



KERALA AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY
B.Sc (Hons.) Agriculture 2016 Admission
II Semester Final Examination-August 2017

Crps. 1201

Fundamentals of Crop Physiology (2+1)

Marks: 50
Time: 2 hours

I Fill in the blanks: (10 x 1=10)

- 1 Example for a monocarpic perennial -----
- 2 Periodic meristematic regions are called -----

Choose the correct answer

- 3 Principle cation for maintaining cell turgor.
a Hydrogen b Nitrogen c Potassium
- 4 Carbon dioxide reduction occurs in
a Thylakoid b Stroma c Grana
- 5 Kranz anatomy is shown by
a C₃ b C₄ c CAM

Name:

- 6 The formula for calculating crop growth rate (CGR)
- 7 Pigment involved in light sensitivity of seed.
- 8 Nutrient essential for auxin biosynthesis in plants.

State True or False:

- 9 H₂O₂ is produced during photorespiration in plants (T/F)
- 10 Kaolin is a stomatal closing type antitranspirant (T/F)

II Write short notes on any FIVE: (5 x 2=10)

- 1 Warburg's effect.
- 2 Mechanism of stomatal opening.
- 3 Respiratory Quotient (RQ).
- 4 Give an account on long day plants.
- 5 Anaerobic respiration and its significance.
- 6 Cyclic and non cyclic electron transport.
- 7 What is foliar nutrition and what are the advantages of it?

III Answer any FIVE: (5 x 4=20)

- 1 Biosynthesis, mode of action and commercial use of auxin.
- 2 Physiological role of Fe, Zn and Magnesium in plants.
- 3 Give a short account on NAR, CGR, RGR, LAI and Harvest index.
- 4 Importance and properties of water in relation to plant growth.
- 5 Explain the growth phases of rice crop.
- 6 Photosynthetic efficiency and crop productivity.
- 7 Krebs cycle.

IV Write essay on any ONE: (1 x 10=10)

- 1 Explain the commercial use of plant growth regulators in agriculture and horticulture.
- 2 Discuss the mechanism of carbon fixation in C₃, C₄ and CAM plants with suitable diagram.
