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M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION - ZOOLOGY

FIRST SEMESTER - NOVEMBER 2014

ZO 1821 - ADVANCED EVOLUTIONARY BIOLOGY

Date: 06/11/2014	Dept. No.	Max.: 100 Marks
Time: 01:00-04:00	L	

SECTION A

Answer ALL questions:

 $(10 \times 2 = 20 \text{ marks})$

- 1. Aristotle's work in the field of biology is much superior to that of his predecessors. Justify.
- 2. Big Bang theory is a tenable hypothesis. Substantiate.
- 3. List down any 8 vestigial organs in man.
- 4. Define the law of adaptive radiation.
- 5. Antibiotics exert a strong evolutionary force. Justify.
- 6. Differentiate living fossils from fossils of the living beings.
- 7. Categorize and define substitution mutation.
- 8. Distinguish Euthenics from Euphenics.
- 9. What are Batesian and Mullerian mimicry?
- 10. Comment on Cosmozoic theory.

SECTION B

Answer any FOUR questions:

 $(4 \times 10 = 40 \text{ marks})$

- 11. Explain the evolutionary origin of eukaryotes.
- 12. Write notes on pre-adapation.
- 13. Elaborate dating of fossils.
- 14. Describe the impact of gene mutation upon survival and reproduction.
- 15. Explain biochemical recapitulation and biochemical metamorphosis.
- 16. Mentions the contributions of any four Neo Lamarckians.

SECTION C

Answer any **TWO** questions:

 $(2 \times 20 = 40 \text{ marks})$

- 17. Discuss the modern concept of recapitulation theory.
- 18. Write an essay on speciation and isolating mechanisms.
- 19. With suitable examples elaborate the types of natural selection and polymorphism.
- 20. Describe the unique features of *Homo sapiens sapiens* and his evolutionary history through fossil records.
