## Carbon and its Compounds Points to Remember

- ❖ A group or class of organic compounds related to each other by a general molecular formula constitutes homologous series.
- ❖ The IUPAC name of the any organic compound consist of three parts.
  ROOTWORD, PREFIX and / or SUFFIX
- \* Functional group may be defined as an atom or group of atom or reactive part which is responsible for the characteristic properties of the compounds
- Ethanoic acid is most commonly known as acetic acid and belongs to a group of acids called carboxylic acids.
- Acetic acid is present in many fruits and it renders a sour taste to those fruits.
- Ethanol or ethyl alcohol or simply alcohol is one of the most important members of the family of alcohols.
- ❖ The slow chemical change that takes place in complex organic compounds by the action of enzymes leading to the formation of simple molecules is called fermentation.
- \* Soaps are sodium or potassium salts of some long chain carboxylic acids.
- ❖ Detergents are sodium salts of sulphonic acids. Thus instead of −COOH group in soaps, detergents contain −SO<sub>3</sub>H group