MODEL PAPER-5

Time: 3 Hours + 15 Minutes]

| Total Marks: 70

Instructions to the Candidates :

- 1. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.
- 2. Figures in the right hand margin indicate full marks.
- 3. 15 minutes of extra time has been allotted for the candidate to read the questions carefully.
- 4. This question paper is divided into two sections : Section-A and Section-B.
- 5. In Section-A, there are 70 Objective Type Questions, out of which only 35 objective questions be answers. Darken the circle with blue/black ball pen against the correct option on OMR Sheet provided to you. Do not use Whitener/Liquid/Blade/Nail on OMR Paper, otherwise the result will be invalid.
- 6. In Section-B, there are 20 Short Answer Type Questions (each carrying 2 marks), out of which any 10 questions are to be answered. Apart from this, there are 6 Long Answer Type Questions (Each carrying 5 Marks), our of which any 3 of them are to be answered.
- 7. Use of any electronic device is prohibited.

SECTION - A: Objective Type Questions

Directions: There are 70 Objective Type Questions, out of which only 35 objectives questions to be answered. For each question, mark the correct option on the OMR answer sheet.

1. Isogametes are present in: (A) Frog (B) Fucus (D) Cladophora (C) Bird 2. Movement of sperm is done by : (A) Acrosome (B) Middle piece (C) Head (D) Tail 3. Crossing over is charactristics of which stage ? (B) Zygotene (A) Leptotene (D) Diakinesis (C) Pachytene 4. Control of gene expression take place at the level of : (A) Transcription (B) Translation (D) Both (A) and (B) (C) DNA replication 5. Reagent used in ELISA test is: (B) Peroxidase (A) Polymerase (D) Endonuclease (C) Ligase 6. Somaclonal variations are obtained through : (B) Gamma rays (A) Tissue culture (D) Chemical mutagens (C) Amphimixis 7. The DNA fragments separated on an agarose gel can be visualise after staining with: (B) Ethidium bromide (A) Aniline blue (D) Acetocarmine (C) Bromophenol blue 8. Genetically modified crops can be produced by: (A) Micropropagation (B) Cross breeding-(C) Recombinant DNA technology (D) Somatic hybridization

9. Which of the following utilizes inorganic meterials ?

(A) Autotrophs · ·

(C) Heterotrophs

(B) Saprophytes

(D) Decomposers

10. Sanitary landfill was adopted as the substitute for : (B) Eutrophication (A) Open-burning dumps (D) Biomagnification (C) Sewage 11. Plant body is haploid in which of the following? (B) Fungi (A) Algae (D) All of these (C) Bryophytes 12. When off spring is formed by single parent then it is called (A) sexual reproduction (B) asexual reproduction (D) internal fertilization (C) both 'A' and 'B' 13. Which one is diploid structure? (B) Sperm (A) Ovum (D) All of these (C) Zygote 14. Self-pollination occurs in which among the following plants? (B) Bisexual (A) Unisexual (D) None of these (C) Both 'A' and 'B' 15. What is the Function of Embryo sac? (A) Formation of Embryo (B) Preside nutrition to Embryo (C) Determination of sex (D) All of these 16. The wall of pollen grain is : (A) Single layered (B) Double layered (D) Multi layered (C) Triple layered 17. Flowers of Vallisnria spp are: (A) Anemophilous (B) Entomophilous (D) Zoophilous (C) Hydrophilous 18. Aril is edible in which of the following fruits? (B) Litchi (A) Myristica (D) All of these (C) Annona 19. Hydrophillic pollination occurs in : (A) Eichornea (B) Lotus (C) Hydrilla (D) Both 'B' and 'C'

