steroidal and non-steroidal hormones.
- 14. Analyze the catabolism of purines and pyrimidines, with a focus on adenosine and guanosine.
- 15. Propose an integrated model of carbohydrate, lipid, and protein metabolism, explaining their interconnections and regulation.





Skill Enhancement courses-A (SEC-A)-Apiculture

2 Marks Questions (20 Questions)

- Remembering [CO-1]
- 1. Define apiculture and explain its significance.
- 2. Name two species of Apis bees and one non-Apis bee species.
- 3. What is the classification of honey bees?
- 4. List the general morphological features of Apis honey bees.
- 5. Define the term "bee colony" and its components.
- 6. Name two types of beehives used in modern beekeeping.
- 7. What is bee pasturage?
- 8. What factors should be considered when selecting a bee species for apiculture?
- 9. List two modern beekeeping equipment used in apiary management.
- 10. Define artificial beekeeping and its significance.
- 11. Name one method of extracting honey using modern techniques.
- 12. Mention one indigenous method of honey extraction.
- 13. Name two common bee diseases.
- 14. What is the role of beeswax in apiculture?
- 15. Define propolis and its use in beekeeping.
- 16. Mention one product of apiculture other than honey and beeswax.
- 17. What is the role of pollen in the beekeeping industry?
- 18. Name one enemy of bees that affects the hive.
- 19. What is cross-pollination in horticultural gardens?
- 20. List one modern method of artificial beehive usage in cross-pollination.

- Understanding and Appling [CO-2, CO-3]
 - 1. Compare Apis and Non-Apis bee species in terms of their characteristics and uses.
 - 2. Explain the social organization within a bee colony and the roles of different bees.
 - 3. Discuss the importance of bee pasturage and factors influencing the selection of bee foraging sites.
 - 4. Describe the general morphology of Apis honey bees with reference to their body parts.
 - 5. Explain the significance of selecting a proper bee species for successful apiculture.
 - 6. Discuss the process of artificial bee rearing in an apiary.
 - 7. Describe the structure and functioning of Newton and Langstroth beehives.
 - 8. Explain the methods of honey extraction and the advantages of modern techniques over traditional ones.
 - 9. Discuss the preventive measures to control bee diseases and pests.
 - 10. Describe two major diseases that affect bees and their impact on honey production.
 - 11. Discuss the importance of beeswax and its applications in the industry.
 - 12. Explain the economic importance of honey in apiculture.
 - 13. Discuss the various products obtained from bees and their uses.





- 14. Describe modern beekeeping equipment and their role in efficient honey production.
- 15. Explain the concept of entrepreneurship in apiculture and its relevance to the modern economy.

- Analyzing, Evaluating, and Creating [CO-4, CO-5, CO-6]
- 1. Analyze the classification of honey bee species and compare the morphology and behavior of Apis and Non-Apis species.
- 2. Evaluate the social organization of a bee colony, highlighting the functions of the queen, worker, and drone.
- 3. Discuss the selection criteria for choosing bee species for apiculture and the challenges involved.
- 4. Analyze the impact of bee diseases and pests on the beekeeping industry and propose preventive measures.
- 5. Discuss the design and structure of modern behives (e.g., Newton and Langstroth) and their advantages for honey production.
- 6. Evaluate the methods of honey extraction (indigenous and modern) and suggest ways to improve efficiency in traditional practices.
- 7. Analyze the benefits and drawbacks of artificial beekeeping and rearing in controlled environments.
- 8. Evaluate the importance of bee pasturage in determining the success of an apiary and the production of quality honey.
- 9. Analyze the economic impact of apiculture on the local and global economy, focusing on honey, beeswax, and other bee products.
- 10. Discuss the use of bees in cross-pollination and the modern methods employed to enhance horticultural productivity through artificial beehives.
- 11. Evaluate the role of apiculture in supporting biodiversity and the environment through pollination.
- 12. Discuss the potential for entrepreneurship in the beekeeping industry, considering market demand, sustainable practices, and new innovations.
- 13. Analyze the physiological and behavioral adaptations of honey bees that make them suitable for apiculture.
- 14. Evaluate the effectiveness of current disease control methods in beekeeping and suggest improvements.
- 15. Propose a detailed plan for setting up a commercial apiary, including selection of species, equipment, management practices, and marketing strategies.





CORE COURSE-8: Comparative Anatomy of Vertebrates

2 Marks Questions (20 Questions)

- Remembering [CO-1]
 - 1. What are the primary functions of the integumentary system in vertebrates?
 - 2. Name two derivatives of the integument in amphibians.
 - 3. What is the structure of the digestive system in amphibians?
 - 4. Name two types of dentition in mammals.
 - 5. Describe the basic structure of gills in fish.
 - 6. What is the function of the swim bladder in fish?
 - 7. Name two respiratory organs in birds.
 - 8. What is the main function of lungs in mammals?
 - 9. Define double circulation and give an example of animals with it.
 - 10. What is the structure of the heart in birds?
 - 11. List the primary components of the excretory system in mammals.
 - 12. Name the two types of kidneys in vertebrates.
 - 13. What is the basic function of cranial nerves?
 - 14. List the five sensory receptors in vertebrates.
 - 15. What is the difference between axial and appendicular skeletons?
 - 16. What is the structure of the appendicular skeleton in pigeons?
 - 17. Define jaw suspension in mammals.
 - 18. What is the primary role of the olfactory receptor?
 - 19. What is the role of the auditory receptor in vertebrates?
 - 20. Name the three aortic arches found in vertebrates.

