### STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI –600 086 (For candidates admitted from the academic year 2015 – 2016)

**SUBJECT CODE: 15BI/PC/MB24** 

### M. Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2016 BIOINFORMATICS SECOND SEMESTER

**COURSE : CORE** 

PAPER : MOLECULAR BIOLOGY

TIME : 3 HOURS MAX. MARKS: 100

**SECTION - A** 

#### **ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS**

(20 X 1=20)

- 1. Define genome.
- 2. What is a base pair?
- 3. Define transcription.
- 4. Mention the two sites present in RNA polymerase.
- 5. Where does protein synthesis occur?
- 6. Define Genetic Code.
- 7. What are eukaryotes?
- 8. Define a gene.
- 9. What are Heat Shock Genes?
- 10. What is the role of RNA polymerase in transcription?
- 11. Which are the work horses of the cell?
- 12. What is a triplet code?
- 13. Define wobble hypothesis.
- 14. What are transposons?
- 15. What are restriction enzymes?
- 16. Define cDNA.
- 17. What is the function of a centriole?
- 18. Write a note on the zygonema stage in meiosis.
- 19. Define synapsis.
- 20. What are carcinomas? Give an example.

#### **SECTION - B**

# ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER SHOULD NOT EXCEED 500 WORDS. All QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS. DRAW DIAGRAMS WHEREVER NECESSARY (4 X 10 = 40)

- 21. Draw a neat labeled diagram of the DNA and explain its organization.
- 22. Write a note on transposable elements.
- 23. Elaborate on the process of transcription in eukaryotes.
- 24. Write a note on the role of regulatory proteins in transcription.
- 25. Explain translational regulation in prokaryotes.
- 26. Explain the organization and function of the chloroplast genome.
- 27. What is cell cycle? Explain its regulation.

#### **SECTION - C**

## ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER SHOULD NOT EXCEED1200 WORDS. All QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS. DRAW DIAGRAMS WHEREVER NECESSARY (2 X 20 = 40)

- 28. Elucidate the organization of a eukaryotic genome.
- 29. Explain the regulation of transcription and the role of steroid hormone receptors and homeotic genes.
- 30. Give an account on the genetic control of vertebrate immune system.
- 31. Write notes on: a) the genetic basis of Cancer, b) Stages in mitosis.

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