

M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2021.

First Semester

Botany

PLANT DIVERSITY (ALGAE, FUNGI, LICHENS, BRYOPHYTES, PTERIDOPHYTES, GYMNOSPERMS AND PALEOBOTANY)

(CBCS – 2017 onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A

 $(10 \times 2 = 20)$

- 1. Name the food reserve of green algae and red algae.
- 2. What are the types of photosynthetic pigments of algae?
- 3. Homothalism.
- 4. Sporocarp.
- 5. List our four important fossil bryophytes.
- 6. Gemmae.
- 7. List out any four group of fossil pteridophytes.
- 8. Sorus.
- 9. Incrustation.
- 10. Paleopalynology.

Answer **all** questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Write notes on modes of perennation of fresh water algae.

Or

- (b) Write notes on economic importance of algae.
- 12. (a) Give comparative account of fungi and algae.

Or

- (b) Write notes on various stages of parasexual cycle of fungi.
- 13. (a) Write notes on reproduction in Marchantiales.

Or

- (b) Write notes on evolution of gametophytes in bryophytes.
- 14. (a) Illustrate alternation of generations in pteridophytes.

Or

- (b) Write short notes on stellar types and evolution in pteridophytes.
- 15. (a) Write notes on economic importance of gymnosperms.

Or

(b) Write notes on age determination and methods of study of fossils.

Answer any **three** questions.

- 16. Write an essay on general account of Chlorophyceae algae.
- 17. Write an essay on classification of fungi according to C.J. Alexopoulos, 1979.
- 18. Write an essay on morphology, vegetative structure, reproduction and life cycle of Funariales.
- 19. Write an essay on morphology, structure, reproduction and evolution of gametophytes and sporophytes of Psilotales.
- 20. Write an essay on habit, habitat, morphology, anatomy and reproduction of Gnetum.

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METHODS IN BOTANY

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Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A

 $(10 \times 2 = 20)$

- 1. Biosafety cabinet
- 2. Magnification
- 3. Mordant
- 4. Photomicrography
- 5. Absorption maximum
- 6. Rf value
- 7. Centrifugal force
- 8. Autoradiogram
- 9. Questionnaire
- 10. Secondary data

Answer **all** questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Define resolving power and enlist the factors which determine the resolution of a specimen in light microscopic observation.

Or

- (b) Enlist the applications of flow cytometry.
- 12. (a) Write a short note on dehydration of specimens.

Or

- (b) Define and explain the features of temporary and permanent mount.
- 13. (a) State and explain Beers-Lambert law.

Or

- (b) Explain the applications of muffle furnace in ash analysis.
- 14. (a) Write a short note on the principle, method and applications of ultracentrifugation.

Or

- (b) Outline the applications of autoradiography.
- 15. (a) Outline the importance of floristic survey in botanical research.

Or

(b) Write a short note on stomatal index calculation.

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Answer any **three** questions.

- 16. Explain the working principle and applications of confocal and fluorescence microscopes.
- 17. Discuss about the methods of specimen preparation for electron microscopy.
- 18. Explain the principle and applications of HPLC.
- 19. Explain the principle, methods and applications of agarose gel electrophoresis.
- 20. Explain about the study of plant morphological parameters and their applications in botanical research.

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MICROBIOLOGY AND PLANT PATHOLOGY

(CBCS – 2017 onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A

 $(10 \times 2 = 20)$

- 1. Virions
- 2. Mycoplasma
- 3. Archaebacteria
- 4. Sexduction
- 5. Etiology
- 6. Mycotoxins
- 7. Leaf galls
- 8. Root knot
- 9. Elicitors
- 10. Transformation

Answer **all** questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Describe the structure of Virus.

Or

- (b) Describe the economic importance of microbes.
- 12. (a) Explain the methods used in bacterial culture techniques.

 \mathbf{Or}

- (b) Describe the process of bacterial transformation.
- 13. (a) Describe the concept of Koch's postulates.

 \mathbf{Or}

- (b) Give an account of the organisms and causal factor responsible for plant diseases with examples.
- 14. (a) Describe the causative organism and control measures of Citrus Canker.

Or

- (b) Explain the etiology of Anthracnose of Mango.
- 15. (a) Write account on pathogen induced diseases in animals and plants.

Or

(b) Describe the process of cell fusion in both normal and abnormal cells.

