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**III Semester B.Sc. Degree (CBCSS – Reg./Sup./Imp.)
Examination, November 2017
(2014 Admn. Onwards)**

**CORE COURSE IN MICROBIOLOGY
3B03 MCB : Microbial Physiology**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

Instruction : Draw diagrams wherever necessary.

SECTION – A

Answer all questions. Each question carries 1 mark.

1. Acetogens reduce CO_2 to acetate by using _____ pathway.
 2. The process in which inhibition of dinitrogenase activity occurs in presence of excess NH_3 is called _____
 3. Piezophiles are prokaryotes growing optimally in high _____
 4. Functionally distinct sulfide and thiosulfate oxidation system present in sulfur bacteria is called _____
- (4×1=4)

SECTION – B

Answer very briefly on any seven of the following. Each question carries 2 marks.

5. Mixotroph
6. Monooxygenase
7. Synchronous growth
8. Phycobilisome
9. Chemolithotroph
10. Facultative anaerobe
11. Anaerobic respiration
12. Rubisco
13. Azotobacter
14. Hydrogen oxidizing bacteria.

(7×2=14)

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SECTION - C

Answer any four of the following. Each question carries 3 marks.

15. Nutritional classification of bacteria.
16. Halophiles.
17. Dissimilative nitrate reduction
18. Bacterial growth curve.
19. Methanogenesis.
20. Cyclic photophosphorylation.

(4×3=12)

SECTION - D

Answer any two of the following. Each question carries 5 marks.

21. What are the major factors influencing microbial growth ? Describe the molecular adaptations in thermophilic bacteria.
22. Briefly describe the binary fission in bacteria. Write a note on the methods used to quantitate microbial growth.
23. Describe the structure of nitrogenase. Discuss the steps involved in nitrogen fixation.
24. Write a note on nutritional requirements of bacteria. What are the common ingredients used in culture media to fulfill the nutritional requirements of microorganisms ?

(2×5=10)