M.D. DEGREE EXAMINATION BRANCH XIII - BIOCHEMISTRY

PAPER III – INTERMEDIARY METABOLISM, MACRO AND MICRO NUTRIENTS AND INBORN ERRORS OF METABOLISM

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Time: Three Hours Maximum: 100 Marks I. Essay Questions: (2 x 10 = 20)

- 1. Define biochemically- fasting and starvation. Discuss the enzymatic changes and sources of metabolic fuel to the brain, skeletal muscle, liver, adipose tissue during fasting and starvation.
- 2. Classify lipoproteins. Describe in detail the endogenous pathway of lipoprotein metabolism. Add a note on Frederickson's classification of dyslipoproteinemias.

II. Short Questions: $(8 \times 5 = 40)$

- 1. Explain mechanism based inactivation with a suitable example.
- 2. Regulation of heme biosynthesis.
- 3. Binding change mechanism.
- 4. Describe the sources, carriers and end products of 1- Carbon atoms.
- 5. Write the energetics of gluconeogenesis from a) pyruvate b) glycerol c) alanine d) odd chain fatty acids as substrates.
- 6. Oxidation and energetics of linoleic acid.
- 7. Meistter's cycle and its associated inherited disorders.
- 8. Lipoprotein 'a' structure and clinical significance.

III. Reasoning Out: $(4 \times 5 = 20)$

- 1. Explain the mechanism of toxicity of lead and the enzymes which are inhibited by lead.
- 2. Explain the basis of biochemical findings in von Gierke's diseases.
- 3. Explain the biochemical basis of ketone 'bodies' production in starvation and DM.
- 4. Why pyruvate kinase deficiency is associated with hemolytic anemia?

IV. Very Short Answers:

 $(10 \times 2 = 20)$

- 1. Site directed mutagenesis.
- 2. Fenton reaction and its significance.
- 3. CETP and its role.
- 4. Inhibitors of TCA cycle and their mechanism of action.
- 5. Why ATP is called a high energy compound and what is its ΔG^{0} ?
- 6. Medium chain acyl CoA dehydrogenase deficiency disorder.
- 7. Sources of atoms of purine nucleus.
- 8. Mechanism of Vitamin E as an anti oxidant.
- 9. Hereditary fructose intolerance.
- 10. HGPRTase.