3 Marks Questions (15 Questions)

- Understanding and Appling [CO-2, CO-3]
- 1. Compare the structure and function of the integument in amphibians and birds.
- 2. Discuss the structure and function of the stomach in mammals, including any special adaptations.
- 3. Compare the respiratory organs in fish and mammals.
- 4. Describe the comparative anatomy of the circulatory system in fish and birds.
- 5. Explain the role of kidneys in different vertebrate groups.
- 6. Compare the evolution of the urinary system in amphibians and reptiles.
- 7. Explain how the nervous system and sense organs are adapted for survival in different vertebrates.
- 8. Compare the cranial nerves in amphibians and birds.
- 9. Describe the function of the olfactory system in mammals and birds.
- 10. Compare the structure of the digestive system in amphibians and reptiles.
- 11. Explain the structure of the heart in mammals and its significance for circulation.
- 12. Describe the basic functions of the respiratory system in birds and mammals.
- 13. Compare the structure of the appendicular skeleton in mammals and birds.
- 14. Describe the process of jaw suspension in mammals and its importance.
- 15. Compare the structure and function of the excretory system in amphibians and mammals.

- Analyzing, Evaluating, and Creating [CO-4, CO-5, CO-6]
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- 1. Analyze the structure, function, and evolutionary significance of the integumentary system in amphibians, birds, and mammals.
- 2. Evaluate the comparative anatomy of the stomach in various vertebrate groups, focusing on adaptations for diet and digestion.
- 3. Analyze the respiratory system of fish, birds, and mammals, highlighting their adaptive features for oxygen uptake.
- 4. Discuss the comparative anatomy of the circulatory system in vertebrates, including the heart and aortic arches.
- 5. Compare the structure and evolution of kidneys in different vertebrate groups, focusing on adaptations for excretion.
- 6. Analyze the evolution of the urinary and genital systems in vertebrates, emphasizing the development of the urino-genital ducts.
- 7. Discuss the role of the nervous system and sense organs in vertebrate survival, comparing different systems across vertebrate groups.
- 8. Evaluate the structure and function of cranial nerves in vertebrates, highlighting their role in sensory and motor control.
- 9. Compare the structure and functions of olfactory and auditory receptors in vertebrates, including their evolutionary adaptations.
- 10. Analyze the structure of the axial and appendicular skeletons, discussing their function in locomotion and support in different vertebrates.
- 11. Discuss the significance of jaw suspension in mammals and its evolution in relation to feeding habits.
- 12. Compare the circulatory systems in fish, amphibians, and mammals, evaluating their efficiency in oxygen transport.
- 13. Analyze the role of sensory receptors in vertebrates, focusing on the adaptation of the auditory and olfactory systems for environmental survival.
- 14. Discuss the evolutionary adaptations of the nervous system in vertebrates, comparing brain structures across different species.
- 15. Create a comparative model of the skeletal system in birds and mammals, analyzing the adaptations of the appendicular skeleton for flight and terrestrial locomotion.





CORE COURSE 9: Animal Physiology: Life Sustaining Systems

2 Marks Questions (20 Questions)

- Remembering [CO-1]
- 1. What is the primary function of the gastrointestinal tract?
- 2. Define mechanical digestion.
- 3. What is the role of bile in lipid digestion?
- 4. Name the primary site of carbohydrate absorption in humans.
- 5. What is the function of lipase in digestion?
- 6. Define tidal volume in relation to respiratory volumes.
- 7. What are the two main respiratory pigments in humans?
- 8. What is the effect of carbon monoxide poisoning on hemoglobin?
- 9. Name the factors that influence the oxygen dissociation curve.
- 10. What is the structure of hemoglobin?
- 11. Define hemostasis.
- 12. What is the function of platelets in blood clotting?
- 13. What is hematopoiesis?
- 14. Name the components of the ABO blood group system.
- 15. Define cardiac output.
- 16. What is the role of the sinoatrial node in the heart?
- 17. What is the role of the pulmonary circuit in the circulatory system?
- 18. Name the organ involved in thermoregulation in humans.
- 19. What is the function of the kidney in osmoregulation?
- 20. Define glomerular filtration rate (GFR).

3 Marks Questions (15 Questions)

• Understanding and Appling [CO-2, CO-3]

- 1. Explain the mechanical digestion that occurs in the mouth.
- 2. Discuss the chemical digestion of carbohydrates in the human gastrointestinal tract.
- 3. How are proteins absorbed in the small intestine?
- 4. Describe the process of respiration, including the role of the diaphragm.
- 5. Explain the transport mechanisms of oxygen in the blood.
- 6. Describe the dissociation curve of oxygen and the factors that influence it.
- 7. Explain the blood clotting process and its importance.
- 8. Discuss the regulation of blood groups and the importance of the Rh factor.
- 9. Describe the conduction system of the heart and how it generates the heartbeat.
- 10. Explain the mechanism of urine formation in the kidneys.
- 11. Describe how cardiac output is regulated.
- 12. Compare the process of thermoregulation in camels and polar bears.
- 13. Explain the role of the kidneys in regulating the acid-base balance.
- 14. Discuss the mechanism of oxygen transport in blood.
- 15. Describe the basic components and function of the respiratory system in humans.





- Analyzing, Evaluating, and Creating [CO-4, CO-5, CO-6]
- 1. Analyze the structural organization of the human gastrointestinal tract and its role in digestion.
- 2. Evaluate the role of enzymes in chemical digestion, specifically lipase and amylase.
- 3. Compare the absorption processes of carbohydrates, lipids, and proteins in the human digestive system.
- 4. Analyze the factors that affect the oxygen dissociation curve and how this influences oxygen delivery to tissues.
- 5. Discuss the role of hemoglobin in the transport of oxygen and carbon dioxide in the blood.
- 6. Analyze the blood clotting mechanism and its regulation in human physiology.
- 7. Evaluate the significance of blood groups and Rh factors in transfusion medicine.
- 8. Discuss the functioning of the coronary circulation in providing oxygen to the heart muscle.
- 9. Explain the cardiac cycle, including the phases and how it relates to cardiac output.
- 10. Analyze how the body regulates heat in extreme conditions, comparing human thermoregulation with that in other mammals.
- 11. Evaluate the mechanisms of osmoregulation in aquatic vertebrates compared to terrestrial vertebrates.
- 12. Discuss the renal physiology involved in the formation of urine and its role in maintaining homeostasis.
- 13. Compare the mechanisms of acid-base balance regulation by the kidneys and lungs.
- 14. Analyze the role of conducting myocardial fibers in the electrical activity of the heart.
- 15. Create a diagram and explain the steps involved in the mechanism of respiration, including the transport of gases in the blood.





