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Programme: B.E.

Branch: Biotechnology

Course Code: 19BT4DCCMB

Course: Cell & Molecular Biology

Semester: IV

Duration: 3 hrs.

Max Marks: 100

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Instructions: 1. Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing one full question from each unit.
2. Missing data, if any, may be suitably assumed.

UNIT - I

- 1 a) Describe any one classical experiments which demonstrated the semi-conservative mode of DNA replication. **08**
- b) Distinguish the roles of helicases and SSB proteins in DNA replication. **07**
- c) Differentiate between Heterochromatin and Euchromatin. **05**

OR

- 2 a) Elaborate the roles of endoplasmic reticulum and ribosomes in protein synthesis? **08**
- b) What is the reverse transcriptase and what is its importance in the management of HIV infection? **07**
- c) List the proteins involved in DNA replication processes of Eukaryotes. **05**

UNIT - II

- 3 a) When two adjacent bases in the same strand of DNA dimerize, what happens to the DNA? Explain the process with a figures. **10**
- b) Which recombination model explains the molecular process involved during the exchange of DNA between two homologous double stranded DNA molecules. Discuss. **10**

UNIT - III

- 4 a) What are transcription factors? Discuss them for three different RNA polymerases in eukaryotes. **10**
- b) Investigate the role of sigma factor in prokaryotic transcription. **05**
- c) Capping is essential for translation initiation in eukaryotes. Justify the statement. **05**

Important Note: Completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages. Revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator will be treated as malpractice.

OR

- 5 a) Why do you think that most promoter regions are A-T rich? Analyse **04**
- b) Differentiate between Rho dependent and Rho independent transcription termination process in prokaryotes. **08**
- c) Discuss the splicing mechanism in two different types of introns. **08**

UNIT - IV

- 6 a) Explain the process of initiation of translation in Yeast. **10**
- b) List the inhibitors of translation. Add a note on mode of action of any two inhibitor. **05**
- c) How does translation terminate in prokaryote **05**

UNIT - V

- 7 a) Comment on lac Operon in *E. coli*. Discuss how it controls the activity of genes which produce enzymes necessary for the catabolism of lactose. **10**
- b) Discuss the major steps in regulation of prokaryotic gene expression. How do you justify positive versus negative regulation? **10**
