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M.Sc. - II

BIOTECHNOLOGY

**BT-44C : Agricultural Biotechnology
(2008 Pattern) (Semester-IV)**

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 60

Instructions to the candidates:

- 1) *Answer a total of five questions selecting atleast two questions from each section.*
- 2) *Answer to the two sections should be written on separate answer sheets.*
- 3) *Neat diagrams must be drawn wherever necessary.*
- 4) *Figures to the right indicate full marks.*

SECTION-I

Q1) Define micropropagation. Elaborate various stages of micropropagation. Add a note on advantages and limitations of micropropagation. **[12]**

Q2) Describe in detail, the methodology used to produce homozygous plants through anther culture. **[12]**

Q3) What is polyembryony? Explain the significance of induced polyembryony in agriculture. **[12]**

Q4) Write notes on any two of the following: **[12]**

- a) Embryo rescue technique.
- b) Applications of endosperm culture in agriculture.
- c) Types of apomixis.

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SECTION-II

Q5) What is transgenic technology? Explain in detail, how it is used to produce herbicide resistant crops. [12]

Q6) Discuss importance of marker assisted selection in crop improvement. [12]

Q7) Write notes on: [12]

- a) Somaclonal variations.
- b) Edible vaccines.

Q8) Attempt any two of the following: [12]

- a) Discuss production of novel plant products through metabolic engineering.
- b) Describe various methods of virus indexing.
- c) Write advantages of biofertilizers.

