RAJASTHAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, AJMER

SYLLABUS FOR EXAMINATION FOR THE POST OF LECTURER (SCHOOL EDUCATION) BIOLOGY

PAPER - II

Part – I Senior Secondary Level

1. Taxonomy:

- Definition of life, Biodiversity, Need for classification, concept of species and taxonomical hierarchy, Binominal nomenclature.
- Tools for study of taxonomy Museums, Zoos, Herbaria, Botanical gardens.
- Classification of Living organism, five kingdom system.

2. Structural Organization in Animals and Plants:

- Animal tissue: Types, Origin, Location, Structure and functions.
- Plant tissue: Anatomy of root, stem and leaves of monocots and dicots.
- Structure of flowers, types of Inflorescence and fruits.

3. Plant Physiology:

- Water relations.
- Transpiration.
- Photosynthesis.
- Respiration.
- Mineral nutrition.
- Plant movements.
- Nitrogen and lipid metabolism.
- Growth and development.

4. Animal Physiology:

- Digestion and absorption.
- Breathing and respiration.
- Body fluids and circulation.
- Excretory products and their elimination.
- Locomotion and movement.
- Neural control and coordination.
- Chemical coordination and regulation.
- Reproduction.

5. Genetics and Evolution:

- Mendelian Inheritance.
- Chromosomal theory of inheritance.
- Sex determination in human beings.

- Linkage and crossing over.
- Origin of life theories and evidence.

6. Biology in Human Welfare:

- Economic importance of Protozoa, Helminths, Insects and Molluscs.
- Plant utilization- Cereals (Wheat, Rice), Fiber yielding plants (Cotton, Jute), Vegetable oils (Groundnut, Mustard), Spices (Coriander, Fenugreek and Cumin), Medicinal Plants (Commiphora, Withania), Beverages (Tea, Coffee).
- Basic concepts of Immunology, Vaccines, Pathogens, Parasites, Cancer, AIDS.

7. Environmental Biology:

- Organism and its environment.
- Biogeochemical cycles: Carbon, Nitrogen, Phosphorus.
- Environmental Pollution: Air, Water, Noise and Soil.

Part – II Graduation Level

1. Cell Structure and Functions:

- Concept of Cell Theory; Structure of Prokaryotic and Eukaryotic cell; Plant and Animal cell.
- Structure, properties and functions of cell surface cell process.
- Cell organelles-structure and function.
- Chromosomes Structure, types, aberrations.
- Chemical constituents of living cells:
 - Biomolecules Structure and functions of proteins, carbohydrates, lipids, nucleic acids.
 - Enzymes Types, properties and enzyme action.
- Cell cycle; cell division mitosis, meiosis and their significance.

2. Taxonomy:

- Levels of Organization, Symmetry, Coelom and Metamerism in animals.
- Salient features and classification of non chordata and chordata upto order level with examples.
- Salient features and classification of plants (major groups upto class).
- Floral variations in Ranunculaceae, Apiaceae, Asteraceae and Poaceae.

3. Structure (External Internal), Reproduction and Life cycle of the following-

Amoeba, Obelia, Taenia, Ascaris, Pheretima, Periplanata, Rana and Rabbit.

4. Structure Reproduction and Life cycle of the following:

Algae, Fungi, Bryophytes, Pteridophytes, and Gymnosperms.

5. Developmental Biology:

• Gametogenesis, Spermatogenesis and Oogenesis.

- Fertilization, Cleavage, Blastula, Gastrula-Morphogenetic movement, Fate maps, embryonic induction.
- Metamorphosis of frog. Regeneration, Amphibian limb regeneration.
- Extra-embryonic membranes in chick.
- Placenta in mammals.
- Endocrine control of ovulation, pregnancy, parturition and lactation.

6. Reproduction in Higher Plants:

- Vegetative, Asexual and Sexual Reproduction.
- Pollination and Fertilization.
- Embryogenesis.

7. Ethology:

Types of Animal Behavior: Feeding, Learning, Instinctive, Motivated, Social and Reproductive.

8. Biostatistics:

- Mean, Mode, Median, Standard deviation.
- Tabular and graphical representation of data- histogram, Pie diagram, bar diagram, line graph.

Part – III Post Graduation Level

1. Ecology:

Ecosystems- components and types. Energy flow; Food chain, food web. Environmental factors (climatic, edaphic and biotic). Population and ecological adaptations. Plant and animal succession.

2. Biotechnology and its Applications:

Definitions, scope and applications.

Recombinant DNA technology.

Transgenic animals and plants.

Application in Health and Agriculture.

Tissue culture- methods and application.

3. Techniques in Biology:

Electrophoresis, Centrifugation, Chromatography, Colorimetry, Spectrophotometry, ELISA.

4. Microscopy:

Principle of Light microscopy, Phase contrast microscopy and Electron microscopy.

5. Biogeography and Wild Life Conservation:

Endemism, Hot spots, Plant and Animal distribution with special reference to Rajasthan. Wild life conservation. Biosphere reserves, Wild life sanctuaries and National Parks.

Part – IV (Educational Psychology, Pedagogy, Teaching Learning Material, Use of Computers and Information Technology in Teaching Learning)

I. Educational Psychology

- Concept, scope and functions of educational psychology.
- Physical, cognitive, social, emotional and moral developmental characteristics of adolescent learner and its implication for teaching-learning.
- Behavioural, cognitive and constructivist principles of learning and its implication for senior secondary students.
- Concept of mental health & adjustment and adjustment mechanism.
- Emotional intelligence and its implication in teaching learning.

II Pedagogy and Teaching Learning Material (Instructional Strategies for Adolescent Learner)

- Communication skills and its use.
- Teaching models- advance organizer, concept attainment, information processing, inquiry training.
- Preparation and use of teaching-learning material during teaching.
- Cooperative learning.

III Use of Computers and Information Technology in Teaching Learning

- Concept of ICT, hardware and software.
- System approach.
- Computer assisted learning, computer aided instruction

For the competitive examination for the post of School Lecturer:-

- 1. The question paper will carry maximum 300 marks.
- 2. Duration of question paper will be **Three Hours**.
- 3. The question paper will carry 150 questions of multiple choices.
- 4. Negative marking shall be applicable in the evaluation of answers. For every wrong answer one third of the marks prescribed for that particular question shall be deducted.
- 5. Paper shall include following subjects:-
 - (i) Knowledge of Subject Concerned: Senior Secondary Level
 - (ii) Knowledge of Subject Concerned: Graduation Level.
 - (iii) Knowledge of Subject Concerned: Post Graduation Level.
 - (iv) Educational Psychology, Pedagogy, Teaching Learning Material, Use of Computers and Information Technology in Teaching Learning.