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B.E. (Bio-Technology) Seventh Semester
BIO-703/713: Plant Tissue Culture

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) Define compact callus.
 - b) What is a suspensor?
 - c) What are hydrated synthetic seeds?
 - d) Give a well labelled diagram of stamen.
 - e) Define endosperm.
 - f) Give functions of Vir D protein.
 - g) Define vitrification.
 - h) How will you create a double haploid from haploid plant?
 - i) Explain biolistic.
 - j) Define redifferentiation. (10x1)

UNIT - I

- II. a) Explain protoplast isolation, culture and fusion techniques. 5
b) Elucidate the molecular mechanism governing the regenerative capacity in plant cells. (5,5)
- III. a) Describe various developmental stages of somatic embryogenesis. Give applications of somatic embryos.
b) Explain pollen embryogenesis describing the most appropriate stage for androgenic induction. (5,5)
- IV. a) Explain the production of different types of synthetic seeds from somatic embryos
b) Describe the organic components of plant tissue culture media. Give their functions. (5,5)

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UNIT - II

- V. Explain why plant cell cultures are an attractive substitute to whole plants for the production of secondary metabolites. Explain plant cell culture techniques for product optimization. (2,8)
- VI. a) Explain the interaction between stigma and pollen grain. Describe any three in vitro pollination techniques.
- b) Explain the various steps involved in the long term storage of the germplasm. (5,5)
- VII. Explain techniques for plant transformation using *Agrobacterium tumefaciens*. Explain the generation of bacteria and virus resistant crops using genetic engineering techniques. (10)