

M.Sc.DEGREE EXAMINATION,APRIL 2020
I Year I Semester
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Time : 3 Hours

Max.marks :75

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4. Sori or Indusia
5. Synangium
6. Homosporous
7. Ephedrine
8. Economic importance of *Podocarpus*
9. Fossils
10. Birbal Sahni
11. Gemma
12. Protostele

Section B ($5 \times 5 = 25$) Marks

Answer any **FIVE** questions

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14. Classification of Pteridophyte as per Reimer (1954).
15. What is distinctive about the leaf morphology and sporangium of *Osmunda*?
16. List out the economic importance of Gymnosperms.
17. Discuss on the Gondwana flora of India.
18. Explain the evolution of sporophyte in Bryophytes.
19. Discuss on the reproductive structure of *Selaginella*.

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22. Describe the life cycle of *Pteris*.
23. Describe the life cycle of *Araucaria*.
24. Prepare a detail account on the importance of paleobotany in evolutionary studies with special reference to *Sphenophyllum* and *Cordaites*.

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