CORE COURSE 10: Immunology

2 Marks Questions (20 Questions)

- Remembering [CO-1]
- 1. What is the concept of health and disease in immunology?
- 2. Name the main cells involved in the immune system.
- 3. What are the organs involved in the immune system?
- 4. Define innate immunity.
- 5. What are anatomical barriers in innate immunity?
- 6. What is adaptive immunity?
- 7. Name the two types of adaptive immunity.
- 8. What is the difference between cell-mediated and humoral immunity?
- 9. Define antigenicity.
- 10. What is the role of haptens in immunology?
- 11. Name the types of immunoglobulins in humans.
- 12. Define antigen-antibody interaction.
- 13. What is the principle of an immunoassay?
- 14. What is monoclonal antibody production?
- 15. Define the Major Histocompatibility Complex (MHC).
- 16. What is the role of T-cell receptors?
- 17. Define cytokines in the immune system.
- 18. What is the complement system?
- 19. Name the different pathways of complement activation.
- 20. Define hypersensitivity.

3 Marks Questions (15 Questions)

• Understanding and Appling [CO-2, CO-3]

- 1. Describe the anatomical barriers involved in innate immunity.
- 2. Explain the role of inflammation in the innate immune response.
- 3. Describe the cell types involved in cell-mediated immunity.
- 4. Explain the structure and function of B-cell epitopes.
- 5. Describe the structure and functions of immunoglobulins.
- 6. Explain antigen-antibody interactions in the immune response.
- 7. Describe the process of antigen processing and presentation.
- 8. Explain the structure and function of MHC Class I and Class II molecules.
- 9. Describe the process of T-cell development and selection.
- 10. Discuss the functions of various types of cytokines in immune responses.
- 11. Describe the steps involved in complement activation.
- 12. Discuss the different types of hypersensitivities as per Gell and Coombs' classification.
- 13. Compare and contrast active and passive immunization.
- 14. Describe the different types of vaccines.
- 15. Explain the process of monoclonal antibody production and its applications.





- Analyzing, Evaluating, and Creating [CO-4, CO-5, CO-6]
 - 1. Analyze the concept of health and disease and its relevance to immunology.
 - 2. Compare and contrast innate immunity with adaptive immunity.
 - 3. Evaluate the factors influencing immunogenicity.
 - 4. Analyze the differences between antigenicity and immunogenicity with examples.
 - 5. Compare the structure and function of the different classes of immunoglobulins (IgG, IgM, IgA, IgE, IgD).
 - 6. Discuss the antigen-antibody interactions in detail, with examples.
 - 7. Evaluate the role of cytokines in immune system regulation and response.
 - 8. Discuss the complement system and its role in immune defense mechanisms.
 - 9. Analyze the different types of hypersensitivity reactions and their implications in health.
 - 10. Evaluate the importance of the Major Histocompatibility Complex (MHC) in immune function.
 - 11. Compare the structures of T-cell receptors and their role in antigen recognition.
 - 12. Evaluate the role of immunoassays (ELISA and RIA) in diagnosing immune system diseases.
 - 13. Analyze the structure and functions of the different cytokine families in immune response.
 - 14. Discuss the process of T-cell development, including selection and maturation.
 - 15. Evaluate the role of vaccines in modern immunology and compare the different types.





Skill Enhancement courses (SEC-B)-Aquarium Fish Keeping

2 Marks Questions (20 Questions)

- Remembering [CO-1]
 - 1. Define the scope of the aquarium fish industry as a cottage industry.
 - 2. What is the difference between exotic and endemic species of aquarium fishes?
 - 3. Name two species of freshwater aquarium fishes.
 - 4. Name two species of marine aquarium fishes.
 - 5. What is sexual dimorphism in aquarium fishes?
 - 6. What are the common characteristics of the guppy fish?
 - 7. What are the common characteristics of the swordtail fish?
 - 8. Name one freshwater fish used in aquariums.
 - 9. What is the primary food source for aquarium fishes?
 - 10. Define formulated fish feeds.
 - 11. What is the role of live fish feed organisms in feeding aquarium fishes?
 - 12. What are larval predators in aquarium fish culture?
 - 13. What is the role of a fish handling system in transportation?
 - 14. What are the basic packing techniques for live fish transportation?
 - 15. What is the purpose of forwarding techniques in live fish transport?
 - 16. What are some common tools used for maintaining aquariums?
 - 17. What are the essential elements for setting up an aquarium?
 - 18. Define the process of setting up an aquarium fish farm.
 - 19. What are the main types of aquarium fish feed?
 - 20. What is the role of fish farming as a cottage industry?