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Answer any **three** questions.

- 16. Write an essay on the five kingdom system by Whittaker.
- 17. Write a detailed account on Bergey's system of bacterial classification and its significance.
- 18. Explain the types of defense mechanisms in plants.
- 19. Describe the causal organism, symptoms and control measures affecting Brinjal and Cotton plants.
- 20. Discuss in detail the 'host parasite interaction' with examples.

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CELL BIOLOGY AND BIOPHYSICAL CHEMISTRY

(CBCS – 2017 onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A

 $(10 \times 2 = 20)$

- 1. Osmosis
- 2. Peroxisomes
- 3. Transposons
- 4. Heterochromatin
- 5. Van der Waals force
- 6. Glycogen
- 7. Isozymes
- 8. Calomel
- 9. Z-DNA
- 10. Bond angle

Answer **all** questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Explain the structure and functions of plasma membrane with diagram.

 \mathbf{Or}

- (b) Describe the structure and functions of chloroplast.
- 12. (a) Describe the structure of chromosome with neat diagram.

Or

- (b) Describe the process of Mitosis with neat diagram.
- 13. (a) Explain the uses of vitamins.

Or

- (b) Give an account on hydrophobic interaction and its significances.
- 14. (a) Describe the laws of thermodynamics.

Or

- (b) Describe the Michaelis Menten equation.
- 15. (a) Write account on Ramachandran plot and its significance.

Or

(b) Describe the structure of tRNA with neat diagram.

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Part C (3 × 10 = 30)

Answer any **three** questions.

- 16. Write an essay on structure and functions of Mitochondria.
- 17. Write a detailed account on meiosis and its significance with neat diagrams.
- 18. Explain the metabolism of lipids with examples.
- 19. Describe in detail the process of Glycolysis.
- 20. Discuss in detail the conformations tests for nucleic acids.

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Elective – MUSHROOM CULTIVATION

(CBCS – 2017 onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A

 $(10 \times 2 = 20)$

- 1. List out the binomial of any two edible mushrooms of India.
- 2. How will you identify a poisonous mushroom?
- 3. What is inoculation loop?
- 4. Define Sterilization.
- 5. List out the fungal diseases of mushrooms.
- 6. Name the nematodes that infect mushrooms.
- 7. Bring out the minerals present in mushrooms.
- 8. Mushrooms are the rich source of amino acids Justify.
- 9. What do you mean by export value?
- 10. Name any two mushroom research centres of India.

Answer **all** questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Describe the nutritional value of edible mushrooms.

Or

- (b) Explain the medicinal values of mushrooms.
- 12. (a) Comment on the composting technology in mushroom cultivation.

Or

- (b) Describe the factors affecting mushroom bed preparation.
- 13. (a) Outline the economics of mushroom cultivation.

Or

- (b) How are the fungal pathogens of mushrooms managed?
- 14. (a) Discuss the methods of short term storage of mushrooms.

Or

- (b) Explain the preparation of mushroom pickles and papads.
- 15. (a) Bring out the Cost-benefit ratio of mushroom cultivation.

Or

(b) Analyze the present status of mushroom industry in India.

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Answer any **three** questions.

- 16. Write an essay on the types of edible mushrooms in India.
- 17. Explain the technique of spawn preparation.
- 18. Describe the method of cultivation of white button mushroom.
- 19. Describe the methods used in long term storage of mushrooms.
- 20. How are mushrooms marketed in India?

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Elective – ETHNOBOTANY

(CBCS – 2017 onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A $(10 \times 2 = 20)$

- 1. Define indigenous medicine.
- 2. Mention the distribution of Paliyar tribes.
- 3. Who wrote the book on "Glimpses of Indian Ethnobotany"?
- 4. What are the need of Herbarium in ethnobotanical research?
- 5. Mention the source of Azadirachtin.
- 6. Name any two modern medicine from *Rauvolfia*.
- 7. Mention any two common Sthalavirukshas in Tamil Nadu.
- 8. What do you mean endangered taxa?
- 9. Give note on ethnodiversity.
- 10. What is biopiracy?

Part B (5 × 5 = 25)

Answer **all** questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) List out the objectives of ethnobotany.

Or

- (b) Enlist the tribal food plants in India.
- 12. (a) Briefly mention the Herbarium techniques.

