DIPLOMA IN AGRICULTURAL COST MANAGEMENT (DACM)

Term-End Examination December, 2024

BAM-001: BASICS OF AGRICULTURE

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: Attempt any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.

- 1. Discuss the significance of agriculture during the Prehistoric Era. Critically analyze the impact of land reforms and the green revolution on Indian Agriculture in post-independence. 20
- 2. Assess the role of the following components in modern agricultural practices: $5\times4=20$
 - (a) Chemical fertilizers
 - (b) Quality seeds
 - (c) Irrigation
 - (d) Prices

- 3. Provide a detailed explanation of agronomical and mechanical measures employed for soil and water conservation.
- 4. Discuss the various irrigation methods, highlighting their advantages and disadvantages.
- 5. Define pest epidemics. Explain the factors contributing to pest epidemics. Which are the crops affected by rust diseases?
- 6. Elaborate on the climatic and soil requirements for rice (paddy), its cropping system, major pests and diseases, and the cultivation of management practices associated with rice farming.
- 7. Define aquaculture and provide a comprehensive explanation of freshwater aquaculture and brackish water aquaculture.

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8. Identify the different types of mushrooms cultivated in India and discuss the potential of mushroom cultivation as a viable agribusiness opportunity.