(B) Apple

(D) All of these

20. Thalamus is edible part of:

(A) Annoma

(C) Orange

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(C) mit	ochondria (I	O) centriole	20		(D) I	None of these
22. Diploid	is:		38.	Purine bases of DNA are:	(D)	
(A) Ov	am (I	B) Pollen		(A) Adenine and Cytosine	100	Cytosine and Thymine
(C) bot	h 'A' and 'B'	D) Zygote		(C) Adenine and Guanine		None of these
	ormone is produced from	n :	39.	Operon Model is representat		
(A) Ov		3) Sperm	,	(A) Gene synthesis		Gene expression
(C) Tes) Kidney		(C) Gene regulation		
		in foetus may be noticed by	40.	'The origin of species' was		
	evement of foetus			(A) Charles Darwin		Lamarck
	tening to the heart sour	d through stethoscope		(C) Miller		De Vries
	velopment of limbs	id through stedioscope	41.	Adaptive radiation in Austral		
	ne of these			(A) Divergent evolution	-	Convergent evolution
,		-lander in Daniel		(C) Saltation	(D) 1	None of these
		chromosomes in Down's	42.	'AIDS' is a type of:		
syndror		~		(A) Bacterial disease	(B) ¹	Viral disease
(A) 46	,	B) 47	,	(C) Fungal disease		Protozoan disease
(C) 48		D) None of these	43.	Retroviruis is causal organis	m of	which of the following
-		generation in Incomplete		diseases?		
	nce is:	· ' _ ' _ rubbe to you th		(A) Syphilis	(B) A	AIDS .
(A) 3	: 1	B) 2:2		(C) Filaria	(D) E	Both (A) and (B)
(C) 1	: 2 : 1	D) None of these	44.	Triple antigen vaccine is not	used	for:
27. Mende	1 selected :			(A) for diphtheria		or pertusis
(A) G	ram (B) Pinus		(C) for typhoid	(D) f	or tetanus
(C) To	omato ·	D) Garden pea	45.	Sexually transmitted disease	is:	
28. Genes	located on Y-chromoson	ne are :			(B) T	T.B.
(A) M	lutant genes	(B) Autosomal genes		(C) gonorrhoea	(D) t	yphoid
		D) Sex-linked genes	46.	Chemical released due to alle	rgy ar	e:
	V type of sex determina	tion is seen in :		(A) Histamine	(B) S	Serotonin
		(B) snails		(C) Both 'A' and 'B'	(D) n	one of these
	7 1	(D) peacock	47.	PCR is test for:	46.27	the Land and the second
	the state of the s	Group is Universal donar?	41	(A) HIV		Cancer
(A) A		(B) B.		(C) Tuberculosis	(D) C	Cholera
(C) A		(D) O	48.	Cancer is caused by:		
		having different expre-ssions	٠.	(A) Bacteria		Oncogenes
are ca				(C) Both 'A' and 'B'	(D) N	None of these
-		(B) Polygene	49.	Acetabularia is a type of:	-	
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	0:3:3:1	(D) None of these		(A) Skin canker		lay fever
33 Lac o	peron consists of how r		E1	(C) Enteric fever Which type of protein is pres	(D) (
(A)		(B) 2 (y and z)	51.	(A) Fibroin		Albumin
	3 (z, y and a)	(D) four	,	(C) Globulin		Ceratin
34 In a l	DNA molecule, the cytos	ine is 18%. The percentage of	52	From which of the following		
	ne is:		32.	(A) Erythroxylum coca		Atropa belladonna
(A)		(B) 36		(C) Datura alba		All of these
(A) (C)		(D) 32	53	Taichung is a variety of :	(-) 1	
	hich stage does crossing		33.	(A) Rice	(B) V	Wheat
	Leptotene	(B) Cytokinesis	,,	(C) Maize		Sugarcane
	Pachytene	(D) Diakinesis	54.	Blue green algae and Rhizobi		
	nidines present in RNA			of plants of which family?	3 1975	Mary 197
(A)	Cytosine and Thymine	(B) Adenine and Guanine	1	(A) Apocynaceae	(B) A	Asteraceae
				(C) Leguminosae		Poaceae
	Cytosine and Trymine Cytosine and Uracil	(D) Thymine and Uracil				

