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NOIDA INSTITUTE OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY, GREATER NOIDA
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B.Tech

SEM: III - THEORY EXAMINATION (2025- 2026)

Subject: Biochemistry

Time: 2 Hours

Max. Marks: 50

General Instructions:

IMP: Verify that you have received the question paper with the correct course, code, branch etc.

1. This Question paper comprises of **three Sections -A, B, & C**. It consists of Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ's) & Subjective type questions.

2. Maximum marks for each question are indicated on right -hand side of each question.

3. Illustrate your answers with neat sketches wherever necessary.

4. Assume suitable data if necessary.

5. Preferably, write the answers in sequential order.

6. No sheet should be left blank. Any written material after a blank sheet will not be evaluated/checked.

SECTION-A

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1. Attempt all parts:-

- 1-a. Where does the citric acid cycle (TCA cycle) take place in eukaryotic cells? (CO1, K1) 1
- (a) Cytoplasm
- (b) Nucleus
- (c) Mitochondria
- (d) Endoplasmic reticulum
- 1-b. In the systematic nomenclature of lipids, the prefix "glycero" refers to: (CO2, K1) 1
- (a) Sugar
- (b) Glucose
- (c) Carboxyl group
- (d) Glycerol
- 1-c. What is the role of the urea cycle in nitrogen metabolism? (CO3, K1) 1
- (a) Excreting excess nitrogen as urea
- (b) Synthesizing amino acids
- (c) Transporting nitrogen to tissues
- (d) Oxidizing nitrogen to ammonia
- 1-d. Salvage pathways in nucleotide metabolism involve: (CO4, K1) 1
- (a) Synthesis of nucleotides from scratch
- (b) Reusing nucleotides by converting them back into nucleosides
- (c) Breaking down nucleotides into individual bases
- (d) Storing excess nucleotides in the cell

- 1-e. Pyrimidines are composed of: (CO4, K1) 1
- (a) Adenine and guanine
 - (b) Cytosine and thymine
 - (c) Adenine and cytosine
 - (d) Guanine and thymine

2. Attempt all parts:-

- 2.a. Name the two most common monosaccharides found in the human diet. (CO1, K1) 2
- 2.b. How does an unhealthy diet contribute to obesity? (CO2, K1) 2
- 2.c. What structural feature characterizes a peptide bond? (CO3, K1) 2
- 2.d. Name the sulfur-containing amino acids and their significance in protein structure. (CO3, K1) 2
- 2.e. Which pyrimidine base is exclusively found in RNA? (CO4, K1) 2

SECTION-B

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3. Answer any three of the following:-

- 3-a. Describe how the TCA cycle contributes to the production of ATP, NADH, and FADH. Explain the key reactions and intermediates of the citric acid cycle (TCA cycle). (CO1, K2) 5
- 3-b. What are the four main stages of fatty acid oxidation, and where in the cell does this process primarily occur? (CO2, K2) 5
- 3-c. Explain the structure of a fatty acid in detail. How do saturated and unsaturated fatty acids differ in their chemical structure? (CO2, K2) 5
- 3.d. Discuss the role of electrostatic interactions in the formation and stabilization of protein conformations. Provide details of all four protein structures. (CO3, K2) 5
- 3.e. Explain the role of salvage pathways in recycling nucleotides and their significance in cellular metabolism and energy conservation. (CO4, K2) 5

SECTION-C

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4. Answer any five of the following:-

- 4-a. Discuss the enzymatic mechanisms involved in the conversion of nucleoside monophosphates to nucleoside triphosphates. (CO4, K2) 4
- 4-b. Discuss the pathways and enzymes involved in the catabolism of purine nucleotides, emphasizing uric acid formation. (CO4, K2) 4
- 4-c. Discuss how Ramachandran plot analysis aids in predicting protein folding patterns and contributes to the understanding of protein structure. (CO3, K3) 4
- 4-d. Discuss the processes of deamination and transamination, their roles in amino acid catabolism, and their impact on nitrogen balance. (CO3, K2) 4
- 4-e. What are the genetic and environmental factors that cause obesity? What is the most effective combination of diet, exercise, and behaviour modification for obesity treatment? (CO2, K2) 4
- 4-f. Discuss the regulation of fatty acid synthesis in the human body. (CO2, K2) 4
- 4-g. A solution contains 0.05 M acetic acid (CH₃COOH) and 0.1 M sodium acetate (CH₃COONa). Calculate the pH of the solution. (Given: pK_a=4.76) (CO1, K3) 4
- 4-h. Explain the role of the bicarbonate buffer system in blood pH regulation. (CO1, K2) 4