

The Open University of Sri Lanka Faculty of Engineering Technology

Final Examination-2006

## **AEI3234 Agricultural Biology I**

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Time

: 0930-1230 hours

## **SECTION II**

(1) (a) What is meant by "genotype" and "phenotype"?

(b) Tomatoes can be either yellow or red. Plants of these tomato types were crossed as follows:

<b>Parents</b>	<b>Progeny</b>
red×red	61 red
red×red	47 red, 16 yellow
red×yellow	58 red
yellow×yellow	64 yellow
red×yellow	33 red, 36 yellow

- i. What phenotype is dominant?
- ii. What are the genotypes of the parents and progeny in each cross?
- (2) (a) Write a short essay on "protein synthesis".
  - (b) What are the biological functions of protein?
- (3) Briefly explain the major differences between any three (03) of the followings:
  - (a) Eukaryotes and Prokaryotes
  - (b) Monocot stem and dicot stem
  - (c) Climacteric fruit and non climacteric fruit
  - (d) Mitosis and meiosis cell divisions
  - (e) Plant cell and animal cell
- (4) (a) What are the factors affecting the fruit quality?
  - (b) Briefly discuss the sigmoidal and double sigmoidal curves of fruit growth.
- (5) (a) Briefly explain the role of light and water in photosynthesis.
  - (c) Write a brief account on special characteristics of CAM pathway.
- (6) Write short notes on any three (03) of the following.
  - (a) Incomplete dominance
  - (b) Respiratory Quotient (RQ)
  - (c) DNA structure
  - (d) Parenchyma cells