## IAS Mains Botany 2003

## Paper-II

## Section-A

- 1. Answer any THREE of the following in about 200 words each  $20 \times 3 = 60$ 
  - a. Evolution.
  - b. Gametophytic apomix.
  - c. Pure Line Selection.
  - d. Structure and Significance of Lamp brush Chromosomes.
- 2. Answer the following questions
  - a. Describe in detail the physical properties of cell membrane. 30
  - b. How does the water and solutes move through the cell membrane? 30
- 3. Answer the following questions
  - a. What is Cytoplasmic inheritance? 10
  - b. Describe the Cytoplasmic-genetic male sterility. 20
  - c. Describe in detail the method of producing hybrid seeds using Cytoplasmic-genetic male sterility system. 30
- 4. Answer the following questions
  - a. What do you understand by genetic engineering? 15
  - b. Describe in detail the agro bacterium-mediated gene transfer method for producing transgenic plants. 45

## Section-B

- 5. Write short notes on any THREE of the following in about 200 words each:  $20 \times 3 = 60$ 
  - a. CO<sub>2</sub> fixation in C<sub>4</sub> plants
  - b. Seed germination
  - c. Global warming
  - d. Conservation of biodiversity
- 6. Answer the following questions
  - a. What do you understand by verbalization? Discuss the factors that influence verbalization. 40
  - b. Describe the practical significance of verbalization. 20
- 7. Answer the following questions
  - a. What do you understand by a biotic stresses? 20

- b. Describe in detail the mechanism of salt stress on plants. 30
- c. Describe the effect of salt stress on plant growth. 10
- 8. Answer the following questions
  - a. What do you understand by eco-system? 10
  - b. How would you maintain an eco-system? 50