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**ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), BENGALURU-27**  
**M.Sc. MICROBIOLOGY - II SEMESTER**  
**SEMESTER EXAMINATION: APRIL 2022**  
(Examination conducted in July 2022)  
**MB 8421 – FOOD MICROBIOLOGY**

**Time- 2 ½ hrs**

**Max Marks-70**

This question paper contains 1 printed page and 4 parts

**I. Answer any Five of the following**

**5X3=15**

1. What is hurdle effect?
2. What are the various ways in which one can predict the microbial growth?
3. Define milk. Compare skimmed milk and standardized milk.
4. With a suitable example, describe how milk act as a vehicle of pathogens.
5. What are nutraceuticals? Give examples.
6. Compare D, F, and Z values.
7. Name the causative agent of Salmonellosis. What are the symptoms and preventions for this disease?

**II. Answer any Five of the following**

**5X5=25**

8. Differentiate prebiotics and probiotics with suitable example.
9. Explain the different types of packaging materials. Suggest one packaging material which is environmentally sustainable and durable.
10. Write a short note on how radiation helps in food preservation using suitable example.
11. What is the significance of having food control agencies? Name a few of such agencies.
12. Explain the cycle of infection for *Clostridium perfringens* using a suitable illustration.
13. Write a short note on non-bacterial agents of foodborne illness.
14. What are biosensors? Explain the mechanism of any one microorganism used as a biosensor for the detection of pathogens.

**III. Answer any Two of the following**

**2X10=20**

15. What effect fermented food products have on a normal gut flora? How our food choices affect our gut health? What good practices can we opt from our learnings as a microbiology student?
16. Write a detailed note on HACCP.
17. What are the various conditions of the intrinsic factors that promotes microbial growth in milk? Discuss them in detail.

**IV. Answer the following**

**1X10=10**

18. Ms. X bought 5 kgs of mutton from a supermarket at a discounted price. Unfortunately, that day she had to leave in a rush to her parents' house and she forgot the meat in her car trunk. After two weeks when she returned, there was a very foul smell and there were large black patches on the meat. What inferences can be made based on the above description? Write a detailed methodology that can be adopted to identify the exact causative agent of those black patches.