Or

- (b) How do you find out ethnobotany from ancient literature?
- 13. (a) Explain the ethnobotanical importance of *Gloriosa*.

 \mathbf{Or}

- (b) Elucidate the role of ethnobotany in discovery of modern medicine.
- 14. (a) Expound the ecological role of sthalavirukshas.

Or

- (b) Evidence the conservation of plant genetic resources by ethnic knowledge.
- 15. (a) Discovery of Jeevani as community medicine Explain.

Or

(b) Write an account on importance of protection of traditional knowledge by IPR.

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Answer any **three** questions.

- 16. Explain the life-style of major tribals in Western Ghats.
- 17. How do you prepare the schedule for ethnobotanical investigation?
- 18. Write an account on medico-ethnobotanical sources in India with relevant examples.
- 19. Elucidate the role of sacred grooves in conservation of plant genetic resources
- 20. Ethnobotany as a tool for protection of tribal wealth Justify.



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Third Semester

Botany

PLANT PHYSIOLOGY

(CBCS – 2017 onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A

 $(10 \times 2 = 20)$

- 1. Define hydroponics
- 2. Name the physical forces by which water molecules are translocated from soil and across cells
- 3. What is Emerson's enhancement effect?
- 4. Comment on Leghaemoglobin
- 5. Define biological clock
- 6. What do you mean by phosphorescence?
- 7. What are tropic movements?
- 8. Comment on vernalization.
- 9. Programmed cell death.
- 10. Define salt stress.

Part B

 $(5 \times 5 = 25)$

Answer **all** questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Write an essay on ascent of sap.

Or

- (b) Explain Bulk flow hypothesis.
- 12. (a) Comment on Non cyclic photophosphorylation.

Or

- (b) Draw Calvin cycle.
- 13. (a) Explain the concept of Bioluminescence.

 \mathbf{Or}

- (b) Classify plants on the basis of photoperiod required.
- 14. (a) Describe the applications of Auxins in Agrihorticulture.

 \mathbf{Or}

- (b) Comment on the causes of dormancy and the methods of breaking it.
- 15. (a) Bring out the importance of secondary metabolites.

Or

(b) How do plants respond to water stress?

Part C

 $(3 \times 10 = 30)$

Answer any three questions.

- 16. Write an essay on the role of macro and micro elements in plants.
- 17. Draw and explain Citric acid cycle.

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- 18. Analyse the role of phyto and cryptochromes in plant functioning.
- 19. Discuss the physiological role and practical applications of Gibberellins.
- 20. Describe the biosynthesis of terpenes.

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Botany

DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY AND PLANT BIOTECHNOLOGY

(CBCS – 2017 onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A $(10 \times 2 = 20)$

- 1. Gametogenesis
- 2. Scutellum
- 3. Phyllotaxy
- 4. Trichomes
- 5. Cosmids
- 6. S1 nucleases
- 7. Reporter genes
- 8. Antisense RNA
- 9. Interferons
- 10. Biopiracy

Answer **all** questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Explain the development of dicot embryo with diagram.

Or

- (b) Describe the different methods to overcome incompatibility.
- 12. (a) Explain the anatomical features of primary structure of dicot stem.

Or

- (b) Describe the types of nodal anatomy with diagrams.
- 13. (a) Describe the genetic organization of Ti plasmid with neat diagram.

Or

- (b) Give an account on cDNA library and its significances.
- 14. (a) Describe in brief RAPD techniques and its applications.

 \mathbf{Or}

- (b) Explain the procedure involved in Western blotting techniques and its applications.
- 15. (a) Write account on site directed mutagenesis.

 \mathbf{Or}

(b) Discuss in brief the role of IPR in biotechnology.

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Answer any **three** questions.

- 16. Discuss the different types of endosperms in angiosperms.
- 17. With labeled diagram describe the root- stem transition.
- 18. Explain the physical methods used in gene transfer techniques.
- 19. Explain in detail the eukaryotic gene expression with neat diagrams.
- 20. Describe in detail the sequencing methods.

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Third Semester

Botany

PLANT ECOLOGY

(CBCS – 2017 onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A $(10 \times 2 = 20)$

- 1. Biome
- 2. Estuary
- 3. Humus
- 4. Ecomorph
- 5. Dispersion
- 6. Predation
- 7. Mutualism
- 8. Ecotones
- 9. Noise pollution
- 10. Biofilm

Answer **all** questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Describe the structure of an ecosystem.