3 Marks Questions (15 Questions)

• Understanding and Appling [CO-2, CO-3]

- 1. Explain the potential scope of the aquarium fish industry as a cottage industry.
- 2. Describe the characteristics and sexual dimorphism in the guppy.
- 3. Explain the features of the swordtail and its role in aquarium fish culture.
- 4. Compare and contrast the characteristics of freshwater and marine aquarium fishes.
- 5. Describe the common food sources for aquarium fishes.
- 6. Explain the process of formulating fish feeds for aquarium fishes.
- 7. Describe the role of live fish feed organisms in maintaining healthy aquarium fishes.
- 8. Explain the concept of larval predators in the context of aquarium fishes.
- 9. Describe the techniques involved in the transportation of live aquarium fishes.
- 10. Discuss the importance of handling, packing, and forwarding techniques in live fish transport.
- 11. Describe the general maintenance required for a freshwater aquarium.
- 12. Explain the importance of a proper budget in setting up an aquarium fish farm.
- 13. Discuss the benefits of exotic species in aquarium fish farming.
- 14. Explain the role of aquatic plants in the maintenance of an aquarium.
- 15. Describe how to maintain water quality in an aquarium.





- Analyzing, Evaluating, and Creating [CO-4, CO-5, CO-6]
- 1. Analyze the potential of the aquarium fish industry in the context of the cottage industry.
- 2. Compare and contrast the biological characteristics of freshwater aquarium fishes like Guppy, Molly, and Goldfish with marine fishes like Angel Fish, Blue Morph, and Anemone Fish.
- 3. Evaluate the role of sexual dimorphism in identifying different species of aquarium fishes.
- 4. Discuss the importance of feeding in aquarium fish keeping and the role of live fish feed organisms in maintaining healthy fish populations.
- 5. Evaluate the effectiveness of formulated fish feeds in the aquarium industry.
- 6. Analyze the challenges involved in transporting live aquarium fishes and discuss the best practices for fish handling.
- 7. Compare different types of fish packing and forwarding techniques for live fish transport.
- 8. Evaluate the process and importance of setting up a proper aquarium fish farm, considering the budget, equipment, and management strategies.
- 9. Discuss the environmental and economic impacts of maintaining an aquarium fish farm.
- 10. Analyze the benefits and drawbacks of rearing exotic versus endemic species of aquarium fishes.
- 11. Discuss the importance of water parameters such as pH, temperature, and salinity in aquarium fish maintenance.
- 12. Analyze the role of aquarium fish as larval predators and their effect on the tank ecosystem.
- 13. Evaluate the role of modern aquarium equipment in enhancing the health and breeding of aquarium fishes.
- 14. Discuss the process and challenges involved in breeding popular aquarium fishes like guppies and swordtails.
- 15. Propose a business plan for setting up an aquarium fish farm as a cottage industry, including budget, equipment, and strategies for sustainable practices.





CORE COURSE 11. Ecology

- Remembering [CO-1]
- 1. Define autecology.
- 2. Define synecology.
- 3. What are the levels of organization in ecology?
- 4. State the laws of limiting factors in ecology.
- 5. What is the biosphere?
- 6. Differentiate between unitary and modular populations.
- 7. Define fecundity tables.
- 8. What are survivorship curves?
- 9. What is meant by dispersal in population ecology?
- 10. Define exponential growth in populations.
- 11. What is the Lotka-Volterra equation for competition?
- 12. What is the concept of r and K strategies?
- 13. Define ecological succession.
- 14. What is a detritus food chain?
- 15. Define ecological pyramid.
- 16. What is the nitrogen cycle?
- 17. What are megadiversity countries?
- 18. Define flagship species.
- 19. What is the Red Data Book?
- 20. What is a protected area in wildlife conservation?

- Understanding and Appling [CO-2, CO-3]
- 1. Explain the difference between autecology and synecology.
- 2. Describe the different levels of organization in an ecosystem.
- 3. Discuss the significance of the laws of limiting factors in population dynamics.
- 4. Explain how physical factors influence an ecosystem.
- 5. Describe the different patterns of population growth: geometric, exponential, and logistic.
- 6. Explain the concept of density-dependent and density-independent population regulation.
- 7. What are the characteristics of a population and how are they studied using life tables?
- 8. Describe Gause's Principle and provide one laboratory example.
- 9. Discuss the significance of species diversity, abundance, and richness in a community.
- 10. Explain the concepts of vertical stratification and the edge effect in a community.
- 11. Discuss the role of energy flow and ecological pyramids in ecosystems.
- 12. Describe the difference between in situ and ex situ conservation.
- 13. Explain the advantages and problems associated with wildlife corridors.
- 14. What are the ecological roles of keystone species?
- 15. Discuss the concept of food webs in ecosystems.





- Analyzing, Evaluating, and Creating [CO-4, CO-5, CO-6]
- 1. Analyze the factors that limit population growth according to the laws of limiting factors.
- 2. Compare and contrast unitary and modular populations with examples.
- 3. Explain the Lotka-Volterra competition equation with a real-world example.
- 4. Evaluate the impact of different ecological succession types on biodiversity.
- 5. Analyze the nitrogen cycle and its importance to ecosystems.
- 6. Discuss the importance of the biosphere and its role in supporting life on Earth.
- 7. Analyze the significance of r and K strategies in population regulation with examples.
- 8. Evaluate the ecological consequences of human-induced changes in species diversity and abundance.
- 9. Discuss how food chains and food webs contribute to the functioning of ecosystems.
- 10. Evaluate the role of biodiversity hotspots in global conservation efforts.
- 11. Propose a strategy for the conservation of endangered species, using the example of the Olive Ridley turtle.
- 12. Discuss the threats to the survival of the Tiger and suggest conservation strategies.
- 13. Analyze the role of keystone species in maintaining ecological balance.
- 14. Discuss the concept of ecological efficiency and its relevance to food webs.
- 15. Evaluate the effectiveness of protected areas in conserving wildlife, using examples from the Indian Wildlife Act.





