

FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY, MINNA  
DEPARTMENT OF PLANT BIOLOGY  
FIRST SEMESTER BTECH. EXAMINATION, 2017/2018 SESSION

COURSE CODE: PLB 412  
COURSE TITLE: PLANT PHYSIOLOGY III  
COURSE UNIT: 3  
TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTION: *USING APPROPRIATE LABELED DIAGRAM WHERE NECESSARY, ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS IN ALL; TWO (2) QUESTIONS FROM EACH SECTION*

SECTION A

- 1a. Outline the three ways in which genetic information flows from DNA to protein.
- b. Outline the steps involved in protein synthesis
- c. What are the importance of Respiration?
  
- 2a. What is Translocation?
- b. Explain the different directions of Translocation
- c. Discuss any mechanism of translocation, giving its merits and demerits
  
- 3a. What is Respiratory Quotient? Give its normal value and mention the various deviations from it.
- b. Write a concise essay on:
  - i. communication in plants
  - ii. mechanism of water Absorption

SECTION B

- 4a. Describe the stages involved in flower initiation from the vegetative stage to fruit production.
- b. With the aid of a simple experiment demonstrate how reproduction triggers senescence in an Angiospermic plant
- c. Highlight two effects of auxins in fruit development
  
- 5a. Write notes on the theories that explain senescence in plant.
- b. Give two reasons for seed dormancy.
- c. List two (2) synthetic auxins.
  
- 6a. Explain the mechanism involved in the synthesis of Indole Acetic Acid (I.A.A) from tryptophane.
- b. Explain two types of dormancy in seeds
- c. Highlight four (4) effects of gibberellins in plants