Or

- (b) Explain the energy flow in ecosystem.
- 12. (a) Comment on grazing and its impact on environment.

Or

- (b) Write notes on deforestration.
- 13. (a) Give the details of k- selection.

Or

- (b) Discuss the concept of age structure in a population.
- 14. (a) Enumerate positive interactions of biotic components.

 \mathbf{Or}

- (b) Discuss about xerosere succession.
- 15. (a) List the impacts of soil pollution.

Or

(b) Write the sources of water pollution.

Part C

 $(3 \times 10 = 30)$

Answer any three questions.

- 16. Explain the structure and function of marine ecosystem
- 17. Discuss about the physical factors influencing the environment.

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- 18. Describe the population growth curve.
- 19. Explain the quadrat analysis of vegetation.
- 20. Write an essay on various toxins polluting the environment.

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Third Semester

Botany

Elective – BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION, PHYTOGEOGRAPHY AND REMOTE SENSING

(CBCS – 2017 onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A

 $(10 \times 2 = 20)$

- 1. Endangered species
- 2. Gamma Biodiversity
- 3. Sacred Groves
- 4. Social Forestry
- 5. Wild life Protection Act
- 6. Forest Conservation Act
- 7. Savanas
- 8. Age and Area Hypothesis
- 9. Electromagnetic Spectrum
- 10. GIS

Answer **all** questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) List out any five endangered species of India.

Or

- (b) Briefly explain the role of Shannon Weiner index of Biodiversity conservation.
- 12. (a) Give a detailed account on Afforestation.

Or

- (b) Briefly explain the role of Gene Bank in Biodiversity Conservation.
- 13. (a) Highlight the importance of Wildlife Protection Act.

 \mathbf{Or}

- (b) Give a detailed account on Decentralization of Forest Public Administration.
- 14. (a) Write a short notes on human influence on Post Glacial Change.

Or

- (b) Write a short note on Endemism with special reference to Insular floras.
- 15. (a) List out the name of Satellite used in Biodiversity Conservation of India.

Or

(b) How Landscape Mapping used in Biodiversity Conservation in India?

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Answer any **three** questions.

- 16. Briefly explain about the measurement of Biological diversity.
- 17. Write an essay on *Ex Situ* conservation methods.
- 18. Give a detailed account on Sustainable Forest Management.
- 19. Write an essay on Phytogeographical Classification of India.
- 20. List out the role of GIS and GPS in Biodiversity Conservation.



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Elective - HORTICULTURE AND LAND SCAPING

(CBCS – 2017 onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A $(10 \times 2 = 20)$

- 1. Arboriculture
- 2. Scion
- 3. Astroturf
- 4. Ornamental plants
- 5. Water garden
- 6. Terrace garden
- 7. Perennial vegetables
- 8. Propagation methods of Rose
- 9. Alphonsa
- 10. Canning Grapes

Answer **all** questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Briefly explain the scope of Horticulture.

Or

- (b) Explain the different methods of Ground Layering.
- 12. (a) Write short notes on Hydroponics and its importance.

Or

- (b) List out the common Green House Plants.
- 13. (a) Give a detailed account on Hanging Basket. What is the uses of Hanging Basket in indoor Gardening.

Or

- (b) Give a detailed account of Floral Arrangement Technique.
- 14. (a) What is Olericulture? Explain the importance of Olericulture to Mankind.

Or

- (b) Write short notes on cultivation practices of Rose.
- 15. (a) Give a detailed account of cultivation of *Eucalyptus*.

Or

(b) Write short notes on cultivation of Grapes.

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Answer any **three** questions.

- 16. What is Horticulture? Explain the divisions of Horticulture.
- 17. Write an essay on Lawn making and its Maintenance Tips.
- 18. Write a brief account of Rockery. List out the important plants being grown in Rockery. Give the management tips of Rockery.
- 19. Write an essay on Kitchen Garden. Add notes on its importance to Mankind.
- 20. List out the important *Mango* varieties grown in Tamil Nadu. Explain the cultivation methods of *Mango*.

