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Backlog Arrear Examination, March 2021

PGB 4401 Plant Diversity Time: 3hrs
Marks: 75

I. Answer any FIVE of the following each not exceeding four pages.

(5X15=75)

- 1. Present the five kingdom classification of life and account for the origin of different plant groups in the geological time scale.
- 2. Present the thallus organization of Chlorophyceae and schematically outline the lifecycle pattern in Algae.
- 3. Place the constituent groups of Bryophytes in a scheme of classification and trace progressive evolution of the gametophyte generation.
- 4. Explain the stelar evolution with suitable illustrations.
- 5. Describring heterospory in Selaginella track the origin of seed habit.
- 6. Illustrate the types of wood you come across in Gymnosperms.
- 7. Enumerate the IUCN categories and comprehensively present the conservation strategies.