PART - A

Answer all the questions with two diagnostic features (1 mark each).

- 1. Calotes
- 2. Hippocampus
- 3. Tiger
- 4. Viper
- 5. Pomfret
- 6. Echidna;;
- 7. Narcine
- 8. Naja
- 9. Whale
- 10. Chelone.

 $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ Marks})$ 

## PART – B

# Answer **any eight** of the following. (2 marks each)

- 11. Comment on temporal fossa
- 12. Amphioxus is a degenerate chordate, justify
- 13. Arboreal adaptations of Loris
- 14. Gizzard
- 15. Parental care in Ichthyophis
- 16. Characteristic features of Draco
- 17. Adaptations of Chameleon
- 18. Ammocoete larva
- 19. Different types of fins present in Scoliodon
- 20. Volant adaptations of bat
- 21. Ecological importances of snakes
- 22. Lateral line system
- 23. Features of axolotl larvae
- 24. Stomochord
- 25. Homocercal caudal fin
- 26. Synsacrum.

 $(8 \times 2 = 16 \text{ Marks})$ 

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### PART - C

## Answer **any six** of the following. (4 marks each)

- 27. Comment on the salient features of the super class Agnatha.
- 28. Elaborate the affinities of Amphioxus.
- 29. Explain the mode of action of snake venom.
- 30. What are the fundamental chordate characters?
- 31. What are the different types of feathers present in birds?
- 32. Comment on the subclasses of class Mammalia.
- 33. Elaborate salient features of the class Amphibia.
- 34. Explain the salient features of subphylum Cephalochordata.
- 35. Outline the classification of Super class Tetrapoda up to class.
- 36. Elaborate the characteristic features of Gnathostomata.
- 37. Write an account on teleostei fishes.
- 38. Comment on the general characters of class aves.

 $(6 \times 4 = 24 \text{ Marks})$ 

#### PART - D

Answer **any two** of the following. (**15** marks each)

- 39. Elucidate the general characters, external, features and retrogressive metamorphosis of Eurochordata.
- 40. With the help of suitable diagram, elucidate the identification of poisonous and non poisonous snakes of Kerala.

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- 41. Illustrate the flight adaptations of birds.
- 42. Elaborate the salient features of super class Pisces, Write note on any five marine fishes.
- 43. Write an account on flightless birds, give examples.
- 44. Explain the salient features of the class reptilia, comment on any five reptiles.

 $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ Marks})$ 

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