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## **UG DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS - NOVEMBER 2025.**

(For those admitted in June 2023 and later)

## PROGRAMME AND BRANCH: B.Sc., BOTANY

| SEM | CATEGORY | COMPONENT | COURSE CODE | COURSE TITLE   |
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| IV  | PART-III | CORE - 7  | U23BO404    | PLANT DIVERSITY IV - GYMNOSPERMS,<br>PALEOBOTANY AND EVOLUTION |

Date & Session:05.11.2025/FN Time: 3 hours Maximum: 75 Marks

| Course<br>Outcome | Bloom's<br>K-level | Q.<br>No. | <u>SECTION - A (10 X 1 = 10 Marks)</u> Answer <u>ALL</u> Questions. |   |  |
|-------------------|--------------------|-----------|---|---|--|
| CO1               | K1                 | 1.        | Phloem of gymnosperms is dev  |   |  |
|                   |                    |           | a) Sieve tubes  | b) Companion cells                        |  |
|                   |                    |           | c) Phloem parenchyma  | <u> </u>                                  |  |
| CO1               | K2                 | 2.        | Mucilage canals of cycas stem                                       | are                                       |  |
|                   |                    |           | a) Schizogenous   | b) Iysogenous                             |  |
|                   |                    |           | c) Schizolysogenous   | d) None of these                          |  |
| CO2               | K1                 | 3.        | The number of integuments of  | pinus is                                  |  |
|                   |                    |           | a) One  | b) Two                                    |  |
|                   |                    |           | c) Three  | d) Four                                   |  |
| CO2               | K2                 | 4.        | The gymnosperm wood popula  | rly called "soft wood" is mainly used for |  |
|                   |                    |           | a) Making musical instrument  | s b) Paper and pulp industry              |  |
|                   |                    |           | c) Producing silk   | d) Textile dyeing                         |  |
| CO3               | K1                 | 5.        | Buried plants due to constant                                       | heat and pressure turn in to              |  |
|                   |                    |           | a) Wood   | b) Coal                                   |  |
|                   |                    |           | c) Fertilizer   | d) Oil                                    |  |
| CO3               | K2                 | 6.        | Birbal sahni is popularly know                                      | vn as                                     |  |
|                   |                    |           | a) Mycologist   | b) Paleobotanist                          |  |
|                   |                    |           | c) Physiologist   | d) Psychologist                           |  |
| CO4               | K1                 | 7.        | Rhynia is a fossil of which per-                                    | iod                                       |  |
|                   |                    |           | a) Carboniferous  | b) Devonian                               |  |
|                   |                    |           | c) Jurassic   | d) Permian                                |  |
| CO4               | K2                 | 8.        | Which fossil is commonly called                                     | ed a "giant horsetail                     |  |
|                   |                    |           | a) Rhynia   | b) Lepidodendron                          |  |
|                   |                    |           | c) Calamites  | d) Williamsonia                           |  |
| CO5               | K1                 | 9.        | Darwin proposed the theory of                                       |   |  |
|                   |                    |           | a) Inheritance of acquired char                                     | racters b) Natural selection              |  |
|                   |                    |           | c) Recapitulation   | d) Continuity of germplam                 |  |
| CO5               | K2                 | 10.       | The concept of adaptive radiat                                      | ion was developed by                      |  |
|                   |                    |           | a) Oparin   | b) Haldane                                |  |
|                   |                    |           | c) HF Osborn  | d) Darwin                                 |  |

| Course | Bloom's<br>K-level | Q.<br>No. | $\frac{\text{SECTION} - B \text{ (5 X 5 = 25 Marks)}}{\text{Answer } \frac{\text{ALL}}{\text{Questions choosing either (a) or (b)}}$ |
|--------|--------------------|-----------|--|
| CO1    | К3                 | 11a.      | Explain the general characteristics of gymnosperms? (OR)   |
| CO1    | КЗ                 | 11b.      | What is the mechanism of pollen germination in Cycas?  |
| CO2    | КЗ                 | 12a.      | Describe the post fertilization changes occurring in the ovule of Pinus?  (OR)   |
| CO2    | КЗ                 | 12b.      | Discuss the angiospermic features of Gnetum?   |
| CO3    | K4                 | 13a.      | Explain the type of fossils with suitable example? (OR)  |
| СОЗ    | K4                 | 13b.      | Write a note on petrification of fossils?  |
| CO4    | K4                 | 14a.      | Describe the internal structure of rhynia stem?  |
| CO4    | K4                 | 14b.      | (OR) Explain about williamsonia?   |
| CO5    | K5                 | 15a.      | What is synthetic theory? Discuss how evolutionary mechanism? (OR)   |
| CO5    | K5                 | 15b.      | Write note on variation in evolution?  |

| Course | Bloom's<br>K-level | Q.<br>No. | SECTION - C (5 X 8 = 40 Marks)  Answer ALL Questions choosing either (a) or (b)  |
|--------|--------------------|-----------|--|
| CO1    | КЗ                 | 16a.      | Write an essay on gymnosperm classification?                                     |
| CO1    | К3                 | 16b.      | (OR) Give briefly morphology, anatomy and reproduction of cycas?                 |
| CO2    | K4                 | 17a.      | Discuss the development of male gametophyte in Pinus? (OR)                       |
| CO2    | K4                 | 17b.      | Write an essay on economic importance of gymnosperms?                            |
| CO3    | K4                 | 18a.      | What are fossils? Describe the different types of fossilization processes.  (OR) |
| CO3    | K4                 | 18b.      | Describe geological time scale?  |
| CO4    | K5                 | 19a.      | Describe the reproduction and life cycle of Rhynia? (OR)                         |
| CO4    | K5                 | 19b.      | Write an essay on lepidodendron.   |
| CO5    | K5                 | 20a.      | Write a brief account on evolution of Darwin theories. (OR)                      |
| CO5    | K5                 | 20b.      | Examine that Darwin's finches represent adaptive radiation?                      |