

BIRLA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, MESRA, RANCHI  
(MID SEMESTER EXAMINATION SP/2025)

CLASS: BTECH  
BRANCH: BIOTECH

SEMESTER : VI  
SESSION : SP/2025

SUBJECT: BE307 BIOPROCESS ENGINEERING

TIME: 02 HOURS

FULL MARKS: 25

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. The question paper contains 5 questions each of 5 marks and total 25 marks.
2. Attempt all questions.
3. The missing data, if any, may be assumed suitably.
4. Tables/Data handbook/Graph paper etc., if applicable, will be supplied to the candidates

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| Q.1(a) | Define the types of nutrients needed for the growth of live cell?                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | [2] 1 | 1  |
| Q.1(b) | Justify the growth of microbes with the formation of products?                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | [3] 2 | 2  |
| Q.2(a) | Mention the advantages and disadvantages of CFU?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | [2] 1 | 1  |
| Q.2(b) | What parameters need to optimize for enhanced synthesis of a microbial P?                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | [3] 2 | 2  |
| Q.3(a) | Provide the significance of metabolic heats and its control?                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | [2] 2 | 2  |
| Q.3(b) | Discuss different types of microbial yields?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | [3] 2 | 2  |
| Q.4(a) | What do you understand by mass balance?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | [2] 1 | 1  |
| Q.4(b) | The production of a biomass from glucose is given below:<br>$C_6H_{12}O_6 + aO_2 \longrightarrow cCH_{1.66}O_{0.27}N_{0.2} + dCO_2 + eH_2O$<br>$CH_{1.66}O_{0.27}N_{0.2}$ is biomass. Determine the stoichiometric coefficient assuming two thirds of substrate has converted to biomass? | [3] 2 | 2  |
| Q.5(a) | Find out degree of reduction of butane and glycerol?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | [2] 2 | 1  |
| Q.5(b) | Differentiate between theoretical and predicted yields?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | [3] 2 | 2  |

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