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B.E. (Biotechnology) Seventh Semester BIO-703: Plant Tissue Culture

Time allowed: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 50

NOTE: Attempt <u>five</u> questions in all, including Question No. I which is compulsory and selecting two questions from each Unit.

x-x-x

- I. Answer briefly:
 - a) Give function of abscisic acid
 - b) Define the term totipotency
 - c) What is an endosperm
 - d) What are desiccated synthetic seeds
 - e) e) Which disease is caused by agrobacterium rhizogenes in plants
 - f) Explain the role of suspensor in zygotic embryogenesis
 - g) What is friable callus
 - h) What is an elicitor
 - i) Name two cryoprotectants
 - j) Explain biolistic

(10x1)

UNIT - I

- a) Discuss various stages of somatic embryogenesis. Give application of somatic embryos.
 - b) Explain the regeneration process and formation of callus in plant tissue culture. (2x5)
- III. Write short note:
 - a) Isolation and culture of single cell
 - b) Haploid production through andrognesis

(2x5)

IV. Explain in detail function of various organic and inorganic nutrients and their function in plant tissue culture medium. (10)

UNIT - II

- V. Elucidate various strategies for the improvement of secondary metabolite production in plant cell cultures. (10)
- VI. a) Explain production of hybrid embryos u-sing in vitro pollination technique.
 - b) Describe various steps in plant germplasm cryopreservation. (2x5)
- VII. Explain how genetic engineering is providing new ways to envisage agriculture. (10)