

B.Sc. Semester - 2 (NEP-2020) Examination**MARCH/APRIL-2025****BOT: Biomolecules (Major-3)****Time: 2.00 Hours****Mark: 50****Instructions:**

1. All questions are compulsory.
2. Figures to the right indicate marks.

Q-1 Answer according to instructions : (10)

- 1) State the second law of thermodynamics and explain its significance in biological systems.
- 2) Distinguish between: Primary bonds and secondary bonds.

OR

Q-1 Answer according to instructions : (10)

- 1) How do pH and buffers function in biological systems, and why are they essential for maintaining physiological balance?
- 2) Differentiate between endergonic and exergonic reactions with suitable examples.

Q-2 Answer according to instructions : (10)

- 1) Explain the classification of carbohydrates with suitable examples.
- 2) Differentiate between primary and secondary structures of proteins with suitable examples.

OR

Q-2 Answer according to instructions : (10)

- 1) Differentiate between disaccharides and oligosaccharides with examples and mention their biological significance.
- 2) Describe the general structure of an amino acid and explain the significance of its functional groups.

Q-3 Answer according to instructions : (10)

- 1) Explain the structure and functions of triacylglycerols and discuss their physical and chemical properties.
- 2) Illustrate the structure of nitrogenous bases and explain the role of nucleotides in cellular metabolism

OR

Q-3 Answer according to instructions : (10)

- 1) Describe the general structure of fatty acids and explain their biological functions
- 2) Differentiate between DNA and RNA based on their structure and function

Q-4 Answer according to instructions : (10)

- 1) Describe the characteristics of an enzyme's active site and explain how it determines substrate specificity.
- 2) Differentiate between competitive, non-competitive, and uncompetitive enzyme inhibition with examples.

OR

Q-4 Answer according to instructions : (10)

- 1) Discuss the factors affecting enzyme activity, such as temperature, pH, and substrate concentration.
- 2) Explain the classification of enzymes based on the type of reaction they catalyze.

Q-5 Answer according to instructions : (10)

- 1) How do proteins contribute to essential biological processes in living organisms?
- 2) How does the molecular structure of water contribute to its unique properties? Explain with examples.

OR

Q-5 Answer according to instructions : (10)

- 1) Derive the Michaelis-Menten equation and explain the significance of K_m and V_{max} .
- 2) What are essential fatty acids? Discuss their significance and sources in the human diet.