CORE COURSE 12. Principle of Genetics

2 Marks Questions (20 Questions)

- Remembering [CO-1]
- 1. Define incomplete dominance.
- 2. What is co-dominance?
- 3. Define epistasis.
- 4. What are multiple alleles?
- 5. Explain isoalleles with an example.
- 6. What is a pseudoallele?
- 7. Define lethal alleles.
- 8. What is pleiotropy?
- 9. Define penetrance and expressivity.
- 10. What is crossing over?
- 11. Explain linkage in genetics.
- 12. What is complete linkage?
- 13. Define recombination frequency.
- 14. What is a linkage map?
- 15. What is sex linkage?
- 16. Explain non-disjunction in Drosophila.
- 17. What are the types of gene mutations?
- 18. Define chromosomal aberrations with an example.
- 19. What is dosage compensation in Drosophila?
- 20. What is transposable genetic element?

3 Marks Questions (15 Questions) Understanding and Appling [CO-2, CO-3]

- 1. Explain the principles of inheritance in Mendelian genetics.
- 2. Describe the concept of incomplete dominance with an example.
- 3. Explain co-dominance and provide a genetic example.
- 4. Describe the concept of epistasis with an example.
- 5. Explain the process of measuring recombination frequency.
- 6. What is interference in linkage and crossing over?
- 7. Discuss the concept of multiple alleles with reference to human blood groups.
- 8. Explain pleiotropy with an example from human genetics.
- 9. What is the significance of the Cis-trans test for allelism?
- 10. Discuss the causes and consequences of lethal alleles.
- 11. Describe the process of linkage map construction using three-factor crosses.
- 12. Explain the concept of sex linkage with an example from Drosophila.
- 13. Describe the molecular basis of mutations caused by UV light.
- 14. Explain the mechanisms of sex determination in Drosophila.
- 15. Describe the complement test in bacteriophages with an example.





- 1. Analyze the significance of incomplete dominance and co-dominance in genetic inheritance.
- 2. Discuss the phenomenon of epistasis in relation to gene interaction, providing suitable examples.
- 3. Analyze the impact of mutations in the genetic material, focusing on types of gene mutations and their effects.
- 4. Discuss the molecular basis of chemical mutagens and their effect on the DNA structure.
- 5. Evaluate the effects of non-disjunction in human chromosomes with specific reference to Chromosome 21.
- 6. Evaluate the significance of linkage maps and their application in genetic research.
- 7. Discuss the process of crossing over and its role in genetic recombination.
- 8. Compare and contrast the mechanisms of sex determination in Drosophila and humans.
- 9. Analyze the effects of transposable genetic elements on the genome, with specific examples from bacteria and Drosophila.
- 10. Evaluate the role of dosage compensation in ensuring balanced gene expression in males and females.
- 11. Discuss the concept of genetic fine structure and explain Benzer's experiment on the rII locus in bacteriophages.
- 12. Discuss the role of IS elements in bacteria and their implications in genetic variation.
- 13. Explain the phenomenon of extra-chromosomal inheritance with examples from Paramoecium and snails.
- 14. Analyze the role of mutagens in inducing genetic mutations, focusing on the molecular changes caused by UV light and chemicals.
- 15. Discuss the potential applications of mutation detection methods in organisms like Drosophila and Neurospora.





Discipline Specific Elective (DSE-A2): Biology of Insects

2 Marks Questions (20 Questions)

Remembering [CO-1]

- 1. What is the basis of insect classification?
- 2. Name the key features used in the classification of insects.
- 3. Define the term "insect order" with an example.
- 4. What are the external features of insects?
- 5. Name two types of insect antennae.
- 6. Define "mouthparts" and give an example of how they adapt to feeding habits.
- 7. What is the function of insect wings?
- 8. List two types of insect legs adapted to specific habitats.
- 9. What are abdominal appendages?
- 10. Define insect genitalia.
- 11. What are photoreceptors?
- 12. What is metamorphosis?
- 13. Name the types of insect metamorphosis.
- 14. Define trophallaxis.
- 15. Name two examples of social insects.
- 16. What are allelochemicals?
- 17. Name two major insect pests in paddy.
- 18. Define a "mechanical vector" with an example.
- 19. Define a "biological vector" with an example.
- 20. Name two diseases transmitted by mosquitoes.

3 Marks Questions (15 Questions)

Understanding and Appling [CO-2, CO-3]

- 1. Explain the importance of insect classification and its significance.
- 2. Describe the general morphology of the insect head.
- 3. Differentiate between compound eyes and simple eyes in insects.
- 4. Explain how insect antennae are adapted for their environment.
- 5. Describe the structure and function of insect wings.
- 6. Explain the role of insect thorax in movement.
- 7. Discuss the function of photoreceptors in insects.
- 8. Describe the role of neuroendocrine control in insect metamorphosis.
- 9. What is the significance of trophallaxis in social insects?
- 10. Explain the theory of co-evolution between insects and plants.
- 11. How do allelochemicals mediate host-plant selection by insects?
- 12. Describe the mechanism of host-plant selection by phytophagous insects.
- 13. Explain the difference between mechanical and biological insect vectors.
- 14. Discuss the role of houseflies as vectors of disease.
- 15. Explain the role of mosquitoes in transmitting diseases, with an example.





- 1. Discuss the classification of insects up to orders, highlighting key characteristics of each order.
- 2. Analyze the adaptations of insect mouthparts to diverse feeding habits with examples.
- 3. Evaluate the relationship between insect thorax structure and locomotion.
- 4. Discuss the structure and function of the insect nervous system, focusing on its role in sensory processing.
- 5. Explain the types of metamorphosis in insects and the neuroendocrine control involved.
- 6. Analyze the structure and function of photoreceptors and their role in insect behavior.
- 7. Discuss the social structure of termite colonies and their role in ecosystems.
- 8. Evaluate the process and ecological significance of trophallaxis in social insects.
- 9. Explain the role of allelochemicals in shaping insect-plant interactions with examples.
- 10. Analyze the impact of major insect pests on paddy crops and suggest management strategies.
- 11. Compare and contrast the roles of houseflies and mosquitoes as disease vectors.
- 12. Evaluate the co-evolution of insects and plants, focusing on mutual benefits and dependencies.
- 13. Discuss how insect vectors influence the spread of human diseases and their global impact.
- 14. Explain the physiological mechanisms of insect respiration and their adaptations to various environments.
- 15. Propose a management plan to control insect pests in agriculture, considering ecological principles.