55.	Which of the following is an important source of biofertilizer?	SECTION - B: Non-Objective Type Questions
	(A) Green algae (B) Yeast	SHORT ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS
	(C) Bacteria (B) Red algae	Directions: Questions Nos. 1 to 20 are of short answer type.
56.	T-lymphocytes originate from	Each question carries 2 marks. Answer any ten-questions of them
	(A) bone-marrow (B) stomach	in 50 words. $10 \times 2 = 20$
	(C) thymus (D) liver	1. How are T and B lymphocytes formed ?
57.	Brewery is concerned with :	2. Define the terms:
	(A) Saccharomyces (B) Protozoans (C) Pteridophytes (D) Marsupials	(i) Immune system, (ii) Immunology
58.	Which microbe is useful in the formation of curd from	3. What is micro injection? How it is helpful in recombinant DNA technology?
	milk? (A) Clostridium (B) Lactobacillus	4. What are transgenic bacteria? Illustrate using any one example.
	(C) Both 'A' and 'B' (D) Streptococcus	5. Draw a neat, well lebelled diagram of a typical antibody.
59.	Recombinant DNA vaccine is :	6. Define ecology.
	(A) immunogenic lipid (B) immunogenic acid	7. What is Red Data Book?
	(C) immunogenic protein (D) exogenic protein	8. Define Ecological Pyramids.
60.	The first human hormone produced by recombinant DNA	9 Define In vitro fertilisation.
	technology is:	
	(A) Estrogen (B) Thyroxine	10. Define: (i) Sequential evolution
	(C) Progesterone (D) Insulin	(ii) Theory of recapitulation
61.		(iii) Genetic drift
	(A) Yeast (B) Lacto bacillus (C) Amoeba (D) P.M.V.	way the Links Temporary with examples
	Fusogen of protoplast culture is:	11. What are connecting links: Explain with examples. 12. Write the functions of blood.
62.	(A) liquid nitrogen (B) PEG	13. Describe the functions of antibodies.
	(C) lactic acid (D) all of these	14. Write short notes on the following:
63.	NALL -last days not among in by description on ricommont?	(i) Palindroms (ii) Cloning Vector
03.	(A) Hydrilla (B) Trapa	15. Write short note on Oogenesis?
	(C) Nelumbo (D) Acacia	16. Define clone. Give one advantage and one disadvantage
64	Secondary productivity is related to:	of clones.
	(A) Producers (B) Herbivores	17. What are the name of component cell of embryo sac?
	(C) Carnivores (D) None of these	18. What is Southern blotting technique? Give one example
65.	Decomposers are:	where it is applied.
	(A) Autotrophs (B) Autohetrotrophs	19. Why is the Human Genome Project called a mega
	(C) Organotrophs (D) Heterotrophs	project?
66.	Tiger is a consumer of:	20. Write the Causes, Causal organism and Symptoms of typhoid.
	(A) Primary (B) Secondary	
	(C) Tirtiary (D) None of these	LONG ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS
67.	Indian Rhinoceros is a natural inhabitant of which Indian	Directions: Questions Nos. 21 to 26 are Long Answer Type
	state: (A) Himachal Pradesh (B) Uttar Pradesh	Questions. Answer any 3 of them in 120 words. $3 \times 5 = 15$
	(A) Finhaciai Fracesii (B) Ottai Fracesii (C) Assam (D) Uttarakhand	21. What do you understand by Double Fertilization?
.	Red Date Rock include list of	Explain it with the help of diagrams. 22. Describe briefly the following:
68.	(A) Endangered plants (B) Rare plants	(a) Transcription (b) Polymorphism
	(C) Threatened animals (D) All of the above	(c) Translation (d) Bioinformatics
ćo	Chipko Movement is associated with:	23. What are the basic principles of Immunology and their
oy.	(A) cultivation of trees	applications?
	(B) protecting trees from felling down by human beings	24. What do you understand by crossing over ? Describe the
	(C) giving up tobacco abuse	mechanism of crossing over with suitable diagram.
	(D) all of these	25. What is forest conservation? Describe its process and
70.	Which of the following causes biomagnification?	importance.
	(A) SO ₂ (B) Mercury	26. Describe the different stages of xerosere with the help
	(C) DDT (D) Both 'B' & 'C'	of suitable diagrams.

