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M.Sc. Programme

I Semester

Course No.	Course title	Credit hours
AGRON 511	Agrometeorology and crop weather forecasting	3(2+1)
AGRON 512	Principles and practices of water management	3(2+1)
AGRON 513	Principles and practices of soil fertility and nutrient Management	3(2+1)

II Semester

AGRON 521	Modern concepts in crop production	3(3+0)
AGRON 522	Principles and practices of weed management	3(2+1)
AGRON 523	Dryland farming and watershed management	3(3+0)
AGRON 524	Cropping systems and sustainable agriculture	3(3+0)
PGS-502	e-course Technical Writing and Communication Skills	1 (0+1) NC

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AGRON 531	Agronomy of major cereals and pulses	3(2+1)
AGRON 532	Agronomy of oilseeds, commercial and fibre crops	3(2+1)
PGS -503	e-course -Intellectual property and its Management in Agriculture	1 (1+0) NC
PGS -506	e-course-Disaster Management	1 (1+0) NC

IV Semester

AGRON 541	M.Sc. Seminar	1(0+1)
AGRON 542	M.Sc. Comprehensive	2(0+2)
AGRON 543	M.Sc. Research	20

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I Semester

AGRON 611	Advances of crop growth and productivity	3(2+1)
AGRON 612	Advances in weed management	3(3+0)

II Semester

AGRON 621	Irrigation management	3(2+1)
AGRON 622	Stress crop production	3(2+1)

III to VI Semester

AGRON 641	Seminar	2 (0+2)
AGRON 642	Comprehensive	4 (0+4)
AGRON 643	Research	45

Note: 1. Minor courses are to be decided by Dean / Advisory committee

2. .If required another course (related / minor) running in a particular semester may also be offered.

Objective

To impart knowledge about agro-meteorology and crop weather forecasting to meet the challenges of aberrant weather conditions.

Theory:

Agro meteorology: aim, scope and development in relation to crop environment, composition of atmosphere, distribution of atmospheric pressure, Solar radiation : characteristics, energy balance of atmosphere system, radiation distribution in plant canopies, radiation utilization by field crops, photosynthesis and efficiency of radiation utilization by crops, energy budget of plant canopies, Environmental temperature: soil, air, canopy temperature, temperature profile in air, soil and crop canopies, soil and air temperature effects on plant processes, regulation of air, soil temperature for protection against frost and hot winds, Environmental moisture and evaporation, measures of atmospheric moisture, temperature, relative humidity, vapour pressure and their relationship, evapotranspiration and meteorological factors determining evapotranspiration, Modification of plant environment: artificial rain making, controlling heat load, heat trapping and shedding, protection from cold, reduction in sensible and latent heat flux, Monsoon: monsoon and their origin, characteristics of monsoon, onset and progress of monsoon, withdrawal of monsoon, Weather forecasting in India: short, medium and long range forecasting, benefits of weather service to agriculture, forecasting of destructive frost, soil moisture forecast, phenological forecast, crop yield forecast, Aero-space science and remote sensing : application in agriculture, present status of remote sensing in India, Atmospheric pollution and its effect on climate and crop production.

Practical

Agrometeorological observatory- classes, site selection, layout and installation of meteorological instruments; handling of meteorological instruments; measurement of weather parameters; working out agroclimatic indices; maintenances of record; calculation of daily, weekly and monthly means; visit to state remote sensing centre, Jodhpur/Jaipur; measurement of soil temperature in different soil conditions/depths; interpretation and use of weather data; rainfall analysis for variability; moisture availability indices for an arid and a humid district, length of growing season, fitting cropping systems; preparation of weather maps, synoptic charts and weather reports; preparation of crop weather calendars, to become familiar with agro advisory service bulletins visit to ARS, Durgapura/Bikaner.

Lecture schedule- Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Agro meteorology - aim, scope and development in relation to crop environment	2
2	Composition of atmosphere, distribution of atm. pressure	1
3	Solar radiation – characteristics	1
4	Energy balance of atmosphere system	1
5	Radiation distribution in plant canopies, radiation utilization by field crops	2
6	Photosynthesis and efficiency of radiation utilization by crops	2
7	Energy budget of plant canopies	1
8	Environmental temperature- soil, air, canopy temperature, temperature profile in air, soil,	2

	crop canopies	
9	soil and air temperature effects on plant processes	2
10	Regulation of air, soil temperature for protection against frost and hot winds	2
11	Environmental moisture and evaporation - measures of atmospheric moisture, temperature, relative humidity, vapour pressure and their relationship	2
12	Evapotranspiration and meteorological factors determining evapotranspiration	2
13	Modification of plant environment, artificial rain making, controlling heat load, heat trapping and shedding	2
14	Protection from cold, reduction in sensible and latent heat flux	1
15	Monsoon and their origin, characteristics of monsoon	1
16	Onset and progress of monsoon withdrawal of monsoon	1
17	Weather forecasting in India: short, medium and long range forecasting	2
18	Benefits of weather service to agriculture, forecasting of destructive frost, soil moisture forecast, phenological forecast, crop yield forecast etc	2
19	Aero-space science and remote sensing - application in agriculture, present status of remote sensing in India.	2
20	Atmospheric pollution and its effect on climate and crop production	1

Lecture schedule- Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Agro meteorological observatory – classes, site selection, layout and installation procedures for meteorological instruments	1
2	Handling of meteorological instruments	1
3	Measurement of weather parameters	1
4	Working out agro climatic indices	1
5	Maintenance of records	1
6	Calculation of daily, weekly and monthly means	2
7	Visit to state Remote Sensing Centre, Jodhpur/Jaipur	1
8	Measurement of soil temperature in different soil conditions/depths	1
9	Interpretation and use of weather data	1
10	Rainfall analysis for variability	2
11	Moisture availability indices for an arid district	1
12	Moisture availability indices for a humid district	1
13	Length for growing season, fitting cropping systems	1
14	Preparation of weather maps, synoptic charts & weather reports	1
15	Preparation of crop weather calendar	1
16	To become familiar with Agro-advisory-service bulletins/	1

Suggested Readings:

- S. Mavi (1994). Introduction to Agrometeorology. Oxford & IBH Publishing Co. New Delhi.
- P.A. Menon (1989). Our weather. National Book Trust, New Delhi.
- A.A. Rama Sastu (1984). Weather and Weather forecasting Publication Division, GOI.
- P.K. Das (1992). The Monsoon. National Book Trust, New Delhi.
- S. Venkateraman and A. Krishnan. Crops and Weather. Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi.
- Critchfield, H.J. 1995. General Climatology, Prentice Hall of India Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi
- R.S. Gena and S.P. Seetharaman (1991). Natural Resource Management: The Role of Remote sensing in decision making. Oxford & IBH Publishing Co. New Delhi.
- K.L. Joshi, Sinha and D.P. Gupta (1985). Physical Geography, National Council of Educational Research and Training, New Delhi.
- Vasiraju Radha Krishna Murthy (1995). Practical Manual on Agricultural Meteorology, Kalyani Publishers, Ludhiana.
- D.S. Lal, 1998. Climatology. Sharda Pustak Bhawan.
- S.R. Ghadekar, 1991. Meteorology, Agromet Publishers, Nagpur.
- A.K. Sacheti, 1985. Agricultural Meteorology- Instructional-cum-Practical Manual. NCERT, New Delhi. Mavi
- H.S. and Tuper G.J. 2004. Agrometeorology: Principles and Application of Climate Studies in Agriculture. Haworth Press.
- Vashneya M.C. and Balakrishana Pillai P. 2003. Textbook of Agricultural Meteorology, ICAR.

AGRON 512**Principles and Practices of Water Management****3(2+1)****Objective**

To teach the principles of water management and practices to enhance the water productivity.

Theory:

Water, its properties and role in plants; Water resources of India, Major irrigation projects and extent of area and crops irrigated in India; Water potential – concept, components and relationship between different components; Water movement in plant and soils; Absorption and transpiration of water in plants; Scheduling and methods of irrigation including micro irrigation system; Fertigation, Water use efficiency; Water management of crops and cropping systems; Soil, plant and meteorological factors determining water needs of crops; Water deficit stress in plants and its effect on growth. Quality of irrigation water – effect of saline water and soil salinity on plants and its management, Excess soil water and plant growth; Water management in problem soils; Drainage requirement of crops and methods of drainage, their layout and spacing.

Practical:

Determination of soluble salts, Ca + Mg, CO_3^{2-} and HCO_3^- and Na in irrigation water; Determination of FC and PWP; Soil moisture measurement by tensiometer and pressure plate apparatus; Water flow measurement using different devices. Determining soil profile moisture deficit and irrigation requirement. Calculations on irrigation efficiencies; Computation of water requirement of crops using modified Penman formula. Determination of infiltration rates and hydraulic conductivity.

Lecture schedule- Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Water, its properties and role in plants	2
2	Water resources of India, major irrigation projects, and extent of area and crops irrigated in India	3
3	Water potential-concept, components and relationship between different components	2
4	Water movement in plants and soils	2
5	Absorption-types and relative importance	2
6	Transpiration – types and methods to reduce transpiration	2
7	Scheduling of irrigation and methods of irrigation including micro irrigation system, fertigation	2
8	Water use efficiency and factors affecting it	2
9	Water management of crops and cropping systems	2
10	Soil, plant and meteorological factors determining water needs of crops	2
11	Water deficit stress in plants and its effect on growth	2
12	Quality of irrigation water-criteria used, effect of poor quality water on plant growth and management of saline water for irrigation	3
13	Excess soil water and plant growth	2
14	Water management in problem soils	2
15	Drainage requirement of crops and methods of drainage, their layout and spacing	2

Lecture schedule- Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Determination of soluble salts and Ca + Mg in irrigation water	1
2	Determination of CO_3^{2-} and HCO_3^- and Na in irrigation water	1
3	Determination of FC and PWP	2
4	Determination of soil moisture by tensiometer and pressure plate apparatus	2
5	Water flow measurement using different devices	2
6	Determining soil profile moisture deficit	1
7	Determination of irrigation requirement of crops	2
8	Calculations on irrigation efficiencies	2
9	Computation of water requirement of crops using modified Penman formula	1
10	Determination of infiltration rate of soil	1
11	Determination of hydraulic conductivity of soil	1

Suggested Readings:

A.M. Michael, 1987. Irrigation – Theory and Practice, Vikas Publishing House Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi
 S.S. Parihar and B.S. Sandhu, 1978. Irrigation of field crops – Principles and Practices, ICAR, New Delhi
 D. Lenka, 1999. Irrigation and Drainage. Kalyani Publishers, New Delhi.

R.D. Mishra and M. Ahmed. 1987. Manual on Irrigation Agronomy, Oxford & IBH Pub. Co. Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi
 G.H. Sankara Reddy and T. Yellamanda Reddy. 1995. Efficient use of irrigation water. Kalyani Publishers, New Delhi
 K.V. Paliwal. 1972 Irrigation with saline water WTC, IARI, New Delhi.
 I.C. Gupta 1990. Use of saline water in Agriculture. Oxford & IBH Pub. Co. Ltd., New Delhi
 P.J. Kramer and J.S. Boyer 1995. Water relations of Plants & Soils, Academic Press, California, USA.
 S.R. Reddy 2000. Principles of Crop Production, Kalyani Publication, New Delhi.
 D.K. Majumar 2004. Irrigation water management – principles and practice, Prentice Hall of India, New Delhi.
 S.C.Panda 2003. Principles and practices of water management. Agrobios, Jodhpur
 Singh Pratap and Maliwal P.L. 2005. Technologies for Food Security and Sustainable Agriculture. Agrotech Public.

AGRON 513 Principles and Practices of Soil Fertility and Nutrient Management 3(2+1)

Objective

To impart knowledge of soil fertility and plant nutrients and apprise about the integrated approach of plant nutrition and sustainability of soil resources.

Theory:

Problems and management relating to mechanical impedance and soil submergence; Salt affected soils - problems and remedial measures; Soil acidity and remedial measures; Soil fertility and productivity concept and differences: Criteria of essentiality and forms in which nutrients are absorbed by plants; Physiological methods of increasing FUE. **Nitrogen:** Functions, deficiency and toxicity symptoms, forms of nitrogen, nitrogen transformation in soil, organic and mineral N balance in soil, mineralization of N compounds, losses of N from soil, nitrogenous fertilizer materials. Methods to increase N use efficiency and slow release fertilizers; Biological N fixation, symbiotic and free living N fixers; **Phosphorus:** Functions and deficiency symptoms, forms of P in soil, their availability and P fixation, various phosphatic fertilizers; Practices of increasing the effectiveness of applied and native phosphorus (PSB). **Potassium:** Functions and deficiency symptoms, forms of K in soil, fixation and release of potassium in soil; Potassic fertilizers and their application. Sulphur and micronutrients (Fe, Zn) functions, deficiency symptoms and application; Inter relationship of nutrient availability and soil pH; Important nutrient interactions and their effect on nutrient availability, cation exchange capacity and availability of plant nutrients; Integrated nutrient management.

Practical:

Procedure of plant and soil sampling; Determination of soil pH, EC and organic carbon; Determination of total N and available N, P and K in soils; Determination of N, P, K and S in plant samples; Determination of Ca, Mg and Na in soil; Determination of gypsum requirement of alkali soils.

Lecture schedule- Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Soil problems relating to mechanical impedance and their management / remedial measures	1
2	Soil submergence - meaning, causes and electro chemical changes occurring (oxidized-reduced zones and redox potential)	2
3	Salt affected soils – characteristics, classification and their remedial measures	2
4	Soil acidity-characteristics, reasons of soils acidity and remedial measures/ amelioration	2
5	Soil fertility and productivity concept and differences	1
6	Criteria of essentiality and forms in which nutrients are absorbed by plant.	2
7	Physiological methods of increasing FUE	1
8	Nitrogen:	
	Functions, deficiency and toxicity symptoms, forms of nitrogen, N – transformation in soil, organic and mineral nitrogen balance in soil, mineralization of N compounds and factors affecting nitrification, losses of N from soil.	4
	N-fertilizers, slow release fertilizers and methods to increase nitrogen use efficiency	1
	Biological nitrogen fixation, symbiotic and free living N fixers	2
9	Phosphors	
	Functions and deficiency symptoms, forms of P in soil and their availability, P	2

	availability in relation to pH, P-fixation.	
	Various P fertilizers and practices of increasing the effectiveness of applied and native phosphorus (PSB)	2
10	Potassium:	
	Functions and deficiency symptoms, forms of K in soil, fixation and release of K in soils, factors affecting K availability	3
	Potassic fertilizer and their application	1
11	Sulphur and micronutrients (Fe & Zn) – functions, deficiency symptoms and application	2
12	Interrelationship of nutrient availability and soil pH	1
13	Important nutrient interactions and their effect on nutrient availability, cation exchange capacity and availability of plant nutrients	2
14	Integrated nutrient management concepts	1

Lecture schedule- Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Procedure of plant and soil sampling	1
2	Determination of soil pH, ECe and organic carbon	3
3	Determination of total N and available N, P and K in soil	4
4	Determination of total N, P, K and S in plant samples	4
5	Determination of Ca, Mg and Na in soil	2
6	Determination of gypsum requirement of alkali soils	2

Suggested Readings:

S.L. Tisdale, W.L. Nelson, J.D. Beaton and J.L. Havlin. 1997. Soil Fertility and Fertilizers. Prentice Hall of India, Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi

T.R. Reddy and G.H.S. Reddi 1992. Principles of Agronomy, Kalyani Publishers, New Delhi

L.A. Richards, 1968. Diagnosis and Improvement of Saline and Alkali Soils, Oxford and IBH Publishing Company, New Delhi

Tamhaney, Motiramani, Bali and Donahu, 1970. Soils Their Chemistry and Fertility in Tropical Asia, Prentice Hall of India, New Delhi

R.R. Agarwal, J.S. P. Yadav and S.N. Gupta, 1982. Saline and Alkalai soils of India. ICAR Publication, New Delhi

G.Singh, J.S. Kolar and H.S. Sekhon, 2002. Recent Advances in Agronomy, Indian Society of Agronomy, IARI, New Delhi

J.S. Kanwar, 1978. Soil Fertility: Theory and Practices, ICAR Publication, New Delhi

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N.C. Brady and R.R. Weil, 2003. Elements of the Nature and Properties of Soils. Prentice Hall, New Jersey.

R.S. Yawalkar, J.P. Agarwal and J. Bokde 1992. Manures and Fertilizers. Agri-Horticultural House, Nagpur

N.K. Fageria, V.C. Baligar and C.A. Jones 1991. Growth and Mineral Nutrition of Field Crops. Marcel Dekker, New York.

AGRON 521

Modern Concepts in Crop Production

3(3+0)

Objective

To teach the basic concepts of soil management and crop production.

Theory:

Agronomic aspects in food security; Crop growth and production in relation to climate change; Agro ecological and agroclimatic zones of India; Concept of potential yield; Modern concepts in tillage - zero, minimum and conservation tillage; Optimization of plant population and planting geometry in relation to soil fertility, solar radiation and available moisture regimes; Mitscherlich, Baule and Inverse yield : nitrogen laws; Biotic and abiotic stresses; Concept of ideal plant type; Organic farming, Physiology of grain yield in cereals; Crop growth analysis; Crop modelling in agronomic systems; Precision agriculture; Growth regulators and their role in agriculture; Designer crops; Vermi-technology; Agro biodiversity; Seed priming; ; Indigenous technological knowledge; Herbicide resistance in weeds; Allelopathy in agriculture ; Plant nutrition and disease tolerance in field crops.

Lecture schedule- Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Population and food requirement	1
2	Agronomic techniques for food security, crop nutrition, value addition	2
3	Effect of climate change on crop production	1
4	Direct and interactive effect of different climatic parameters on crop production	2
5	Agroecological and agroclimatic zones of India and their introduction	2
6	Concept of potential yield	1
7	Introduction to modern concepts of tillage - zero tillage minimum tillage, furrow irrigated raised bed system, resource conservation	3
8	Conservation tillage - its advantages, disadvantages , types and Methods	1
9	Relationship between plant population and yield and response curves	1
10	Optimum plant population in relation to soil fertility and solar radiation	1
11	Mitscherlich equation, Baule unit and inverse yield: nitrogen laws	2
12	Abiotic and biotic stresses	2
13	Definition and concept of ideal plant type	1
14	Characteristics of an ideotype plant for dryland agriculture	1
15	Ideotype plant for wheat	1
16	Organic farming – definition, differences between conventional and organic farming and principles and components of organic farming	2
17	Physiology of grain yield in cereals	2
18	Growth curves and analysis of crop growth : LAI, CGR, RGR, NAR, LAD	2
19	Crop model-definition, concept and types (empirical & mechanistic)	1
20	Scientific basis of modelling	1
21.	Model applications	1
22	Precision agriculture-definition, basic concept, scope and approach	1
23.	Technologies for precision agriculture: computers, geographical information system (GIS), global positioning, system (GPS), sensors, etc.	2
24.	Plant growth regulators-definition,types and their role in crop Production	2
25	Designer crops - concept and importance	2
26	Vermi- technology , meaning, methods and scope	2
27	Agro- biodiversity- definition, effects, threats and conservation	2
28	Seed priming- concept, importance and use in crop production	1
29	Indigenous technological knowledge and its use in crop production	1
30	Herbicide resistance in weeds – meaning and management of resistant weeds	2
31	Allelopathy in agriculture	1
32	Plant nutrition and disease tolerance in field crops	1

Suggested Readings:

- Gardner, F.P.;Pearce, G.R. and Michell, R.I. Physiology of Crop Plants, Scientific Pub., Jodhpur.
- S.P. Palaniappan and Shivarama,K. 1996. Cropping Systems in the Tropics - Principles and Management. New Age International Pub.
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- Havlin J.L., Beaton J.D., Tisdale S.L. and Nelson W.L. 2006. Soil Fertility and Fertilizers. 7th Ed. Prentice Hall.

AGRON 522 Principles and Practices of Weed Management**3(2+1)****Objective**

To familiarize the students about the weeds, herbicides and methods of weed control.

Theory

Weed–biology, ecology and classification; history, development and classification of herbicides, their properties, mode of action and uses, basis of selectivity of herbicides; herbicide mixtures, adjuvants and safeners; weed control principles and management practices in important grain crops, oilseeds, pulses, sugar, fibre crops, tuber crops and forage crops; vegetables and orchards; weed control under specific situations viz. intercropping systems, non cropped areas and drylands; noxious farm weeds and parasitic weeds and their control; fate of herbicides in soil; herbicide - pesticides and fertilizer interactions; allelopathic effect; integrated weed management; problem of aquatic weeds particularly water hyacinth, hydrilla and typha grass in Rajasthan and their possible control measures; weed control through bio herbicides and myco- herbicides; herbicide resistance in weeds and crops.

Practical :

Identification of common *kharif*, *rabi* and perennial weeds of crop fields, road sides, waste lands and irrigation channels; familiarization with trade names, common names, uses, cost and source of availability of herbicides; calibration of sprayer and maintenance (before and after use); study of different herbicidal formulations; calculation on herbicidal requirement for field crops and aquatic situation; application of herbicides in field crops; control of some noxious weeds by cultural and chemical means; study on weed control efficiency and calculation on weed infestation and weed index; preparation of weed herbarium, methodology for weed control research and precautions in handling or storage of herbicides.

Lecture schedule – Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Weeds- biology, ecology and classification	2
2	Herbicides -	2
	a) History, development and classification of herbicides	2
	b) Properties of herbicides	2
	c) Mode of action and uses of herbicides	2
	d) Basis of selectivity of herbicides	2
3	Herbicide mixtures, adjuvants and safeners	2
4	Weed control principles and management practices in important crops	1
	a) Grain crops	2
	b) Oilseeds and pulses	2
	c) Sugar and fibre crops	1
	d) Tuber and forage crops	2
	e) Vegetable crops	2
	f) Orchards	1
5	Weed control under specific situations – intercropping system, drylands and non cropped area	1
6	Noxious farm weeds, parasitic weeds and their control	1
7	Fate of herbicides in soil	2
8	Herbicide- pesticides and fertiliser interactions	1
9	Allelopathic effects	1
10	Integrated weed management	1
11	Problem of aquatic weeds particularly water hyacinth, hydrilla and typha grass in Rajasthan and their possible control measures	1
12	Weed control through bio-herbicides and myco- herbicides	1
13	Herbicide resistance in weeds and crops	1

Lecture schedule-Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Identification of common <i>Kharif</i> and <i>Rabi</i> weeds	1
2	Identification of perennial weeds of crop fields, road sides, wastelands and irrigation channels	1
3	Familiarization with trade names, common names, uses, cost and sources of availability of herbicides	1

4	Calibration of sprayers and maintenance (before and after use)	1
5	Study of different herbicidal formulations	1
6	Calculation on herbicidal requirement for field crops under aquatic situations	2
7	Application of herbicides in field crops	2
8	Control of some noxious weeds by cultural and chemical means	1
9	Study on weed control efficiency and calculation on weed infestation and weed index	2
10	Preparation of weed herbarium	2
11	Methodology for weed control research	1
12	Precautions in handling or storage of herbicides	1

Suggested Readings :

- Aldrich RJ & Kramer RJ. 1997. *Principles in Weed Management*. Panima Publ.
 Ashton FM & Crafts AS. 1981. *Mode of Action of Herbicides*. 2nd Ed. Wiley Inter-Science. Gupta OP. 2007. *Weed Management – Principles and Practices*. Agrobios.
 Mandal RC. 1990. *Weed, Weedicides and Weed Control - Principles and Practices*. Agro-Botanical Publ. Rao VS. 2000. *Principles of Weed Science*. Oxford & IBH.
 Subramanian S, Ali AM & Kumar RJ. 1997. *All About Weed Control*. Kalyani. Zimdahl RL. 1999. *Fundamentals of Weed Science*. 2nd Ed. Academic. Press

AGRON 523 Dryland Farming and Watershed Management 3(3+0)

Objective

To teach the basic concepts and practices of dryland farming, soil moisture conservation and watershed management.

Theory:

Definition, concept, significance and dimensions of dryland farming in Indian agriculture, characteristics of dryland farming and dryland versus rainfed farming: constraints limiting crop production in dry land areas; characterisation of environment for water availability; delineation of dry farming areas on the basis of moisture deficit index and their characteristics, use of mulches, kinds, effectiveness and economics; antitranspirants- their types, mechanism and role in dry farming; water harvesting- its concepts, techniques and practices; soil and crop management techniques- tillage, seeding, fertilizer use, crop and varietal choice, cropping system, weed control and other management practices; plant ideotypes for drylands, drought management strategies; preparation of appropriate crop plans for dryland areas; mid season corrections for aberrant weather conditions. Watershed management- definition, objectives, concepts, problems, approach components, development of cropping systems for watershed areas; alternate land use systems; planning and operation of project for watershed management.

