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DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION
EDUCATION/ ANIMAL SCIENCE**

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REGULAR**

COURSE CODE: AAS 3217/ APB 1207

COURSE TITLE: Principles of Genetics/ Principles of Genetics

EXAM VENUE:

**STREAM: BSc. Agricultural Extension
Education/ Animal Science**

DATE:

EXAM SESSION:

TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions:

- 1. Answer ALL questions in section A and ANY other 2 Questions in section B.**
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on question paper.**
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.**

SECTION A [30 MARKS]

Answer ALL questions from this Section

1. Distinguish the following [20 MARKS]
- (a) Coefficient of coincidence vs coefficient of relationship [2 MARKS]
- (b) Dihybrid cross vs trihybrid cross [2 MARKS]
- (c) Epistasis vs pleiotropy [2 MARKS]
- (d) Null mutation vs gain-of-function mutation [2 MARKS]
- (e) Forward genetics vs reverse genetics [2 MARKS]
- (f) Incomplete penetrance vs variable expressivity [2 MARKS]
- (g) Chromosomal inversion vs chromosomal translocation [2 MARKS]
- (h) Complete dominance vs incomplete dominance [2 MARKS]
- (i) Heterosis vs inbreeding depression [2 MARKS]

- (j) Exon vs intron [2
MARKS]
2. Briefly explain the following [10
MARKS]
- (a) Chromosome theory of inheritance [2
MARKS]
- (b) Gene therapy [2
MARKS]
- (c) Central dogma of molecular biology [2
MARKS]
- (d) Cross-over [2
MARKS]
- (e) Independent assortment [2
MARKS]

SECTION B (40 MARKS)

Answer ANY TWO questions in this section

- 3a. Draw and explain a series of diagrams that illustrate the stages of Meiosis I [10
MARKS]
- 3b. Explain the functional properties of the following cellular organelles:
- (a) Cell membrane:
- (b) Golgi complex:
- (c) Vacuole membrane:
- (d) Mitochondrion:

- (e) Cytoplasm:
- (f) Smooth endoplasmic reticulum (smooth ER):
- (g) Lysosome:
- (h) Centrioles:
- (i) Starch grain:
- (j) Cell wall:

4a. A plant heterozygous for five independently assorting genes, *Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee*, is self-fertilized. Among the offspring, predict the frequency of
[10 MARKS]

- (a) *AA BB CC DD EE* individuals
- (b) *aa bb cc dd ee* individuals
- (c) Individuals that are either *AA BB CC DD EE* or *aa bb cc dd ee*
- (d) *Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee* individuals
- (e) Individuals that are not heterozygous for all five genes.

4b. Describe functions of the following enzymes involved in eukaryotic DNA replication

[10 MARKS]

- (a) DNA helicase:
- (b) DNA primase:
- (c) DNA polymerases:
- (d) Topoisomerase:
- (e) DNA ligase:

5a. Female mouse heterozygous for three recessive mutations *e* (ebony), *st* (scarlet eyes), and *ss* (spineless bristle) were testcrossed, and the following progeny were obtained
[10 MARKS]

Phenotype	Number
Wild-type (+ + +)	67
ebony (e + +)	8
ebony, scarlet (st + e)	68
ebony, spineless (+ ss e)	347
ebony, scarlet, spinelss (st ss e)	78
scarlet (st + +)	368
scarlet, spinelss (st ss +)	10
spineless (+ ss +)	54

- (a) What indicates that the genes are linked?
- (b) What was the genotype of the original heterozygous females?
- (c) What is the proportion of the single recombinants?
- (d) What is the proportion of the double recombinants?
- (e) What is the order of the genes?
- (f) What is the map distance between *e* and *st*?
- (g) What is the map distance between *e* and *ss*?
- (h) What is the map distance between *ss* and *st*?
- (i) What is the coefficient of coincidence?
- (j) Diagram the crosses in this experiment

5b. Describe FIVE values of recombinant DNA and gene-cloning technologies to geneticists?

[10 MARKS]

