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M. E. (Bio-Technology)  
First Semester  
ME-BIO-103: Microbial Bio-Technology

Time allowed: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 50

NOTE: Attempt five questions in all, including Question No. 1 which is compulsory and selecting two questions from each Unit.

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- I. Answer the following briefly:-
  - a) Name the production strain of [lactic acid
  - b) Are there any drawbacks of a microbial fuel cell? Mention any two.
  - c) Give the mode of action of the chitinase enzyme.
  - d) Name a halophilic and a thermophilic microorganism.
  - e) How can production of siderophores assist in pathogen control?
  - f) Give the source and use of beta carotene.
  - g) Screening is an important step in bioprospecting. Why?
  - h) What are biotherapeutics?
  - i) Give the role of the peroxidase enzyme.
  - j) How many generations of antibiotics are known so far? Why is there a need for successive generations? (10x1)

UNIT - I

- II. Discuss bioprospecting to trap diverse microflora producing chitinase enzyme. (10)
- III. a) Describe the microbial production of propionic acid.  
b) Detail the microbial production of inulinase enzyme. (5,5)
- IV. Elaborate on the steps followed for the production of recombinant insulin. (10)

UNIT - II

- V. Give the construction, working and efficiency of any microbial fuel cell. (10)

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VI. How can microorganisms found in extreme environments be used in biotechnological applications? (10)

VII. Write short notes on:-

- a) GMP
- b) Leaching of ores
- c) Biofertilizers
- d) Waste stabilization

(4x2½)

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