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# The Assam Royal Global University, Guwahati

Royal School of Life Sciences B. Sc. Botany 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester

Semester End Examination, June 2023 Course Title: Gymnosperms and Angiosperms Course Code: BOT142C201

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 70

Note: Attempt all questions as per instructions given.

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

#### Section - A

### Attempt all questions. (Maximum word limit 50)

2 x 8

- a. Which Gymnosperm is called as "living fossil" and why?
- b. Give two differences between gymnosperms and angiosperms.
- c. State the Pentoxylon theory of angiosperm origin.
- d. Define basal angiosperms.
- e. State the types of roots based on structure and mode of development.
- f. What are seeds? State its types.
- g. Define paleobotany? Who is regarded as the father of paleobotany in India?
- h. What are the factors that can affect fossilization?

#### Section - B

### 2. Attempt any two of the following:

6 x 2

- a. Discuss the affinities of gymnosperms with pteridophytes.
- b. Write a note on economical and ecological importance of gymnosperms.
- c. With a neat labelled diagram explain the anatomical structure of stem of Cycas.

### 3. Attempt any two of the following:

7 x 2

- a. Write a note on basal monocots.
- b. Describe the evolutionary trend in angiosperms.
- c. Discuss the modification of tap roots based on both their storage and physiological functions.

## 4. Attempt any two of the following:

7 x 2

- a. Describe the various parts of a leaf with neat labelled diagram.
- b. Describe the different parts of a flower and add a note on its functions.
- c. Write a note on modified underground or subterranean stem.

### 5. Attempt any one of the following:

14 x 1

- a. Discuss the major periods of geological time scale and their pivotal events?
- b. Give systematic classification of *Rhynia*. Discuss on the reproductive structures of *Rhynia* with a neat labelled diagram and draw its life cycle.