## BOARD OF DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATION DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATION OF OTHER GAZETTED / NON GAZETTED OFFICERS OF HIMACHAL PRADESH SESSION APRIL, 2008

PAPER-3 (Rules and Acts for Technical Officers of Horticulture Department)

Time Allowed: 3 Hours. Maximum Marks: 100

Notes:- 1. First Question is compulsory. Attempt any five questions.

- 2. All questions carry equal marks.
- 3. Books are not allowed inside the examination hall.
- Q.No.1 Write short notes on following:-
  - 1. Plasticulture & Precision farming.
  - 2. Bud wood Banks.
  - 3. Anti Hail Gun, its usefulness & hail prone areas in H.P.
  - 4. WTO and its positive and negative impacts on the horticulture trade.
  - 5. Micro irrigation and its advantages. (5  $\times$  4 =

20)

- Q.No.2 Describe briefly the objectives and programmes of Horticulture Technology Mission What are the main features of four Mini Missions being implemented Under Horticulture. On the basis of above answer the following:
  - a) Date of Launch of Mission in H. P.
  - b) Who Union Minister launched the Mission in H.P.
  - c) Total out lay fro 10<sup>th</sup> Five year Plan.(10)

Which Mini Mission of the Horticulture Technology Mission is directly related

to

The productivity improvement? Describe in details any five programmes of

Mini

Mission-Ii which you will advocate to farmer for productivity improvement of His crop. (10)

Q.No.3 Describe the salient features of Fruit Nurseries Registration Act- 1973. What are

The by laws and procedures which can safeguard the interest of farmers by Supplying them high quality planting material? Do you think there is any need To make these bylaws and Acts more stringent? If yes, suggest the Amendments?

(20)

Q.No.4 a) How do you think the extension methods can change the outlook of farmers for

Adopting the new schemes of departments? Describe the general methods and

Tools of extension which are widely being used by the extension functionaries (20) In the field. b) What are the reasons for the low productivity of fruit crops in H.P.? What steps are being taken by the Department for improving the productivity? (20)-2-Q.No.5 Explain followings terms in reference to Horticulture:-1. RKVY 2. RKBY 3. SARD 4. IPM 5. INM 6. Soil Strelization 7. Sun drying of fruits. 8. Plant Growth Regulators 9. Mulching 10. Bonsai  $(10 \times 2 = 20)$ Q.No.6 Give the scientific names of following crops along with minimum three varieties Of each recommended for commercial production in H.P. 1. Pear 2. Mango 3. Tomato 4. Carnation 5. Capsicum  $(5 \times 4 =$ 20) Q.No.7 Describe the main features of the Himachal Pradesh Agriculture Pests, Diseases And Obnoxious Weeds Act, 1969. Name the plants which come under its Preview. (8) What are the Biofetilizers? What are different types of Bio fertilizers with Examples in each category. (4) What is organic cultivation in Horticulture crops? Explain Advantages and Disadvantages of organic cultivation? (8) Q.No.8 Describe the importance of Green House cultivation in horticulture crops. What Are the various types of green houses and their advantages? (10)

Describe the cultivation of carnation, capsicum, tomato and nursery production Under green house conditions.

(10)

- Q.No.9 What are clonal rootstocks? Describe their mode of propagation? Describe the Characteristics of any five:-
  - 1. MM-111
  - 2. MM-106
  - 3. M-7
  - 4. M-793
  - 5. Gisela
  - 6. Colt
  - 7. F12/1 (20 marks)

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