ANSWER WITH EXPLANATION

SECTION - A

ANSWER									
1. (D)	2. (D)	3. (C)	4. (D)	5. (B)					
6. (A)	7. (B)	8. (C)	9. (A)	10. (A)					
11. (D)	12. (B)	13. (C)	14. (B)	15. (B)					
16. (B)	17. (C)	18. (D)	19. (A)	20. (B)					
21. (C)	22. (B)	23. (C)	24. (B)	25. (B)					
26. (C)	27. (D)	28. (D)	29. (D)	30. (D)					
31. (A)	32. (A)	33. (C)	34. (D)	35. (C)					
36. (C)	37. (A)	38. (C)	39. (C)	40. (A)					
41. (B)	42. (B)	43. (B)	41. (C)	45. (C)					
46. (A)	47. (A)	48. (B)	49. (D)	50. (B)					
51. (A)	52. (A)	53. (A)	54. (C)	55. (C)					
56. (A)	57. (A)	58. (B)	59. (C)	60. (D)					
61. (A)	62. (B)	63. (D)	64. (D)	65. (D)					
66. (B)	67. (C)	68. (D)	69. (B)	70. (D)					

SECTION - B

- 1. T lymphocytes develop from a common lymphoid progenitor in the bone marrow that also gives rise to B lymphocytes, but those progeny destined to give rise to T cells leave the bone marrow and migrate to the thymus. This is the reason they are called thymus-dependent (T) lymphocytes or T cells.
- (i) Immune system—The system of animal body which
 protects it from various infectious agents and cancer is
 called immune system.
 - (ii) Immunology—A branch of science, which deals with the study of the immune system, is known as immunology.
- 3. A technique of introducing foreign gene in a target cell by injecting of the DNA directly into the nucleus by micro needle is called micro injection.

Microinjection is a technique of delivering foreign DNA into a living cell (a cell, egg, oocytes, embryos of Animal). Micro injection is helpful in rDNA technology because rDNA is directly injected into the nucleus of an animal cell.

4. Bacteria that have had their DNA modified to possess and express an extra (foreign) gene are known as transgenic bacteria.

Example: E coli with human insulin gene.

5. Light chain Antigen-binding site Variable regions where the amino acid sequence is different in different Constant molecules regions where the 'Hinge' amino acid chain is the same in all molecules of the Disulphide bond same type - Heavy chain (longer than light chain)

Fig.: Diagram of the structure of an antibody molecule.

- 6. Ecology is the study of the relationship of living organisms with the abiotic (physico-chemical factors) and biotic components (other species) of the environment. It is concerned with four levels of biological organisation.
 - (i) organisms (ii) populations (iii) communities (iv) biomas
- 7. Red Data Book is a catalogue of taxa that are facing the risk of extinction. Its main aim is to give information about the urgency and scale of conservation problem to the public and policy makers.

Users:

- (i) Developing awareness about the importance of threatened biodiversity.
- (ii) Identification and documentation of endangered species.
- (iii) Providing a global index of the decline of biodiversity.
- (i) The trophic structure of an ecosystem is represented in the form of ecological pyramids.
 - (ii) The base of each pyramid represents the producers or the first trophic level, while the apex represents tertiary or top level consumer.
 - (iii) The three types of ecological pyramids are:
 - (a) Pyramid of number
 - (b) Pyramid of biomass
 - (c) Pyramid of energy

Trophic Level Number of Individuals
TC (Tertiary Consumer) 3
SC (Secondary Consumer) 354000
PC (Primary Consumer) 708000
PP (Primary Producer) 5842000
Pyramid of numbers in a grassland ecosystem

- (iv) Pyramid of number shows relationship between producers and consumers in an ecosystem in terms of numbers.
- 9. In vitro fertilisation to propagage endangered species. Offsprings can be produced by using preserved sperm to fertilise the eggs in vitro and then implanting in female animals.
- 10. (i) Sequential evolution—Micro evolution is also known as sequential evolution that involves a continual and subtle change in reciprocal population, that gives rise usually to modern species and geographical and inter racial races.
 - (ii) Theory of Racapitulation—The racapituation theory was proposed by Von Baer (1828). It was revised and renamed biogenetic law by Ernst Haeckel (1868). According to recapitulation theory, every organism during its development repeats or recapitulates in an abbgreviated form in the evolutionary history of its race. In Haeckel's words, ontogeny recapitulated phylogeny. Ontogeny is the developmental history of an individual, while phylogeny is its ancestral history or the history of the race.
 - (iii) Genetic drift—The sudden and random changes in the allele frequency occurring in small populations by change alone are called genetic drifts.