Lecture Schedule- Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Dryland farming- definition, concept, significance and dimensions of dryland farming in India agriculture	3
2	Characteristics of dryland farming and dryland versus rainfed farming	3
3	Constraints limiting crop production in dry land areas	3
4	Characterisation of environment for water availability	3
5	Delineation of dry farming areas on the basis of moisture deficit index and their characteristics,	3
6	Use of mulches, kinds, effectiveness and economics	3
7	Antitranspirants- their types, mechanism and role in dry farming	3
8	Water harvesting, its concepts, techniques and practices	3
9	Soil and crop management techniques- tillage, seeding, fertilizer use, crop and varietal choice, cropping system, weed control and other management practices	5
10	Plant ideotypes for drylands	2
11	Drought management strategies	3
12	Preparation of appropriate crop plans for dryland areas	2
13	Mid season corrections for aberrant weather condition	2
14	Watershed management- Definition, objectives, problems, approach and components	3
15	Development of cropping system for watershed areas	3

16	Alternate land use systems	3
17	Planning and operation of project for watershed management	3

Suggested Readings:

- R.P. Singh, Srinivas Sharma, M.V. Padmanabhan, S.K. Das and P.K. Mishra, 1990. A Field Manual on Watershed Management, ICAR (CRIDA) Publication, Hyderabad.
- S.C. Verma and M.P. Singh. 1984. Agronomy of New Plant Types. Tara Book Agency, Varanasi.
- S. Palaniappan. 1985. Cropping Systems in Tropics: Principles and Management, Wiley Eastern Ltd., New Delhi & TNAU, Coimbatore.
- Mahendra Pal, K.A. Singh and I.P.S. Ahlawat. 1985. Cropping System Research I & II. In processing of the National Symposium on Cropping Systems Published by ISA, New Delhi.
- Efficient Crop Management in Dry Farming Areas. 1985. ICAR (CRIDA) Publication, Hyderabad.
- R.D. Asana, 1968. Growth Habit & Crops of Non-Irrigated Areas, Important Characters of Plant Types, Ind. Farming, 81:25-27.
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AGRON 524 Cropping Systems and Sustainable Agriculture 3(3+0)

Objective

To acquaint the students about prevailing cropping systems and sustainable agriculture in the country and practices to improve productivity.

Theory:

Cropping systems- intercropping and multiple cropping, concepts, needs, indices and assessment; existing cropping systems under irrigated and rainfed situations. Cropping system indices viz., relative spread index and relative yield index. Farming system: integrated farming system, alternate farming system - meaning and scope including specific examples. Recycling and crop residue management. Natural farming - concept and components. Organic farming. Crop diversification – principles, types and needs, Sustainable agriculture - definition, scope and objectives, Natural resources, their characterization and management; Sustainable cropping and farming systems in agriculture in relation to environmental degradation; Research needs on sustainable agriculture.

Lecture schedule – Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Cropping systems – definition and types	2
2	Intercropping – concept, needs, types, indices and assessments	3
3	Multiple cropping - concept and needs, Types, selection of crops and computation of indices	6
4	Cropping systems under irrigated conditions	5
5	Cropping systems for rainfed situation	2
6	Cropping system indices - relative spread index and relative yield index	2
7	Farming systems - integrated farming systems; definition, its components and IFS models	3
8	Alternate farming systems – meaning, scope and specific examples	3
9	Recycling and crop residue management	2
10	Natural farming – concept and components	2
11	Organic farming - definition, concept and components	2
12	Relevance of organic farming in present context its certification and accreditation	3
13	Crop diversification – principles, types and needs	3

14	Sustainable agriculture – definition, scope and objectives	2
15	Natural resources – their characterization and management	3
16	Sustainable cropping and farming systems in relation to environmental degradation	3
17	Research needs on sustainable agriculture	2

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AGRON 531

Agronomy of Major Cereals and Pulses

3(2+1)

Objective

To teach the crop husbandry of major cereals and pulses.

Theory

Origin and history, area and production, classification, improved varieties, adaptability, climate, soil, water and cultural requirements, nutrition, quality components, handling and processing of the produce for maximum production of rice, wheat, maize, barley, sorghum, pearl millet, chickpea and pigeon pea.

Practical

Phenological studies at different growth stages of crops, different methods of raising nursery including dapog in rice; estimation of crop yields on the basis of yield attributes; calculation of fertilizer requirements and their application at different stages of growth on the basis of soil test values; computation of cost of cultivation of various crops, planning and layout of field experiments, formulation of cropping scheme for various farm sizes, calculation of cropping and rotation intensities, visit of field experiments for cultural, fertilizer, weed control and water management aspects; working out indices of intercropping systems – L.E.R. aggressivity, relative crowding coefficient and monetary yield advantage, ATER; determination of physiological maturity in different crops; working out of harvest index in various crops; computation of growth analysis indices. Study of root nodules and seed treatment with bio-fertilizers in pulses, Estimation of protein in pulses.

Lecture schedule – Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Rice: Importance, production, distribution and classification, Cropping systems, agronomy of hybrid rice and climate, Climate, soil and cultural requirements and improved varieties, Nutrient, water and weed management in relation to latest research, Crop protection, handling and processing of produce, quality components and industrial uses of main and by products.	5
2	Wheat: Importance, production, distribution and classification, Cropping systems, adaptability in different agro climatic zones, climate and improved varieties, Soil and cultural requirements, Nutrient, water and weed management in relation to latest research, Crop protection, handling and processing of produce.	5
3	Maize: Importance, production, distribution, cropping systems and classification, Adaptability in different agro climatic zones, climate, soil and cultural requirements and improved varieties, Nutrient, water and weed management in relation to latest research, Crop protection, handling and processing of produce, Prospects of <i>rabi</i> maize cultivation in India and its package.	5

4	Barley: Importance, production, distribution, classification and cropping systems, Adaptability in different agro-climatic zones, climate, improved varieties, soil and cultural requirements Nutrient, water and weed management, Crop protection, handling and processing of produce, quality components and industrial uses of the main and by products.	3
5	Sorghum : Importance, production, distribution and cropping systems, Adaptability in different agro-climatic zones, climate, improved varieties, soil and cultural requirements, nutrient, weed and water management in relation to latest research, Crop protection, handling and processing of produce, quality components and industrial uses of the main and by products	4
6	Pearl millet : Importance, production, distribution and adaptability in different agroclimatic zones, Cropping systems, climate, improved varieties, soil and cultural requirements for maximization of production, Nutrient, weed and water management in relation to latest research, Plant protection, handling and processing of produce, quality components and industrial uses of the main and by products.	4
7	Chickpea :Importance, origin, production and distribution, classification, morphology and phenology, cropping systems, adaptability, Climate, soil and cultural requirement for maximization of production and improved varieties, Nutrient water and weed management, crop protection, handling and processing of produce.	3
8	Pigeon pea :Importance, origin, protection and distribution, classification, morphology and phenology, cropping systems, Adaptability, climate, soil and improved varieties, Nutrient, water and weed management, crop protection, handling and processing of produce.	3

Lecture Schedule - Practical

S.No	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Phenological studies at different growth stages of crops	1
2	Methods of raising nursery including dapog in paddy	1
3	Calculation of fertilizer requirements on the basis of soil test values	1
4	Computation of cost of cultivation in crops	1
5	Formulation of cropping schemes for various farm sizes and calculation of cropping and rotation intensities	2
6	Planning and layout of field experiments	1
7	Working out of indices of intercropping systems – LER aggressivity, relative crowding coefficient, monetary yield advantage and ATER	1
8	Determination of physiological maturity in different crops	1
9	Working out of harvest index in various crops	1
10	Computation of growth analysis indices	1
11	Visit of field experiments on cultural, fertilizer, weed control and water management aspects	1
12	Study of yield attributing characters of cereals and pulses, computation of yield on the basis of yield attributing characters.	1
13	Study of pattern and morphology of root nodules in pulses and seed treatment of pulses and grain legumes with Rhizobium culture	1
14	Estimation of protein in pulses	1
15	Interculture operations in various crops	1

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AGRON 532 Agronomy of Oilseeds, Fibre and Commercial Crops 3(2+1)

Objective

To teach the crop husbandry of oilseed, fibre and commercial crops.

Theory

Origin and history, area and production, classification, improved varieties, adaptability, climate, soil, water and cultural requirements, nutrition quality component, handling and processing of the produce for maximum production of oilseeds - groundnut, rapeseed and mustard and soybean; fibre crops - cotton and jute and commercial crops-sugarcane and potato.

Practical

Phenological studies at different growth stages of crops, study of yield attributing characters of oilseeds and cotton; computation of yield on the basis of yield attributing characters; determination of protein and oil content in oilseeds, Seed treatment of cotton seed with sulphuric acid and cow dung; computation of cost of cultivation of various crops; determination of quality of cotton including ginning per cent and lint index; calculation of fertilizer requirements and their application at different growth stages in various crops on the basis of soil test values.

cutting of cane setts, its treatment and method of sowing, tying and propping of sugarcane; determination of cane maturity and calculation on purity percentage, recovery percentage and sucrose content in juice; preparation of blue print for sugarcane, calculation of seed rate and fertilizer requirement for sugarcane; to work out the cost of cultivation of sugarcane; selection of potato seed, its treatment and method of sowing; calculation of seed rate and fertilizer requirement for potato; preparation of blue print for potato.

Lecture schedule – Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Groundnut: Importance, origin, history, production and distribution, classification, morphology, branching, cropping systems, Adaptability, climate, soil and cultural requirement for maximization of production and improved varieties, Nutrient, water and weed management in relation to latest research, pegging, Crop protection, handling and processing of produce, quality components.	4
2	Rapeseed and mustard : Importance , origin, history, production and distribution, classification, morphology, cropping systems, Adaptability, climate, soil and cultural requirements and improved varieties, Nutrient, water and weed management , Crop protection, handling and processing of produce, quality components	3
3	Soybean : Importance, origin, history, production and distribution, cropping systems, adaptability, climate, soil and cultural requirement for maximization of production and improved varieties, Nutrient water and weed management, Crop protection, handling and processing of produce, quality components.	3
4	Cotton : Importance, origin, history, production and distribution, classification, morphology, branching, cropping systems, Adaptability, climate, soil and cultural requirements for maximization of production and improved varieties. Nutrient, water and weed management in relation to latest research. Crop protection, handling and processing of produce, fibre quality, boll shedding and correction, BT cotton	4
5	Jute : Importance, origin, history, production and distribution, classification, morphology, Adaptability, climate, soil and cultural requirement and improved varieties, Nutrient, water and weed management ,crop protection, harvesting, retting and extraction.	3
6	Sugarcane: Origin, history, importance, distribution and adaptation, Classification, morphology and phenology , General production constraints and varietal improvement, climate, soil, sowing methods and Seed treatment Fertilizer management and Crop logging, Intercultivation, irrigation and weed control,	9

	ripening and harvesting, Ratoon management ,Sugarcane quality and factors affecting, Disease, insect and pest management , Post harvest handling for marketing; industrial uses of main and by products	
7	Potato :Origin, history, importance, distribution and adaptation, classification, morphology and phenology , Climate, soil, sowing methods ,varieties, Selection of seed and its treatment and fertilizer management , Intercultivation, irrigation, weed control ,Seed plot technique in potato, Harvesting, post harvest care and grading ,quality factors of potato, Scope of true potato seed and its production technology.	6

Lecture schedule - Practical

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Study of yield attributing characters of oilseeds, cotton and jute, computation of yield on the basis of yield attributing characters.	1
2	Determination of oil content in oilseeds and computation of oil yield	1
3	Seed treatment of cotton seed with sulphuric acid and cow dung	1
4.	Estimation of protein in oilseed crops	1
5.	Determination of quality of cotton including ginning % and lint index	1
6	Calculation of fertilizer requirements and their application at different growth stages in various crops on the basis of soil test values	1
7	Phenological studies in sugarcane	1
8	Cutting of cane setts, its treatment and method of sowing	1
9	Tying and propping of sugarcane	1
10	Determination of cane maturity and calculation on purity, recovery and sucrose content in juice	1
11	Calculation of seed rate and fertilizer requirement of sugarcane	1
12	Working out cost of cultivation of sugarcane crop	1
13.	Preparation of blue print of sugarcane and potato	1
14.	Phenological studies in potato	1
15.	Selection of potato seed, its treatment and method of sowing	1
16.	Calculation of seed rate and fertilizer requirement for potato	1

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Ph. D. Programme

AGRON 611

Advances in Crop Growth and Productivity

3(2+1)

Objective

To study the physiology of vegetative and reproductive growth in relation to productivity of different crops in various environments.

Theory:

Physiological limitations to crop yield- leaf area , photosynthesis, dry matter distribution; Solar radiation-concept, agro- techniques for harvesting solar radiation for crop yield ; Cardinal points of vital activities-Schimper`s optima, Hopkin`s Bioclimatic law ; Physiology of germination and seedling emergence -series/steps of germination; Concept of growth analysis- merits and de-merits , LAI, CGR, RGR, NAR, LAR, LAD ; Disadvantages of using leaf area as a basis of growth expression ; Types of growth curves-sigmoid, linear, parabolic and asymptotic ; Principles involved in mixed/inter cropping systems and related terminology, advantages and limitations; Heat unit concept of crop maturity- remainder index, degree days, physiological index and interrelationship; Concept of plant ideotype; Regulation of growth and development of field crops; Bioenergetics of metabolic process.

Practical :

Field measurement of root-shoot relationship in crops at different growth stages; Estimation of growth evaluating parameters like RGR, NAR, CGR, HI, LAI etc at different stages of crop growth, their correlation with final crop yield and interpretation thereof; Construction of crop growth curves on the basis of actual field data; Studying plant competition in intercropping system and calculations of LER, ; Theoretical computation of maximum crop productivity based on radiation receipt in the state; Correlation of crop growth with environmental parameters like temperature , sunshine, relative humidity and its interpretation; Calculation of heat unit requirement of important crops under various agro climatic conditions ; Analysis of productivity trends of important crops both under irrigated and dryland conditions on national and state level.

Lecturer schedule – Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Physiological limitations to crop yield- leaf area, photosynthesis, dry matter distribution	2
2	Solar radiation- concepts, agro techniques for harvesting solar radiation for higher crop yield	2
3	Cardinal points of vital activity : Concepts -Schimper`s optima , Cardinal points for temperature for wheat and rice	3
4	Hopkin`s bioclimatic laws	1
5	Physiology of germination and seedling emergence –series/ steps of germination	2
6	Vegetative and reproductive growth- differences	1
7	Growth analysis : Concepts, CGR, RGR, LAR, NAR , LAI, LAD	3
8	Limitations and merits of growth analysis, disadvantages of using leaf area as a basis of growth expression	2
9	Growth curves : Sigmoidal, linear, parabolic and asymptotic	2
10	Principles involved in inter and mixed cropping systems: Concept and differentiation of inter and mixed cropping, related terminology, advantages and limitations of mixed and intercropping	2
11	Criteria in assessing the yield advantages- LER, IER; Competition functions- relative crowding coefficient, aggressivity	2
12	Biological basis for yield advantages- resource use, light	1
13	Heat unit concept of crop maturity : Concept and types of heat units i.e. remainder index, degree days, physiological index and interrelationship	2
14	Concept of plant ideotypes and characteristics of ideotype for dryland area	1
15	Characteristics of ideotype of wheat, pearl millet and chickpea for unirrigated conditions	2
16	Chemical regulation of growth and development in field crops: Concept and types of growth hormones /PGRs	1
17	Application of PGRs in agriculture	1

18	Bioenergetics of metabolic processes-requirement of bioenergetic system, phases of catabolism of food stuffs.	2
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Lecture schedule -Practical

S.No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Field measurement of root-shoot relationship in crops at different growth stages.	2
2	Estimation of growth evaluating parameters like CGR, RGR, NAR, LAI etc, at different stages of crop growth	2
3	Computation of harvest index of various crops	2
4.	Assessment of crop yield on the basis of growth analysis	1
5.	Construction of crop growth curves based on growth analysis data	2
6	Study of plant competition relations in intercropping systems.	1
7	Computation of competition functions viz., LER, aggressivity, competition index etc in intercropping	2
8	Theoretical computation of maximum crop yield on the basis of radiation receipt in the state	1
9	Computation of heat unit and remainder index for various crops	1
10	Analysis of productivity trend in unirrigated areas	1
11	Analysis of productivity trend in irrigated areas	1

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AGRON 612**Advances in Weed Management****3(3+0)****Objective**

To teach about the changing weed flora, new herbicides, their resistance, toxicity, antidotes and residue management under different cropping systems.

Theory

Weed crop competition in different cropping situations, changes in weed flora, various causes and effects. Absorption, translocation and action of herbicides in plants. Fate of herbicides in plants and soils and factors affecting them, selectivity of herbicides and factors affecting ;herbicide and environment interaction, residue management of herbicides, adjuvants, advances in herbicide application techniques, herbicide resistance and their remedial measures; Compatibility of herbicides with other pesticides, synergism and antagonism in herbicides, development of transgenic herbicide resistant crops, relationship of herbicides with tillage, fertilizer and irrigation, bio-herbicide approach in weed management.

Lecture schedule – Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Weed crop competition in different cropping situations	2
2	Changes in weed flora, various causes and effects	2
3	Absorption, translocation and action of herbicides in plants	
	i. Mechanism of absorption and its kinds	2
	ii. Mechanism of translocation through phloem and xylem	2
	iii. Factors affecting absorption and translocation	2
	iv. Action of herbicides on physiological processes	3
4	Fate of herbicides in plants and soil and factors affecting them	
	i. Transformation of herbicides in plants	3
	ii. Transfer and decomposition of herbicides in soil and factors affecting	3
	iii. Minimizing herbicide persistence in soils	2
5	Physiological and biochemical aspects of selectivity of herbicides and factors affecting these	3
6	Herbicide and environment interaction	2
7	Residue management of herbicides	
	i. Estimation of herbicide residues	3
	ii. Factors affecting herbicide residues on succeeding crops	3
8	Adjuvants – their types and significance in herbicide application	2
9	Advances in herbicide application techniques	2
10	Herbicide resistance and remedial measures	2
11	Compatibility of herbicides with other pesticides	2
12	Synergism and antagonism in herbicides	2
13	Development of transgenic herbicide resistant crops	2
14	Relationship of herbicides with tillage, fertilizer and irrigation	3
15	Bio-herbicide approach in weed management	1

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AGRON 621**Irrigation Management****3(2+1)****Objective**

To teach students about optimization of irrigation in different crops under variable agroclimatic conditions.

Theory

Water resources of India, irrigation projects, irrigation needs, atmospheric, soil, agronomic, plant and water factors affecting irrigation need, water deficits and crop growth. Soil plant water relationships, transpiration and evapotranspiration, significance of transpiration, energy utilization in transpiration, physiological processes and crop productivity. Infiltration, water movement under saturated and unsaturated conditions, management practices for improving water use efficiency of crops. Application of irrigation water, conveyance and distribution system, irrigation efficiency, agronomic considerations in the design and operation of irrigation projects, characteristics of irrigation and farming systems affecting irrigation management. Strategies of using limited water supply, factors affecting ET, control of ET by mulching and use of antitranspirants. Fertilizer use in relation to irrigation, optimizing the use of given irrigation supplies. Land suitability for irrigation, land irrigability classification, integrated water management in command areas, institution of water management in commands, Farmer's participation in command areas, irrigation legislation.

Practical :

Determination of water infiltration characteristics and water holding capacity of soil profiles. Moisture extraction pattern of crops. Consumptive use, water requirement of a given cropping pattern for optimum /variable productivity. Use of sensors in irrigation scheduling. Determination of uniformity coefficients for sprinkler irrigation system. Evaluation of different methods of irrigation. Agronomic evaluation of irrigation projects, case studies .

Lecture schedule - Theory

S.No	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Water resources of India	1
2	Irrigation projects- major, medium and minor	2
3	Irrigation needs and factors affecting -atmospheric, soil, agronomic, plant and water factors	2
4	Water deficits and crop growth	2
5	Soil- plant - water relationships	2
6	Transpiration, evapotranspiration and significance of transpiration	1
7	Energy utilization in transpiration, physiological processes and crop productivity	2
8	Infiltration characteristics of soil	1
9	Water movement under saturated and unsaturated conditions	2
10	Management practices for improving water use efficiency of crops	2
11	Application of irrigation water –conveyance and distribution system, irrigation efficiency	2
12	Agronomic consideration in the design and operation of irrigation projects.	2
13	Characteristics of irrigation and farming systems affecting irrigation management .	2
14	Strategies of using limited water supply; factors affecting ET and control of ET by mulching and use of anti-transpirants	2
15	Fertilizer use in relation to irrigation and optimizing the use of given irrigation supplies	2
16	Land suitability for irrigation and land irrigability classification	2
17	Integrated water management in command areas, institutions of water management in commands	2
18	Farmers participation in command areas, irrigation legislation	2

Lecture schedule - Practical

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Measurement of infiltration rates in various types of soils	2
2	Determination of water holding capacity of soil profiles	2
3	Moisture extraction pattern of major crops	2
4.	Estimation and measurement of crop water requirements ETo, ETc, kc etc.	2
5.	Use of sensors in irrigation scheduling	2

6	Determination of uniformity coefficients for sprinkler irrigation system	2
7	Evaluation of different methods of irrigation	2
8	Agronomic evaluation of irrigation project, a case study	2

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AGRON 622

Stress Crop Production

3(2+1)

Objective

To study various types of stresses in crop production and strategies to overcome them.

Theory

Stress and strain terminology; nature of stress injury and resistance; causes of stress; low temperature; viz., chilling and freezing injury and resistance; high temperature or heat stress injury and resistance; water stress viz; water deficit, excess water or flooding stresses injury and resistance; salt stress and its effect on plant growth, stress injury and resistance; practical ways of overcoming various stresses through soil and crop manipulations; environmental pollution viz. air, soil and water and their effect on crop growth and quality.

Practical:

Determination of electrical conductivity of plant cell sap; determination of osmotic potential and tissue water potential; measurement of transpiration rate; measurement of stomatal frequency; growing of plants in sand culture and in artificially salinized soil in pots for biochemical and physiological studies; effect of drought and salt stress on plant growth; effect of osmotic and ionic stress on seed germination and seedling growth, fertilizer management under water and salt stress conditions; study of low temperature injury under field conditions.

Lecture Schedule – Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Stress and strain terminology	2
2	Nature of stress injury and resistance	1
3	Causes of stress	1
4	Low temperature stress - freezing injury and resistance in plants, measurement of freezing tolerance ,	2
	Chilling injury and resistance in plants	2
	Practical ways to overcome the effect of low temperature stress through soil and crop manipulations	1
5	High temperature or heat stress: Meaning of heat stress, heat injury and resistance in plants	2
	Practical ways to overcome the effect of heat stress through soil and crop manipulations	2
6	Water deficit stress:	
	Meaning of plant water deficit stress and its effect on growth and development	2
	Water deficit injury and resistance	2
	Practical ways to overcome effect of water deficit stress through soil and crop manipulations	1
7	Excess water or flooding stress	
	Meaning of excess water stress, its kinds and effects on crop plants	1
	Excess water stress injury and resistance	1

	Practical ways to overcome excess water stress through soil and crop manipulations	2
8	Salt stress:	
	Meaning of salt stress and its effect on crop growth	2
	Salt stress injury and resistance in plants	2
	Practical ways to overcome the effect of salt stress through soil and crop manipulations	2
	Environmental pollution viz., air, soil and water and their effect on crop growth and quality	2
	Ways and means to prevent environmental pollution	2

Lecture Schedule – Practical

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Determination of electrical conductivity of plant cell sap	1
2	Determination of osmotic potential and tissue water potential	2
3	Measurement of transpiration rate	1
4.	Measurement of stomatal frequency	1
5.	Growing of plants in sand culture and under saline stress (artificial salinized soil in pot) for biochemical and physiological studies	3
6	Studies on effect of drought and salt stress on plant growth	2
7	Studies on effect of osmotic and ionic stress on seed germination and seedling growth	2
8	Fertilizer management under water and salt stress conditions	2
9	Study of low temperature injury under field conditions	2

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List of Agronomy Journals

• Advances in Agronomy
• Agriculture, Ecosystems and Environment
• Agricultural Systems
• Agricultural Water Management
• Agronomy Journal
• Annual Review of Plant Physiology
• Applied Ecology and Environment Research
• Australian Journal of Agricultural Research
• Australian Journal of Experimental Agriculture
• Crop Protection
• Environment and Ecology
• European Journal of Agronomy
• Fertilizer Research
• Field Crops Research
• Indian Journal of Agricultural Sciences
• Indian Journal of Agronomy
• Indian Journal of Ecology
• Indian Journal of Weed Science
• Irrigation Science
• Japanese Journal of Crop Science

• Journal of Agronomy
• Journal of Applied Ecology
• Journal of Experimental Botany
• Journal of Farming Systems Research
• Journal of Range Management
• Journal of Agricultural Science Cambridge
• Journal of Sustainable Agriculture
• Netherlands Journal of Agricultural Sciences
• Nutrient Cycling in Agroecosystems
• Pesticide Biochemistry and Physiology
• Plant and Soil
• Plant Production Science
• Soil and Tillage Research
• Swedish Journal of Agricultural Research
• Tropical Agriculture
• Weed Research

Suggested Broad Topics for Master’s and Doctoral Research

- Crop diversification under different agricultural situations
- Development of farming systems for marginal, small and other farmers
- Agricultural information at door step/click of mouse
- Farm-specific nutrient management
- Weed management in different cropping/farming systems
- Nutrient studies in different cropping/farmingsystems
- Biodiversity of farming systems for conservation
- Organic farming systems for different regions
- Modelling for different crop situations
- Conservation agriculture for yield sustainability
- Role of edaphic factors on weeds proliferation and management
- Implications of global warming on weed growth and herbicide behaviour
- Ecological implications of using thresholds for weed management
- Effect of cultivation practices and herbicides on weed flora shift
- GM crops and weed management strategies
- Weed management under reduced moisture regime in major summer/*kharif* crops
- Avoidance of herbicide resistance using IWM

ENTOMOLOGY

M.Sc.(Ag)

Semester-I		
ENT 511	Insect Morphology	2+1
ENT 512	Insect Ecology	2+1
ENT 513	Principles of Integrated Pest Management	2+1
Semester-II		
ENT 521	Classification of Insects	2+1
ENT 522	Insect Physiology And Nutrition	2+1
ENT 523	Toxicology of Insecticides	2+1
ENT 524	Pests of Field Crops	2+1
PGS-502	e-course Technical Writing and Communication Skills	1 (0+1) NC
Semester-III		
ENT 531	Pests Of Horticultural and Plantation Crops	2+1
ENT 533	Biological Control of Crop Pests and Weeds	2+1
PGS -503	e-course -Intellectual property and its Management in Agriculture	1 (1+0) NC
PGS -506	e-course-Disaster Management	1 (1+0) NC
Semester-IV		
ENT 541	Master's Seminar	0+1
ENT 542	Comprehensive	0+2
ENT 543	Master's Research	20

Note: 1. Minor courses are to be decided by Dean / Advisory committee

2. If required another course (related / minor) running in a particular semester may also be offered

ENT 511 Insect Morphology 3(2+1)

Objective

To acquaint the students with external morphology of the insect's body i.e., head, thorax and abdomen, their appendages and functions. To study the anatomy of different systems.