DSE-B1-Endocrinology

2 Marks Questions (20 Questions) Remembering [CO-1]

- 1. Define the endocrine system.
- 2. What are neurohormones? Give one example.
- 3. Name the types of hormone transport in the body.
- 4. What are the key characteristics of hormones?
- 5. Define the Hypothalamo-Hypophyseal axis.
- 6. What is the Hypothalamo-Hypophyseal portal system?
- 7. List two hormones secreted by the hypothalamus.
- 8. Name the two main parts of the pituitary gland.
- 9. What are the hormones produced by the adrenal cortex?
- 10. Name the hormones secreted by the pancreas.
- 11. Define diabetes mellitus.
- 12. What is Graves' disease?
- 13. Define cAMP and its role in hormone signaling.
- 14. What is the function of IP3 in hormone action?
- 15. Define homeostasis.
- 16. What is the role of prolactin in fishes?
- 17. Name one function of melanotropin in amphibians.
- 18. What is the estrous cycle?
- 19. Define RIA (Radioimmunoassay).
- 20. What does ELISA stand for?

3 Marks Questions (15 Questions)

Understanding and Appling [CO-2, CO-3]

- 1. Explain the classification of hormones with examples.
- 2. Describe the feedback mechanism in the regulation of endocrine glands.
- 3. Explain the structure and function of the hypothalamus.
- 4. Differentiate between type I and type II diabetes mellitus.
- 5. What is the role of hypothalamic nuclei in neuroendocrine regulation?
- 6. Discuss the hormones and functions of the thyroid gland.
- 7. Explain the significance of calcium homeostasis in mammals.
- 8. Describe the role of glucagon in glucose homeostasis.
- 9. Discuss the mechanism of action of steroidal hormones.
- 10. Explain the function of prolactin in birds.
- 11. Discuss the effects of melanotropin in teleost fishes.
- 12. Explain the phases of the estrous cycle in rats.
- 13. Discuss the hormonal regulation of the menstrual cycle in humans.
- 14. Describe the role of ELISA in hormone bioassays.
- 15. What is the importance of the Hypothalamo-Hypophyseal-Gonadal Axis?





- 1. Discuss the structure and functions of the Hypothalamo-Hypophyseal axis in detail.
- 2. Analyze the role of hypothalamic nuclei in the regulation of the endocrine system.
- 3. Evaluate the structure and function of the pituitary gland and its hormonal secretions.
- 4. Compare and contrast the functions of steroidal and non-steroidal hormones with examples.
- 5. Explain the molecular mechanisms of hormone action via the cAMP and IP3-DAG pathways.
- 6. Discuss the structure, hormones, and disorders of the adrenal gland.
- 7. Analyze the role of thyroid and parathyroid hormones in metabolism and calcium regulation.
- 8. Evaluate the impact of diabetes mellitus on human physiology and its hormonal basis.
- 9. Explain the menstrual cycle in humans with emphasis on hormonal regulation.
- 10. Analyze the role of calcium homeostasis in maintaining mammalian physiology.
- 11. Discuss the functions of prolactin across fishes, amphibians, and birds, highlighting evolutionary significance.
- 12. Explain the effects of melanotropin on skin pigmentation in amphibians and its physiological importance.
- 13. Create a detailed account of the estrous cycle phases and hormonal changes in rats.
- 14. Evaluate the methods and applications of RIA and ELISA in hormone bioassays.
- 15. Design a comparative overview of endocrine regulation in mammals and nonmammalian vertebrates.





CORE COURSE 13. Developmental Biology

2 Marks Questions (20 Questions)

Remembering [CO-1]

- 1. Define gametogenesis.
- 2. What is the difference between spermatogenesis and oogenesis?
- 3. Name two types of eggs based on yolk distribution.
- 4. What are egg membranes? Name any two.
- 5. Define fertilization and its importance.
- 6. What is a cleavage plane?
- 7. Mention the type of cleavage seen in frogs and chicks.
- 8. Define blastula and name the type found in frogs.
- 9. What is a fate map?
- 10. Name one method used for fate mapping.
- 11. Define gastrulation.
- 12. What are embryonic organizers?
- 13. What was Spemann and Mangold's experiment about?
- 14. List the extra-embryonic membranes found in chick embryos.
- 15. Define implantation.
- 16. What are the main functions of the placenta?
- 17. What is molecular induction?
- 18. Define in vitro fertilization (IVF).
- 19. What is stem cell potency?
- 20. Name two applications of stem cell therapy.

3 Marks Questions (15 Questions)

Understanding and Appling [CO-2, CO-3]

- 1. Explain the process of spermatogenesis.
- 2. Describe the process of oogenesis in mammals.
- 3. Compare fertilization in sea urchins and mammals.
- 4. Discuss the patterns of cleavage and their significance.
- 5. Explain the fate mapping technique using vital dyes.
- 6. Describe the process of gastrulation in frogs.
- 7. Discuss the role of embryonic organizers in development.
- 8. Explain the extra-embryonic membranes and their functions in chick embryos.
- 9. Describe the process of implantation in humans.
- 10. Explain the structural types of placenta with examples.
- 11. Discuss the development of the brain in chick embryos.
- 12. Describe molecular induction in eye development.
- 13. Explain the concept of stem cells with examples of markers.
- 14. Discuss the role of stem cell therapy in cartilage regeneration.
- 15. What are the ethical implications of IVF and stem cell research?





