M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2015.

FIRST SEMESTER

Microbiology

Paper IV — BIOPHYSICAL AND ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES

Time: Three hours

Maximum: 75 marks

(No additional sheet will be supplied)

PART A -- (5 × 3 = 15 marks)

Answer any FIVE questions.

Each question carries 3 marks.

Each answer should not exceed 1 page.

- Biosensors 1.
- 2. Flash evaporation
- Partition Chromatography 3.
- Sedimentation coefficient 4.
- 5. Circular Dichroism
- 6. Beer-Lambert Law
- Isoelectric focussing 7.
- GM counter 8.

PART B — $(4 \times 15 = 60 \text{ marks})$

Answer ALL questions.

Each question carries 15 marks.

Each answer should not exceed 6 pages.

9. Explain the methods involved in the cell disruption.

Or

- 10. Discuss the principle and applications of membrane filtration.
- 11. Distinguish between isophycnic and isodensity centrifugation.

12. Discuss the applications of FPLC and HPLC. 13. Write an account on salient features of mass spectrometry.

Or

- 14. Describe briefly about UV-VIS spectrophotometer.
- 15. Explain the methodology and applications of Southern blot.

Or

16. Write an account on autoradiography and quenching.