Theory

Principles, utility and relevance: insect body wall structure, cuticular outgrowths, colouration and special integumentary structures in insects, body tagmata, sclerites and segmentation, Head- Origin, structure and modification; types of mouthparts and antennae, tentorium and neck sclerites, Thorax- Areas and sutures of tergum, sternum and pleuron, pterothorax; Wings: structure and modifications, venation, wing coupling apparatus and mechanism of flight; Legs: structure and modifications, Abdomen-Segmentation and appendages; Genitalia and their modifications; embryonic and post-embryonic development; Types of metamorphosis. Insect sense organs (mechano-, photo- and chemo- receptors), Structure of different systems- digestive, circulatory, respiratory, excretory, nervous, sensory, reproductive, musculature, endocrine and exocrine glands.

Practical:

Dissection of cockroach/ grass hopper to study comparative anatomical details of different systems. Study of insect segmentation, various tagmata and their appendages; preparation of permanent mounts of different body parts and their appendages of taxonomic importance including male and female genitalia. Sense organs.

Lecture schedule--Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Principles, utility and relevance of insect body wall structure and cuticular outgrowths	1
2	Colouration and special integumentary structures in insects	1
3	Insect body tagmata, sclerites and segmentation	1
4	Origin, structure and modification of Head	1
5	Types of mouthparts	3
6	Types of antennae	1
7	Tentorium and neck sclerites	1

8	Areas and sutures of tergum, sternum and pleuron, pterothorax	1
9	Structure and modifications of Wings	1
10	Wing venation	1
11	Wing coupling apparatus and mechanism of flight	2
12	Structure and modifications of Legs	2
13	Segmentation and appendages of abdomen	1
14	Genitalia and their modifications	2
15	Embryonic and post-embryonic development	1
16	Types of metamorphosis	1
17	Insect sense organs (mechano-, photo- and chemo- receptors)	2
18	Structure and function of digestive systems	1
19	Structure and function of circulatory systems	1
20	Structure and function of respiratory systems	1
21	Structure and function of excretory systems	1
22	Structure and function of nervous systems	1
23	Structure and function of sensory organ	1
24	Structure and function of reproductive systems	1
25	Structure and function of musculature	1
26	Structure and function of endocrine and exocrine glands	1

Lecture schedule-- Practical

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Study of insect segmentation	1
2	Study of various tagmata and their appendages	1
3	Preparation of permanent mounts of different body parts and their appendages of taxonomic importance including male and female genitalia	6
4	Study of Sense organs	1
5	Dissection of cockroach to study comparative anatomical details of digestive , nervous, excretory systems	7

Suggested Readings

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- Saxena RC & Srivastava RC. 2007. *Entomology: At a Glance*. Agrotech Publ. Academy, Jodhpur.
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ENT 512

Insect Ecology

3(2+1)

Objective

To teach the students the concepts of ecology, basic principles of distribution and abundance of organisms and their causes. Study life tables, organization of communities, diversity indices. Train students in sampling methodology, calculation of diversity indices, constructing life tables, relating insect population fluctuations to biotic and/or abiotic causes.

Theory

History and Definition. Basic Concepts. Organisation of the Biological world. Plato's Natural Balance vs Ecological Dynamics as the modern view. Abundance and diversity of insects, Estimates and Causal factors. Study of abundance and distribution and relation between the two. Basic principles of abiotic factors and their generalised action on insects. Implications for abundance and distribution of organisms including insects- Law of the Minimum, Law of Tolerance, and biocoenosis, Systems approach to ecology, Basic concepts of abundance- Model vs Real world. Population growth- basic models – Exponential vs Logistic models. Discrete vs Continuous growth models. Concepts of Carrying capacity, Environmental Resistance and Optimal yield. Vital Statistics- Life Tables and their application to insect biology. Survivorship curves. Case studies of insect

life tables. Population dynamics- Factors affecting abundance- Environmental factors, dispersal and migration, Seasonality in insects. Classification and mechanisms of achieving different seasonality- Diapause (Quiescence) - aestivation, hibernation, Biotic factors- Food as a limiting factor for distribution and abundance, Nutritional Ecology. Food chain-web and ecological succession. Interspecific interactions-Basic factors governing the interspecific interactions- Classification of interspecific interactions - The argument of cost-benefit ratios. Competition- Lotka-

Volterra model, Concept of niche- ecological homologues, competitive exclusion. Prey-predator interactions- Basic model- Lotka-Volterra Model, Volterra's principle. Functional and numerical response. Defense mechanisms against predators/parasitoids- Evolution of mimicry, colouration, concept of predator satiation; evolution of life history strategies, Community ecology-Concept of guild, Organisation of communities- Hutchinson Ratio, May's d/w , Relation between the two and their association with Dyar's Law and Prizibram's law. Relative distribution of organisms, Concept of diversity- the Wallacian view. Assessment of diversity. Diversity- stability debate, relevance to pest management. Pest management as applied ecology.

Practical

Types of distributions of organisms. Methods of sampling insects, estimation of densities of insects and understanding the distribution parameters- Measures of central tendencies, Poisson Distribution, Negative Binomial Distribution. Determination of optimal sample size. Learning to fit basic population growth models and testing the goodness of fit. Fitting Holling's Disc equation, Assessment of prey-predator densities from natural systems and understanding the correlation between the two. Assessing and describing niche of some insects of a single guild. Calculation of niche breadth, activity breadth and diagrammatic representation of niches of organisms. Calculation of some diversity indices- Shannon's, Simpson's and Avalanche Index and understanding their associations and parameters that affect their values. Problem solving in ecology. Field visits to understand different ecosystems and to study insect occurrence in these systems.

Lecture schedule-- Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	History and definition , Basic Concept	1
2	Organisation of the Biological world	1
3	Plato's Natural balance vs Ecological Dynamics as the modern view	1
4	Abundance and diversity of insects, Estimates and causal factors	1
5	Study of abundance and distribution and relation between the two	1
6	Basic principles of abiotic factors and their generalised action on insects	1
7	Implications for abundance and distribution of organisms including insects- Law of the Minimum, Law of Tolerance and biocoenosis, System approach to ecology	2
8	Basic concepts of abundance- Model vs Real world	1
9	Population growth – basic models –Exponential vs Logistic models	1
10	Discrete vs Continuous growth models	1
11	Concepts of Carrying capacity, Environment Resistance and Optimal yield	1
12	Vital Statistics – Life Tables and their application to insect biology	1
13	Survivorship curves	1
14	Case studies of insect life tables	1
15	Population dynamics – Factors affecting abundance – Environmental factors, dispersal and migration, seasonality in insects	1
16	Classification and mechanisms of achieving different seasonality – Diapause (Quiescence) – aestivation, hibernation	1
17	Biotic factors – Food as a limiting factor for distribution and abundance, Nutritional Ecology	1
18	Food chain – web and ecological succession	1
19	Interspecific interactions – Basic factors governing the interspecific interactions – Classification of interspecific interactions – The argument of cost- benefit ratios	2
20	Competition – Lotka – Volterra model, Concept of niche – ecological homologues, competitive exclusion	1
21	Prey – predator interactions – Basic model – Lotka – Volterra Model, Volterra's principle	1
22	Functional and numerical response	1
23	Defense mechanisms against predators/parasitoids –Evolution of mimicry, colouration	1
24	Concept of predator satiation ; evolution of life history strategies	1
25	Community ecology – concept of guild	1

26	Organisation of communities – Hutchinson Ratio, May's d/w , Relation between the two and their association with Dyar's Law and Przibram's law	1
27	Relative distribution of organisms, Concept of diversity – the Wallacian view	1
28	Assessment of diversity	1
29	Diversity – stability debate, relevance to pest management	1
30	Pest management as applied ecology	1

Lecture schedule-- Practical

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1.	Types of distributions of organisms	1
2.	Methods of sampling insects	1
3.	Estimation of densities of insects and understanding the distribution parameters – Measures of central tendencies	1
4.	Poisson Distribution, Negative Binomial Distribution	1
5.	Determination of optimal sample size	1
6.	Learning to fit basic population growth models and testing the goodness of fit	1
7.	Fitting hollings's Disc equation	1
8.	Assessment of prey – predator densities from natural systems and understanding the correlation between the two	2
9.	Assessing and describing niche of some insects of a single guild	1
10.	Calculation of niche breadth, activity breadth and diagrammatic representation of niches of organisms	2
11.	Calculation of some diversity indices – Shannon's and Avalanche Index and understanding their associations and parameters that affect their values	1
12.	Problem solving in ecology	2
13.	Field visits to understanding different ecosystem and to study insect occurrence in these systems	1

Suggested Readings

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ENT 513 Principles of Integrated Pest Management 3(2+1)

Objective

To familiarize the students with principles of insect pest management, including concept and philosophy of IPM. Train students in computation of ETL, implementing IPM programmes.

Theory:

History and origin, definition and evolution of various related terminologies, Concept of IPM; Economic decision levels of insect pest population, Insect dominance, increase in agriculture pest problem, pest outbreak and factors affecting it; Categories of pest, Tools of pest management and their integration- legislative, cultural,

physical and mechanical methods, host plant resistance, biological control, semiochemicals, botanicals and chemical control, insecticide resistance management; sampling, survey, surveillance and forecasting. Controversies, criticism and constraints in IPM. Case studies of successful IPM programmes. Pest control appliances and their maintenance. **Practical:**

Characterization of agro-ecosystems; sampling methods and factors affecting sampling; population estimation methods; crop loss assessment- direct losses, indirect losses, potential losses, avoidable losses, unavoidable losses. Computation of EIL and ETL; crop modeling; designing and implementing IPM system. Use of pest control appliances and their maintenance.

Lecture schedule--Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	IPM- History, origin, definitions and importance.	1
2	IPM -Concept and Economic decision levels ; ETL, EIL & GEP.	2
3	Insect dominance.	1
4	Pest outbreak , causes and factors affecting it.	1
5	Categories of pests.	1
6	Tools of pest management and their integration; cultural control.	1
7	Physical and mechanical control.	2
8	Legislative control.	2
9	Host plant resistance; principles, concept, characterisation and mechanisms and potential in IPM.	2
10	Semiochemicals- pheromones and allelochemicals and their potential in IPM.	1
11	Hormones (IGRs) and their potential in IPM.	1
12	Biological control- definition, techniques, parasitoids and predators; Microbial control- definition, common microbes; advantages and disadvantages of biocontrol.	2
13	Chemical control; classification of insecticides based on mode of entry, action, toxicity and chemical nature; formulations of insecticides.	2
14	Common insecticides and their use- botanicals, chlorinated hydrocarbons, organophosphates, carbamates, synthetic pyrethroids, novel insecticides, chitin synthesis inhibitors, rodenticides, fumigants;	3
15	Insect attractants, repellents and antifeedents,	1
16	Genetic insect control- gamma radiation and chemosterilants.	1
17	Insecticidal poisoning and antidotes; safe use of insecticides.	1
18	Insecticide resistance management.	1
19	Assessment of insect populations-Sampling techniques.	1
20	Survey, surveillance and forecasting of pest populations.	1
21	Controversies, criticism and constraints in IPM.	1
22	Case studies of successful IPM programmes.	1
23	Pest control appliances and their maintenance.	2

Lecture schedule-- Practical

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Characterization of agro-ecosystems.	2
2	Sampling methods and factors affecting sampling.	2
3	Population estimation methods.	2
4	Crop loss assessment- direct, indirect, potential, avoidable and unavoidable losses.	2
5	Computation of ETL and EIL.	2
6	Crop modelling.	1
7	Designing and implementing IPM system.	1
8	Use of pest control appliances and their maintenance.	4

Suggested Readings

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- Dhaliwal GS, Singh R & Chhillar BS. 2006. *Essentials of Agricultural entomology*. Kalyani Publ., New Delhi.
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ENT 521

Classification of Insects

3(2+1)

OBJECTIVE

To introduce the students to the classification of insects up to the level of families with hands-on experience in identifying the families of insects.

Theory:

Brief evolutionary history of Insects- introduction to phylogeny of insects and Major Classification of Superclass Hexapoda – Classes – Ellipura (Collembola, Protura), Diplura and Insecta- Orders contained, Distinguishing characters, general biology, habits and abitats of Insect orders and economically important families

Contained in them. Collembola, Protura, Diplura. Class Insecta: Subclass Apterygota – Archaeognatha, Thysanura. Subclass: Pterygota, Division Palaeoptera– Odonata and Ephemeroptera. Division: Neoptera:

Subdivision: Orthopteroid and Blattoid Orders (=Oligoneoptera: Plecoptera, Blattodea, Isoptera, Mantodea, Grylloblattodea, Dermaptera, Orthoptera, Phasmatodea, Mantophasmatodea, Embioptera, Zoraptera), Subdivision: Hemipteroid orders (=Paraneoptera): Psocoptera, Phthiraptera, Thysanoptera and Hemiptera, Distinguishing characters, general biology, habits and habitats of Insect orders and economically important families contained in them (Continued). Division Neoptera– Subdivision Endopterygota, Section Neuropteroid- Coleopteroid Orders: Strepsiptera, Megaloptera, Raphidioptera, Neuropterand Coleoptera, Section Panorpoid Orders Mecoptera, Siphonaptera, Diptera, Trichoptera, Lepidoptera, and Section Hymenopteroid Orders: Hymenoptera.

Practical

Study of Orders of insects and their identification using taxonomic keys. Keying out families of insects of different major Orders: Odonata, Orthoptera, Blattodea, Mantodea, Isoptera, Hemiptera, Thysanoptera, Phthiraptera, Neuroptera, Coleoptera, Diptera, Lepidoptera and Hymenoptera. Field visits to collect insects of different orders.

Lecture schedule---Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1.	Brief evolutionary history of Insects- introduction to phylogeny of insects and major classification of superclass Hexapoda.	2
2.	Distinguishing characters, general biology, habits and habitats of Insect orders and economically important families contained in them.	1
3.	Order Collembola, Protura, Diplura.	1
4.	Order Archaeognatha, Thysanura.	1
5.	Order Odonata, Ephemeroptera.	1
6.	Order Plecoptera, Blattodea,	1
7.	Order Isoptera,	1
8.	Order Mantodea, Grylloblattodea	1
9.	Order Dermaptera, Phasmatodea, Mantophasmatodea	1
10.	Order Orthoptera,	1
11.	Order Embioptera, Zoraptera	1
12.	Order Psocoptera, Phthiraptera	1
13.	Order Thysanoptera	1
14.	Order Hemiptera	3
15.	Order Strepsiptera, Megaloptera	1
16.	Order Raphidioptera, Neuroptera	1
17.	Order Coleoptera	3
18.	Order Mecoptera, Siphonaptera	1
19.	Order Diptera	2
20.	Order Trichoptera	1
21.	Order Lepidoptera	3
22.	Order Hymenoptera	2

Lecture schedule-- Practical

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1.	Study of orders of insects and their identification using taxonomic keys.	1
2.	Keying out families of insects of different major Orders: Odonata, Orthoptera	1
3.	Order Blattodea, Mantodea	1

4.	Order Isoptera, Hemiptera	2
5.	Order Thysanoptera, Phthiraptera	1
6.	Order Neuroptera, Coleoptera	2
7.	Order Diptera, Hymenoptera	2
8.	Order Lepidoptera	2
9.	Field visits to collect insects of different orders	4

Suggested Readings

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2. Kapoor VC. 1983. *Theory and Practice in Animal Taxonomy*. Oxford & IBH, New Delhi. Ed.
3. Mayr E. 1971. *Principles of Systematic Zoology*. Tata McGraw-Hill, New Delhi.
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Objective

To impart knowledge to the students on the elementary physiology, nutritional physiology and their application in entomology.

Theory

Scope and importance of insect physiology and nutrition, physiology of different systems- digestive, circulatory, respiratory, excretory, nervous, sensory, reproductive, musculature, endocrine and exocrine glands, thermodynamics; physiology of integument, moulting; growth, metamorphosis and diapauses, Insect nutrition- role of vitamins, proteins, amino acids, carbohydrates, lipids, minerals and other food constituents; extra and intra- cellular micro- organisms and their role in physiology; artificial diets,

Practical

Preparation of permanent mounts of internal systems; chromatographic analysis of free amino acids of haemolymph; determination of chitin in insect cuticle; examination of insect haemocytes; determination of respiratory quotient; preparation and evaluation of various diets; consumption, utilization and digestion of natural and artificial diets.

Lecture schedule-- Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Scope and importance of insect physiology and nutrition	2
2	Physiology of digestive systems	2
3	Physiology of circulatory systems	2
4	Physiology of respiratory systems	2
5	Physiology of excretory systems	2
6	Physiology of nervous systems	2
7	Physiology of sensory organs	2
8	Physiology of reproductive systems	3
9	Physiology of musculature	1
10	Physiology of endocrine and exocrine glands	2
11	physiology of integument	1
12	Moulting process in insect cuticle	1
13	Growth, metamorphosis and diapause	1
14	Role of vitamins, proteins, amino acids in Insect nutrition	2
15	Role of carbohydrates, lipids, minerals and other food constituents in Insect nutrition	2
16	Extra and intra- cellular micro- organisms and their role in physiology	2
17	Artificial diet for rearing of different insects	3

Lecture schedule-- Practical

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Preparation of permanent mounts of internal systems	2
2	Chromatographic analysis of free amino acids of haemolymph	2
3	Determination of chitin in insect cuticle	2
4	Examination of insect haemocytes	2
5	Gel electrophoresis for determination of protein in insect haemolymph	3
6	Preparation of artificial diets of different insects	2
7	Study of food utilization indices	3

Suggested Readings

- Chapman RF. 1998. *Insects: Structure and Function*. ELBS Ed., London.
- Duntson PA. 2004. *The Insects: Structure, Function and Biodiversity*. Kalyani Publ., New Delhi.
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Objective

To orient the students with structure and mode of action of important insecticides belonging to different groups, development of resistance to insecticides by insects, environmental pollution caused by toxic insecticides and their toxicological aspects.

Theory

Definition and scope of insecticide toxicology; history of chemical control; pesticide use and pesticide industry in India, classification of insecticides and acaricides based on mode of entry, mode of action and chemical nature. Structure and mode of action of organo- chlorines, organophosphates, carbamates, pyrethroids, tertiary amines, neonicotinoids, oxadiazines, phenyl pyrozoles, insect growth regulators, microbials, botanicals, new promising compounds, etc., principles of toxicology; evaluation of insecticide toxicity; joint action of insecticides- synergism, potentiation and antagonism; factors affecting toxicity of insecticides; insecticide compatibility, selectivity and phytotoxicity, Insecticide metabolism; pest resistance to insecticides; mechanisms and types of resistance; insecticide resistance management and pest resurgence, Insecticide residues, their significance and environmental implications. Insecticide Act, registration and quality control of insecticides; safe use of insecticides; diagnosis and treatment of insecticide poisoning.

Practical

Insecticide formulations and mixtures; quality control of pesticide formulations; laboratory and field evaluation of bioefficacy of insecticides; bioassay techniques; probit analysis; evaluation of insecticide toxicity and joint action. Toxicity to beneficial insects. Pesticide appliances. Working out doses and concentrations of pesticides; visit to toxicology laboratories. Good laboratory practices.

Lecture schedule-- Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Definition and scope of insecticide toxicology	1
2	History of chemical control	1
3	Pesticide use and pesticide industry in India	1
4	Classification of insecticides and acaricides based on mode of entry, mode of action and chemical nature	1
5	Structure and mode of action of organo-chlorines,	1
6	Structure and mode of action of organophosphates	1
7	Structure and mode of action of carbamates	1
8	Structure and mode of action of pyrethroids, tertiary amines	1
9	Structure and mode of action of neonicotinoids, oxadiazines, phenyl pyrozoles	2
10	Structure and mode of action of growth regulators, microbial	2
11	Structure and mode of action of botanicals, new promising compounds	2
12	Principles of toxicology	1
13	Evaluation of insecticide toxicity	1
14	Joint action of insecticides- synergism, potentiation and antagonism	1
15	Factors affecting of insecticides	1
16	Insecticide compatibility, selectivity and phytotoxicity	1
17	Insecticide metabolism	2
18	Pest resistance to insecticides	1
19	Mechanisms and types of resistance	2
20	Insecticide resistance management and pest resurgence	2
21	Insecticide residues, their significance and environmental implications	2
22	Insecticide Act	1
23	Registration and quality control of insecticides	1
24	Safe use of insecticides	1
25	Diagnosis and treatment of insecticide poisoning	1

Lecture schedule-- Practical

S.No.	Topics	No. of Lectures
1	Insecticide formulations and mixtures	1
2	Quality control of pesticide formulations	1
3	Laboratory and field evaluation of bio-efficacy of insecticides	2
4	Bioassay techniques	2
5	Probit analysis	1
6	Evaluation of insecticide toxicity and joint action	2
7	Toxicity to beneficial insects	1
8	Pesticide appliance	1
9	Working out doses and concentrations of pesticides	2
10	Visit to toxicology laboratories	1
11	Good laboratory practices	2

Suggested Readings

- Chattopadhyay SB. 1985. *Principles and Procedures of Plant Protection*. Oxford & IBH, New Delhi. Gupta HCL. 1999. *Insecticides: Toxicology and Uses*. Agrotech Publ., Udaipur.
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- Perry AS, Yamamoto I, Ishaaya I & Perry R. 1998. *Insecticides in Agriculture and Environment*. Narosa Publ. House, New Delhi.
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ENT 524**Pests of Field Crops****3(2+1)****Objective**

To familiarize the students about nature of damage and seasonal incidence of insect pests that cause loss to major field crops and their effective management by different methods.

Theory

Systematic position, identification, distribution, host-range, bionomics, nature and extent of damage, seasonal abundance and management of insect and mite pests and vectors, Insect pests of cereals and millets and their management. Polyphagous pests: grasshoppers, locusts, termites, white grubs, hairy caterpillars, and non-insect pests (mites, birds, rodents, snails, slugs etc.), Insect pests of pulses, tobacco, oilseeds and their management, Insect pests of fibre crops, forages, sugarcane and their management.

Practical

Field visits, collection and identification of important pests and their natural enemies; detection and estimation of infestation and losses in different crops; study of life history of important insect pests.

Lecture schedule-- Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Systematic position, identification, distribution, host range, bionomics, nature and extent of damage, seasonal abundance and management of insect- pests of cereals and millets.	5
2	Insect pests of pulses.	3
3	Insect pests of tobacco.	1
4	Insect pests of oilseeds.	4
5	Insect pests of fibre crops.	4
6	Insect pests of forage crops.	1
7	Insect pests of sugarcane.	3
8	Poly phagous pests- grasshopper, locust, termite, white grubs and red hairy caterpillar.	8
9	Non- insect pests and their management- mites, birds, rodents, snails and slugs.	3

Lecture schedule-- Practical

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Field visits, collection and identification of important pests and their natural enemies	6
2	Detection and estimation of infestation and losses in different crops	4
3	Study of life history of important pests	6

Suggested Readings

- Atwal AS, Dhaliwal GS & David BV. 2001. *Elements of Economic Entomology*. Popular Book Depot, Chennai.
- Dhaliwal GS, Singh R & Chhillar BS. 2006. *Essentials of Agricultural Entomology*. Kalyani Publ., New Delhi.
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ENT 531 Pests of Horticultural and Plantation Crops 3(2+1)

Objective

To impart knowledge on major pests of horticultural and plantation crops regarding the extent and nature of loss, seasonal history, their integrated management.

Theory

Systematic position, identification, distribution, host range, bionomics and seasonal abundance, nature and extent of damage and management of insect pests of various crops, Fruit Crops- mango, guava, banana, jack, papaya, pomegranate, litchi, grapes, ber, fig, citrus, aonla, pineapple, apple, peach and other temperate fruits, Vegetable crops- tomato, potato, radish, carrot, beetroot, cole crops, french beans, chow-chow, brinjal, okra, all gourds, gherkin, drumstick, leafy vegetables etc., Plantation crop- coffee, tea, rubber, coconut, arecanut, cashew, cocoa etc.; Spices and Condiments- pepper, cardamom, clove, nutmeg, chillies, turmeric, ginger, beetlevine etc., Ornamental, medicinal and aromatic plants and pests in polyhouses/ protected cultivation.

