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BIOCHEMISTRY—Paper VIII

(Human Physiology and Endocrinology)

(Admissions of 2000 and onwards)

Time 3 Hours

Maximum Marks 60

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*Attempt Five questions in all,
including Q No. 1 which is compulsory*

1. (a) Name the following molecule/condition

0.5×12 = 6

- (i) The domain that allows binding to phosphotyrosine residues
- (ii) Epinephrine, norepinephrine and dopamine belong to this class of molecules
- (iii) The molecule responsible for decreasing FSH secretion only
- (iv) The molecule used to detect the GFR

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- (v) The condition of increased RBC numbers in circulation
 - (vi) A plasma functional enzyme indicative of liver damage.
 - (vii) A detached blood clot flowing free in circulation.
 - (viii) Irregular heart beat
 - (ix) Movements in the small intestine and oesophagus
 - (x) Irregular menstrual flow
 - (xi) Production of hormone by the wrong tissue
 - (xii) The measurement of the electrical activity of the heart
- (b) Explain in brief .
- (i) Kidney is also considered as an endocrine organ 2
 - (ii) SA node is the pacemaker of the heart 1 5
 - (iii) Hyperglycemia is not a confirmatory symptom of Diabetes Mellitus 2
 - (iv) Deficiency of Vitamin K can lead to clotting disorders 1
 - (v) Cholera leads to acute diarrhoea and vomiting 2
 - (vi) Goitre is a symptom of both hyper and hypo thyroidism 1 5

2 (a) Comment on the following 1.5 × 6 = 9

- (i) Deficiency of Ceruloplasmin can precipitate Fe deficiency.
 - (ii) Lesions in the hypothalamus leads to hyper prolactenemia
 - (iii) Cholecalciferol injections, are administered to post menopausal osteoporotic women.
 - (iv) Renal failure is seen in patients with chronic Diabetes Mellitus.
 - (v) Some receptors cross talk to each other
 - (vi) The pancreas also has an exocrine function.
- (b) An accident trauma victim suffering from acute haemorrhage is brought to a hospital. Unfortunately blood is not available for immediate transfusion The doctor in-charge advised a saline drip with reconstituted Albuminas an immediate life saving measure Explain the Rationale. 2

3 (a) Explain the biochemical basis for the following

1.5 × 6 = 9

- (i) Myxedema in hypothyroidism
- (ii) Bow legs in Rickets.
- (iii) Hypo phosphatemia in hyper parathyroidism.
- (iv) Polydipsia in Diabetes insipidus.
- (v) -ve Nitrogen balance during chronic stress
- (vi) Palpitations and cold feet during acute stress

- (b) The Gastrointestinal tract can be considered a mini neuroendocrine system. Explain. 2
- 4 (a) Differentiate between the following
15 × 4 = 6
- (i) Pre and Post hepatic Jaundice.
 - (ii) Blood Brain Barrier and Blood Testis Barrier
 - (iii) V_1 & V_2 receptors for ADH.
 - (iv) NIDDM and IDDM
- (b) Draw the Juxta glomerulus Apparatus. What role do the cells of this apparatus play in regulating the Arterial blood pressure? 3
- (c) An old adage states that lactation in women can act as a temporary contraceptive. Is there any scientific basis to such a statement? Justify your answer. 2
- 5 (a) Inner medullary osmolarity in the kidney is responsible for regulating urine volume. Elaborate. 3
- (b) Developmentally and functionally the Pituitary gland could be considered a dual gland. It can no longer be classified as a master gland. Comment on these statements. 3
- (c) What is the basis for the automaticity of the heart beat? Correlate the conduction of a cardiac impulse with the cardiac cycle. 3

- (d) CAMP can also act as a transcriptional regulator
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- 6 (a) Oxytocin response during Parturition is an example of feed forward response. What role does estrogen play in this cycle?
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- (b) Using Epinephrine as an example, explain how a hormone response is terminated.
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- (c) Growth hormone is now considered a trophic hormone and thyroxine can be called a prehormone. Explain.
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- (d) The mechanism of Xenobiotic Phenobarbital metabolism is the liver.
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- 7 (a) Explain Δ^5 pathway for testosterone biosynthesis.
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- (b) Insulin Receptor is an excellent example of divergence of different signalling pathways. Elaborate.
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- (c) Explain the role of hormones in the changes observed in the endometrium during a menstrual cycle.
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- (d) The placenta is called a feto maternal unit. Explain.
2
- 8 (a) Briefly explain the following terms and their physiological relevance. $1.5 \times 4 = 6$
- (i) Signal Amplification

- (ii) End Diastolic volume
 - (iii) LH surge
 - (iv) Sperm Capacitation
- (b) What is the difference between Respiratory and Metabolic Acidosis ? What role does the kidney play in regulating blood pH ? 3
- (c) Explain how Aspirin, EDTA and heparin act as anticoagulants ? Which of them cannot be used to clot blood in vitro ? Why ? 2