- 1. Compare and contrast spermatogenesis and oogenesis with reference to sea urchins and mammals.
- 2. Analyze the role of egg membranes in fertilization and early development.
- 3. Evaluate the differences in cleavage and blastula formation between frogs and chicks.
- 4. Explain the process of fate mapping in chick embryos using radioactive techniques.
- 5. Discuss the stages of gastrulation in chick embryos and their significance.
- 6. Analyze Spemann and Mangold's experiment on embryonic induction and its implications.
- 7. Describe the structure and functions of extra-embryonic membranes in chick development.
- 8. Discuss the process and importance of implantation in human embryonic development.
- 9. Evaluate the types and functions of the placenta in mammals with examples.
- 10. Explain the development of the eye in chick embryos, focusing on molecular induction.
- 11. Analyze the significance of in vitro fertilization in overcoming infertility.
- 12. Discuss the concept of stem cell potency and its types, with relevant applications.
- 13. Evaluate the role of stem cells in bone marrow transplantation.
- 14. Describe the molecular mechanisms of brain development in chick embryos.
- 15. Create a detailed account of the applications of developmental biology in regenerative medicine.





CORE COURSE 14. Evolutionary Biology

2 Marks Questions (20 Questions)

Remembering [CO-1]

- 1. Define the chemical basis of the origin of life.
- 2. What is the RNA world hypothesis?
- 3. State Lamarck's theory of evolution.
- 4. Mention two key differences between Darwinism and Neo-Darwinism.
- 5. What is the significance of the geological time scale?
- 6. Name the methods used to determine the age of fossils.
- 7. Define natural selection.
- 8. List the modes of natural selection.
- 9. What is the biological species concept?
- 10. Define isolating mechanisms in speciation.
- 11. What is adaptive radiation? Provide one example.
- 12. Mention two unique characteristics of hominids compared to primates.
- 13. State the Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium principle.
- 14. What is genetic drift?
- 15. Define allele frequency.
- 16. List two examples of background extinction.
- 17. Name two mass extinction events.
- 18. What is convergent evolution? Give one example.
- 19. Define phylogenetic tree.
- 20. What is parsimony in phylogenetic tree construction?

3 Marks Questions (15 Questions)

Understanding and Appling [CO-2, CO-3]

- 1. Explain the RNA world hypothesis with its significance in evolution.
- 2. Compare Darwinism and Lamarckism with examples.
- 3. Discuss Neo-Darwinism and its key principles.
- 4. Describe the role of fossils in understanding evolutionary history.
- 5. Explain the modes of natural selection with examples.
- 6. Discuss the importance of isolating mechanisms in speciation.
- 7. Describe the concept of adaptive radiation using the Galapagos finches.
- 8. Compare the skeletal features of hominids and primates.
- 9. Explain the derivation of Hardy-Weinberg law with its assumptions.
- 10. Discuss how genetic drift and migration disrupt Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium.
- 11. Explain the K-T extinction event with its causes and consequences.
- 12. Describe the process of phylogenetic tree construction.
- 13. Differentiate between convergent and divergent evolution with examples.
- 14. Explain speciation through chromosomal rearrangements in Drosophila.
- 15. Discuss the evolution of the horse with fossil evidence.





- 1. Analyze the chemical basis for the origin of life and its relevance to modern biochemistry.
- 2. Evaluate the RNA world hypothesis and its implications for the origin of genetic material.
- 3. Compare and contrast Lamarckism, Darwinism, and Neo-Darwinism.
- 4. Analyze the geological time scale and its significance in evolutionary studies.
- 5. Explain the methods of fossil age determination with examples of carbon dating.
- 6. Discuss in detail the modes of natural selection and their evolutionary impact with examples.
- 7. Analyze the role of adaptive radiation in macroevolution using the Galapagos finches.
- 8. Describe the unique evolutionary traits of hominids and their significance in human evolution.
- 9. Evaluate the factors disrupting Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium and their influence on population genetics.
- 10. Solve problems related to estimation of allele and gene frequencies in populations.
- 11. Discuss the causes and impacts of mass extinctions with a focus on the K-T extinction.
- 12. Construct and interpret a phylogenetic tree using parsimony.
- 13. Compare convergent and divergent evolution with reference to specific evolutionary pathways.
- 14. Discuss the significance of chromosome rearrangements in speciation with examples from Drosophila.
- 15. Analyze the evolutionary trends observed in the fossil record of horse evolution.





Discipline Specific Elective (DSE-A3)- Animal Biotechnology

2 Marks Questions (20 Questions)

Remembering [CO-1]

- 1. What is the basic organization of the E. coli genome?
- 2. Define recombinant DNA technology.
- 3. What are restriction endonucleases? Name one example.
- 4. Mention two features of plasmid vectors.
- 5. What is the role of cosmids in cloning?
- 6. Define a shuttle vector and provide one example.
- 7. What is the difference between genomic libraries and cDNA libraries?
- 8. Name two techniques for bacterial transformation.
- 9. What is the principle of agarose gel electrophoresis?
- 10. Define Southern blotting.
- 11. Mention the role of polymerase chain reaction (PCR) in genetic studies.
- 12. What is RAPD-PCR?
- 13. Define DNA fingerprinting.
- 14. What are transgenic animals? Provide one example.
- 15. What is nuclear transplantation?
- 16. Name two applications of transgenic animals.
- 17. What is animal cell culture?
- 18. Define gene therapy.
- 19. What is the molecular basis of sickle cell anemia?
- 20. What is Dolly cloning?