Practical

Collection and identification of important pests and their natural enemies on different crops; study of life history of important insect pests and non- insect pests.

Lecture schedule-- Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1.	Pests of mango	2
2.	Pests of guava, banana	2
3.	Pests of jack fruit, papaya, pomegranate	2
4.	Pests of litchi, ber	1
5.	Pests of grapes	2
6.	Pests of fig, aonla	1
7.	Pests of citrus	3
8.	Pests of apple, peach and other temperate fruits	2
9.	Pests of tomato, potato	1
10.	Pests of radish, carrot, beetroot	1

11.	Pests of cole crops	2
12.	Pests of beans	1
13.	Pests of brinjal	1
14.	Pests of okra, drumstick, leafy vegetables	1
15.	Pests of gourds	2
16.	Pests of plantation crops	2
17.	Pests of spices and condiments	1
18.	Pests of beetlevine, ornamental plants, aromatic plants	2
19.	Pests of medicinal plants	1
20.	Pests in polyhouses and protected cultivation	2

Lecture schedule-- Practical

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1.	Identification of important pests and their natural enemies on different crops; study of life history of important insect pests and non- insect pests: Pests of mango, guava, banana, jack fruit, papaya, pomegranate.	1
2.	Pests of litchi, ber, grapes, fig, aonla	1
3.	Pests of citrus	1
4.	Pests of apple, peach and other temperate fruits	1
5.	Pests of tomato, potato, radish, carrot, beetroot	1
6.	Pests of cole crops, beans	1
7.	Pests of brinjal, okra, drumstick, leafy vegetables, gourds	1
8.	Pests of plantation crops, spices, condiments, ornamental plants, aromatic plants	1
9.	Pests of beetlevine, medicinal plants	1
10.	Pests in polyhouses and protected cultivation	1
11.	Collection a n d study of life history of important insect pests and non- insect pests.	6

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ENT 533

Biological Control of Crop Pests and Weeds

3(2+1)

Objective

To train the students with theory and practice of biological control, mass production techniques and field evaluation of various biological control agents like arasitoids, predators and various entomopathogenic microorganisms.

Theory

History, principles and scope of biological control; important groups of parasitoids, predators and pathogens; principles of classical biological control- importation, augmentation and conservation, Biology, adaptation, host seeking behaviour of predatory and parasitic groups of insects. Role of insect pathogenic nematodes, viruses, bacteria, fungi, protozoa etc., their mode of action. Biological control of weeds using insects, Mass production of quality biocontrol agents- techniques, formulations, economics, field release/application and evaluation, Successful biological control projects, analysis, trends and future possibilities of biological control. Importation of natural enemies- Quarantine regulations, biotechnology in biological control. Semiochemicals in biological control.

Practical:

Identification of common natural enemies of crop pests (parasitoids, predators, microbes) and weed killers. Visits (only where logistically feasible) to bio-control laboratories to learn rearing and mass production of egg, egg-larval, larval, larval-pupal and pupal parasitoids, common predators, microbes and their laboratory hosts,

phytophagous natural enemies of weeds. Field collection of parasitoids and predators. Hands-on training in culturing, identification of common insect pathogens. Quality control and registration standards for biocontrol agents.

Lecture schedule-- Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1.	History, principles and scope of biological control	3
2.	Important groups of parasitoids, predators and pathogens	3
3.	Principles of classical biological control- importation, augmentation and conservation.	2
4.	Biology, adaptation, host seeking behaviour of predatory and parasitic groups of Insects	3
5.	Role of insect pathogenic nematodes, viruses, bacteria, fungi, protozoa etc., their mode of action	6
6.	Biological control of weeds using insects	2
7.	Mass production of quality biocontrol agents- techniques, formulations	3
8.	Economics, field release/ application and evaluation.	2
9.	Successful biological control projects, analysis, trends and future possibilities of biological control.	2
10.	Importation of natural enemies- Quarantine regulations	2
11.	Biotechnology in biological control	2
12.	Semiochemicals in biological control	2

Lecture schedule-- Practical

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1.	Identification of common natural enemies of crop pests (parasitoids, predators, microbes) and weed killers.	4
2.	Visits (only where logistically feasible) to bio-control laboratories to learn rearing and mass production of egg, egg-larval, larval, larval-pupal and pupal parasitoids, common predators, microbes and their laboratory hosts, phytophagous natural enemies of weeds.	2
3.	Field collection of parasitoids and predators	4
4.	Hands-on training in culturing, identification of common insect pathogens	4
5.	Quality control and registration standards for biocontrol agents	2

Suggested Readings

- Burges HD & Hussey NW. (Eds). 1971. *Microbial Control of Insects and Mites*. Academic Press, London. De Bach P. 1964. *Biological Control of Insect Pests and Weeds*. Chapman & Hall, New York. Dhaliwal GS & Arora R. 2001. *Integrated Pest Management: Concepts and Approaches*. Kalyani Publ., New Delhi. Gerson H & Smiley RL. 1990. *Acarine Biocontrol Agents – An Illustrated Key and Manual*. Chapman & Hall, New York.
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- ◆ *Annual Review of Entomology*- Paloalto, California, USA
- ◆ *Applied Soil Ecology*- Elsevier Science, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- ◆ *Biopesticides International*- Koul Research Foundation, Jalandhar
- ◆ *Bulletin of Entomological Research*- CAB International, Wallingford, UK
- ◆ *Bulletin of Grain Technology*- Food Grain Technologist Res. Association of India, Hapur
- ◆ *Crop Protection*- Elsevier's Science, USA

- ◆ *Ecological Entomology* -Royal Entomological Society, UK
- ◆ *Entomologia Experimentalis Applicata*- Kluwer Academic Publishers, The Netherlands
- ◆ *Entomon*- Association for Advancement of Entomology, Kerala
- ◆ *Environmental Entomology*- Entomological Society of America, Maryland, USA
- ◆ *Indian Journal of Applied Entomology*- Entomological Research Association, Udaipur
- ◆ *Indian Journal of Entomology*- Entomological Society of India, New Delhi
- ◆ *Indian Journal of Plant Protection*- Plant Protection Society of India,Hyderabad
- ◆ *Indian Journal of Sericulture*- Central Silk Board, Bangalore
- ◆ *International Journal of Acarology*- Indira Acarology Publishing House,Minnessota, USA
- ◆ *International Journal of Pest Management*- Taylor and Francis, UK
- ◆ *Journal of Acarology*- Acarological Society of India, UAS, Bangalore
- ◆ *Journal of Apiculture Research*- IBRA, UK
- ◆ *Journal of Applied Entomology*- Blackwell Science Ltd., Oxford, UK
- ◆ *Journal of Biocontrol*- Society for Biocontrol Advancement, Bangalore
- ◆ *Journal of Economic Entomology*- Entomological Society of America,Maryland, USA
- ◆ *Journal of Entomological Research*- Malhotra Publishing House, New Delhi
- ◆ *Journal of Insect Behaviour*- Plenum Publishing Corporation, NY, USA
- ◆ *Journal of Insect Physiology*- Pergamon Press, UK
- ◆ *Journal of Insect Science*- Indian Society for the Advancement of InsectScience, Ludhiana
- ◆ *Journal of Invertebrate Pathology*, Elsevier Publ. Corporation, The Netherlands
- ◆ *Journal of Soil Biology and Ecology*, Indian Society of Soil Biology and Ecology, UAS, Bangalore
- ◆ *Journal of Stored Products Research*- Elsevier's Science, USA
- ◆ *Pesticides Research Journal*- Society of Pesticides Science, New Delhi
- ◆ *Pesticide Science* – Oxford, London
- ◆ *Pesticide Biochemistry and Physiology*- New York, USA
- ◆ *Physiological Entomology*- Royal Entomological Society, UK
- ◆ *Review of Applied Entomology*- CAB International, Wallingford, UK
- ◆ *Systematic Entomology*- Royal Entomological Society, UK

e-Resources

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- ◆ <http://www.ent.iastate.edu/list/>
- ◆ <http://www.biologybrowser.org/>
- ◆ <http://www.teachers.ash.org.au/aussieed/insects.htm>
- ◆ <http://entomology.si.edu/>
- ◆ <http://www.intute.ac.uk/healthandlifesciences/agriculture/>
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- ◆ <http://www.IPMnet.org/DIR/>
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- ◆ <http://ars-genome.cornell.edu/>
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HORTICULTURE

(A). M.Sc. courses:

S. NO.	Course No.	Title	Cr. Hrs.
I Semester			
1.	Hort. 511	Tropical and Dry land Horticulture	3 (2+1)
2.	Hort. 512	Sub-Tropical and Temperate Fruit Production	3 (2+1)
3.	Hort. 513	Production Technology of warm season Vegetable Crops	3 (2+1)
4.	PGS-502	e-course Technical Writing and Communication Skills	1 (0+1) NC
II Semester			
5.	Hort. 521	Seed Production Technology of vegetable crops	3 (2+1)
6.	Hort. 522	Propagation and Nursery management of Fruit Crops	3 (2+1)
7.	Hort. 527	Landscaping and Ornamental Gardening	3 (2+1)
8.	PGS -503	e-course -Intellectual property and its Management in Agriculture	1 (1+0) NC
9.	PGS -506	e-course-Disaster Management	1 (1+0) NC
III Semester			
10.	Hort. 531	Production Technology of loose flowers	3 (2+1)
11.	Hort. 532	Post Harvest Technology for Fruit Crops	3 (2+1)
12.	Hort. 533	Production Technology of cool season vegetable crops	3 (2+1)
IV Semester			
13.	Hort. 541	Seminar	0+1
14.	Hort. 542	Comprehensive	0+2
15.	Hort. 543	Master's Research	20

Note: 1. Minor courses are to be decided by Dean / Advisory committee

2. If required another course (related / minor) running in a particular semester may also be offered.

HORT 511 Tropical and Dry Land Fruit Production 3(2+1)

Objective

To impart basic knowledge about the importance and management of tropical and dry land fruits grown in India.

Theory

Commercial varieties of regional, national and international importance, ecophysiological requirements, recent trends in propagation, rootstock influence, planting systems, cropping systems, root zone and canopy management, nutrient management, water management, fertigation, role of bio regulators, abiotic factors limiting fruit production, physiology of flowering, pollination, fruit set and development, honeybees in cross pollination, physiological disorders-causes and remedies, quality improvement by management practices; maturity indices, harvesting, grading, packing, storage and ripening techniques; industrial and export potential, Agri. Export Zones(AEZ) and industrial supports. **Crops**

Mango and Banana, Papaya, Coconut and Cashew nut, Sapota and Jackfruit, Pineapple and Annonas , Aonla, Pomegranate, Phalsa and Ber, minor fruits of tropics (Mahua, Lasoda, Mulberry, Tamarind and Chironji)

Practical

Identification of important cultivars, observations on growth and development, practices in growth regulation, malady diagnosis, analyses of quality attributes, Practices of important agro-techniques, visit to tropical and arid zone orchards, Project preparation for establishing commercial orchards.

Lecture schedule : Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lecture
1.	Commercial varieties of regional , national and international importance, ecophysiological requirement, recent trends in propagation, rootstock influence, planting system, cropping system, root zone and canopy management, nutrient management, water management, fertigation, role of bio regulators, abiotic factors limiting fruit production, physiology of flowering , pollination, fruit set and development, honeybees in cross pollination, physiological disorder-causes and remedies, quality improvement by management practices, maturity indices, harvesting, grading, packing, storage and ripening techniques, industrial and export potential, Agri. Export Zones (AEZ) and industrial supports.- Mango	5
2.	Banana	4
3.	Papaya	2
4.	Coconut	2

5.	Cashew nut	2
6.	Sapota	2
7.	Jackfruit	1
8.	Pinaapple	2
9.	Annonas	2
10.	Aonla	2
11.	Pomegranate	1
12.	Phalsa	1
13.	Ber	2
14.	Mahua	1
15.	Lasoda	1
16.	Mulberry	1
17.	Tamarind	1
18.	Chironji	1

Lecture schedule : Practical

1	Identification of important cultivars	2
2.	Observation on growth and development	2
3.	Practices in growth regulation	2
4.	Malady diagnosis in fruit crops	2
5	Analyses of quality attributes	2
6	Practices of important agro- techniques- fertilization, manuring, weeding and hoeing pruning and training	3
7	Visit to tropical and arid zone orchard	2
8	Project preparation for establishing commercial orchards	2

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HORT 512

Subtropical and Temperate Fruit Production

3 (2+1)

Objective

To impart basic knowledge about the importance and management of subtropical and temperate fruits grown in India.

Theory

Commercial varieties of regional, national and international importance, ecophysiological requirements, recent trends in propagation, rootstock influence, planting systems, cropping systems, root zone and canopy management, nutrient management, water management, fertigation, bio regulation, abiotic factors limiting fruit production, physiology of flowering, fruit set and development, abiotic factors limiting production, physiological disorders-causes and remedies, quality improvement by management practices; maturity indices, harvesting, grading, packing, pre-cooling, storage, transportation and ripening techniques; industrial and export potential, Agri Export Zones(AEZ) and industrial support.

Crops- Apple, pear, quince, Plums, peach, apricot, cherries, Litchi, loquat, kiwifruit, strawberry

Nuts- walnut, almond, pistachio, Grapes, Guava, Citrus and Custard apple, Minor fruits- carambola, bael, wood apple, fig, jamun, rambutan, ker, pilu

Practical

Identification of important fruit plants and its available cultivars, observations on growth and development,

practices in growth regulation, malady diagnosis, analyses of quality attributes, visit to tropical, subtropical, humid tropical and temperate orchards, Project preparation for establishing commercial orchards.

Lecture schedule: Theory

S. No	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Commercial varieties of regional, national and international importance, cophysiological requirements, recent trends in propagation, rootstock influence, planting systems, cropping systems, root zone and canopy management, nutrient management, water anagement, fertigation, role of bio regulators, abiotic factors limiting fruit production, physiology of flowering, pollination, fruit set and development, honeybees in cross pollination, physiological disorders-causes and remedies, quality improvement by management practices; maturity indices, harvesting, grading, packing, storage and ripening techniques; industrial and export potential, Agri. Export Zones(AEZ) and industrial supports of following fruit crops.	
2	Apple, pear, quince	6
3	Plums, peach, apricot, cherries	4
4	Litchi, loquat, kiwifruit, strawberry	4
5	Nuts- walnut, almond, pistachio	4
6	Grapes, Guava, Citrus and Custard apple	6
7	Minor fruits- carambola, bael, wood apple, fig, jamun, rambutan, ker, pilu	8

Lecture schedule: Practical

1	Identification of important fruit plants and its available cultivars	2
2	Observations on growth and development of Tropical, sub- tropical & temperate fruit crops.	2
3	Practices in growth regulation and canopy management in fruit crops	4
4	Diagnosis of different malady / disorders & analyses of quality attributes	4
5	Practices of important agro-techniques of tropical, sub- tropical & temperate fruit crops.	2
6	Visit to tropical, sub- tropical & temperate fruit crops.	2

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HORT 513 Production Technology of Warm Season Vegetable Crops 3(2+1)

Objective

To teach production technology of warm season vegetables.

Theory

Introduction, botany and taxonomy, climatic and soil requirements, commercial varieties/hybrids, sowing/planting times and methods, seed rate and seed treatment, nutritional and irrigation requirements, intercultural operations, weed control, mulching, physiological disorders, harvesting, post harvest management, plant protection measures, economics of crop production and seed production of: Tomato, eggplant, hot and sweet peppers, Okra, beans, cowpea and clusterbean, Cucurbitaceous crops , Colocasia and sweet potato, Green leafy warm season vegetables.

Practical

Cultural operations (fertilizer application, sowing, mulching, irrigation, weed control) of summer vegetable crops and their economics; study of physiological disorders and deficiency of mineral elements, preparation of cropping schemes for commercial farms; experiments to demonstrate the role of mineral elements, physiological disorders; plant growth substances and herbicides; seed extraction techniques; identification of

important pests and

diseases and their control; maturity standards; economics of warm season vegetable crops.

Lecture schedule: Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Introduction, botany & taxonomy, climate and soil requirement, commercial varieties/ hybrids, sowing/planting times & methods, seed rate and seed treatment, nutritional and irrigation requirement, intercultural operations, weed control, mulching, physiological disorder, harvesting, post-harvesting management, plant protection measures, economics of crop production and seed production of - Tomato	4
2.	Eggplant	3
3.	Hot and sweet peppers	3
4.	Okra	1
5.	Beans	2
6.	Cowpea	1
7.	Cluster bean	1
8.	Cucurbitaceous crops- Water melon	1
9.	Musk melon	1
10.	Bottle gourd	1
11.	Ridge gourd	1
12.	Round gourd	1
13.	Kakri	1
14.	Bitter gourd	1
15.	Little gourd	1
16.	Smooth gourd	1
17.	Snap gourd	1
18.	Kachari	1
19.	Khira	1
20.	Kaddu	1
21.	Colocasia	2
22.	Sweet potato	1
23.	Green leafy warm season vegetables	1

Lecture schedule: Practical

S.No	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Cultural operations (fertilizer application, sowing, mulching)	1
2.	Cultural operations (irrigation and weed control) of summer vegetables crops	1
3.	Economic of summer veg, crops	1
4.	Study of physiological and deficiency of mineral elements	2
5.	Preparation of cropping schemes for commercial farms	1
6.	Experiments to demonstrate the role of mineral element physiological disorder	1
7.	Experiments to demonstrate the physiological disorder	1
8.	Experiments to demonstrate the plant growth substances	1
9.	Experiments to demonstrate the herbicides	1
10.	Experiments to demonstrate the seed extraction techniques	1
11.	Identification of important pests and their control	1
12.	Identification of important diseases and their control	1
13.	Maturity standard of warm season vegetables crops	1
14.	Economics of warm season vegetables crops	2

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HORT 521 Seed Production Technology of Vegetable Crops 3(2+1)

Objective

To educate principles and methods of quality seed and planting material production in vegetable crops.

Theory

Definition of seed and its quality, new seed policies; DUS test, scope of vegetable seed industry in India. Genetical and agronomical principles of seed production; methods of seed production; use of growth regulators and chemicals in vegetable seed production; floral biology, pollination, breeding behaviour, seed development and maturation; methods of hybrid seed production. Categories of seed; maintenance of nucleus, foundation and certified seed; seed certification, seed standards; seed act and law enforcement, plant quarantine and quality control. Physiological maturity, seed harvesting, extraction, curing, drying, grading, seed processing, seed coating and pelleting, packaging (containers/packets), storage and cryopreservation of seeds, synthetic seed technology. Agro-techniques for seed production in solanaceous vegetables, cucurbits, leguminous vegetables, cole crops, bulb crops, leafy vegetables, okra.

Practical

Seed sampling, seed testing (genetic purity, seed viability, seedling vigour, physical purity) and seed health testing; testing, releasing and notification procedures of varieties; floral biology; rouging of off-type; methods of hybrid seed production in important vegetable and spice crops; seed extraction techniques; handling of seed processing and seed testing equipments; seed sampling; testing of vegetable seeds for seed purity, germination, vigour and health; visit to seed processing units, seed testing laboratory and seed production farms.

Lecture schedule: Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of Lecture
1.	Definition of seed and its quality, new seed policies; DUS test, scope of vegetable seed industry in India.	2
2.	Genetical and agronomical principles of seed production; methods of seed production; use of growth regulators and chemicals in vegetable seed production; floral biology, pollination, breeding behaviour, seed development and maturation; methods of hybrid seed production.	2
3.	Categories of seed; maintenance of nucleus, foundation and certified seed; seed certification, seed standards; seed act and law enforcement, plant quarantine and quality control.	2
4.	Physiological maturity, seed harvesting, extraction, curing, drying, grading, seed processing, seed coating and pelleting, packaging (containers/packets), storage and cryopreservation of seeds, synthetic seed technology.	2
5.	Agro-techniques for seed production in p o t a t o	2
6.	T o m a t o	2
7.	Brinjal	2
8.	Chilli	2
9.	C a u l i f l o w e r	1
10.	C a b b a g e	1
11.	K n o l - k h o l	1
12.	Sprouting broccoli	1
13.	B russels sprout	1
14.	Okra	1
15.	Cucurbitaceous crops	2
16.	O n i o n	1
17.	Garlic	1
18.	Pea	1
19.	Broad bean	1
20.	Cluster bean	1
21.	Cow pea	1
22.	Palak	1
23.	Amaranthus	1
24.	Fenugreek	1

Lecture schedule: Practical

S.No	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Seed sampling	2
2.	Seed testing (genetic purity, seed viability)	2
3.	Seed viability	2
4.	Seedling vigour	2
5.	Physical purity) and seed health testing	2
6.	Releasing and notification procedures of varieties	2
7.	Floral biology	2
8.	Rouging	2

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Objective

Familiarization with principles and practices of propagation and nursery management for fruit crops.

Theory

Introduction, life cycles in plants, cellular basis for propagation, sexual propagation, apomixis, polyembryony, chimeras. Principles factors influencing seed germination of horticultural crops, dormancy, hormonal regulation of germination and seedling growth. Seed quality, treatment, packing, storage, certification, testing. Asexual propagation — rooting of cuttings. Physiological, anatomical and biochemical aspects of root induction in cuttings. Layering — principle and methods. Budding and grafting – selection of elite mother plants, methods. Establishment of bud wood bank, stock, scion and inter stock, relationship — Incompatibility. Rejuvenation through top working – Progeny orchard and scion bank. Micro-propagation– principles and concepts, commercial exploitation in horticultural crops. Techniques - *in vitro* clonal propagation, direct organogenesis, embryogenesis, micro grafting, meristem culture. Hardening, packing and transport of micro-propagules, shoot tip grafting/ micro grafting. Nursery — types, structures, components, planning and layout. Nursery management practices for healthy propagule production.

Practical

Preparation and planting of cuttings and layering, Root stock raising, Practices of different methods of budding and grafting, Study of media and PGR. Hardening, micropropagation, explant preparation, media reparation, culturing —*in vitro* clonal propagation, meristem culture, shoot tip culture, axillary bud culture, direct organogenesis, direct and indirect embryogenesis, micro grafting, hardening. Visit to TC labs and nurseries.

Lecture schedule: Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Introduction, life cycles in plants	1
2	Cellular basis for propagation in fruit crops.	1
3	Sexual propagation, apomixis, polyembryony, chimeras.	2
4	Principal factors influencing seed germination of horticultural crops, dormancy, hormonal regulation of germination and seedling growth.	2
5	Seed quality, treatment, packing, storage, certification, testing	2
6	Asexual propagation — rooting of cuttings.	3
7	Physiological, anatomical and biochemical aspects of root induction in cuttings.	2
8	Layering — principle and methods.	2
9	Budding and grafting – selection of elitemother plants, methods.	2
10	Establishment of bud wood bank, stock, scion and inter stock, relationship — Incompatibility.	2
11	Rejuvenation through top working — Progeny orchard and scion bank.	2
12	Micro-propagation– principles and concepts, commercial exploitation in horticultural c r o p s .	2
13	Techniques - <i>in vitro</i> clonal propagation, direct organogenesis, embryogenesis, micro grafting, meristem culture	2
14	Hardening, packing and transport of micro-propagules, shoot tip grafting/ micro grafting.	2
15	Nursery — types, structures, components, planning and layout.	2
16	Nursery management practices for healthy propagule production.	3

Lecture schedule: Practical

1	Preparation and planting of cuttings and layering	2
2	Raising of root stock.	2
3	Practices of different methods of budding and grafting	4
4	Study of media and PGR	2
5	Hardening, micro propagation, explant preparation, media preparation	2
6	<i>In vitro</i> clonal propagation, meristem culture, shoot tip culture, axillary bud culture, direct organogenesis, direct and indirect embryogenesis, micro grafting, hardening.	2
7	Visit to TC labs and nurseries.	2

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Landscaping and Ornamental Gardening

3(2+1)

Objective

Familiarization with principles and practices of landscaping and ornamental gardening.

Theory

Landscape designs, types of gardens, English, Mughal, Japanese, Persian, Spanish, Italian, Buddha garden; Styles of garden, formal, informal and free style gardens. Urban landscaping, Landscaping for specific situations, institutions, industries, residents, hospitals, roadsides, traffic islands, damsites, IT parks, corporates. Garden plant components, arboretum, shrubbery, fernery, palmatum, arches and pergolas, edges and hedges, climbers and creepers, cacti and succulents, herbs, annuals, flower borders and beds, ground covers, carpet beds, bamboo groves; Production technology for selected ornamental plants. Lawns, Establishment and maintenance, special types of gardens, vertical garden, roof garden, bog garden, sunken garden, rock garden, clock garden, colour wheels, temple garden, sacred groves. Bio-aesthetic planning, eco-tourism, theme parks, indoor gardening, therapeutic gardening, non-plant components, water scaping, xeriscaping, hardscaping.

