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BASIC MICROBIOLOGY

Paper : FPT 301

Full Marks : 100

Time : Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

Answer any five questions out of seven.

1. (a) Briefly elaborate on classification of the domain "archaea". 10
- (b) Briefly describe peptidoglycan structure. What are the major differences between Gram positive and Gram negative cell wall ? 5+3
- (c) Who discovered polymerase chain reaction ? And what is its major application ? 2

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2. (a) Explain, with simple schematic diagram, the working principle of a phase-contrast microscopy. Explain why moist heat is more efficient heat sterilization medium compared to dry-heat. 5+1
- (b) Write short notes on structures of *any two* of the following cell components : 2×7
- (i) Flagella
 - (ii) Endospore
 - (iii) Ribosome.
3. (a) Describe the lytic cycle of bacteriophage replication. Explain how prion proteins become infective. 8+2
- (b) Briefly elaborate on primary and secondary active transport systems of nutrition uptake by microorganisms. 5+5
4. (a) Describe the double-helix structure of DNA with a simple schematic diagram. 5

- (b) Give an elaborate description of classification of helminthic parasites. Using a simple schematic diagram to explain life cycle of malarial parasite. 5+10
5. (a) List Koch's postulates. How did Louis Pasteur established 'germ theory' ? 4+5
- (b) List the future scopes of microbiology. Elaborate on the importance of microbiology in the areas of environment, food, medicine and biotechnology. 5+6
6. (a) Write the basic principle of work for electron microscope. What is the major difference between transmission and scanning electron microscopes ? 3+2
- (b) Briefly explain the working principles of the following — 2×3
- (i) Filter sterilization
 - (ii) Radappertization
 - (iii) Autoclaving.

(c) Based on mode of actions, elaborate on *three* major groups of antibiotics.

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7. (a) Briefly describe the *four* major phases of microbial growth with a simple graphical representation. 12

(b) Describe in details, contribution of microorganisms in the carbon-cycle using a schematic diagram. 8

