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SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

SPECIAL/ SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (SCIENCE) (B. ED SCIENCE)
AND BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (B. SC BIOLOGY)

COURSE CODE: SZL211

COURSE TITLE: FUNDAMENTALS OF CELL BIOLOGY

DATE: 10th February, 2021 **TIME:** 11:00 -1:00 p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question one (1) and any other two (2) Questions. Question one is compulsory and carries 30 marks, the other Questions carry 20 marks each.

TIME: 2 Hours

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Q1.)

- a) Mitosis is divided into four stages; 4mks
- i) In which of the stages of mitosis does spindle fibres contract into visible structures.
 - ii) outline the functions of mitosis
 - iii) How do the first and second meiotic divisions differ?
 - iv) Outline possible errors and consequences of meiotic divisions.
- b) Explain how rate of cell cycle is regulated in tissues. 2mks
- c) State the significance of meiosis. 4mks
- d) State the features of active transport. 4mks
- e) Describe briefly how glucose is transported uphill from gut lumen into blood stream. 5mks
- f) Give an illustration of a generalized animal cell. 4mks
- g) Describe the principles of modern cell theory. 3mks
- h) Explain the functions of the following organelles:
- i) Lysosomes. 1mk
 - ii) Peroxisomes. 1mk
- i) Describe the effect on shape of a cell placed in the following solutions:
- i. Hypotonic. 1mk
 - ii. Hypertonic. 1mk

Q2.)

- a) Draw a cross section of a chloroplast and discuss the process of Photosynthesis. 15mks
- b) Describe how chloroplast uses carbon dioxide to make glucose. 5mks

Q3.)

- a) Describe the process of meiotic cell division. 10mks
- b) Discuss cell transport processes. 10mks

Q4.)

- a) Using a diagram, describe the fluid-mosaic model of a plasma membrane. 14mk
- b) Describe with the aid of a diagram the structure of a chromosome. 6mks

Q5.)

- a) Discuss the different types of cell junctions 10mks
- b) Identify three major classes and composition of filaments that make up cytoskeleton and state the functions of each 6mks
- c) Cell signaling is important to living cells. Citing categories of signaling discuss this statement 4mks