Practical

Identification of ornamental plants, practices in preparing designs for home gardens, industrial gardens, institutional gardens, corporates, avenue planting, practices in planning and planting of special types of gardens, burlapping, lawn making, planting herbaceous and shrubbery borders, project preparation on landscaping for different situations, visit to parks and botanical gardens, case study on commercial landscape gardens.

Lecture schedule:Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lecture
1	Scope of loose flower trade, Significance in the domestic market export	2
2	Varietal wealth and diversity	1
3	Propagation: Sexual and asexual propagation methods	3
4	Propagation in mist chambers, nursery management, pro-tray nursery under shade nets, transplanting techniques	2
	Soil and climate requirements, field preparation, systems of planting, precision farming techniques, Water and nutrient management, weed management, training and pruning, pinching and disbudding, special horticultural practices, use of growth regulators, physiological disorders and remedies, IPM and IDM, Flower forcing and year round	
	flowering, production for special occasions through physiological interventions, chemical regulation, Harvest indices, harvesting techniques, post-harvest handling and grading, pre-cooling, packing and storage, value addition, concrete and essential oil extraction, transportation and marketing, export potential, institutional support, Agri Export Zones	
5	Jasmine	2
6	Scented rose	3
7	Chrysanthemum	3
8	Marigold	1
9	Tuberose	1
10	Crossandra	1
11	Nerium	1
12	Hibiscus	1
13	Barleria	1
14	Gomphrena	1
15	Gaillardia	1
16	Nyctanthes	1

17	Tabernaemontana	1
18	Ixora,	1
19	Lotus	1
20	Lilies	1
21	Tecoma	1
22	Champaka	1
23	Pandanus	1

Lecture schedule: Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lecture
1	Botanical description of species and varieties	1
2	Propagation techniques	2
3	Mist chamber operation	1
4	Training and pruning techniques	1
5	Practices in manuring, drip and fertigation, foliar nutrition,	2
6	Growth regulator application	1
7	Pinching, disbudding, staking	1
8	Harvesting techniques	1
9	Post-harvest handling,	1
10	Storage and cold chain,	1
11	Project preparation for regionally important commercial loose flowers	2
12	Essential oil extraction units and markets	1
13	Visits to fields	1

Suggested Readings

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Production Technology for Loose Flowers

3(2+1)

Objective To impart basic knowledge about the importance and management of loose flowers grown in India.

Theory

Scope of loose flower trade, Significance in the domestic market export, varietal wealth and diversity, propagation, sexual and asexual propagation methods, propagation in mist chambers, nursery management, pro-traynursery under shadenets, transplanting techniques

Soil and climate requirements, field preparation, systems of planting, precision farming techniques. Water and nutrient management, weed management, training and pruning, pinching and disbudding, special horticultural practices, use of growth regulators, physiological disorders and remedies, IPM and IDM. Flower forcing and year round flowering, production for special occasions through physiological interventions, chemical regulation. Harvest indices, harvesting techniques, post-harvest handling and grading, pre-cooling, packing and storage, value addition, concrete and essential oil extraction, transportation and marketing, export potential, institutional support, Agri Export Zones. **Crops:** Jasmine, scented rose, chrysanthemum, marigold, tuberose, crossandra, nerium, hibiscus, barleria, gomphrena, gaillardia, non-traditional flowers (Nyctanthes, Tabernaemontana, ixora, lotus, lilies, tecoma, champaka, pandanus).

Practical

Botanical description of species and varieties, propagation techniques, mist chamber operation, training and pruning techniques, practices in manuring, drip and fertigation, foliar nutrition, growth regulator application, pinching, disbudding, staking, harvesting techniques, post-harvest handling, storage and cold chain, project preparation for regionally important commercial loose flowers, visits to fields, essential oil extraction units and markets.

Lecture schedule: Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Landscape designs	1
2	Styles of garden, formal, informal and free style gardens	1
3	Mughal garden	1
4	English Garden	1
5	Japanese garden	1
6	Persian garden, Spanish garden, Italian & Buddha garden	2
7	Urban landscaping	1
8	Landscaping for specific situations: Institutions	1
9	Landscaping for specific situations: Industries	1
10	Landscaping for specific situations: Residents & hospitals, Roadsides, traffic islands, damsites	2
11	Landscaping for specific situations: IT parks & corporate	1
12	Garden plant components, arboretum	1
13	Shrubbery	1
14	Fernery, palmatum	1
15	Arches and pergolas	1
16	Edges and Hedges	1
17	Climbers and creepers	1
18	Cacti and succulents	1
19	Herbs, annuals, flower borders and beds	1
20	Ground covers, carpet beds, bamboo groves	1
21	Production technology for selected ornamental plant	1
22	Lawns: Establishment and maintenance	1
23	Special types of gardens: vertical garden, roof garden,	1
24	Bog garden, sunken garden	1
25	Rock garden, clock garden, colour wheels, temple garden, sacred groves	1
26	Bio-aesthetic planning, eco-tourism, theme parks	1
27	Indoor gardening	1
28	Therapeutic gardening, non-plant components	1
29	Water scaping	1
30	Xeriscaping & hardscaping	1

Lecture schedule: Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Identification of ornamental plants	2
2	Practices in preparing designs for home gardens, industrial gardens, institutional gardens, corporates	4
3	Avenue planting, practices in planning and planting of special types of gardens, burlapping	2
4	Lawn making	2
5	Planting herbaceous and shrubbery borders	1
6	Project preparation on landscaping for different situations	2
7	Visit to parks and botanical gardens	1
8	Case study on commercial landscape gardens	2

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HORT 532

Post Harvest Technology for Fruit Crops

3(2+1)

Objective

To facilitate deeper understanding on principles and practices of post-harvest management of fruit crops.

Theory

Maturity indices, harvesting practices for specific market requirements, influence of pre-harvest practices, enzymatic and textural changes, respiration, transpiration.

Physiology and biochemistry of fruit ripening, ethylene evolution and ethylene management, factors leading to post-harvest loss, pre-cooling. Treatments prior to shipment, viz., chlorination, waxing, chemicals, biocontrol agents and natural plant products. Methods of storage- ventilated, refrigerated, MAS, CA storage, physical injuries and disorders. Packing methods and transport, principles and methods of preservation, food processing, canning, fruit juice beverages, pickles, jam, jellies, sauces and ketchup, candies, preserve. Dried and dehydrated products, nutritionally enriched products, fermented fruit beverages, packaging technology, processing waste management, food safety standards.

Practical

Analyzing maturity stages of commercially important horticultural crops, improved packing and storage of important horticultural commodities, physiological loss in weight of fruits and vegetables, estimation of transpiration, respiration rate, ethylene release and study of shelf life extension in cut flower using chemicals, estimation of quality characteristics in stored fruits and vegetables, practices of preservation by salt, sugar, vinegar and chemical preservatives, cold chain management - visit to cold storage and CA storage units, visit to fruit and vegetable processing units, project preparation, evaluation of processed horticultural products.

Lecture schedule: Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Maturity indices,	2
2	harvesting practices for specific market requirements,	1
3	influence of pre-harvest practices,	2
4	enzymatic and textural changes, respiration, transpiration.	2
5	Physiology and biochemistry of fruit ripening	1
6	ethylene evolution and ethylene management,	1
7	factors leading to post-harvest loss.	1
8	Treatments prior to shipment, viz., pre-cooling, chlorination, waxing, chemicals, biocontrol agents and natural plant products.	2
9	Methods of storage- ventilated, refrigerated, MAS, CA storage	3
10	, physical injuries and disorders.	1
11	Packing methods and transport,	2
12	principles and methods of preservation, food processing,	2
13	canning,	1
14	fruit juice beverages,	1
15	pickles,	1
16	jam,	1
17	jellies,	1
18	sauces and ketchup,	1
19	Candies & preserve.	1
20	Dried and dehydrated products,	1
21	nutritionally enriched products,	1
22	fermented fruit beverages,	1
23	packaging technology, processing waste management,	1
24	food safety standards.	1

Lecture schedule: Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Analyzing maturity stages of commercially important horticultural crops	1
2	improved packing and storage of important horticultural commodities	1
3	physiological loss in weight of fruits and vegetables	1
4	estimation of transpiration, respiration rate, ethylene release	2
5	study of shelf life extension in cut flower using chemicals	2
6	estimation of quality characteristics in stored fruits and vegetables	3
7	practices of preservation by salt, sugar, vinegar and chemical preservatives	2
8	cold chain management - visit to cold storage and CA storage units	1
9	visit to fruit and vegetable processing units	1
10	project preparation	1
11	evaluation of processed horticultural products	1

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HORT 533 Production Technology of Cool Season Vegetable Crops 3(2+1)**Objective**

To educate production technology of cool season vegetables.

Theory

Introduction, botany and taxonomy, climatic and soil requirements, commercial varieties/hybrids, sowing/planting times and methods, seed rate and seed treatment, nutritional and irrigation requirements, intercultural operations, weed control, mulching, physiological disorders, harvesting, post-harvest management, plant protection measures and seed production of: Potato ,Cole crops: cabbage, cauliflower, knol-kohl, sprouting broccoli, Brussels sprout, Root crops: carrot, radish, turnip and beetroot, Bulb crops: onion and garlic, Peas and broad bean, green leafy cool season vegetables

Practical

Cultural operations (fertilizer application, sowing, mulching, irrigation, weed control) of winter vegetable crops and their economics; Experiments to demonstrate the role of mineral elements, plant growth substances and herbicides; study of physiological disorders; preparation of cropping scheme for commercial farms; visit to commercial greenhouse/ polyhouse.

Lecture schedule: Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Introduction, botany and taxonomy, climatic and soil requirements, commercial varieties/hybrids, sowing/planting times and methods, seed rate and seed treatment, nutritional and irrigation requirements, intercultural operations, weed control, mulching, physiological disorders, harvesting, post-harvest management, plant protection measures and seed production	4
2.	Potato	2
3.	Cabbage	2
4.	Cauliflower	2
5.	Knol-kohl	1
6.	Sprouting broccoli	1
7.	Brussels sprout	1
8.	Onion	2
9.	Garlic	2
10.	Carrot	2
11.	Radish	2
12.	Turnip	1

13.	Beetroot	1
14.	Pea	2
15.	Broad bean	1
16.	Cluster bean	1
17.	Cow pea	1
18.	Palak	1
19.	Amaranthus	1
20.	Fenugreek	1

Lecture schedule: Practical

S.No	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Identification of vegetable crops and seed.	2
2.	Fertilizer application in vegetable crops	1
3.	Seed treatment in vegetable crops	1
4.	Mulching in vegetable crops	1
5.	Irrigation management in vegetable crops	1
6.	Weed management in vegetable crops	1
7.	Role of mineral nutrition in vegetable crops	1
8.	Role of PGR's in vegetable crops	1
9.	Physiological disorders of cole crops	2
10.	Physiological disorders of bulb crops	2
11.	Physiological disorders of root crops	2
12.	Maturity standard of vegetable crops	1

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List of Journals & Magazines

FRUIT SCIENCE

- ◆ Acta Horticulture
- ◆ Haryana Journal of Horticulture Science
- ◆ Horticulture Reviews
- ◆ HortScience
- ◆ Indian Horticulture
- ◆ Indian Journal of Arid Horticulture
- ◆ Indian Journal of Horticulture

- ◆ Journal of American Society of Horticultural Sciences
- ◆ Journal of Applied Horticulture
- ◆ Journal of Horticultural Sciences
- ◆ Journal of Horticultural Sciences & Biotechnology
- ◆ Journal of Japanese Society for Horticulture Science

- ◆ Journal of Korean Society for Horticulture Science
- ◆ Scientia Horticulture

- ◆ South Indian Horticulture

VEGETABLE SCIENCE

- ◆ American Journal of Horticultural Sciences
- ◆ American Potato Growers
- ◆ American Scientist
- ◆ Annals of Agricultural Research
- ◆ Annual Review of Plant Physiology
- ◆ California Agriculture
- ◆ Haryana Journal of Horticultural Sciences
- ◆ HAU Journal of Research
- ◆ Horticulture Research
- ◆ HortScience
- ◆ IIVR Bulletins
- ◆ Indian Horticulture
- ◆ Indian Journal of Agricultural Sciences
- ◆ Indian Journal of Horticulture
- ◆ Indian Journal of Plant Physiology
- ◆ Journal of American Society for Horticultural Sciences
- ◆ Journal of Arecanut and Spice Crop
- ◆ Journal of Food Science and Technology
- ◆ Journal of Plant Physiology
- ◆ Journal of Post-harvest Biology and Technology
- ◆ Post-harvest Biology and Technology
- ◆ Scientia Horticulturae
- ◆ Seed Research
- ◆ Seed Science
- ◆ South Indian Horticulture
- ◆ Vegetable Grower
- ◆ Vegetable Science

FLORICULTURE AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

- ◆ Acta Horticulture
- ◆ Floriculture Today
- ◆ Haryana Journal of Horticulture Science
- ◆ Horticulture Reviews
- ◆ HortScience
- ◆ Indian Horticulture
- ◆ Indian Journal of Arid Horticulture
- ◆ Indian Journal of Horticulture
- ◆ Journal of American Society of Horticultural Sciences
- ◆ Journal of Applied Horticulture
- ◆ Journal of Horticultural Sciences
- ◆ Journal of Horticultural Sciences & Biotechnology
- ◆ Journal of Japanese Society for Horticulture Science
- ◆ Journal of Korean Society for Horticulture Science
- ◆ Journal of Landscape architecture
- ◆ Journal of Ornamental Horticulture
- ◆ Scientia Horticulture
- ◆ South Indian Horticulture

PLANTATION, SPICES, MEDICINAL AND AROMATIC CROPS

- ◆ Acta Horticulture
- ◆ Haryana Journal of Horticulture Science
- ◆ Horticulture Reviews
- ◆ HortScience

- ◆ Indian Horticulture
- ◆ Indian Journal of Arid Horticulture
- ◆ Indian Journal of Horticulture
- ◆ Indian Spice
- ◆ Journal of American Society of Horticultural Sciences
- ◆ Journal of Applied Horticulture
- ◆ Journal of Horticultural Sciences
- ◆ Journal of Horticultural Sciences & Biotechnology
- ◆ Journal of Japanese Society for Horticulture Science
- ◆ Journal of Korean Society for Horticulture Science
- ◆ Journal of Plantation Crops
- ◆ Journal of Spices and Aromatic Crops
- ◆ Scientia Horticulture
- ◆ South Indian Horticulture
- ◆ Spice India

e - Resources in Horticulture

Australian Society for Horticultural Science <http://www.aushs.org.au/>
 Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) <http://www.apeda.com/> American Society for Horticultural Science <http://www.ashs.org/>
 Asian Vegetable Research and Development Center (AVRDC) <http://www.avrdc.org.tw/> Australian Society for Horticultural Science <http://www.aushs.org.au/>
 Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI) <http://www.cftri.com/> Central Institute of Medicinal & Aromatic Plants (CIMAP) <http://www.cimap.org/>
 Central Institute of Post harvest Engineering and Technology <http://www.icar.org.in/ciphet.html> Central Plantation Crops Research Institute (CPCRI), Kasaragod, Kerala <http://cpcri.nic.in/> Central Tuber Crops Research Institute (CTCRI), Thiruvananthapuram <http://www.ctcri.org/> Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research, CGIAR <http://www.cgiar.org/> Coffee Board, India <http://indiacoffee.org/>
 Department of Agriculture and Co-operation, India <http://agricoop.nic.in/>
 Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, India <http://dsir.nic.in/> FAO <http://www.fao.org/> Global Agribusiness Information Network: <http://www.fintrac.com/gain/>
 Greenhouse Vegetable Information: <http://www.ghvi.co.nz/>
 Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI) <http://www.iari.res.in/> Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) <http://www.icar.org.in> Indian Institute of Horticultural Research (IIHR) www.iihr.res.in
 Indian Institute of Spices Research (IISR), Calicut, Kerala <http://www.iisr.org/> Indo-American Hybrid Seeds www.indamseeds.com
 Institute of Vegetable and Ornamental Crops <http://www.igzev.de/>
 Institute for Horticultural Development, Victoria, Australia <http://www.nre.vic.gov.au/agvic/ih/> Kerala Agricultural University www.kau.edu
 Iowa State University Department of Horticulture <http://www.hort.iastate.edu/> National Bureau of Plant Genetic Resources (NBPGR), India <http://nbpgr.delhi.nic.in/> National Horticulture Board (NHB), India <http://hortibizindia.nic.in/>
 National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management (MANAGE), <http://www.manage.gov.in/> National Research Centre for Cashew (NRCC), <http://kar.nic.in/cashew/> India
 National Research Centre for Mushroom (NRCM), India <http://www.nrcmushroom.com/> National Research Centre for Oil Palm (NRCOP), India <http://www.ap.nic.in/nrcop> North Carolina State University, Dept. of Horticulture http://www2.ncsu.edu/cals/hort_sci/ Oregon State University, Dept. of Horticulture <http://osu.orst.edu/dept/hort>
 Pineapple News http://agrss.sherman.hawaii.edu/_pin_eapple/pineappl.htm Pomology Resources Center <http://www.bsi.fr/pomologie/english/> /pomology: Rubber board, India <http://rubberboard.org.in/>
 Spice Paprika web site <http://www.paprika.deltav.hu/>: Spices Board, India <http://www.indianspices.com/>
 Sri Lanka Agribusiness on-line <http://www.agro-lanka.org/> Sustainable Apple Production: <http://orchard.uvm.edu/>
 Tea Board, India <http://tea.nic.in/>
 The Horticultural Taxonomy Group <http://www.hortax.org.uk/>
 The International Society of Citriculture: http://www.lal.ufl.edu/isc_citrus_ho_mepage.htm The Internet Garden <http://www.internetgarden.co.uk/>
 The Rose Resource <http://rose.org/>
 The USDA Agricultural Research Service <http://www.ars.usda.gov/>
 University of Florida, Dept. of Environmental Horticulture <http://hort.ifas.ufl.edu/> University of California, Fruit&Nut Research <http://fruitsandnuts.ucdavis.edu/> USDA <http://www.usda.gov/>

GENETICS AND PLANT BREEDING

List of courses offered in M.Sc. Ag degree programme :

I Semester		
PBG 511	Principles of Genetics and Cell Biology	2+1
PBG 512	Principles of Plant Breeding	2+1
PBG 513	Molecular Genetics	3+0
II Semester		
PBG 521	Plant Genetic Resources and Seed Technology	2+1
PBG 522	Principles of Quantitative Genetics	2+1
PBG 523	Biotechnology for crop improvement	2+1
PBG 524	Principles of Cytogenetics	2+1
PGS-502	e-course Technical Writing and Communication Skills	1 (0+1) NC
III Semester		
PBG 531	Mutagenesis and Mutation Breeding	2+1
PBG 532	Heterosis Breeding	2+1
PGS -503	e-course -Intellectual property and its Management in Agriculture	1 (1+0) NC
PGS -506	e-course-Disaster Management	1 (1+0) NC
IV Semester		
PBG 541	Seminar	0+1
PBG 542	Comprehensive	0+2
PBG 543	Masters' Research	20

List of courses offered in Ph.D. degree programme

I Semester		
PBG 612	Advanced Genetics	3+0
PBG 614	Advances Biometrical and Quantitative Genetics	2+1
II Semester		
PBG 621	Genetic Engineering	2+1
PBG 624	Breeding Designer Crops	2+1
III Semester to VI Semester		
PBG 641	Seminar	0+ 2
PBG 642	Comprehensive	0 +4
PBG 643	Research	45

Note: 1. Minor courses are to be decided by Dean / Advisory committee

2. If required another course (related / minor) running in a particular semester may also be offered.

PBG 511

Principles of Genetics and Cell Biology

3(2+1)

Objective

This course is aimed at understanding the basic concepts of genetics, and cell biology helping students to develop their analytical, quantitative and problem-solving skills from classical to molecular genetics.

Theory

Principles of Genetics: Beginning of genetics; Early concepts of inheritance, Mendel's laws; Discussion on Mendel's paper, Chromosomal theory of inheritance.

Multiple alleles, Gene interactions. Sex determination, differentiation and sex-linkage, Sex-influenced and sex-limited traits; Linkage-detection, estimation; Recombination and genetic mapping in eukaryotes. Crossing over-mechanisms and theories of crossing over- recombination models, cytological basis. Somatic cell genetics, Extra chromosomal inheritance, Concepts of Eugenics, Epigenetics, Genetic disorders and Behavioral genetics. **Cell Biology:** Ultrastructure of the cell; Differences between eukaryotic and prokaryotic cells, macromolecules; Structure and function of cell wall, nuclear membrane and plasma membrane; Cellular Organelles – nucleus, plastids- chloro/chromoplast, mitochondria endoplasmic reticulum, Golgi complex, lysosomes, peroxisomes, Cell Cycle and cell division – mitosis and meiosis; Differences, significance and deviations – Synapsis, structure and function of synaptonemal complex and spindle apparatus, anaphase movement of chromosomes. Bioenergetics; Ultrastructure and function of mitochondria and biological membranes; Chloroplast and other photosynthetic organelles; Interphase nucleus- Structure and chemical composition.

Practical

Numericals related to Mendel's laws, gene interaction, linkage and construction of genetic maps. Polygenic inheritance. Laboratory exercises in probability and chi-square; Demonstration of genetic principles using

laboratory organisms; Chromosome mapping using three point test cross; Tetrad analysis; Induction and detection of mutations through genetic tests; Principles of microscopy: phase contrast, autoradiography and electron microscopy. Differential centrifugation for isolating macroscopic components. Preparation and use of different killing and fixation reagents used in cytological studies. Preparation of important stains like aceto carmine, aceto orcin and fuelgen stain. Exercises related cell division- mitosis and meiosis.

Lecture schedule : Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of Lectures
1	Beginning of genetics; Early concepts of inheritance,	1
2	Mendel's laws; and discussion on Mendel's paper,	1
3	Chromosomal theory of inheritance	1
4	Multiple alleles	1
5	Gene interactions. I	1
6	Gene interactions. II	1
7	Sex determination and Differentiation	1
8	Sex-linkage	1
9	Sex linked, Sex-influenced and sex-limited traits	1
10	Detection and Estimation of linkage	1
11	Recombination and genetic mapping in eukaryotes	1
12	Crossing over and its mechanisms	1
13	Theories of crossing over- recombination models	1
14	Cytological basis of crossing over	1
15	Somatic cell genetics	1
16	Extra chromosomal inheritance	1
17	Concepts of Eugenics and Epigenetics	1
18	Genetic disorders and Behavioral genetics	1
19	Cell, its ultrastructures, differences between eukaryotic and prokaryotic cells	1
20	Macromolecules of cell	1
21	Structure and function of cell wall, nuclear membrane and plasma membrane	1
22	Cellular Organelles – nucleus,	1
23	Cellular Organelles – plastids- chloroplasts and chromoplast	1
24	Cellular Organelles- endoplasmic reticulum,	1
25	Cellular Organelles - Golgi complex, lysosomes, peroxisomes.	1
26	Cell Cycle and cell division – mitosis	1
27	Cell division- meiosis, synapsis, structure and function of synaptonemal complex	1
28	Differences, significance and deviations in cell divisions	1
29	Spindle apparatus, anaphase movement of chromosomes.	1
30	Bioenergetics; Ultrastructure and function of mitochondria and biological membranes	1
31	Chloroplast and other photosynthetic organelles	1
32	Interphase nucleus- Structure and chemical composition.	1

Lecture schedule : Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Numericals related to Mendel's laws,	1
2	Numericals related to gene interaction	1
3	Laboratory exercises in probability and chi-square	1
4	Numericals related to linkage and construction of genetic maps.	1
5	Chromosome mapping using three point test cross	1
6	Tetrad analysis	1
7	Demonstration of genetic principles using laboratory organisms	1
8	Induction and detection of mutations through genetic tests	1
9	Principles of microscopy: parts of a microscope and their functions, types	1
10	Phase contrast microscopy	1
11	Autoradiography and Electron microscopy.	1
12	Differential centrifugation for isolating macroscopic components	1
13	Preparation and use of different killing and fixation reagents used in cytological studies.	1
14	Preparation of important stains like aceto carmine, aceto orcin and fuelgen stain.	1
15	Exercises related cell division- mitosis	1
16	Exercises related cell division- meiosis.	1

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 Uppal S, Yadav R, Subhadra & Saharan RP. 2005. Practical Manual on Basic and Applied Genetics. Dept. of Genetics, CCS HAU Hisar.

PBG 512**Principles of Plant Breeding****3(2+1)****Objective**

To impart theoretical knowledge and practical skills about plant breeding objectives, modes of reproduction and genetic consequences, breeding methods for crop improvement.

Theory :

History of Plant Breeding (Pre and post-Mendelian era); Objectives of plant breeding, characteristics improved by plant breeding; Patterns of Evolution in Crop Plants- Centres of Origin-biodiversity and its significance, genetic basis of breeding self- and cross -pollinated crops including mating systems and response to selection - nature of variability, components of variation; Heritability and genetic advance, genotype-environment interaction; General and specific combining ability; Types of gene actions and implications in plant breeding; Plant introduction and role of plant genetic resources in plant breeding, pure line theory, pure line selection and mass selection methods; Line breeding, pedigree, bulk, backcross, single seed descent and multiline method; Population breeding in self-pollinated crops (diallel selective mating approach), breeding methods in cross pollinated crops; Population breeding-mass selection and ear-to-row methods; S1 and S2 progeny testing, progeny selection schemes, recurrent selection schemes for intra and interpopulation improvement and development of synthetics and composites; Hybrid breeding - genetical and physiological basis of heterosis and inbreeding, production of inbreds, breeding approaches for improvement of inbreds, predicting hybrid performance; seed production of hybrid and their parent varieties/inbreds, breeding methods in asexually/clonally propagated crops, clonal selection apomixes, clonal selection, self- incompatibility and male sterility in crop plants and their commercial exploitation; Concept of plant ideotype and its role in crop improvement; Transgressive breeding, special breeding techniques- Mutation breeding; Breeding for abiotic and biotic stresses.