According to this concept, mutations arising in a small population may be either fixed or lost just by change irrespective of its being beneficial or harmful.

- 11. Connecting links—Certain animals are found which indicate the evolution of one from another because in those the characteristics of both the groups are represented. For examples, platypus, lung fishes, oviparous mammals. These animals are called connecting links.
- 12. Functions of blood—(i) It supplies oxygen to cell and tissues. (ii) It supplies essential nutrients to cells, such as amino acids, fatty acids, and glucose. (iii) It removes carbon.

dioxide, urea and lactic acid. (iv) Its white blood cells have antibodies which defend us from infection and foreign bodies. (v) It has specialized cells, such as platelets, which help the blood to clot (coagulate) when we are bleeding. (vi) It transports hormones-chemicals released by a cell in one part of the body that sends out messages that affect cells elsewhere in the body. (vii) It regulates our acidity (pH) levels.

- 13. Major functions of the antibodies are:
 - (i) Neutrilization of infectivity
 - (ii) Phagocytosis
 - (iii) Antibody-dependent cellular cytotoxicity (ADCC)
 - (iv) Complement-mediated lysis of pathogens or of infected cells: Antibodies activate the complement system to destroy bacterial cells by lysis.
- 14. (i) Palindroms: The palindroms in DNA are base pair sequences that are the same when read forward (left to right) or backward (right to left) from a central axis of symmetry. For example

5'-GAATTC-3'

3'-CTTAAG-5'

- (ii) Cloning Vector—The vector DNA molecules that can carry a foreign DNA segment and replication inside the host cell. Vectors may be plasmids, Bacteriophages (viruses that attack bacteria) and cosmids. There are also some shuttle vectors.
- 15. In girl child during embryonic stage primordid germ cells repeatedly divide mitotically forming several oogonia. Only few of them become primary oocytes and the rest degenerate. These divide by 1st reductional division which remains incomplete and as such lacs of primary oocytes are present but only about 400 mature in oocytes during her life period. The maturity of oocytes by primary oocytes is called oogenesis.
- 16. Clone—Clone is the product of living structures genetically identical to their parent structure. It occurs naturally in asexually reproducing microbes, some lower animals like Amoeba and also in monozygotive identical twins thus clone is exact carbon copy of a single living parent.

Advantages—Cloning of human tissues is extremely beneficial as it can be used to replace malfuncting organs. Disadvantage—Cloning is 'playing god'.

- 17. The name of component cell of embryo sac are following:
 - (i) egg (n)
 - (ii) Secondary nucleus (2n)
 - (iii) Synergids (n)
 - (iv) andipodal cells (n)
- 18. During DNA fingerprinting, the fragments of DNA are separated by electrophoresis and then these separated DNA sequences are transferred to a nylon or nitrocellulose sheet placed over the gel. This is called southern blotting after its inventor E.M. Southern.

This technique is applied in DNA fingerprinting.

- 19. Human Genome Project is called a mega project because it is aimed to sequence every base in human genome. It has developed the ways of mapping the human genome at increasing fine level of precision and to store this information in database and develops tools for data analysis. The magnitude and the requirements for this project are more for opening up new areas and avenues.
- 20. Symptoms of typhoid:
 - ☐ Headache, backache, diarrhoea, constipation, loss of appetite.
 - ☐ Temperature rises and remains high for about 10–14 days.
 - ☐ Skin eruptions appear, tongue becomes dry and gets white patches in the centre.
 - ☐ Casual organism for Thyphoid-Salmonella typhi.
 - ☐ Cause
 - ☐ Poor sanitation, contaminated water and infected milk.
 - ☐ Wrong dieteary habits and faulty life style.
- 21. Double Fertilisation—After entering one of the synergids the pollen tube releases the two male gametes into the

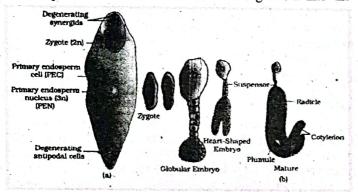


Figure: (a) Fertilised embryo sac showing zygote and Primary Endosperm Nucleus (PEN);

