## 3 Yr. Degree/4 Yr. Honours 1st Semester Examination, 2023 (CCFUP)

Subject: Zoology

Course: ZOOL1051 (SEC)

(Apiculture)

Time: 2 Hours Full Marks: 40

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words

as far as practicable.

1.	Answer	any five	questions	from	the f	ollowing
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 $2 \times 5 = 10$ 

- (a) What is Apiculture? Who and when first started the commercial beekeeping in India?
- (b) Name two artificial hives that are mostly used for beekeeping.
- (c) Name two Indian species of honeybees under the genus Apis.
- (d) Mention the systematic position of Indian honeybees up to order.
- (e) What is bee wax?
- (f) What is queen excluder? Why it is used in modern bee-hive boxes?
- (g) What are guard bees? When and why they are formed within a colony?
- (h) What type of behaviour is noticed in honeybee workers when suddenly a colony becomes queen-less?

## 2. Answer *any two* questions from the following:

 $5 \times 2 = 10$ 

- (a) Name the different castes of honeybees. Mention their morphological specialization and average life spans.  $1\frac{1}{2}+3\frac{1}{2}$
- (b) Draw and describe briefly the mouth parts of a worker honeybee.

2+3

- (c) What is swarming? Mention three factors which are connected with swarming.
- 2+3
- (d) What is language of bees? How honeybees communicate with each other?

1+4

(e) Write the composition and use of propolis and royal jelly.

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## 3. Answer any two questions:

 $10 \times 2 = 20$ 

- (a) Draw and describe the Langstroth bee hive. What are the advantages of this hive over the traditional ones? Name two accessories used for the modern bee keeping method. 3+3+3+1
- (b) What is nuptial flight? Briefly describe the life cycle of a honeybee with suitable drawing of different stages. How many times a queen honeybee can copulate with drones? Why the queen mates with drones of other hives?

  1+7+1+1
- (c) Briefly describe the modern method of honey extraction with schematic flow chart. Write the different impurities within the extracted honey and name few of them with their economic importance.
- (d) Describe the parasitic diseases of honeybees. What is TSBV? Name the different enemies of honeybees. Briefly describe the role of KVIC in beekeeping in India. 3+1+3+3

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Course: ZOOL1051 (SEC) (OR)

(Vermiculture)

Time: 2 Hours Full Marks: 40

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**1.** Answer *any five* of the following questions:

 $2 \times 5 = 10$ 

- (a) Write down the taxonomic position of earthworm.
- (b) Mention scientific names of two endogenic earthworms.
- (c) Write down the process of vermicast collection.
- (d) What is monoculture of earthworm in wormery?
- (e) Do you think that paddy straw will produce more results than leaf litter in vermicompost? Why?
- (f) Write two differences between vermiculture and vermitechnology.
- (g) Cite examples of low-cost/no-cost containers that should be used for vermicomposting.
- (h) Write down the conditions favourable for earthworms in the decomposing system.
- 2. Answer any two of the following questions:

 $5 \times 2 = 10$ 

(a) What is vermi tea? How it is collected? What are its uses?

- 2+2+1
- (b) Mention the major beneficial bacteria observed in vermiculture. Write the roles of two beneficial bacteria in vermicomposting.
- (c) Write down the differences between indoor and outdoor culture techniques.

 $2\frac{1}{2} + 2\frac{1}{2}$ 

- (d) Mention the materials required for the vermicomposting. Briefly describe the harvesting procedure of vermicompost.  $2\frac{1}{2}+2\frac{1}{2}$
- 3. Answer any two questions:

 $10 \times 2 = 20$ 

(a) Mention the important diseases encountered in earthworms and suggest their management protocols. Write down the various predators of earthworms and their control measures.

21/2+21/2+21/2+21/2

- (b) What is 'Vermiwash'? Mention the difference between vermiwash and vermicompost. How it is prepared? Write down its application in agriculture. 2+2+3+3
- (c) Briefly describe the methodology of vermicompost preparation. What precautions would you like to follow during vermicompost preparation?

  6+4
- (d) Describe in brief the status of vermicompost in India. Enumerate the potentialities of vermicompost in India.

  5+5

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