Practical :

Floral biology in self and cross pollinated species, selfing and crossing techniques. Selection methods in segregating populations and evaluation of breeding material; Analysis of variance (ANOVA); Estimation of heritability and genetic advance; Maintenance of experimental records; Learning techniques in hybrid seed production using male- sterility in field crops.

Lecture schedule : Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Introduction and History of Plant Breeding (Pre and post-Mendelian era)	1
2	Objectives of plant breeding, characteristics improved by plant breeding	1
3	Patterns of Evolution in Crop Plants- Centres of Origin-biodiversity and its significance.	1
4	Genetic basis of breeding self- and cross -pollinated crops	1
5	Mating systems and response to selection	1
6	Nature of variability, components of variation, heritability and genetic advance	1
7	Genotype-environment interaction	1
8	Combining ability: Introduction and types (General and specific combining ability,	1
9	Types of gene actions and implications in plant breeding	1
10	Plant introduction and role of plant genetic resources in plant breeding.	1
11	Breeding methods in self pollinated crops, Pure line theory & Pure line selection	1
12	Mass selection methods	1
13	Line breeding Method, Pedigree Method	1
14	Bulk Method and Single seed descent Method	1
15	Backcross Method	1

16	Multiline method	1
17	Population breeding in self-pollinated crops (diallel selective mating approach)	1
18	Breeding methods in cross pollinated crops; Population breeding-mass selection and ear-to-row methods	1
19	S1 and S2 progeny testing, progeny selection schemes	1
20	Recurrent selection schemes for intra and inter- population improvement I	1
21	Recurrent selection schemes for intra and inter- population improvement II	1
22	Development of synthetics and composites	1
23	Hybrid breeding - genetical and physiological basis of heterosis and inbreeding	1
24	Production of inbreds, breeding approaches for improvement of inbreds, predicting hybrid performance	1
25	Seed production of hybrid and their parent varieties/inbreds.	1
26	Breeding methods in asexually/clonally propagated crops, clonal selection and apomixes,	1
27	Male sterility in crop plants and their commercial exploitation	1
28	Self-incompatibility in crop plants and their commercial exploitation	1
29	Concept of plant ideotype and its role in crop improvement	1
30	Transgressive breeding	1
31	Mutation breeding	1
32	Breeding for abiotic and biotic stresses	1

Lecture schedule : Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Floral biology of important crops of the locality. I	1
2	Floral biology of important crops of the locality. II	1
3	Emasculation, selfing and crossing techniques.	1
4	Floral biology in self pollinated species I	1
5	Floral biology in self pollinated species II	1
6	Floral biology in cross pollinated species I	1
7	Floral biology in cross pollinated species II	1
8	Selection methods in segregating populations and evaluation of breeding material	1
9	Observation recording	1
10	Analysis of variance (ANOVA) through RBD	1
11	Analysis of variance (ANOVA) through LSD	1
12	Estimation of components of variance, heritability and genetic advance	1
13	Maintenance of experimental records	1
14	Learning techniques in hybrid seed production using male-sterility in field crops (pearlmillet)	1
15	Learning techniques in hybrid seed production using male-sterility in field crops (sorghum)	1
16	Learning techniques in hybrid seed production using male-sterility in field crops (Maize)	1

Suggested Readings :

Allard RW. 1981. Principles of Plant Breeding. John Wiley & Sons. Chopra VL. 2001. Breeding Field Crops. Oxford & IBH.

Chopra VL. 2004. Plant Breeding. Oxford & IBH.

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Objective

To impart knowledge in theory of structure and function of genetic material and major macromolecules of the cell.

Theory :

Historical background of molecular genetics; Genetic material in organisms; Structure and properties of nucleic acid, Genetic code, DNA transcription and its regulation – Transcription factors and their role; regulation of protein synthesis in prokaryotes and eukaryotes – ribosomes, t-RNAs and translational factors, mechanisms of recombination in prokaryote; DNA organization in eukaryotic chromosomes – DNA content variation, types of DNA sequences – Unique and repetitive sequences; Gene amplification and its significance; Proteomics and protein-protein interaction, split genes, Transposable genetic elements, Overlapping genes, Pseudogenes, Oncogenes, Gene families and clusters, regulation of gene activity in prokaryotes; Molecular mechanisms of mutation, repair and suppression; Molecular chaperones and gene expression. Gene regulation in eukaryotes, RNA editing, genomics and proteomics; Functional and pharmacogenomics; Metagenomics. Signal transduction; Genes in development; Cancer and cell aging, methods of studying polymorphism at biochemical and DNA level;

Lecture schedule : Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Historical Background of Molecular Genetics	1
2	Genetic material and properties of nucleic acid	2
3	Genetic code	1
4	Transcription and its regulation	1
5	Transcriptional factors	1
6	Protein synthesis and its regulation in pro and eukaryotes	1
7	t RNAs and translational factors	1
8	Mechanism of recombination	1
9	DNA organization in eukaryotic chromosomes	1
10	Unique and repetitive sequences : its discovery and types	1
11	Gene amplification, mechanism of gene duplication, significance	1
12	Split genes, overlapping genes and pseudogenes	1
13	Oncogenes. Gene families and clusters	1
14	Proteomics : definition and protein -protein interactions	1
15	Transposable elements: discovery, characteristics in prokaryotes	2
16	Transposable elements : eukaryotic. Genetic consequences of transposition.	1
17	Gene regulation in prokaryotes: positive, negative and attenuation	2
18	Gene regulation in eukaryotes	2
19	Molecular mechanism of mutation: tuatomerism, types of mutation	1
20	Suppressor mutation and repair, NER/BER, SOS	2
21	Molecular chaperones and RNA editing	1
22	Genomics : definition, genome projects, structural and functional genomics	1
23	Pharmacogenomics and Metagenomics	1
24	Signal transduction : Rhizobium nodulation case study.	1
25	Genes in development, cancer and cell againg	1
26	Methods of studying polymorphism at molecular level: isozyme pattern, RFLP,RAPDs , AFLPs and SNPs.	3

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PBG 521**Plant genetic resources & seed technology****3(2+1)****Theory:**

Genetic resources in historical perspectives, gene pool, centres of origin and diversity. Types of genetic resources and their survey- objectives, limitations, priorities and techniques. Germplasm introduction and exchange. Principles of *in vitro* and cryopreservation. Germplasm conservation *in-situ*, *ex situ* and on farm, short, medium, long term conservation strategies for orthodox and non-orthodox seed, vegetatively propagated crops. Rajasthan of plant genetic resources, PGR data base management, descriptors. Regional, national and international mechanism for PGR management. Plant genetic resources for food and agriculture. PGR access and benefit sharing; IPR, PBR, UPOV & CBD issues; farmers' rights & privilege, History of seed industry and role of various seed organizations. Seeds act and seed rules and law enforcement. Seed control order. New seed act seed policy. Variety: definition, types,

development, release system and notification. Objectives and principles of seed production. Factors affecting seed production, variety maintenance, nucleus and breeder seed production in different crop groups. Production of certified and foundation seed in different crop plants *viz*; cereals, oilseeds, pulses, fibre and forage crops. Concept, purpose and phases of seed certification, seed certification agency. Variety eligibility, class and sources of seed, field inspection and minimum seed and field certification standards. DUS test and VCU. Variety identification through biochemical procedures.

Practical:

Seed testing methods and seed dormancy. Seed production planning in different crops with special reference to land and isolation requirements. Roguing, harvesting and threshing. Character of important varieties and its maintenance. Field inspection at different crop growth stages off types, pollen shedders, seed borne diseases. Visit to seed production plots. Visit to gene bank.

Lecture schedule : Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Genetic resources in historical perspectives	1
2	Gene pool, centers of origin and diversity	1
3	Types of genetic resources	1
4	Genetic resources and their survey	1
5	Germplasm introduction and exchange	1
6	Principles of <i>in vitro</i> and cryopreservation	1
	Germplasm conservation: i. Types and material conserved	1
8	ii. Conservation strategies	1
9	iii. Seed Gene Bank	1
10	Registration of plant genetic resources	1
	Regional & National activities for PGR management	1
	International activities for PGR management	1
13	Plant genetic resources for food and agriculture	1
14	PGR access resources and benefit sharing	1
15	IPR, PBR, UPOV & issues, farmers right etc.	1
16	History of seed industry	1
17	Role of various seed organizations	1
18	Seeds Act and Seed Rules	1
19	Law enforcement and powers of seed inspectors	1
20	New seed act, inspection procedure	1
21	Variety development, evaluation, release and notification	1
22	Objectives and principles of seed production	1
	Factors affecting seed production and variety maintenance	1
24	Production and maintenance of nucleus and breeder seed in different crop groups (Varieties)	1
25	Production and maintenance of nucleus and breeder seed in different crop groups (Hybrids)	1
	Production of foundation and certified seed in cereals crops	1
	Production of foundation and certified seed in oilseeds crops	1
	Production of foundation and certified seed in pulses and forage crops	1
29	Seed certification- concept, purpose, phases and certification agencies.	1

30	Variety eligibility, classes and sources of seed etc.	1
31	Field inspection and minimum seed and field standards for certification	1
32	DUS test, VCU and variety identification.	1

Lecture schedule : Practical

S.No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Seed testing : i. Viability	1
2	ii. Health	1
3	iii. Moisture	1
4	iv. Purity	1
5	Seed dormancy	1
6	Seed production planning in cereal crops (Nucleus, breeder, foundation, certified)	1
7	Seed production planning in pulses crops (Nucleus, breeder, foundation, certified)	1
8	Seed production planning in oil seed crops (Nucleus, breeder, foundation, certified)	1
9	Seed production planning in millet crops (Nucleus, breeder, foundation, certified)	1
10	Seed production planning in forage crops (Nucleus, breeder, foundation, certified)	1
11	Characters of important cereals and millets crop varieties and their maintenance	1
12	Characters of important oilseed, pulses and forages crop varieties and their maintenance	1
13	Field inspection at different growth stages	1
14	Pollen shedders and seed borne diseases	1
15	Visit to seed production plots	1
16	Visit to gene bank	1

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PBG 522

Principles of Quantitative Genetics

3(2+1)

Objective

To impart theoretical knowledge and computation skills regarding component of variation and variances, scales, mating designs and gene effects.

Theory

Population -Mendelian population – Random mating population -Frequencies of genes and genotypes-Causes of change: Hardy- Weinberg equilibrium, Mendelian traits vs polygenic traits - nature of quantitative traits and its inheritance - Multiple factor hypothesis - analysis of continuous variation; Variations associated with polygenic traits - phenotypic, genotypic and environmental - non-allelic interactions; Nature of gene action - additive, dominance, epistatic and linkage effects, principles of Anaylis of Variance (ANOVA) - Expected variance components, random and fixed models; MANOVA, biplot analysis; Comparison of means and variances for significance, designs for plant breeding experiments – principles and applications; Genetic diversity analysis – metroglyph, cluster and D² analyses - Association analysis - phenotypic and genotypic correlations; Path analysis and Parent - progeny regression analysis; Discriminant function and principal component analyses; Selection indices - selection of parents; Simultaneous selection models- concepts of selection - heritability and genetic advance, generation mean analysis; Mating designs- Diallel, partial diallel, line x tester analysis, NCDs and TTC; Concepts of combining ability and gene action; Analysis of genotype x environment interaction - adaptability and stability; Models for Gx E analysis and stability parameters; AMMI analysis – principles and interpretation.

Practical :

Problems on multiple factors inheritance - Partitioning of variance - Estimation of heritability and genetic advance - Covariance analysis - Metroglyph analysis - D^2 analysis - Grouping of clusters and interpretation - Cluster analysis - Construction of cluster diagrams and dendrograms - interpretation - Correlation analysis - Path analysis - Parent- progeny regression analysis - Diallel analysis: Griffing's methods I and II - Diallel analysis: Hayman's graphical approach - Diallel analysis: interpretation of results - NCD and their interpretations - Line x tester analysis and interpretation of results - Estimation of heterosis : standard, mid-parental and better-parental heterosis - Estimation of inbreeding depression - Generation mean analysis: Analytical part and Interpretation - Estimation of different types of gene actions. Partitioning of phenotypic variance and co-variance into components due to genotypes, environment and genotype x environment interactions - Construction of saturated linkage maps and QTL mapping - Strategies for QTL mapping; statistical methods in QTL mapping; Phenotype and Marker linkage studies - Working out efficiency of selection methods in different populations and interpretation, Biparental mating, Triallel analysis, Quadriallel analysis and Triple Test Cross (TTC) – use of softwares in analysis and result interpretation, Advanced biometrical models for combining ability analysis, Models in stability analysis Additive Main Effect and Multiplicative Interaction (AMMI) model -Principal Component Analysis model - Additive and multiplicative model - Shifted multiplicative model - Analysis and selection of genotypes - Methods and steps to select the best model - Selection systems -Biplots and mapping genotypes.

Lecture schedule : Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Population : Mendelian population, Random mating population, Frequencies of genes and genotypes.	1
2	Causes of change: Hardy- Weinberg equilibrium.	1
3	Mendelian traits vs polygenic traits, nature of quantitative traits and its inheritance, Multiple factor hypothesis, analysis of continuous variation.	1
4	Concept of genotypic, phenotypic and breeding value. Population mean, additive and dominance variance etc.	1
5	Variations associated with polygenic traits - phenotypic, genotypic and environmental & non-allelic interactions.	1
6	Nature of gene action - additive, dominance, epistatic and linkage effects.	1
7	Principles of Analysis of Variance (ANOVA), Expected variance components, random and fixed models.	1
8	MANOVA, biplot analysis.	1
9	Comparison of means and variances for significance.	1
10	Designs for plant breeding experiments – principles and applications.	1
11	Commonly used designs: RBD and CRD.	1
12	LSD and Augmented Design.	1
13	Genetic diversity: Metroglyph analysis.	1
14	Cluster and D^2 analyses.	1
15	Association analysis – phenotypic, genotypic covariances & correlations.	1
16	Regression analysis including parent-progeny regression.	1
17	Path analysis.	1
18	Discriminant function analysis.	1
19	Principal component analyses	1
20	Concepts of selection, Selection indices & selection of parents.	1
21	Simultaneous selection models.	1
22	Heritability and genetic advance.	1
23	Generation mean analysis.	1
24	Concepts of combining ability and gene action. Introduction to mating designs.	1
25	Diallel analysis: Hayman's approach	1
26	Diallel analysis: Griffing's approach	1
27	Partial diallel and line x tester analysis	1
28	Biparental mating (NCDs)	1
29	Triple Test Cross etc..	1
30	Analysis of genotype x environment interaction - adaptability and stability.	1
31	Models for G x E analysis and stability parameters.	1
32	AMMI analysis – principles and interpretation.	1

Lecture schedule :Practical

S.No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Problems on multiple factors inheritance, Partitioning of variance, Estimation of heritability and genetic advance.	1
2	Partitioning of phenotypic variance and co-variance into components due to genotypes, environment and genotype x environment interactions	1
3	Covariance analysis. Correlation and regression analysis. Parent-progeny regression analysis	1
4	Metroglyph analysis - D^2 analysis - Grouping of clusters and interpretation - Cluster analysis - Construction of cluster diagrams and dendrograms - interpretation	1
5	Diallel analysis: Hayman's graphical approach, interpretation of results.	1
6	Diallel analysis: Griffing's methods I and II, interpretation of results.	1
7	North Carolina Designs and their interpretations.	1
8	Line x tester analysis and interpretation of results.	1
9	Estimation of heterosis : standard, mid-parental and better-parental heterosis - Estimation of inbreeding depression	1
10	Generation mean analysis: Analytical part and Interpretation -Estimation of different types of gene actions.	1
11	Construction of saturated linkage maps and QTL mapping - Strategies for QTL mapping; statistical methods in QTL mapping;	1
12	Working out efficiency of selection methods in different populations and interpretation.	1
13	Biparental mating, Triallel analysis, Quadriallel analysis and Triple Test Cross (TTC): use of softwares in analysis and result interpretation.	1
14	Advanced biometrical models for combining ability analysis	1
15	Models in stability analysis Additive Main Effect and Multiplicative Interaction (AMMI) model - Principal Component Analysis model - Additive and multiplicative model - Shifted multiplicative model	1
16	Analysis and selection of genotypes - Methods and steps to select the best model - Selection systems -Biplots and mapping genotypes.	1

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PBG 523**Biotechnology for Crop Improvement****3(2+1)****Objective**

To impart knowledge and practical skills to use biotechnological tools in crop improvement.

Theory

Biotechnology and its relevance in agriculture; Definitions, terminologies and scope in plant breeding. Tissue culture- History, callus, suspension cultures, cloning; Regeneration; Somatic embryogenesis; Anther culture; somatic hybridization techniques; Meristem, ovary and embryo culture; cryopreservation. Techniques of DNA isolation, quantification and analysis; Genotyping; Sequencing techniques; Vectors, vector preparation and cloning, Gene isolation, synthesis and cloning, genomic and cDNA libraries, PCR-based cloning, positional cloning; Nucleic acid hybridization and immunochemical detection; DNA sequencing; DNA restriction and modification, Anti-sense RNA and ribozymes; Micro-RNAs (miRNAs). Biochemical and Molecular markers: morphological, biochemical and DNA-based markers (RFLP, RAPD, AFLP, SSR,SNPs, ESTs etc.), mapping populations (F₂s, back crosses, RILs, NILs and DH). Molecular mapping and tagging of agronomically important traits. Statistical tools in marker analysis,

Marker-assisted selection for qualitative and quantitative traits; QTLs analysis in crop plants, Marker-assisted backcross breeding for rapid introgression, Generation of EDVs. Gene pyramiding. Recombinant DNA technology, transgenes, method of transformation, selectable markers and clean transformation techniques, vector-mediated gene transfer, physical methods of gene transfer. Production of transgenic plants in various field crops: cotton, wheat, maize, rice, soybean, oilseeds, sugarcane etc. Commercial releases. Biotechnology applications in male sterility/hybrid breeding, molecular farming. Gene silencing. MOs and related issues (risk and regulations); GMO; International regulations, biosafety issues of GMOs; Regulatory procedures in major countries including India, ethical, legal and social issues; Intellectual property rights . Bioinformatics & Bioinformatics tools. Nanotechnology and its applications in crop improvement programmes.

Practical

Requirements for plant tissue culture laboratory-Techniques in plant tissue culture - Media components and media preparation -Aseptic manipulation of various explants ; observations on the contaminants occurring in media – interpretations - Inoculation of explants; Callus induction and plant regeneration -Plant regeneration; Standardizing the protocols for regeneration; Hardening of regenerated plants; Establishing a greenhouse and hardening procedures - Visit to commercial micropropagation UNIT. Transformation using *Agrobacterium* strains, GUS assay in transformed cells / tissues. DNA isolation, DNA purity and quantification tests, gel electrophoresis of proteins and isozymes, PCR-based DNA markers, gel scoring and data analysis for tagging and phylogenetic relationship, construction of genetic linkage maps using computer software.

Lecture schedule : Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Biotechnology and its relevance in agriculture; definitions, terminologies and scope in plant breeding.	2
2	Tissue culture- History, callus, suspension cultures, cloning.	2
3	Regeneration; Somatic embryogenesis; Anther culture; somatic hybridization techniques.	1
4	Ovary and embryo culture; cryopreservation.	1
5	Genotyping; Sequencing techniques	2
6	Vectors, vector preparation and cloning	1
7	Recombinant DNA technology, transgenes, method of transformation	2
8	Selectable markers and clean transformation techniques,	1
9	vector-mediated gene transfer, physical methods of gene transfer	1
10	Production of transgenic plants in various field crops: cotton, wheat, maize	2
11	Rice, soybean, oilseeds, sugarcane etc. Commercial releases	2
12	Biotechnology applications in male sterility/hybrid breeding, molecular farming.	1
13	Biochemical and molecular markers: morphological, biochemical and DNA-based markers (RFLP, RAPD, AFLP, SSR,SNPs, ESTs etc.)	2
14	Mapping populations (F2s, back crosses, RILs, NILs and DH).	1
15	Molecular mapping and tagging of agronomically important traits	2
16	Statistical tools in marker analysis, Robotics, QTLs analysis in crop plants	2
17	Marker-assisted selection for qualitative and quantitative traits, Gene pyramiding.	1
18	Marker assisted selection and molecular breeding	1
19	Genomics for crop improvement	1
20	Integrating functional genomics information on agronomically/economically important traits in plant breeding;	2
21	Marker-assisted backcross breeding for rapid introgression, Generation of EDVs	2
22	MOs and related issues (risk and regulations);	1
23	GMO; International regulations, biosafety issues of GMOs; Regulatory procedures in India, ethical, legal and social issues;	2
24	Intellectual property rights	1
25	Introduction to Bioinformatics & Bioinformatics tools	1
26	Introduction to Nanotechnology and its applications in crop improvement programmes.	1

Lecture schedule :Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Requirements of a tissue culture laboratory, tissue culture techniques, media preparation	1

2	Sterilization techniques	1
3	Inoculation techniques	1
4	Callus induction and plant regeneration	1
5	Regeneration protocols	1
6	Green house and hardening procedures	1
7	Visit to commercial micropropagation units	1
8	Transformation using Agrobacterium strains	1
9	Gus assay in transformed cells/tissues	1
10	DNA isolation	1
11	DNA agarose gel electrophoresis , DNA purity and quantization	1
12	Gel Electrophoresis of proteins and isozymes	1
13	DNA amplification using PCR	1
14	Assessing RAPD marker	1
15	Gel scoring and data analysis and tagging phylogenetic relationship	1
16	Construction of genetic linkage map using computer software	1

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Principles of Cytogenetics

3(2+1)

Objective

To provide insight into structure and functions of chromosomes, chromosome mapping, polyploidy and cytogenetic aspects of crop evolution.

Theory :

Architecture of chromosome in prokaryotes and eukaryotes; Chromonemata, chromosome matrix, chromomeres, centromere, secondary constriction and telomere; Artificial chromosome construction and its uses; Special types of chromosomes. Variation in chromosome structure: Evolutionary significance -Introduction to techniques for karyotyping; Chromosome banding and painting -in situ hybridization and various applications. Structural and Numerical variations of chromosomes and their implications - Symbols and terminologies for chromosome numbers - euploidy -haploids, diploids and polyploids ; Utilization of aneuploids in gene location - Variation in chromosome behaviour - somatic segregation and chimeras – endomitosis and somatic reduction ; Evolutionary significance of chromosomal aberrations - balanced lethals and chromosome complexes. Inter-varietal chromosome substitutions; Polyploidy and role of polyploids in crop breeding; Evolutionary advantages of autopolyploids vs allopolyploids -- Role of aneuploids in basic and applied aspects of crop breeding, their maintenance and utilization in gene mapping and gene blocks transfer – Alien addition and substitution lines – creation and utilization; Apomixis - Evolutionary and genetic problems in crops with apomixes.

Reversion of autopolyploids to diploids; Genome mapping in polyploids - Interspecific hybridization and allopolyploids; Synthesis of new crops (wheat, triticale and brassica) – Hybrids between species with same chromosome number, alien translocations - Hybrids between species with different chromosome number; Gene transfer using amphidiploids - Bridge species.

Fertilization barriers in crop plants at pre-and postfertilization levels- In vitro techniques to overcome the fertilization barriers in crops; Chromosome manipulations in wide hybridization ; case studies – Production and use of haploids, dihaploids and doubled haploids in genetics and breeding.

Practical :

Learning the cytogenetics laboratory, various chemicals to be used for fixation, dehydration, embedding, staining, cleaning etc. - Microscopy: various types of microscopes, Preparing specimen for observation -Fixative preparation and fixing specimen for light microscopy studies in cereals -Studies on the course of mitosis in wheat, pearl millet - Studies on the course of mitosis in onion. Studies on the course of meiosis - Using micrometers and studying the pollen grain size in various crops - Pollen germination and in vitro; Demonstration of polyploidy.

