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Ith year Env. Sc. Students

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Course: Environ. Biotechnology

Time: 2 hours

Full Mark: 70 Marks

Answer All the following Questions

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uestion 1:

(18 Marks)

xplain the following:

- a. Microbiological processes are used to degrade or transform contaminants to less toxic or nontoxic forms
- b. Harmful effects of chemicals & biological agents
- c. Degree of toxicity can vary depending on place of organism & its food web.

uestion 2:

(17 Marks)

Vrite a brief note on the following:

- a. Advantages & Disadvantages of Bioremediation
- b. Main factors which influence the growth of bacteria and fungi in the environment
- c. Current environmental have to need for changing the crisis

uestion 3: (25 Marks)

Choose the correct answer: (12 Marks)

All the following feedstocks used to commercially produce second-generation biofuels except

- a) Lignocellulosic materials
- b) Switch grass and poplar
- c) Corn and sugarcane
- d) Agri-residues byproducts

2. What is the temperature range of the moisture removal step in the thermal gasification process?

- a) 200-300°C
- b) 100-200°C
- c) 600-1300°C
- d) There is no moisture removal step in the thermal gasification process

3. What are the limitations of open ponds for algae cultivation?

- a) Inability to produce microalgae and cyanobacteria
- b) Require high operation and investment costs
- c) Risk of contamination from other organisms
- d) None of the above

4. What is the effect of higher temperatures on the solubility of gaseous substrates in liquid medium through syngas fermentation process?

- a) Gas solubility decreases with decreasing temperature
- b) Gas solubility increases with decreasing temperature
- c) Gas solubility increases with increasing temperature
- d) It has no effect on the solubility of gaseous substrates in liquid medium

5. What is the main disadvantage of the Fischer-Tropsch process?

- a) Low microbial catalyst selectivity
- b) No specific ratio of gas components is required to yield a desired product
- Catalyst poisoning by the trace amount of sulfur gases presented in the syers as Code: (409 E)

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- d) All of the above
- 6. What is the type of algae grow without light, using carbon sugars as a source of energy?
 - a) Mixotrophic
 - b) Heterotrophic
 - c) Photoautotrophic
 - d) None of the above

b) Give interpretations for the following: (13 Mark)

- 1. Limited commercial applications of biochemical pathways.
- 2. It is not recommended to increase the pressure through FT process.
- 3. Appearance of the second generation of biofuels.
- 4. Using syngas fermentation process instead of biochemical and FTP approaches.

Question 4: (10 Marks)

- a) Why are algae of interest for biofuel production? (4 Marks)
- b) Illustrate the name of the microbial catalyst used in syngas fermentation process, and mention the composition of the media used through this process? (6 Marks)

Good Luck

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