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M. Sc. (Part - II) Examination

April/May - 2003

Microbiology: Paper - VI

(Environmental Microbiology)

Time: 3 Hours [Total Marks: 100

Instruction: All questions carry **equal** marks.

1 Discuss any two:

- (a) Microbial generation of acid mine drainage and its impact on ecosystem.
- (b) Microbial production of $\mathrm{NH_3}$, $\mathrm{NO_3}$ and $\mathrm{NO_2}$ in environment. Give its impact.
- (c) Community structure of aquatic ecosystem.
- (d) Role of microorganisms in carbon cycle.
- 2 Discuss hydrolic detention and solid retention time and their importance in waste water treatment.

OR

- 2 (a) Describe principle and working of fluidized bed.
 - (b) Describe characteristics of dairy waste.

3 Write any two:

- (a) Enlist and explain mechanisms of metal bioremediation.
- (b) Explain role of biofilters and fixed film in treatment of polluted water or soil.
- (c) Enlist organisms involved in co-metabolic conversion and explain two such processes.
- (d) Describe Kinetics of non-growth linked biodegradation.

4 Discuss any two:

- (a) Role of dehalogenation and methylation in detoxication of pollutants.
- (b) Enzymology of n-alkane degradation.
- (c) Microbial degradation of pesticides.
- (d) How lignin degrading microorganisms are used in the process of biopulping? Explain the process.

5 Describe any two:

- (a) Biodeterioration of stone and paper.
- (b) Biodeterioration of rubber and leather.
- (c) Prevention and control of wood deterioration.
- (d) Testing methodologies used in biodeteriorations.

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