B. Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION-NOVEMBER 2014 FIRST SEMESTER - BOTANY (CORE)

COURSE - U1CRBOT1: METHODOLOGY AND PERSPECTIVES OF SCIENCE AND AN INTRODUCTION TO THE WORLD OF PLANT DIVERSITY

Time: Three Hours Max. Marks: 60

(Draw diagrams wherever necessary)

PART A

Answer **all** question. Each question carry 1 mark.

- 1. What is an *ad-hoc* hypothesis?
- 2. Define scientific method?
- 3. What are variables?
- 4. Name two aquatic bryophytes.
- 5. Define plagiarism?
- 6. What are quinones?
- 7. What are mesosomes?
- 8. What is chitin?

 $1 \times 8 = 8 \text{ marks}$

PART B

Answer **any six** questions. Each question carry 2 marks

- 9. Differentiate between scientific law and scientific theory.
- 10. Briefly explain the steps of the scientific method.
- 11. 'Bryophytes are the amphibians in plant kingdom', Explain. Write two economic importance of bryophytes
- 12. Differentiate between phycobiont and mycobiont.
- 13. Give an example of thallus variation found in the members of Phaeophyceae with suitable diagram
- 14. What are the economic importance of Rhodophyceae?
- 15. Give an account of general characteristics of Pteridophytes?
- 16. What are the thallus morphology of crustose and fruticose lichens?

 $2 \times 6 = 12 \text{ marks}$

Answer any four questions. Each question carry 5 marks

- 17. Briefly describe some revolutions in 20th century in science?
- 18. Briefly explain the principles of experimental design.
- 19. Write short notes on flagellum, endospore and plasmids in bacteria.
- 20. Explain the diversity of fresh water and mangrove habitat.
- 21. Explain the evolutionary trends of aquatic to terrestrial habitat of plants.
- 22. Briefly explain the thallus morphology of branched and unbranched filamentous algae.

 $4 \times 5 = 20 \text{ marks}$

PART D

Answer any two questions. Each question carry 10 marks

- 23. Explain in detail with illustration, the collection treatment and presentation of scientific data.
- 24. Explain with suitable diagram the various morphological types of bacteria with examples.
- 25. Explain in detail the different types of terrestrial habitat diversity
- 26. Define plant -plant interaction .Give a detail account of parasitic plants and epiphytes with examples.

 $10 \times 2 = 20 \text{ marks}$