(b) Stages in embryo development in a dicot [shown in reduced size as compared to (a)]

cytoplasm of the synergid. One of the male gamets moves towards the egg cell and fuses with its nuclear thus completing the syngamy. This results in the formation of a diploid cell, the zygote The other male gamete moves towards the two polar unclei located in the central cell and fuses with them to produce a triploid primary endosperm mucleus (PEN) (fig). As this involves the fusion of three haploid nuclei it is termed triple fusion Since two types of fusions, syngamy and triple fusion take place in an embryo sac the phenomenon is termed double fertilisation, an event unique to flowering plants. The central cell after triple fusion becomes the primary endosperm cell (PEC) and develops into the endosperm while the zygote develops into an embryo

22. (a) Transcription—It is the formation of m-RNA from DNA in the process of protein synthesis. It takes place in the presence of enzyme-RNA Polymerase. One of the strands of DNA acts a template to direct the synthesis of m-RNA. In bacteria, the transcribed m-RNA is functional but in eukaryotes, the gene is

split and exons are interrupted by non-coding sequence, introns which are removed.

- (b) Polymorphism—It means variation at genetic level which arises due to mutations. The polymorphism in DNA sequence is the basis of the genetic mapping of human genome as well as DNA fingerprinting. The allele sequence variation is called as DNA polymorphism if more than one variant (allele) at a locus occurs in human population. The probability of such variation to be observed in non-coding DNA sequence is higher as mutations in these sequences may not have any immediate effect. These mutations keep on accumulating in each generation and form one of the basis of polymorphism. It has an important role in evolution and speciation.
- (c) Translation—It is the synthesis of protein in the Cytoplasm of the cell due to coded information carrying from DNA through m-RNA. It occurs on the ribosomes using m-RNA and t-RNA.

DNA Transcription mRNA Translation Protein

(d) Bioinformatics—It is the discipline in which database of biological information are created and maintained. Bioinformatics is the field in which information science is applied to biology. The huge amount of genomic sequences information has been generated through years of research. The most of this information is in the form of sequences, images, intensities and structures. The representation, modelling and stimulation of biological systems is dealt with, at an advanced level, in bioinformatics.

Bioinformatics throws light on the evolution of several species on the earth and helps mankind to unearth the several mysteries of genetics. Bioinformatics is increasingly being utilized in pharmaceuticals, textiles, agricultural and biotech companies.

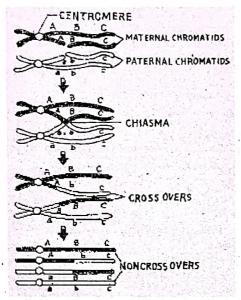
23. Immunology is a branch of biology that covers the study of immune systems in all organism. It was the Russian biologist Ilya Ilyich Mechnikov who boosted studies on immunology, and received the Novel Prize in 1908 for his work. He jabbed the thron of a rose on a starfish and noted that, 24 hours later, cells were surrounding the tip. It was an active response of the body, trying to maintain its integrity. It was Mechnikov who first observed the phenomenon of phagocytosis, in which the body defend itself against a foreign body, and coined the term. It charts measures, and contextualized the physiological functioning of the immune system in states of both health and disease, malfunctions of the immune system in immunological disorders (such as autoimmune diseases, hypersensitivities immune deficiency, and transplant rejection); the physical, chemical and physiological characteristics of the components of the immune system in vitro, in situ, and in vivo.

Immunology has application in numerous disciplines of medicine, particularly in the fields of organ tansplantation, oncology, virology, bacteriology, parasitology, psychiatry and dermatology.

Many components of the immune system are typically cellular in nature and not associated with any specific organ; but rather are embedded or circulating in various tissues located throughout the body.

24. Crossing over is the exchange of genetic material between homologus chromosomes that results in recombinant chromosomes sexual reproduction.