3 Marks Questions (15 Questions)

Understanding and Appling [CO-2, CO-3]

- 1. Describe the organization of the Drosophila genome.
- 2. Explain the role of restriction endonucleases in recombinant DNA technology.
- 3. Discuss the features and significance of BAC and YAC cloning vectors.
- 4. Compare plasmid vectors and phage vectors with respect to their use in cloning.
- 5. Describe the steps involved in the construction of a cDNA library.
- 6. Explain the principle and application of Polyacrylamide Gel Electrophoresis (PAGE).
- 7. Discuss the differences between Southern, Northern, and Western blotting.
- 8. Explain the principle and applications of RT-PCR.
- 9. What are the main steps involved in creating a genetically modified organism using the micro-injection technique?
- 10. Describe the process of producing knock-out mice and its significance.
- 11. Explain the molecular diagnosis of cystic fibrosis using DNA techniques.
- 12. Discuss the applications of transgenic animals in pharmaceutical production.
- 13. What is the significance of genetically modified economically important animals?
- 14. Explain the concept and steps of gene therapy in humans.
- 15. Discuss the applications of DNA fingerprinting in forensic sciences.





- 1. Analyze the structural differences between E. coli and Drosophila genomes and their implications in genetic studies.
- 2. Evaluate the advantages and limitations of recombinant DNA technology.
- 3. Compare and contrast the features of shuttle and expression vectors with examples.
- 4. Discuss the stepwise process of constructing a genomic library and its applications.
- 5. Analyze the role of PCR in allele-specific detection and its significance in genetic engineering.
- 6. Explain the process of creating transgenic animals through the retroviral method and its ethical implications.
- 7. Evaluate the use of nuclear transplantation in cloning animals and discuss Dolly as a case study.
- 8. Analyze the role of molecular techniques in diagnosing genetic diseases like thalassemia.
- 9. Describe the principle, process, and applications of Southern blotting.
- 10. Compare the utility of BAC, YAC, and HAC vectors in large-scale genome projects.
- 11. Discuss the role of genetically modified animals in organ transplantation.
- 12. Analyze the applications and limitations of gene therapy in treating genetic disorders.
- 13. Explain the process of producing transgenic animals for pharmaceutical purposes and its economic impact.
- 14. Construct a workflow to diagnose sickle cell anaemia using molecular diagnostic tools.
- 15. Discuss the future prospects and challenges of genetic engineering in producing GMOs and therapeutic interventions.





DSE-B3- Animal Behaviour and Chronobiology

2 Marks Questions (20 Questions)

Remembering [CO-1]

- 1. Define stereotyped behavior with an example.
- 2. What is a Fixed Action Pattern (FAP)?
- 3. Differentiate between instinct and learned behavior.
- 4. What is associative learning?
- 5. Define classical conditioning with an example.
- 6. Explain the term "habituation" in animal behavior.
- 7. What is imprinting in animals? Provide an example.
- 8. Describe social organization in termites briefly.
- 9. What is the role of pheromones in bee communication?
- 10. What is altruism in animal behavior?
- 11. Define Hamilton's Rule.
- 12. Mention one example of cooperation in animals.
- 13. What is sexual dimorphism? Provide one example.
- 14. Describe mate choice in peacocks.
- 15. What is parental care in fishes? Name one fish species exhibiting this behavior.
- 16. What is parent-offspring conflict?
- 17. Define circadian rhythm.
- 18. What is the role of melatonin in biological rhythms?
- 19. What are zeitgebers? Provide one example.
- 20. What is the adaptive significance of a biological clock?

3 Marks Questions (15 Questions)

Understanding and Appling [CO-2, CO-3]

- 1. Explain the difference between reflex actions and orientation behaviors.
- 2. Describe operant conditioning with an example.
- 3. What is the significance of FAP in animal behavior?
- 4. Explain the communication methods in bees, focusing on dance communication.
- 5. Discuss the concept of haplodiploidy in the evolution of altruism.
- 6. Explain the role of male rivalry in intra-sexual selection with an example.
- 7. Discuss the role of relatedness in kinship theory with an example.
- 8. Explain the concept of sibling rivalry with one example from the animal kingdom.
- 9. What are the characteristics of tidal rhythms?
- 10. Differentiate between short-term and long-term biological rhythms.
- 11. Explain circannual rhythms with an example of bird migration.
- 12. Discuss the significance of lunar rhythms in animal behavior.
- 13. What is the role of photic and non-photic zeitgebers in biological rhythms?
- 14. Explain nest-building behaviour in fishes as an example of parental care.
- 15. Discuss the adaptive significance of circadian rhythms in animals.





- 1. Compare and contrast instinctive and learned behaviors with suitable examples.
- 2. Analyze the role of associative learning in animal survival strategies.
- 3. Evaluate the significance of classical and operant conditioning in animal training.
- 4. Discuss the organization of termite societies and the role of caste differentiation.
- 5. Evaluate Hamilton's Rule in explaining altruistic behavior in social insects.
- 6. Analyze the mechanisms of mate choice in peacocks and its evolutionary significance.
- 7. Evaluate the cost-benefit tradeoff of parental care in fishes.
- 8. Explain parent-offspring conflict in detail, providing examples from primates or birds.
- 9. Discuss the characteristics and ecological importance of circannual rhythms in migratory birds.
- 10. Analyze the role of melatonin in regulating biological rhythms in mammals.
- 11. Discuss the significance of biological clocks in adapting to environmental changes.
- 12. Compare the roles of photic and non-photic zeitgebers in regulating animal behavior.
- 13. Create a model to explain how circadian rhythms influence feeding patterns in nocturnal animals.
- 14. Evaluate the relationship between lunar rhythms and reproductive strategies in marine animals.
- 15. Design an experimental setup to study the effect of zeitgebers on circadian rhythms in mammals.