M.Sc 3rd Semester Examination, 2009

ZOOLOGY

PAPER—Z - 303

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks

Write the answers to questions of each Group in separate books

GROUP-A

(Developmental Biology)

1. Answer any two questions:

- 2 x 2
- (a) How Bauchstiick is formed during cleavage in newt?
- (b) Name two proteins which prevent Wnt signalling.

- (c) In the Nieuwkoop Center which gene is expressed?
- (d) Mention the differences in regenerative ability between salamander and mammal.

2. Answer any two questions:

4 x 2

- (a) How Spemann demonstrated that enormous changes occur in cell potency during early and late gastrula by exchanging tissues of epidermis and neurons in a newt?
- (b) In Xenopus, why pre-metamorphic tadpoles can regenerate their hindlimb, but later stages of tadpoles and adults cannot?
- (c) Why in *Hydra* the formation of extra head is prevented normally? Justify your explanation with the help of an experiment.
- (d) How can you prove that the intercalary growth occurs from proximal stump of a newt limb development (between shoulder and wrist)?

3. Answer one of the following:

8 x 1

- (a) Describe briefly the possible mechanism of sea urchin egg activation with the help of suitable diagrams.
- (b) With the help of the model proposed by Agins et al. (2000) explain the phenomenon of mesoderm induction and organizer formation through the interaction of β -catenin and $TGF-\beta$ proteins.

GROUP-B

(Environmental Resource and Pollution)

1. Answer any two of the following:

- .2x2
- (a) Enlist four non-conventional energy resources.
- (b) What is RSPM?
- (c) Why photochemical smog is regarded as secondary pollutant?
- (d) Mention various sources of noise pollution.

- (a) State the different hazards related to mineral resource extraction.
- (b) Draw a relationship between greenhouse effect and global warming.
- (c) Mention the environmental consequences due to discharge of effluents from thermal power plant into the aquatic environment.
- (d) Explain the effect of noise pollution on human health.
- 3. Answer one of the following:

8 x 1

- (a) What is sewage? Mention the differences between industrial waste water and domestic waste water. Highlight the working principle of primary sewage treatment plant. 2+3+3
- (b) Briefly discuss the pathways of Ozone formation in the stratosphere. Mention the names and sources of Ozone destroying chemicals. State the environmental consequences of Ozone Hole formation.

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