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## Third Semester FYUGP Degree (Reg) Examination November 2025

# KU3VACMBG201 - MICROBES IN SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

2024 Admission onwards

Time: 1.5 hours Maximum Marks: 35

#### Section A

#### Answer any 6 questions. Each carry 2 marks.

- 1. Give an example for anaerobic organism involved in composting.
- 2. Give two examples of fungi used in mycoremediation and state their specific pollutants degraded
- 3. Mention two characteristics of hazardous waste?
- 4. What is Bio augmentation
- 5. State the purpose of hazardous waste management.
- 6. How do microbes reduce the volume of solid waste?
- 7. What is meant by methanogenesis?
- 8. Which type of waste is used in composting?

#### Section B

#### Answer any 4 questions. Each carry 4 marks.

- **9.** Describe the types of incineration method.
- 10. Discuss the mechanisms of microbial consortia (syntrophy, cross-feeding, division of labour) and their importance in pollutant degradation.
- 11. Evaluate the benefits of using microbial consortia instead of single strains for biodegradation.
- 12. compare and contrast bioventing and bioaugmentation
- 13. briefly explain different kinds of semicontinuous type biogas plant
- 14. Explain how recycling and reusing help reduce the amount of waste generated.

#### Section C

### Answer any 1 questions. Each carry 7 marks.

- 15. Define solid waste.a)different types of solid waste .b)sources and generation of solid waste
- 16. Discuss the design and operational requirements of a sanitary landfill, highlighting its advantages over open dumping.