

Exam. Code : 107705

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Bachelor of Food Science &amp; Technology (Hons.) 5th Sem.

FST-501 PRINCIPLES OF FERMENTATION  
TECHNOLOGY

Time Allowed—3 Hours]

[Maximum Marks—50

**Note** :— Attempt any **five** questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1. (a) "Fermentation is a biochemical process among microorganisms and has been employed by the mankind over the years". Elaborate the statement. 3
- (b) The definition of fermentation has changed over the years. Justify. 2
- (c) Discuss types of fermentation processes proposed by Garden in 1959. What are the deviations of this classification? 5
2. (a) Define growth rate and differentiate it from generation time. Find out the generation time of a yeast population that increases from  $10^4$  to  $10^8$  cells per ml. 5
- (b) Discuss development of fermentation in food industry giving suitable examples. 5
3. (a) Differentiate between Homo-and hetero-fermentation. Discuss biochemistry and production of ethanol from molasses. What will be the theoretically possible ethanol (%v/v) from molasses diluted to 15 degree Brix? 3

- (b) How is wet heat sterilization obtained practically ? Give its principle and working for sterilization of growth media. 2
- (c) What are antiseptic agents ? Compare ethanol and quaternary ammonium compounds as antiseptic agents. Also enlist their application in daily life. 5
4. (a) Differentiate between the following giving suitable examples :  $2.5 \times 4 = 10$   
Aerobic and Anaerobic growth.
- (b) Batch and continuous fermentation and give suitable examples.
- (c) Solid state and Submerged fermentation.
- (d) Primary metabolites and secondary metabolites
5. (a) Discuss the characteristics of an ideal industrial microorganism. How will you prepare starter culture for an industrial fermentation ? 6
- (b) Discuss selection of suitable carbon and nitrogen sources for an industrial fermentation process. Why impure substances are used as substrates than pure chemicals for industrial fermentation media ? 4
6. (a) What are the advantages of fermenter over flask cultures ? Discuss development of fermentation over the years starting with old age earthen and wooden vessels. 5
- (b) Give functions of the following in a fermenter : Baffles, Impeller, Sparger, Rotameter, DO meter and Sampling port. 3

- (c) What is the utility of acid-base pump in a fermenter ? 2
7. (a) Why pressure inside a fermenter is kept higher than the surroundings ? Discuss advantages of fed batch system over a batch fermenter, 4
- (b) What are the parts of a biosensor ? Describe structure and function of each of them. 6
8. (a) Discuss applications of computers in optimization as well as control of fermentation processes. 3
- (b) Discuss general characteristics of mechanical, pneumatic and hydrodynamic industrial filters. 5
- (c) Discuss importance of water re-usage and effluent treatment in fermentation industry. 2