(For the candidates admitted from 2012-2013 onwards)

B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2017.

Third Semester

Biochemistry

SBEC - PLANT BIOCHEMISTRY

Time: Three hours

Maximum: 75 marks

SECTION A — $(10 \times 2 = 20 \text{ marks})$

Answer ALL questions.

- 1. Define plasmodesmata. Write about its role in plant cell.
- 2. What is meant by Ascent of sap?
- 3. Write about the importance of phycobilins in plants.
- 4. What is meant by cranz anatomy? Add a note on it.
- 5. Define asymbiotic nitrogen fixation.
- 6. What is the role of nitrogenase enzyme in nitrogen fixation?

- 7. What are growth inhibitors in plants? Add a note on it.
- 8. Write about the physiological effects of cytokinins.
- 9. List out the medicinal value of any two seeds.
- 10. What are secondary metabolites? Give examples.

SECTION B — $(5 \times 5 = 25 \text{ marks})$

Answer ALL questions.

11. (a) Discuss the factors affecting absorption of water.

Or

- (b) Explain the factors affecting transpiration.
- 12. (a) Add a note on non cyclic photophosphorylation.

Or

- (b) Describe the reactions of CAM cycle.
- 13. (a) Explain how phosphorus is cycled and assimilated in plants.

Or

(b) Explain the root nodule formation in plants.

14. (a) Write about the physiological effects of ethylene.

Or

- (b) Explain the physiological role of auxin.
- 15. (a) Write about the medicinal value of any two plants.

Or

(b) Explain the various methods involved in secondary metabolites identification.

SECTION C — $(3 \times 10 = 30 \text{ marks})$

Answer any THREE out of Five questions.

- 16. Write an account on mechanism of stomatal opening.
- 17. Explain the reactions of Calvin cycle.
- 18. Describe in detail the biochemistry of nitrogen fixation and ammonia assimilation.
- 19. Explain the biosynthesis, mode of action and physiological effects of gibberellins.
- 20. Elaborate the medicinal value of amla and turmeric.