

# **FOURTH SEMESTER EXAMINATION 2021-22**

## **M.Sc. ZOOLOGY**

### **Paper - III**

### **Population Ecology**

Time : 3.00 Hrs.

Max. Marks : 80

Total No. of Printed Page : 03

Mini. Marks : 29

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**Note:- Question paper is divided into three sections. Attempt question of all three section as per direction Distribution of marks is given in each section.**

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#### **Section 'A'**

##### **Very short answer question (in few words)**

Q.1 Attempt any six questions from the following :

6x2=12

- (i) Define the inter-specific competition.
- (ii) Write the definition and formula of Natality.
- (iii) Define the ectoparasitism with an example.
- (iv) Draw a well label diagram of Quadrate.
- (v) What do you mean by equilibrium population.
- (vi) What is plant pollinator.
- (vii) Define the exponential growth and give the example.
- (viii) What is optimal foraging theory.
- (ix) What is difference between density independence and density dependence.
- (x) What is host-parasite dynamics.

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## Section 'B'

### Short answer type question (in 200 words)

Q.1 Attempt any four questions from the following :

4x5=20

- (i) Write the population characters.
- (ii) What is stable-age distribution, explain it.
- (iii) Explain the net reproductive rate.
- (iv) Explain survivorship curve.
- (v) Explain animal-animal interaction with examples.
- (vi) Write the characters of r-selection.
- (vii) What is intra-specific competition explain it with example.
- (viii) What is demography ?

## Section 'C'

### Long answer/Essay type question.

4x12=48

Q.3 Attempt any four questions from the following questions :

- (i) Explain logistic-growth model.
- (ii) Describe the evolution of mutualism.
- (iii) What is niche concept ? Explain it in detail.
- (iv) What is life-table ? Explain it with an example.
- (v) Explain in detail social parasitism with suitable example.

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- (vi) Describe prey-predator model in detail.
- (vii) Describe the S-shaped and J-shaped growth curve.
- (viii) Write about the extrinsic and intrinsic factors for population regulation in detail.

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