Lecture schedule : Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Architecture of chromosome in prokaryotes: Nucleoid etc.	1
2	Architecture of chromosome in eukaryotes: Chromonemata, chromosome matrix, chromomeres, centromere, secondary constriction and telomere	1
3	Artificial chromosome construction and its uses	1
4	Special types of chromosomes.	1
5	Introduction to techniques for karyotyping;	1
6	Chromosome banding and painting	1
7	In situ hybridization and various applications.	1
8	Variation in chromosome structure: Evolutionary significance	1
9	Numerical variations of chromosomes and their implications - Symbols and terminologies for chromosome numbers	1
10	Euploidy –haploids, diploids and polyploids	1
11	Polyploidy and role of polyploids in crop breeding; Evolutionary advantages of autopolyploids vs allopolyploids	1
12	Utilization of aneuploids in gene location	1
13	Variation in chromosome behaviour - somatic segregation and chimeras	1
14	Endomitosis and somatic reduction	1
15	Evolutionary significance of chromosomal aberrations	1
16	Balanced lethals and chromosome complexes	1
17	Balanced lethals and chromosome complexes	1
18	Inter-varietal chromosome substitutions	1
19	Role of aneuploids in basic and applied aspects of crop breeding, their maintenance and utilization in gene mapping and gene blocks transfer	1
20	Alien addition and substitution lines – creation and utilization	1
21	Apomixis - Evolutionary and genetic problems in crops with apomixes.	1
22	Reversion of autopolyploids to diploids	1
23	Genome mapping in polyploids	1
24	Interspecific hybridization and allopolyploids	1
25	Synthesis of new crops (wheat, triticale and brassica)	1
26	Hybrids between species with same chromosome number	1
27	Hybrids between species with different chromosome number, alien translocations	1
28	Gene transfer using amphidiploids - Bridge species.	1
29	Fertilization barriers in crop plants at pre-and postfertilization levels	1
30	In vitro techniques to overcome the fertilization barriers in crops	1
31	Chromosome manipulations in wide hybridization	1
32	Case studies – Production and use of haploids, dihaploids and doubled haploids in genetics and breeding.	1

Lecture schedule : Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Learning the cytogenetics laboratory	1
2	Various equipments used in cytogenetics laboratory	1
3	Various chemicals to be used for fixation, dehydration, embedding, staining, cleaning etc.	1
4	Microscopy: Introduction and parts.	1
5	Various types of microscopes	1
6	Preparing specimen for observation	1
7	Fixative preparation and fixing specimen for light microscopy studies in cereals	1
8	Studies on the course of mitosis in wheat	1
9	Studies on the course of mitosis in pearl millet	1
10	Studies on the course of mitosis in onion	1
11	Studies on the course of meiosis	1
12	Studies on the course of meiosis	1
13	Using micrometers and studying the pollen grain size in various crops 1	1
14	Using micrometers and studying the pollen grain size in various crops 2	1
15	Pollen germination	1
16	Demonstration of polyploidy.	1

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Mutagenesis and Mutation Breeding

3(2+1)

Objective

To impart the knowledge about general principles of radiation and various tests/methods for detection of radiation effects on the living cells, genetic risks involved and perspectives of advances made.

Theory

Mutation and its history - Nature and classification of mutations: spontaneous and induced mutations, micro and macro mutations, pre and post adaptive mutations - Detection of mutations in lower and higher organisms - paramutations. Mutagenic agents: physical -- Radiation types and sources: Ionising and non-ionizing radiations *viz.*, X rays, γ rays, α and β particles, protons, neutrons and UV rays - Radiobiology: mechanism of action of various radiations (photoelectric absorption, Compton scattering and pair production) and their biological effects - RBE and LET relationships. Effect of mutations on DNA - Repair mechanisms operating at DNA, chromosome, cell and organism level to counteract the mutation effects Dosimetry - Objects and methods of treatment - Factors influencing mutation: dose rate, acute *vs* chronic irradiation, recurrent irradiation, enhancement of thermal neutron effects - Radiation sensitivity and modifying factors: External and internal sources- Oxygen, water content, temperature and nuclear volume. Chemical mutagens- Classification - Base analogues, antibiotics, alkylating agents, acridine dyes and other mutagens: their properties and mode of action - Dose determination and factors influencing chemical mutagenesis Treatment methods using physical and chemical mutagens - Combination treatments; Other causes of mutation - direct and indirect action, comparative evaluation of physical and chemical mutagens. Observing mutagen effects in M1 generation: plant injury, lethality, sterility, chimeras *etc.*, - Observing mutagen effects in M2 generation - Estimation of mutagenic efficiency and effectiveness - spectrum of chlorophyll and viable mutations -- Mutations in traits with continuous variation. Factors influencing the mutant spectrum: genotype, type of mutagen and dose, pleiotropy and linkage *etc.* - Individual plant based mutation analysis and working out effectiveness and efficiency in M3 generation - Comparative evaluation of physical and chemical mutagens for creation of variability in the same species - Case studies. Use of mutagens in creating oligogenic and polygenic variations - Case studies - *In vitro* mutagenesis - callus and pollen irradiation; Handling of segregating generations and selection procedures; Validation of mutants; Mutation breeding for various traits (disease resistance, insect resistance, quality improvement, etc) in different crops- Procedures for micro-mutations breeding/polygenic mutations- Achievements of mutation breeding- varieties released across the world- Problems associated with mutation breeding. Use of mutagens in genomics, allele mining, TILLING.

Practical

Learning the precautions on handling of mutagens; Dosimetry - Studies of different mutagenic agents: Physical mutagens - Studies of different mutagenic agents: Chemical mutagens - Learning on Radioactivity - Production of source and isotopes at BRIT, Trombay - Learning about gamma chamber; Radiation hazards - Monitoring - safety regulations and safe transportation of radioisotopes - Visit to radio isotope laboratory ; learning on safe disposal of radioisotopes - Hazards due to chemical mutagens - Treating the plant propagules at different doses of physical and chemical mutagens - Learning combined mutagenic treatments; Raising the crop for observation - Mutagenic effectiveness and efficiency; Calculating the same from earlier literature - Study of M1 generation - Parameters to be observed; Study of M2 generation - Parameters to be observed; Procedure for detection of mutations for polygenic traits in M2 and M3 generations.

Lecture schedule : Theory

SN	Topic	No.of lectures
1	Historical perspectives and definition of mutation	1
2	Different ways of classification of mutations	2
3	Mutation detections systems, paramutation	1
4	Mutagenic agents : Physical; different particulate & aparamiculate radiations	1
5	Mode of action of gamma rays, photoelectric effect, Compton scattering and ion pair production and their effects on biological system	1
6	Repair mechanisms, mutation rate, frequency, dosimetry	2
7	Internal and external factors affecting influencing mutations	1
8	Chemical mutagens, classification, types and mode of actions	2
9	Combination treatments and comparisons	1
10	Treatment procedures and factors to be considered	2
11	Mutagen specificity	2
12	Observing mutagen effects, criteria of biological damage , quantification of damage using germination, chromosomal aberration and gametic sterility, and estimating spectrum of mutation	2
13	estimation of mutagenic effectiveness and efficiency using biological damage and spectrum of mutations observed in M1 & M2 populations	2
14	Factors influencing mutation spectrum: genotype, pleiotropy, linkage, type of mutagen. Case studies	2
15	Use of mutagens for creating oligo and polygenic mutations, rationale for using mutation breeding, selection sieves, size of mutated populations to be handled,	2
16	Handling of M1 , M2 and subsequent generations for identification of mutants..	2
17	Mutations breeding for various traits	1
18	Achievements of mutation breeding	2
19	Use of mutations in genomics, allele mining	2
20	TILLING	1

Lecture schedule : Practical

S.No.	Topic	No. of
1	Learning precautions on handling of mutagenic agents	1
2	Physical mutagens: dosimetry	2
3	Radioactivity: production of source and isotopes at BRIT, Trombay	1
4	Learning about gamma chamber, radiation hazards, monitoring, safety regulations, and safe transportation of radioisotopes.	2
5	Visit to radioisotope laboratory	1
6	Treating plant propagules (seeds) with graded dose of different chemical mutagens, Computing LD50 for different crops of interest	4
7	Estimating biological damage	2
8	Learning combined mutagenic effect, raising the crop for estimating the mutagenic efficiency and effectiveness using data from the literature.	2
9	Studying M1 and M2 parameters	1

Suggested Readings

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Objective

To provide understanding about mechanisms of heterosis and its exploitation for yield improvement through conventional and biotechnological approaches.

Theory

Historical aspect of heterosis - Nomenclature and definitions of heterosis - Heterosis in natural population and inbred population; Evolutionary aspects -Genetic consequences of selfing and crossing in self-and cross-pollinated and asexually propagated crops. Pre Mendelian and Post-Mendelian ideas -Genetic theories of heterosis – Physiological, Biochemical and molecular actors underlining heterosis; theories and their estimation; - Evolutionary concepts of heterosis. Prediction of heterosis from various crosses- Inbreeding depression, frequency of inbreeding and residual heterosis in F2 and segregating populations, importance of inbreeding in exploitation of heterosis – case studies. - Relationship between genetic distance and expression of heterosis – case studies; Divergence and Genetic Distance analyses-morphological and molecular genetic distance in predicting heterosis, Development of heterotic pools in germplasm/genetic stocks and inbreds, their improvement for increasing heterosis. Types of male sterility and use in heterosis breeding; Maintenance, transfer and restoration of different types of male sterility; Use of self- incompatibility in development of hybrids; Hybrid seed production system: 3-line, 2-line and 1-line system; Development of inbreds and parental lines- A, B and R lines – functional male sterility; Commercial exploitation of heterosis- maintenance breeding of parental lines in hybrids. Fixation of heterosis in self, cross and often cross pollinated crops, asexually/clonally propagated crops; Male sterile line creation and diversification in self pollinated, cross pollinated and asexually propagated crops; problems and prospects; Apomixis in fixing heterosis-concept of single line hybrid. Organellar heterosis and complementation - Creation of male sterility through genetic engineering and its exploitation in heterosis. Heterosis breeding in wheat, rice, cotton, maize, pearl millet, sorghum and oilseed crops.

Practical

Selection indices and selection differential – Calculations and interpretations - Male sterile line characterization in millets; Using morphological descriptors; Restorer line identification and diversification of male sterile sources - Male sterile line creation in dicots comprising oilseeds, pulses and cotton ; problems in creation of CGMS system; Ways of overcoming them - Male sterile line creation, diversification and restoration in forage crops; Understanding the difficulties in breeding apomicts; Estimation of heterotic parameters in self, cross and asexually propagated crops

-Estimation from the various models for heterosis parameters -Hybrid seed production in field crops – an account on the released hybrids; their potential; Problems and ways of overcoming it; hybrid breeding at National and International level; Opportunities ahead.

Lecture schedule : Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Genetic structure of population in relation to mode of pollination	1
2	Historical aspect of heterosis - Nomenclature and definitions of heterosis	1
3	Heterosis in natural population and inbred population	1
4	Inbreeding-Introduction and effect of inbreeding, coefficient of inbreeding, Inbreeding depression	1
5	Genetic consequences of selfing and crossing in self-and cross-pollinated and asexually propagated crops	1
6	Pre Mendelian and Post-Mendelian ideas about heterosis.	1
7	Genetic theories of heterosis- Genetic basis of heterosis-dominance and overdominance hypothesis	1
9	Physiological and Biochemical basis of heterosis	1
9	Molecular factors underlining heterosis	1
10	Prediction of heterosis from various crosses	1
11	Inbreeding depression, frequency of inbreeding and residual heterosis in F2 and segregating populations,	1
12	Importance of inbreeding in exploitation of heterosis	1
13	Relationship between genetic distance and expression of heterosis	1
14	Divergence and Genetic Distance analyses	1
15	Morphological and molecular genetic distance in predicting heterosis	1
16	Development of heterotic pools in germplasm/genetic stocks and inbreds, their improvement for increasing heterosis.	1
17	Types of male sterility and use in heterosis breeding	1

18	Maintenance, transfer and restoration of different types of male sterility	1
	Self-incompatibility and uses of SI in development of hybrids	1
19	Hybrid seed production system using 3-line, 2-line and 1-line system	1
20	Development of inbreds and parental lines- A, B and R lines – functional male sterility; Commercial exploitation of heterosis- maintenance breeding of parental lines in hybrids.	1
21	Fixation of heterosis in self, cross and often cross pollinated crops, asexually/clonally propagated crops;	1
22	Male sterile line creation and diversification in self pollinated, cross pollinated and asexually propagated crops	1
23	Problems and prospects; Apomixis in fixing heterosis-concept of single line hybrid	1
24	Application of biotechnology in heterosis breeding- molecular markers, doubled haploids, somatic hybridization.	1
25	Organelle heterosis and complementation	1
26	Creation of male sterility through genetic engineering and its exploitation in heterosis	1
27	Heterosis breeding in wheat, rice, cotton, maize, pearl millet, sorghum and oilseed crops	1
28	Heterosis breeding in Rice	1
29	Heterosis breeding in Maize	1
30	Heterosis breeding in pearl millet	1
31	Heterosis breeding in sorghum	1
32	Heterosis breeding in oilseed crops	1

Lecture schedule : Practical

S.No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Selection indices and selection differential – Calculations and interpretations	1
2	Male sterile line characterization in millets; Using morphological descriptors	1
3	Restorer line identification and diversification of male sterile sources	1
4	Male sterile line creation in dicots comprising oilseeds, pulses and cotton ; problems in creation of CGMS system; Ways of overcoming them	1
5	Male sterile line creation, diversification and restoration in forage crops	1
6	Understanding the difficulties in breeding apomicts;	1
7	Estimation of heterotic parameters in self, cross and asexually propagated crops - Estimation from the various models for heterosis parameters	1
8	Practical aspects of hybrid seed production using different crossing techniques	1
9	Hybrid seed production in cereals	1
10	Hybrid seed production in pulses	1
11	Hybrid seed production in oilseed crops	1
12	Hybrid seed production in fibre crops	1
13	Hybrid breeding at National and International level	1
14	Identification of maintainers and restorers (maize, sorghum, bajra, wheat, rice and brassica)	1
15	Identification and characterization of important hybrids in field crops	1
16	Field visit of hybrid seed production plots	1

Suggested Readings

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Theory:

Secondary structures of DNA (A,B,C,Z and P- DNA). Denaturation and renaturation of DNA- supercoils, cruciforms and triple stranded structures. Secondary and tertiary structures of RNA. Ribozyme and deoxyribozymes. Physico chemical organization of chromatin and nucleosome, concept. Telomerases . DNA repair and recombination. Gene duplication, amplification and pseudogenes; Arrangements of genes in eucaryotes. Mobile genetic elements in pro and eucaryotes and their significance. Organization of mitochondrial and chloroplast genomes, Plasmid biology. Aims and principles of gene transfer, vectors, restriction enzymes, distinguishing transferred genes from endogenous genes. *In vitro* synthesis of recombinant DNA and gene cloning techniques, developmnt of transgenic plants and potential hazards of gene cloning. Molecular Markers, types and significance. Genome projects, genomics, proteomics

Lecture schedules : Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Secondary structures of DNA (A, B, C, Z and P- DNA)	2
2	Denaturation and renaturation of DNA- Introduction	1
3	Supercoils, cruciforms and triple stranded structures	1
4	Secondary and tertiary structures of RNA	1
5	Ribozyme and deoxyribozymes	2
6	Physico chemical organization of chromatin	2
7	Nucleosome, higher order organization of chromatid	2
8	Telomerases	1
9	DNA repair (including SOS)	3
10	Recombination (molecular basis and models)	1
11	Gene duplication, amplification and pseudogenes	1
12	Gene duplication: evolutionary significance	1
13	Arrangements of genes in eucaryotes	2
14	Mobile genetic elements in procaryotes	2
15	Significance of mobile genetic elements in procaryotes	1
16	Mobile genetic elements in eucaryotes	1
17	Significance of mobile genetic elements in eucaryotes	1
18	Organization of mitochondrial genomes	2
19	Organization of chloroplast genomes	2
20	Introduction to gene transfer and its aim	1
21	Principles of gene transfer	1
22	Introduction to vectors, their types and role in gene transfer	1
23	Introduction to restriction enzymes, their types and role in gene transfer	1
24	Distinguishing transferred genes from endogenous genes	2
25	<i>In vitro</i> synthesis of recombinant DNA and gene cloning techniques	2
26	Application and potential hazards of gene cloning.	1
27	Molecular markers : Introduction	1
28	Molecular markers: types - RFLP	1
29	Molecular markers: types - RAPD	1
30	Molecular markers: types – AFLP and others	1
31	Molecular markers: significance	1
32	Human genome project	1
33	Genome projects of other major crops	2
34	Genomics	1
35	Proteomics	1

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PBG 614

Advanced Biometrical and Quantitative Genetics

3(2+1)

Objective

To impart theoretical knowledge and computation methods for non allelic interactions, mating designs and component analysis and their significance in plant breeding.

Theory

Basic principles of Biometrical Genetics; Selection of parents; Advanced biometrical models for combining ability analysis; Simultaneous selection models; Use of Multiple regression analysis in selection of genotypes; Designs and Systems; Selection of stable genotypes. Models in stability analysis - Pattern analysis - Additive Main Effect and Multiplicative Interaction (AMMI) analysis and other related models; Principal Component Analysis. Additive and multiplicative model -Shifted multiplicative model; Analysis and selection of genotypes; Methods and steps to select the best model -Biplots and mapping genotypes. Genetic architecture of quantitative traits; Conventional analyses to detect gene actions - Partitioning of phenotypic/genotypic variance - Construction of saturated linkage maps, concept of framework map development; QTL mapping-Strategies for QTL mapping - desired populations, statistical methods; Marker Assisted Selection (MAS) - Approaches to apply MAS in Plant breeding - selection based on markers - simultaneous selection based on marker and phenotype - Factors influencing MAS; Heritability of the trait, proportion of genetic variance, linkage disequilibrium between markers and traits and selection methods.

Practical

Working out efficiency of selection methods in different populations and interpretation - Biparental mating – use of softwares in analysis and result interpretation - Diallel analysis– use of softwares in analysis and result interpretation

- Quadriallel analysis – use of softwares in analysis and result interpretation - Triple Test Cross (TTC) – use of softwares in analysis and result interpretation - Advanced biometrical models for combining ability analysis - Selection of stable genotypes using stability analysis; Models in stability analysis Additive Main Effect and Multiplicative Interaction (AMMI) model - Principal Component Analysis model - Additive and multiplicative model -Shifted multiplicative model -Analysis and selection of genotypes - Methods and steps to select the best model - Selection systems - Biplots and mapping genotypes. Construction of linkage maps and QTL mapping - Strategies for QTL mapping; statistical methods in QTL mapping; Phenotype and Marker linkage studies.

Lecture schedules : Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Basic principles of Biometrical Genetics.	1
2	Selection of parents.	1
3	Advanced biometrical models for combining ability analysis.	1
4	Simultaneous selection models.	1
5	Use of Multiple regression analysis in selection of genotypes	1
6	Designs and Systems.	1
7	Concepts of combining ability and gene action. Introduction to mating designs.	1
8	Diallel analysis: Hayman's approach	1
9	Diallel analysis: Griffing's approach	1
10	Partial diallel and line x tester analysis	1
11	Biparental mating (NCDs)	1
12	Triple Test Cross etc..	1
13	Genotype x environment interaction	1
14	Selection of stable genotypes.	1
15	Models in stability analysis.	1
16	Additive Main Effect and Multiplicative Interaction (AMMI) analysis	1
17	Other related models in stability analysis.	1
18	Principal Component Analysis.	1
19	Additive and multiplicative model.	1
20	Shifted multiplicative model.	1
21	Analysis and selection of genotypes.	1
22	Methods and steps to select the best model.	1
23	Biplots and mapping genotypes	1

24	Genetic architecture of quantitative traits.	1
25	Conventional analyses to detect gene actions.	1
26	Partitioning of phenotypic/genotypic variance.	1
27	Construction of saturated linkage maps & concept of framework map development.	1
28	QTL mapping-Strategies for QTL mapping - desired populations, statistical methods.	1
29	Marker Assisted Selection (MAS) - Approaches to apply MAS in Plant breeding.	1
30	Selection based on markers - simultaneous selection based on marker and phenotype - Factors influencing MAS	1
31	Heritability of the trait, proportion of genetic variance.	1
32	Linkage disequilibrium between markers and traits and selection methods	1

Lecture schedule : Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Working out efficiency of selection methods in different populations and interpretation.	
2	Biparental mating – use of softwares in analysis and result interpretation.	
3	Triallel analysis – use of softwares in analysis and result interpretation.	
4	Quadriallel analysis – use of softwares in analysis and result interpretation.	
5	Triple Test Cross – use of softwares in analysis and result interpretation.	
6	Advanced biometrical models for combining ability analysis.	
7	Selection of stable genotypes using stability analysis.	
8	Additive Main Effect and Multiplicative Interaction (AMMI) model.	
9	Principal Component Analysis model.	
10	Additive and multiplicative model.	
11	Shifted multiplicative model.	
12	Methods and steps to select the best model.	
13	Biplots and mapping genotypes.	
14	Construction of linkage maps and QTL mapping.	
15	Strategies for QTL mapping; statistical methods in QTL mapping.	
16	Phenotype and Marker linkage studies.	

Suggested Readings

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PBG 621

Genetic Engineering

3(2+1)

Theory:

Perspectives and application of genetic engineering. Methods of recombinant technology. Isolation, sequencing, cloning of prokaryotic and eucaryotic genes. Basic differences in the expression of pro and eukaryotic gene expression. Analytical techniques in genetic engineering. Immunogenetics. Nature and function of restriction enzymes. Plasmid structure, function and biology. Construction of plasmid vectors. Biology of bacteriophage lambda and M13. Specialised vectors. Gene cloning in plasmids. *Agrobacterium* plasmids (Ti and Ri). Methods of direct gene transfer-elctroporation, microinjection, use of particle gun. Construction of genomic libraries. PCR and its use Genetic manipulation, construction of transgenic in pro and eucaryotes.

Practicals

Isolation of DNA. DNA melting, annealing and plotting of cot values, isolation of plasmid DNA, Protoplast fusion, Triparental mating. Visit to the Biotechnology laboratories of national repute.

Lecture schedule : Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Perspectives and application of genetic engineering	1
2	Methods of recombinant technology	2
3	Sanger's method of DNA sequencing, other sequencing technologies	1
4	Strategies for isolation of prokaryotic and eukaryotic genes	2
5	Basic differences in the expression of pro and eukaryotic gene expression	1
6	Analytical techniques in genetic engineering	2
7	Immunogenetics : antibody structure, gene controlling antibody formation, antibody diversity, applications	2
8	Nature and function of restriction enzymes: Host restriction modification, type II restriction enzymes	1
9	Plasmid structure, function and biology: plasmid evolution, types, significance	3
10	Construction of plasmid vectors	2
11	Biology of bacteriophage lambda and M13	2
12	Specialised vectors : YAC, BAC, PAC	2
13	Gene cloning in plasmids	1
14	<i>Agrobacterium</i> plasmids (Ti and Ri)	2
15	Methods of direct gene transfer-electroporation, microinjection, use of particle gun	2
16	Construction of genomic libraries: Genomic and cDNA library, strategy, use of phage vector for library	2
17	PCR and its use Genetic manipulation	2
18	Construction of transgenic in pro and eukaryotes..	2

Lecture schedule : Practical

S.No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Isolation of DNA	2
2	DNA melting, annealing and plotting of cot values	3
3	Isolation of plasmid DNA : Culturing bacteria harboring plasmid, isolation of DNA, gel electrophoresis and Ethidium bromide staining to visualize the plasmid and quantifying its molecular weight.	4
4	Protoplast fusion	2
5	Tri-parental mating	3
6	Visit to the biotechnology laboratory at Jaipur and Bikaner/IARI	2

Suggested Readings

Old, R.W. and Primrose, S.B. 2001. Principles of Genetic manipulation: An Introduction to Genetic Engineering, 5th Edition. Blackwell Scientific Limited, USA.
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PBG 624**Breeding Designer Crops****3(2+1)****Objective**

To impart theoretical knowledge and practical know-how towards physiological efficiency, nutritional enhancement, biofortification and industrial/pharma applications in plant breeding.

Theory

Breeding of crop ideotypes; Genetic manipulations through recombination breeding, genomics and transgenics for physiological efficiency, nutritional enhancement, special compounds-proteins, vaccines, gums, starch and fats. Physiological efficiency as a concept, parametric and whole plant physiology in integrated mode; Physiological mechanism of improvement in nutrient use efficiency, water use efficiency, osmotic adjustment, photosynthetic efficiency, stay green trait and its significance in crop improvement. Improvement in yield potential under sub-optimal conditions by manipulating source and sink, canopy architecture, plant-water relationships, effect of suboptimal conditions on cardinal plant growth and development processes, enhancing input use efficiency

through genetic manipulations. Breeding for special traits viz. oil, protein, vitamins, amino acids etc.; Concept of biopharming and development of varieties producing targeted compounds, nutraceuticals and industrial products; Success stories in vaccines, modified sugars, gums and starch through biopharming. Biosafety management, segregation and isolation requirements in designer crop production and post-harvest management.

Practical

Demonstration of plant responses to stresses through recent techniques; Water use efficiency, transpiration efficiency, screening techniques under stress conditions such as electrolyte leakage, TTC, chlorophyll fluorescence, canopy temperature depression, stomatal conductance, chlorophyll estimation, heat/drought/salt shock proteins.

