20. Write are preservatives? Give its applications, importance and limitations.

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Part III - Biotechnology - Major

PLANT BIOTECHNOLOGY

Time: Three hours

Maximum: 75 marks

SECTION A — $(10 \times 2 = 20 \text{ Marks})$

Answer ALL the questions.

- 1. Somatic embryogenesis
- 2. Haploids
- 3. PEG
- 4. Protoplast
- 5. Herbicide tolerance
- 6. Electroporation
- 7. Glyphosate
- 8. Transduction

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- 9. Food additives
- Organic foods

SECTION B — $(5 \times 5 = 25 \text{ Marks})$

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Explain organogenesis.

Or

- (b) Write short note on somaclonal variation.
- 12. (a) Write about the applications of somatic hybridization.

Or

- (b) Write the importance of tissue culture in genetic manipulation.
- 13. (a) Write briefly on viral resistance.

Or

(b) What are the applications of genetic engineering?

14. (a) Give the pros and cons of GM foods.

Or

- (b) Give the applications of transgenic plants.
- 15. (a) How to produce organic foods?

Or

(b) Explain the steps involved to identify organic foods.

SECTION C — $(3 \times 10 = 30 \text{ Marks})$

Answer any THREE questions.

- 16. Provide an elaborative note on the following:
 - (a) Endosperm culture
 - (b) Triploids production and its significance.
- 17. Explain the methods of protoplast fusion in detail.
- 18. Write a detailed note on Plant as bioreactors.
- 19. Comment on methods involved in gene delivery.