

**M.Sc. ZOOLOGY**  
**SECOND SEMESTER (REPEAT)**  
**ECOLOGY & ANIMAL BEHAVIOUR**  
**MSZ-201**  
**[USE OMR SHEET FOR OBJECTIVE PART]**

Duration: 3 hrs.

Full Marks: 70

(Objective)

Time: 30 mins.

Marks: 20

$$1 \times 20 = 20$$

*Choose the correct answer from the following:*

1. Gross primary productivity and Net primary productivity can be related as:  
a.  $GPP = NPP - R$   
b.  $GPP = NPP + R$   
c.  $NPP = GPP + R$   
d. None of the above
2. The total amount of sugar and other organic materials produced in plants per unit time is called ..... production.  
a. Gross Secondary  
b. Net Secondary  
c. Both a & b  
d. None of the above
3. Deserts occupies about ..... % of the earth surface.  
a. 17  
b. 27  
c. 37  
d. None of the above
4. Y-shaped energy flow model is the best applied because it explains:  
a. Energy flow in grazing food chain  
b. Energy flow in detritivore food chain  
c. Both a & b  
d. None of the above
5. Total incoming solar radiation in a year is:  
a. 11,872 gcal/cm<sup>2</sup>  
b. 18,872 gcal/cm<sup>2</sup>  
c. 11,18,872 gcal/cm<sup>2</sup>  
d. None of the above
6. This form of behaviour is independent of an environment and learning.  
a. Instinct  
b. Reflex  
c. Kinesis  
d. Motivation
7. Selective learning form of behaviour is also known as:  
a. Imprinting  
b. Reflexes  
c. Trial & Error  
d. Instinct
8. Which among these is not a form of camouflage?  
a. Colour shading  
b. Counter shading  
c. Colour resemblance  
d. Colour disruption
9. An ideology of an organism living & surviving in provided & specific environmental conditions is called:  
a. Niche  
b. Habitat  
c. Ecosystem  
d. All of the above

10. Accessibility & procurability of both physical & biological components of a habitat by animals is termed as:
 

a. Habitat preference	b. Habitat availability
c. Habitat quality	d. Habitat quantity
11. When a niche of a species is determined by multiple environmental factors, it is called:
 

a. Trophic niche	b. Habitat niche
c. Spatial niche	d. Hyper volume niche
12. The association between members of different species, only one is benefited and neither is harmed:
 

a. Amensalism	b. Commensalism
c. Exploitation	d. None of the above
13. Taxonomically different species occupying similar habitats in different geographical regions are called:
 

a. Ecotone	b. Eco-species
c. Ecological equivalents	d. Character displacement
14. The tendency and act of an organism to defend a space and exclude other organisms of the same or other species from the defended area is called:
 

a. Kin selection	b. Territory
c. Territoriality	d. Ritualized aggression
15. Behaviour that reduces Darwinism is:
 

a. Altruism	b. Reciprocal altruism
c. Kin Selection	d. None of the above
16. The individualistic concept was supported by:
 

a. Clements	b. Glyson
c. Whittaker	d. Odum
17. The most common type of dispersion found in nature is:
 

a. Random	b. Regular
c. Clumped	d. None of the above
18. In a stabilized ecosystem, the P/R ratio is:
 

a. $\leq 1$	b. $\geq 1$
c. $\frac{1}{2}$	d. None of the above
19. A J shaped curve is represented by a:
 

a. Broad based pyramid	b. Bell shaped pyramid
c. Urn shaped pyramid	d. Straight pyramid
20. Which of the following type of succession occurs due to internal forces?
 

a. Primary succession	b. Secondary succession
c. Biotic succession	d. Deflected succession

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(Descriptive)

Time : 2 hr. 30 mins.

Marks : 50

[ Answer question no.1 & any four (4) from the rest ]

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| 1. Write short notes on the following:   | 2.5×4=10 |
| a) Harvest method  |          |
| b) Carbondioxide Assimilation Method   |          |
| c) Primary production  |          |
| d) Secondary production  |          |
| 2. Write a note on the primate social system with suitable examples.   | 10       |
| 3. Discuss in detail the Lotka-Volterra equation with all the possible assumptions & inferences.   | 10       |
| 4. Write down about the different forms and features of stereotyped behaviour with examples in each category.                                    | 10       |
| 5. Write a note on the different types of communications used by animals.  | 10       |
| 6. What is an ecological niche? Explain the three aspects of an ecological niche.  | 10       |
| 7. What is ecological succession and why did Odum prefer to call this orderly process as ecosystem development? Explain with all the parameters. | 10       |
| 8. What is a community and how is it different from a population?<br>Explain the philosophies regarding the composition of a community.          | 4+6=10   |

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