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Elective - COMMERCIAL PLANT TISSUE CULTURE

(CBCS – 2017 onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A $(10 \times 2 = 20)$

- 1. In vitro differentiation
- 2. Gamborg medium
- 3. Shoot meristem
- 4. Organogenesis
- 5. Pre embrynic tissue
- 6. Haploid plant
- 7. Chemostat culture
- 8. Macerozyme
- 9. Biotransformation
- 10. Deep freezing

Answer **all** questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Write a short note on the requirements and organization of plant tissue culture lab.

Or

- (b) Discuss about the requirements for the establishment of a low cost tissue culture lab.
- 12. (a) Write a short note on the selection of elite germ plasm for tissue culture.

Or

- (b) Define and explain about somaclonal variation.
- 13. (a) Write a short note on androgenesis.

Or

- (b) Explain the stages and applications of pollen culture.
- 14. (a) Enlist the advantages of continuous culture.

Or

- (b) Discuss about the induced electrofusion of Protoplast.
- 15. (a) Enlist the advantages of immobilized cell cultures.

Or

(b) Discuss about the applications of plant tissue culture in forestry.

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Part C (3 × 10 = 30)

Answer any **three** questions.

- 16. Discuss about the organic supplements and growth regulators used in plant tissue culture.
- 17. Describe the stages of organogenesis *in vitro*.
- 18. Explain the principle, method and applications of anther culture.
- 19. Illustrate the principle, methods and applications of somatic hybridization.
- 20. Illustrate the methods, advantages and limitations of cryopreservation.

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Botany

Elective - PLANT BREEDING

(CBCS – 2017 onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A $(10 \times 2 = 20)$

- 1. Inbred
- 2. Ecotype
- 3. Pollinators
- 4. True-to -type plant
- 5. NBPGR
- 6. Hardening
- 7. Mutant
- 8. Elite gene
- 9. Genetic stability
- 10. Inbreeding

Answer **all** questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Write short notes on traditional methods of plant breeding.

 \mathbf{Or}

- (b) Outline the methods of test cross.
- 12. (a) Define hybridization and enlist its advantages in plant breeding.

Or

- (b) Outline the features of apomictic plants.
- 13. (a) Write a short note on the strategies for domestication of crop plants.

Or

- (b) Enlist the selection criteria in self pollinated plants.
- 14. (a) Write a short note on the causes and effects of mutation in plants.

Or

- (b) Explain the features of autopolyploidy in plants.
- 15. (a) Write a short note on monogenic inheritance.

Or

(b) Discuss about the advantages of back crossing.

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Answer any **three** questions.

- 16. Write a detailed note on the achievements and consequences of plant breeding in India.
- 17. Explain the strategies for breeding in self pollinated plants.
- 18. Give a detailed account on the status and conservation of plant genetic resources in India.
- 19. Discuss about the strategies for polyploidy induction and applications in plant breeding and improvement.
- 20. Discuss about the concept, mechanism and applications of quantitative inheritance.



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Third Semester

Botany

Elective – RESEARCH METHODOLOGY, BIOINFORMATICS, BEHAVIOUR AND TEACHING SKILLS

(CBCS – 2017 onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A

 $(10 \times 2 = 20)$

- 1. Descriptive research
- 2. Copy right
- 3. Median
- 4. Student "t" test
- 5. Intranet
- 6. EMBL
- 7. Altruisim
- 8. Navigation
- 9. Soft skill
- 10. Group discussion

Part B (5 × 5 = 25)

Answer **all** questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Define and distinguish: applied and fundamental research.

Or

- (b) Discuss about the components of a thesis.
- 12. (a) Define and explain probability analysis.

Or

- (b) Discuss about the measure of dispersion and its applications in botanical research.
- 13. (a) Write a short note on the applications of bioinformatics.

Or

- (b) Discuss about the applications of power point in scientific presentation.
- 14. (a) Write a short note on Kin selection in biological science research.

 \mathbf{Or}

- (b) Discuss about the features of proximate causation.
- 15. (a) Enlist the basic skills required for a good teacher.

Or

(b) Discuss about the importance of seminars in exploration of knowledge.

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Answer any **three** questions.

- 16. Discuss about the basic requirements and advantages of laboratory research in botany.
- 17. Explain about the methods of calculation and applications of central tendency in biological science research.
- 18. Discuss about different types and applications of protein data bases.
- 19. Discuss about different strategies in studying biological behaviour.
- 20. Explain different types teaching and analyse the merits and demerits.

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