



**Gandhi Institute of Engineering and Technology University, Odisha, Gunupur
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M.Sc. (First Semester - Regular) Examinations, January – 2026
24MBIPC11004- Microbiology
(Biotechnology)

Time: 3 hrs

Maximum: 60 Marks

Answer ALL questions
(The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks)

PART – A**(2 x 5 = 10 Marks)**Q.1. Answer *ALL* questions

	CO #	Blooms Level
a. What are plasmids?	CO1	K1
b. Mention any two general properties of viruses.	CO1	K1
c. What are viroids?	CO2	K1
d. What is quorum sensing?	CO2	K1
e. What are prebiotics?	CO2	K1

PART – B**(10 x 5 = 50 Marks)**Answer ALL the questions

	Marks	CO #	Blooms Level
2. a. Describe the history and scope of microbiology.	5	CO1	K1
b. Explain the bacterial growth curve with a neat diagram.	5	CO1	K1
(OR)			
c. Explain the process of transformation in bacteria.	5	CO1	K1
d. Describe the streak plate method for bacterial isolation.	5	CO2	K1
3.a. Explain the general characteristics and classification of Cyanobacteria.	5	CO1	K1
b. Explain lactic acid bacteria with examples and applications.	5	CO1	K1
(OR)			
c. Describe the physical methods of sterilization with suitable examples.	5	CO2	K1
d. Explain the structure of Bacteria with Diagram.	5	CO3	K1
4.a. Explain ruminant–microbe symbiosis. How do microorganisms help in digestion in ruminant animals?	5	CO1	K1
b. Explain nitrogen cycle with Diagram.	5	CO4	K1
(OR)			
c. What are antibiotics? Classify antibiotics based on their mode of action and explain their role in controlling bacterial diseases.	5	CO1	K2
d. Describe the methods used to control microorganisms in hospitals, emphasizing sterilization, disinfection, and antimicrobial agents.	5	CO1	K2
5.a. Explain the lytic and lysogenic cycles of bacteriophages with diagrams.	5	CO2	K2
b. Explain the structure and function of bacteriophage with diagram.	5	CO1	K2
(OR)			
c. Explain the classification and general characteristics of microorganisms.	5	CO1	K2
d. Explain the pure culture techniques used in microbiology laboratories.	5	CO2	K2

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| 6.a. Write a note on the classification of bacteria based on oxygen requirement and nutrition. | 5 | CO1 | K3 |
| b. Explain antifungal drugs with suitable examples. | 5 | CO2 | K1 |
| (OR) | | | |
| c. Write an account of Pseudomonas – general characteristics and significance. | 5 | CO1 | K2 |
| d. Discuss the nutritional types of bacteria. | 5 | CO2 | K2 |

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