

UNIVERSITI TUN HUSSEIN ONN MALAYSIA

FINAL EXAMINATION **SEMESTER II SESSION 2023/2024**

COURSE NAME

CHEMISTRY FOR BIODIVERSITY &

CONSERVATION

COURSE CODE

: BWJ 10303

PROGRAMME CODE

: BWW

EXAMINATION DATE : JULY 2024

DURATION

: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

1. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

2. THIS FINAL EXAMINATION IS

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3. STUDENTS ARE **PROHIBITED** TO CONSULT THEIR OWN MATERIAL OR ANY EXTERNAL RESOURCES

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- Q1 Chemistry of life explores the fundamental principles of chemistry in relation to biodiversity.
 - (a) Explain how the concept of pH is relevant in biodiversity by providing **FIVE** (5) examples.

(10 marks)

- (b) Biochemistry is the branch of science that explores the chemical processes and substances that occur within living organisms.
 - (i) List FOUR (4) key biomolecules.

(4 marks)

(ii) Explain the importance of **THREE** (3) biomolecules in biodiversity as mentioned in **Q(b)(i)**.

(6 marks)

- Q2 Plant chemistry plays a critical role in conservation efforts and environmental chemistry, contributing significantly to biodiversity conservation.
 - (a) Describe these **FIVE** (5) chemical processes involved in photosynthesis.
 - (i) Absorption of Light
 - (ii) Water Splitting (Photolysis)
 - (iii) Generation of ATP and NADPH
 - (iv) Carbon Fixation (Calvin Cycle)
 - (v) Regeneration of RuBP

(10 marks)

(b) Determine **FIVE** (5) importance of integrating environmental chemistry into biodiversity conservation efforts.

(10 marks)

- Q3 In a rural farming community, a group of farmers relied heavily on chemical pesticides to protect their crops from pests. Due to inadequate knowledge and understanding of proper pesticide use, they often applied these chemicals in excessive amounts and at incorrect times, leading to environmental contamination and health risks.
 - (a) Prepare a **FIVE-STEP** strategy to educate rural farmers on practicing green chemistry.

(10 marks)

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(b) Discuss **FIVE** (5) benefits of biofertilizers in sustainable agriculture.

(10 marks)

- Q4 Emerging technologies in chemistry, such as nanotechnology and bioprospecting, offer innovative solutions for biodiversity conservation through sustainable practices and the discovery of new medicines and technologies.
 - (a) Determine **FIVE** (5) crucial roles that chemistry plays in the application of artificial intelligence and machine learning in biodiversity conservation.

(10 marks)

(b) Describe FIVE (5) roles of nanotechnology in smart farming.

(10 marks)

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