Mechanism: During the zygotene stage of the first prophase of meiosis the homologous material and paternal Chromosomes start pairing and lie closely side by side. This phenomenon is called synapsis. This pairing of homologous chromosomes is brought about by the mutual attraction between the allelic genes. The paired chromosomes are known as bivalent. A recent study reveal that synapsis and chiasma formulation is facilitated by a highly organises structure at filament called synaptonemal complex synapsis is followed by the duplication of chromosomes.



Which change the bivalent nature of chromosomes pair into tetravalent. In crossing over two or three chromatid are involved and accordingly two or more chiasmate are formed. At each chiasma the chromatids breaks and the broken segment rejoin a new chromatid. Thus exchange of parts of chromatid brings about alternation of original sequence of genes in the chromosome.

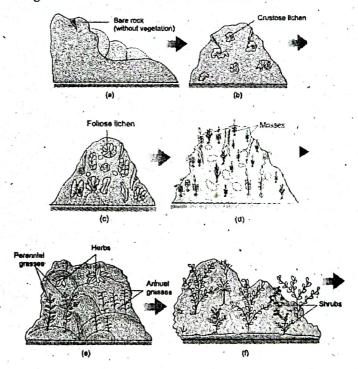
25. Forest conservation is the practice of planning and maintaining forested areas for the benefit and sustainability of future generation. Forest conservation involves the up keep of the natural resource within a forest that are beneficial to both humans and the ecosystems.

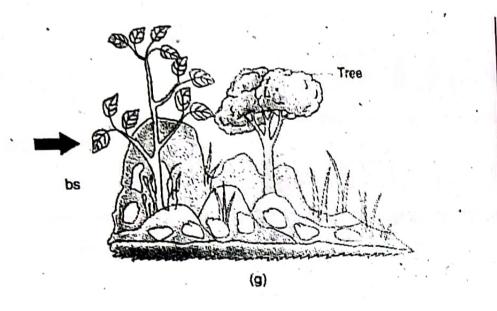
Process and methods of Forest conservation:

- (i) Regulated and planned cutting of trees—One of the main reasons of deforestation is commercial felling of trees. According to an estimate about 1600 million cubic meters of wood have been used for various purpose in the world. Although resources, when exploited on a very large scale, their revival cannot be possible.
- (ii) Control over Forest Fire—Destruction or loss of forest by fire is fairly common, because trees are highly exposed to fire and once started it become difficult to control. Sometimes, the fire starts by natural process *ie.* by lightning or by friction between trees during speedy winds, while in most cases it is also by man either intentionally or unitentionally.
 - (iii) Reforestation and Afforestation—The sustained yield

concept dictates that whenever timber is removed, either by black cutting or by selective cutting, the denuded area be reforested. This may by done by natural and artificial methods.

- (iv) Check over forest clearance for Agricultural and Habitation purposes—Most of the present-day agricultural land was once forested and then cleared for the use of agriculture. But now it has reached the stage where further clearance will be dangerous for the entire ecosystem.
- (v) Protection of Forests—The existing forests should be protected. Apart from commercial cutting, unorganised grazing is also one of the reasons.
- (vi) Forest Management—Management of forest resources is the key of all conservation efforts.
- 26. Xerosere is a plant succession which is limited by water availability. It includes the different stages—
- (a) Crustose Lichen stage—A bare rock consists of solid surface or very large boulders and there is no place for rooting plans to colonize.
- (b) Foliose and Fruitcose Lichin stage—Foliose have leaf like thalli while the fruticose lichens are small bushes. They are attached by the substratum at one point only.
- (c) Moss stage—The spores of xyrophytic mosses such as Tortula and Grimmia are brought to the rock whether they succeed lichen.
- (d) Herb stage—Herbaceous weeds mostly annuals such as asters and evening primrose invade the rock. Their roots penatrate deep down, secret acids and enhance the process of weathering.
- (e) Shrub stage—Herb and grass misture is invaded by scrub species such as Rhus and others. Early invasion of scrub is slow but once a few bushes have become established birds invade the area and help disperse scrub seeds.
- (f) Tree stage—Change in environment factors colonization of three species. The tree saplings begin to grow among the scrubs and establish themselves.





(g) Forest stage or Climax stage—The succession culminates in a climax community, the forest. Many intermediate tree stages develop prior to establishment of a climax community. The forest type depends upon climatic conditions.