2025

ZOOLOGY

Paper: ZLG0400104

(Animal Taxonomy, Systematics and Biostatistics)

Full Marks: 45

Time: 2 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

Write the answer to the **two Parts** in **separate books**.

Q. No 1 is compulsory in both Part-A and Part-B.

Part-A

(Animal Taxonomy, Systematics)

- 1. Choose the correct answer: $1\times4=4$
 - (i) The study of relationship among organism is
 - (a) Taxonomy

- (b) Taxidermy
- (c) Classification
- (d) Systematics
- (ii) Which of the following is an example of homoplasy?
 - (a) Presence or absence of hair
 - (b) Wings of birds and bats
 - (c) Forelimbs of mammals
 - (d) All of the above
- (iii) An observable attribute used to classify and group organisms is called—
 - (a) Taxonomic rank
 - (b) Taxonomic character
 - (c) Taxonomic hierarchy
 - (d) Taxonomic category

- (iv) _____ is one of the several specimens used to describe a new species when no single holotype was designated.
 - (a) Lectotype
 - (b) Allotype
 - (c) Syntype
 - (d) Paratype
- 2. Write short notes on: (any three)

2×3=6

- (a) Taxonomic category
- (b) Biological species concept
- (c) Principle of priority
- (d) Parallelism
- (e) Chemotaxonomy

- 3. Answer briefly: (any two) $5\times 2=10$
 - (a) Discuss about the contribution of systematics to biology with appropriate examples.
 - (b) What is a taxonomic key? Explain the different types of keys? 1+4=5
 - (c) What is the full form of ICZN? Discuss the importance of the code in Zoological nomenclature. 1+4=5
 - (d) What is phylogenetic tree? Discuss the concept of rooted and unrooted phylogenetic trees. 1+2+2=5
- 4. Answer elaborately: (any one) $10 \times 1 = 10$
 - (a) What is a taxonomic character? What are the different types of taxonomic characters? Explain with appropriate examples.

 1+9=10

(b) Explain the different types of concepts of species.

Part-B

(Biostatistics)

- 1. Which of the following as a 'Measure of Partition'? (Choose the correct answer)
 - (a) Mean
 - (h) Median
 - (c) Quartile
 - (d) Mode
- 2. Write short notes on: (any two) 2×2=4
 - (a) Standard deviation and variance
 - (b) Chi-square test

- (c) Analysis of variance
- (d) Importance of biostatistics in biological research
- 3. Answer briefly: (any two) $5\times2=10$
 - (a) Discuss student t-test with its application.
 - (b) Write a brief note on the following terms:

Class interval, Class boundary, Class width, Relative frequency and Frequency density

(c) Differentiate mathematical average and positional average. Calculate median of weekly expenditure of 100 families from the following data: 1+4=5

Expenditure: 0-10 10-20 20-30 30-40 40-50

Frequency: 14 23 27 21 15

(d) Define correlation. Find out the relationship between the inflorescence length and number of flowers in eight random samples of Salvia plant as per following data:

Length of Inflorescence : 19 17 16 18 19 14 15 13 No. of flowers : 12 11 12 13 15 9 10 8

1+4=5