Lecture schedule : Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Concept of ideotype breeding	2
2	Genetic manipulation through recombination breeding,genomics and transgenics for designer crops for physiological efficiency, nutritional enhancement, special compound proteins, vaccines, gums, starch & fats : case studies.	4
3	Physiological efficiency as a concept : parametric and holistic	3
4	Improvement in nutrient use efficiency, water use efficiency, osmotic adjustment, photosynthetic efficiency, stay green traits for crop improvement	4
5	Manipulation of source sink , canopy architecture, plant water relationship	3
6	Effect of cardinal plant growth and development process	2
7	Genetic manipulation for input use efficiency	3
8	Breeding for special traits	3
9	Biopharming for industrial development	3
10	Success stories in vaccines, modified sugars, gums and starch	3
11	Biosafty management, segregation and isolation requirement and post harvest management	2

Lecture Schedule : Practical

SN	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Growing plants under stressed and non-stressed conditions for demonstration of plant responses to stresses through recent techniques	2
2	Water use efficiency, transpiration efficiency : learning equations and method of determination.	2
3	screening techniques under stress conditions such as electrolyte leakage, TTC, chlorophyll fluorescence, canopy temperature depression, stomatal conductance, chlorophyll estimation	7
4	heat/drought/salt shock proteins using crop genotypes known for stress tolerance : demonstration of protein using Protein electrophoresis using sensitive & resistant genotype of the crop.	5

Suggested Readings :

Balint A. 1984. *Physiological Genetics of Agricultural Crops*. AK Ademiaikiado. Hay RK. 2006. *Physiology of Crop Yield*. 2nd Ed. Blackwell. Pessarakli M. 1995. *Handbook of Plant and Crop Physiology*. Marcel Dekker. Taiz L & Zeiger E. 2006. *Plant Physiology*. 4th Ed. Sinauer Associates.

PLANT PATHOLOGY

S.No.	Course No	Title	Credit Hrs.
M. Sc. (Ag)			
I-Semester			
1.	PPATH-511	Mycology	3(2+1)
2.	PPATH-512	Detection and Diagnosis of Plant Diseases	3(0+3)
3.	PPATH-513	Principles of Plant Pathology	3(3+0)
II-Semester			
4.	PPATH-522	Plant Bacteriology	3(2+1)
5.	PPATH-523	Diseases of Vegetables and Spices Crops	3(2+1)
6.	PPATH-526	Ecology of Soil-borne Plant Pathogens	3(2+1)
7	PGS-502	e-course Technical Writing and Communication Skills	1 (0+1) NC
III-Semester			
8.	PPATH-531	Plant Virology	3(2+1)
9.	PPATH-532	Principles of Plant Disease Management	3(2+1)
10.	PPATH-533	Diseases of Field and Medicinal Plants	3(2+1)
11.	PGS -503	e-course -Intellectual property and its Management in Agriculture	1 (1+0) NC
12.	PGS -506	e-course-Disaster Management	1 (1+0) NC
IV-Semester			
13.	PPATH-541	Seminar	1
14.	PPATH-542	Comprehensive	2
15.	PPATH-543	Research	20

Note: 1. Minor courses are to be decided by Dean / Advisory committee

2. .If required another course (related / minor) running in a particular semester may also be offered.

M.Sc. (Ag.) Programme

PPATH 511

Mycology

3(2+1)

Objective

To study the nomenclature, classification and characters of fungi.

Theory

Introduction, definition of different terms, basic concepts. Importance of mycology in agriculture, relation of fungi to human affairs, history of mycology. Concepts of nomenclature and classification, fungal biodiversity, reproduction in fungi. The comparative morphology, ultrastructure, characters of different groups of fungi up to generic level: (a) Myxomycota and (b) Eumycota- i) Mastigomycotina ii) Zygomycotina, iii) Ascomycotina, iv) Basidiomycotina, v) Deuteromycotina. Lichens types and importance, fungal genetics and variability in fungi.

Practical

Detailed comparative study of different groups of fungi; collection, identification and preservation of specimens. Isolation and identification of plant pathogenic fungi.

Lectures schedule: Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1.	General Introduction.	1
2.	Basic concept and definition of different terms.	3
3.	Importance of mycology in agriculture, relation of fungi to human affairs.	1
4.	History of mycology.	1
5.	Concepts of nomenclature and classification, fungal biodiversity.	3
6.	Reproduction in fungi.	2
7.	Comparative morphology, ultra structure, characters of different groups of fungi up to generic level: (a) Myxomycota and (b) Eumycota- i) Mastigomycotina ii) Zygomycotina iii) Ascomycotina iv) Basidiomycotina v) Deuteromycotina.	- 1 - 4 2 4 4 3

8.	Lichens types and importance.	1
9.	Fungal genetics and variability.	2

Lectures schedule: Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lecture(s)
1.	Comparative study of genera of orders Plasmodiophorales and Chytridiales: <i>Plasmodiophora</i> and <i>Synchytrium</i> .	1
2.	Comparative study of fungi of order Peronosporales : <i>Pythium</i> , <i>Phytophthora</i> , <i>Sclerospora</i> , <i>Peronospora</i> , <i>Plasmopara</i> and <i>Albugo</i> .	2
3.	Comparative study of genera of order Mucorales : <i>Rhizopus</i> and <i>Mucor</i>	1
4.	Comparative study of genera of order Taphrinales : <i>Taphrina</i> .	1
5.	Comparative study of genera of order Erysiphales : <i>Erysiphe</i> , <i>Uncinula</i> , <i>Microsphaera</i> , <i>Sphaerotheca</i> , and <i>Podosphaera</i>	2
6.	Comparative study of fungi of order Sphaeriales : <i>Glomerella</i> and <i>Claviceps</i> .	1
7.	Comparative study of genera of order Uredinales: <i>Puccinia</i> , <i>Uromyces</i> , <i>Phragmidium</i> and <i>Melampsora</i> .	2
8.	Comparative study of genera of order Ustilaginales : <i>Ustilago</i> , <i>Sphacelothica</i> , <i>Tolyposporium</i> , <i>Neovossia</i> , and <i>Urocystis</i> .	2
9.	Comparative study of genera <i>Colletotrichum</i> , <i>Phomopsis</i> , <i>Alternaria</i> , <i>Helminthosporium</i> , <i>Cercospora</i> , <i>Fusarium</i> etc.	2
10.	Collection, identification and preservation of specimens.	1
10.	Isolation and identification of plant pathogenic fungi.	1

Suggested Readings

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Singh RS. 1982. Plant Pathogens – The Fungi. Oxford & IBH, New Delhi.

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PPATH 512

Detection and Diagnosis of Plant Diseases

3(0+3)

Objective

To impart training on various methods/techniques/instruments used in the study of plant diseases/pathogens.

Practical

Methods to prove Koch's postulates with biotroph and necrotroph pathogens, pure culture techniques, use of selective media to isolate pathogens. Preservation of plant pathogens and disease specimens, use of centrifuge, pH meter, micrometer, haemocytometer, camera lucida. Microscopic techniques and staining methods, phase contrast system, chromatography, use of electron microscope, spectrophotometer, ultracentrifuge and electrophoretic apparatus, disease diagnostics, serological and molecular techniques for detection of plant pathogens. Evaluation of fungicides, bactericides etc.; field experiments, data collection and preparation of manuscripts.

Lectures schedule: Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Methods to prove Koch's postulates with biotroph and necrotroph pathogens	4
2	Pure culture techniques	4
3	Use of selective media to isolate pathogens	2
4	Preservation of plant pathogens and disease specimens	2
5	Use of centrifuge & pH meter	2
6	Use of micrometer haemocytometer & camera lucida	2
7	Microscopic techniques & Staining methods	4
8	Phase contrast system & Chromatography	6
9	Use of Electron microscope	2
10	Use of spectrophotometer & ultracentrifuge	2
11	Use of electrophoretic apparatus	2

12	Disease diagnostics	2
13	Serological and molecular techniques for detection of plant pathogens	6
14	Evaluation of fungicides, bactericides etc.	4
15	Field experiments and data collection	2
16	Preparation of manuscripts	2

Suggested Readings

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- Pathak V N. 1984. Laboratory Manual of Plant Pathology. Oxford & IBH, New Delhi.
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- Trigiano R N, Windham M T & Windham A S. 2004. Plant Pathology- Concepts and Laboratory Exercises. CRC Press, Florida.
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PPATH 513

Principles of Plant Pathology

3(3+0)

Objective

To introduce the subject of Plant Pathology, its concepts and principles.

Theory

Importance, definitions and concepts of plant diseases, history and growth of plant pathology, biotic and abiotic causes of plant diseases. Growth, reproduction, survival and dispersal of important plant pathogens, role of environment and host nutrition on disease development. Host parasite interaction, recognition concept and infection, symptomatology, disease development- role of enzymes, toxins, growth regulators; defense strategies- oxidative burst; Phenolics, Phytoalexins, PR proteins, Elicitors. Altered plant metabolism as affected by plant pathogens. Genetics of resistance; 'R' genes; mechanism of genetic variation in pathogens; molecular basis for resistance; marker-assisted selection; genetic engineering for disease resistance. Disease management strategies.

Lectures schedule: Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1.	Introduction	1
2.	Importance, definitions and concepts of plant diseases.	3
3.	History and growth of Plant Pathology	3
4.	Biotic and abiotic causes of plant diseases	2
5.	Growth and reproduction of plant pathogens.	3
6.	Survival and dispersal of important plant pathogens.	1
7.	Role of environment and host nutrition on disease development.	2
8.	Host parasite interaction, recognition concept and infection.	3
9.	Symptomatology	2
10.	Disease development- role of enzymes, toxin and growth regulators	4
11.	Defense strategies- oxidative burst, phenolics, phytoalexins, PR proteins and elicitors.	4
12.	Altered plant metabolism as affected by plant pathogens.	2
13.	Genetics of resistance; R genes	2
14.	Mechanism of genetic variation in pathogens.	3
15.	Molecular basis for resistance; marker –assisted selection.	3
16.	Genetic engineering for disease resistance.	3
17.	Disease management strategies.	7

Suggested Readings

- Agrios GN. 2005. Plant Pathology. 5th Ed. Academic Press, New York.
- Heitefuss R & Williams PH. 1976. Physiological Plant Pathology. Springer Verlag, Berlin, New York. Mehrotra RS & Aggarwal A. 2003. Plant Pathology. 2nd Ed. Oxford & IBH, New Delhi.
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PPATH 522 Plant Bacteriology 3(2+1)

Objective

To acquaint with plant pathogenic prokaryote (procarya) and their structure, nutritional requirements, survival and dissemination.

Theory

History and introduction to phytopathogenic procarya, viz., bacteria, MLOs, spiroplasmas and other fastidious procarya. Importance of phytopathogenic bacteria. Evolution, classification and nomenclature of phytopathogenic procarya and list of important diseases caused by them.

Growth, nutrition requirements, reproduction, preservation of bacterial cultures and variability among phytopathogenic procarya. General biology of bacteriophages, L form bacteria, plasmids and bdellovibrios. Prokaryotic inhibitors and their mode of action against phytopathogenic bacteria. Survival and dissemination of phytopathogenic bacteria.

Practical

Isolation, purification, identification and host inoculation of phytopathogenic bacteria, staining methods, biochemical and serological characterization, isolation of plasmid and use of antibacterial chemicals/antibiotics.

Lectures schedule: Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Introduction to phytopathogenic procarya viz. MLO/phytoplasma, spiroplasma	2
2	History of phytopathogenic procarya	1
3	Introduction to other fastidious procarya	2
4	Importance of phytopathogenic bacteria,	2
5	Evaluation of bacteria	1
6	Classification and nomenclature of phytopathogenic procarya	4
7	List of important diseases caused by phytopathogenic procarya	2
8	Growth and nutrition requirements of bacteria	3
9	Reproduction in prokaryotes	2
10	Preservation of bacterial cultures	1
11	Variability among phytopathogenic procarya	2
12	General biology of bacteriophage,	2
13	L-form bacteria and <i>Bdellovibrio</i>	1
14	Plasmids	2
15	Prokaryotic inhibitors and their mode of action against phytopathogenic bacteria	3
16	Survival and dissemination of phytopathogenic bacteria	2

Lectures schedule: Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Isolation of bacteria	2
2	Purification and identification of bacteria	2
3	Inoculation and Pathogenicity of bacteria	2
4	Staining methods	2
5	Biochemical and serological characterization of bacteria	4
6	Isolation of plasmid	2
7	Use of antibacterial chemicals/antibiotics	2

Suggested Readings

Goto M. 1990. *Fundamentals of Plant Bacteriology*. Academic Press, NewYork.
 Jayaraman J & Verma JP. 2002. *Fundamentals of Plant Bacteriology*. Kalyani Publ., Ludhiana. Mount MS & Lacy GH. 1982. *Phytopathogenic Prokaryotes*. Vols. I, II. Academic Press, New York.
 Verma JP, Varma A & Kumar D. (Eds). 1995. *Detection of Plant pathogens and their Management*. Angkor Publ., New Delhi.
 Verma JP. 1998. *The Bacteria*. Malhotra Publ. House, New Delhi.

Objective

To impart knowledge about symptoms, epidemiology of different diseases of vegetables and spices caused by fungal, bacterial and viral diseases and their management.

Theory

Nature, prevalence, factors affecting disease development of bulb, leafy vegetable, crucifers, cucurbits and solanaceous vegetables. Diseases of protected cultivation. Symptoms and management of diseases of different root, bulb, leafy vegetables, crucifers, cucurbits and solanaceous vegetable crops. Symptoms, epidemiology and management of diseases of different spice crops such as black pepper, saffron, cumin, coriander, turmeric, fennel, fenugreek and ginger.

Practical

Detailed study of symptoms and host pathogen interaction of important diseases of vegetable and spice crops.

Lectures schedule: Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lecturers
1.	General introduction	1
2.	Diseases of potato	4
3.	Diseases of onion	1
4.	Diseases of tomato	3
5.	Diseases of garlic	1
6.	Diseases of crucifers	2
7.	Diseases of cucurbits	2
8.	Diseases of chilli	2
9.	Diseases of brinjal	2
10.	Diseases of leafy vegetables.	2
11.	Diseases of root crops	1
12.	Diseases of ginger	1
13.	Diseases of turmeric	1
14.	Diseases of saffron	2
15.	Diseases of black pepper	1
16.	Diseases of cumin	1
17.	Diseases of fenugreek	2
18.	Diseases of fennel	2
19.	Diseases of coriander	1

Lectures schedule: Practical

1.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of potato	2
2.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of tomato	1
3.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of crucifers	1
4.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of cucurbits	1
5.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of chilli	1
6.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of brinjal	1
7.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of onion	1
8.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of ginger& turmeric	1
9.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of cumin	1
10.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of coriander	1
11.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of fenugreek	1
12.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of fennel	2
13.	Collection and dry preservation of diseased specimens of important crops.	2

Suggested Readings

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- Sherf AF & McNab AA. 1986. *Vegetable Diseases and their Control*. Wiley InterScience, Columbia. Singh RS. 1999. *Diseases of Vegetable Crops*. Oxford & IBH, New Delhi.
- Gupta SK & Thind TS. 2006. *Disease Problem in Vegetable Production*.Scientific Publ., Jodhpur.6 Walker JC. 1952. *Diseases of Vegetable Crops*. McGraw-Hill, New York.

Objective

To provide knowledge on soil-plant disease relationship.

Theory

Soil as an environment for plant pathogens, nature and importance of rhizosphere and rhizoplane, host exudates, soil and root inhabiting fungi. Types of biocontrol agents. Inoculum potential and density in relation to host and soil variables, competition, predation, antibiosis and fungistasis. Suppressive soils, biological control- concepts and potentialities for managing soil borne pathogens.

Practical

Quantification of rhizosphere and rhizoplane microflora with special emphasis on pathogens; pathogenicity test by soil and root inoculation techniques, correlation between inoculum density of test pathogens and disease incidence, demonstration of fungistasis in natural soils; suppression of test soil-borne pathogens by antagonistic microorganisms. Isolation and identification of different biocontrol agents.

Lectures schedule: Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lecture(s)
1.	General Introduction.	1
2.	Soil as environment for plant pathogens	2
3.	Nature and importance of rhizosphere.	2
4.	Nature and importance of rhizoplane.	2
5.	Host exudates	2
6.	Soil and root inhabiting fungi	2
7.	Types of bio-control agents	2
8.	Inoculum potential	2
9.	Host and soil variables	2
10.	Concept of competition	2
11.	Predation	2
12.	Antibiosis and fungistasis.	8
13.	Biological control –Concepts and potentialities for managing soil-borne pathogens	2
14.	Suppressive and conducive soils	1

Lectures schedule: Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1.	Isolation and enumeration of organisms in soil	1
2.	Soil dilution plate method	2
3.	Isolation from rhizosphere	2
4.	Isolation of <i>Trichoderma</i>	1
5.	Isolation of bacteria from soil.	2
6.	Pathogenicity test by soil inoculation technique. Cont.	2
7.	Pathogenicity test by seed inoculation technique. Cont.	2
8.	Correlation between inoculum density of test pathogens and disease incidence. Cont.	2
9.	Demonstration of fungistasis natural soils; suppression of test soil-borne pathogens by antagonistic microorganisms, Cont.	2

Suggested Readings

Baker KF & Snyder WC. 1965. *Ecology of Soil-borne Plant Pathogens*. John Wiley, New York.

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Garret SD. 1970. *Pathogenic Root-infecting Fungi*. Cambridge Univ. Press, Cambridge, New York.

Hillocks RJ & Waller JM. 1997. *Soil-borne Diseases of Tropical Crops*. CABI, Wallington.

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Objective

To acquaint with the structure, virus-vector relationship, biology and management of plant viruses.

Theory

History of plant viruses, composition and structure of viruses. Symptomatology of important plant viral diseases, transmission, chemical and physical properties, host virus interaction, virus vector relationship. Virus nomenclature and classification, genome organization, replication and movement of viruses. Isolation and purification, electron microscopy, protein and nucleic acid based diagnostics. Mycoviruses, phytoplasma arbo and baculoviruses, satellite viruses, satellite RNAs, phages, viroids, prions. Principles of the working of electron-microscope and ultra- microtome. Origin and evolution, mechanism of resistance, genetic engineering, ecology, and listing of important diseases and their management.

Practical

Study of symptoms caused by viruses, transmission, assay of viruses, physical properties, purification, method of raising antisera, serological tests, electron microscopy and ultratomy, PCR.

Lectures schedule: Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lecture(s)
1	History of plant viruses	1
2	Composition and structure of viruses	2
3	Symptomatology of important pant viral diseases	1
4	Transmission of important pant viral diseases	2
5	Chemical properties of viruses	1
6	Physical properties of viruses	1
7	Host virus interaction	1
8	Virus vector relationship	1
9	Virus nomenclature and classification	4
10	Genome organization of viruses	1
11	Replication and movement of viruses	2
12	Isolation and purification of viruses	2
13	Electron microscopy	1
14	Protein and nucleic acid based diagnostics	2
15	Mycoviruses, phytoplasma arbo- and baculoviruses	1
16	Satellite viruses, satellite RNAs, phages,	1
17	viroids, prions	1
18	Principles of the working of electron microscope and ultra-microtome	1
19	Origin and evaluation, mechanism of resistance, genetic engineering and ecology	4
20	Listing of important diseases and their management	2

Lectures schedule: Practical

S. No.	Topic	
1	Study of symptoms caused by viruses	1
2	Transmission of viruses	2
3	Assay of viruses	2
4	Physical properties of viruses	2
5	Purification of viruses	2
6	Methods of raising anti-sera	1
7	Serological tests	2
8	Electron microscopy	1
9	Ultratomy	1
10	PCR	2

Suggested Readings

- Bos L. 1964. Symptoms of Virus Diseases in Plants. Oxford & IBH., New Delhi.
 Brunt AA, Krabtree K, Dallwitz MJ, Gibbs AJ & Watson L. 1995. Virus of Plants: Descriptions and Lists from VIDE Database. CABI, Wallington.
 Gibbs A & Harrison B. 1976. Plant Virology - The Principles. Edward Arnold, London.
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 Noordam D. 1973. Identification of Plant Viruses, Methods and Experiments. Oxford & IBH, New Delhi.

PPATH -532**Principles of Plant Disease Management****3(2+1)****Objectives**

To acquaint with different strategies for management of plant diseases.

Theory

Principles of plant disease management by cultural, physical, biological, chemical, organic amendments and botanicals methods of plant disease control, integrated control measures of plant diseases. Disease resistance and molecular approach for disease management. Foliage, seed and soil application of chemicals, role of stickers, spreaders and other adjuvants, health vis-a-vis environmental hazards, residual effects and safety measures. History of fungicides, bactericides, antibiotics, concepts of pathogen, immobilization, chemical protection and chemotherapy, nature, properties and mode of action of antifungal, antibacterial and antiviral chemicals.

Practical

In vitro and in vivo evaluation of chemicals and bioagents against plant pathogens; ED and MIC values, study of structural and functional details of sprayers and dusters.

Lectures schedule: Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lecture(s)
1	Principles of plant disease management by cultural methods	2
2	Principles of plant disease management by physical methods	2
3	Principles of plant disease management by biological methods	3
4	Principles of plant disease management by chemical methods	3
5	Principles of plant disease management by organic amendments	2
6	Principles of plant disease management by botanicals	2
7	Integrated control measures of plant diseases	2
8	Disease resistance and molecular approach for disease management	2
9	Foliage, seed and soil application of chemicals	2
10	Role of stickers, spreaders and other adjuvants	2
11	Health vis-à-vis environmental hazards	1
12	Residual effects and safety measures	1
13	History of fungicides, bactericides, antibiotics	1
14	Concepts of pathogen, immobilization	1
15	Chemical protection and chemotherapy	1
16	Nature, properties and mode of action of antifungal, antibacterial and antiviral chemicals	6

Lectures schedule: Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	<i>In vitro</i> evaluation of chemicals against plant pathogens	4
2	<i>in vivo</i> evaluation of chemicals against plant pathogens	4
3	ED values	2
4	MIC values	2
5	Study of structural details of sprayers	2
6	Study of structural details of dusters	2

Suggested Readings

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 Marsh RW. 1972. Systemic Fungicides. Longman, New York.
 Nene YL & Thapliyal PN. 1993. Fungicides in Plant Disease Control. Oxford & IBH, N Delhi. Palti J. 1981. Cultural Practices and Infectious Crop Diseases. Springer- Verlag, New York. Vyas SC. 1993 Handbook of Systemic Fungicides. Vols. I-III. Tata McGraw Hill, New Delhi.

PPATH -533**Diseases of Field and Medicinal Plants****3(2+1)****Objective**

To educate about the nature, prevalence, etiology, factors affecting disease development and control measures of

field and medicinal crop diseases caused by fungal, bacterial and viral diseases.

Theory

Diseases of Cereal crops- wheat, barley, rice, pearl millet, sorghum and maize. Diseases of Pulse crops- gram, urdbean, mothbean, mungbean, lentil, pigeonpea, soybean. Diseases of Oilseed crops- rapeseed and mustard, sesame, linseed, sunflower, groundnut, castor. Diseases of Cash crops- cotton, sugarcane. Diseases of Fodder legume crops- berseem, oats, guar, lucerne, cowpea. Medicinal crops- plantago, liquorice, mulathi, rosagrass, sacred basil, mentha, ashwagandha, Aloe vera.

Practical

Detailed study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of important diseases of above mentioned crops. Collection and dry preservation of diseased specimens of important crops.

Lectures schedule: Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lecturers
1.	General introduction	1
2.	Diseases of wheat.	4
3.	Diseases of barley. sugarcane	1
4.	Diseases of rice	3
5.	Diseases of pearl millet	1
6.	Diseases of sorghum and maize.	2
7.	Diseases of gram	2
8.	Diseases of urdbean, mothbean, mungbean, and lentil.	2
9.	Diseases of pigeonpea and soybean	2
10.	Diseases of rapeseed and mustard, linseed and sesame.	2
11.	Diseases of sunflower and castor.	1
12.	Diseases of groundnut.	1
13.	Diseases of cotton	1
14.	Diseases of.	2
15.	Diseases of berseem, Lucerne and oats.	1
16.	Diseases of cowpea and guar	1
17.	Diseases of plantago, liquorice and mulathi	2
18.	Diseases of rosagrass, sacred basil and menthe.	2
19.	Diseases of ashwagandha and Aloe vera	1

Lectures schedule: Practical

1.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of wheat.	2
2.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of barley.	1
3.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of pearl millet.	1
4.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of sorghum & Maize.	1
5.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of gram.	1
6.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of mothbean & Mung.	1
7.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of mustard.	1
8.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of linseed.	1
9.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of castor.	1
10.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of groundnut.	1
11.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of cotton.	1
12.	Study of symptoms and host parasite relationship of diseases of fodder legumes and medicinal plants.	2
13.	Collection and dry preservation of diseased specimens of important crops.	2

Suggested Readings

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List of Journals

- ◆ *Annals of Applied Biology* – Cambridge University Press, London
- ◆ *Annual Review of Phytopathology* – Annual Reviews, Palo Alto, California
- ◆ *Annual Review of Plant Pathology* - Scientific Publishers, Jodhpur
- ◆ *Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology* - Canadian Phytopathological Society, Ottawa
- ◆ *Indian Journal of Biotechnology* - National Institute of Science Communication and Information Resources, CSIR, New Delhi
- ◆ *Indian Journal of Mycopathological Research*- Indian Society of Mycology, Kolkata.
- ◆ *Indian Journal of Virology* - Indian Virological Society, New Delhi
- ◆ *Indian Phytopathology* - Indian Phytopathological Society, New Delhi
- ◆ *Journal of Mycology and Plant Pathology* - Society of Mycology and Plant Pathology, Udaipur
- ◆ *Journal of Phytopathology* - Blackwell Verlag, Berlin
- ◆ *Mycologia* - New York Botanical Garden, Pennsylvania
- ◆ *Mycological Research* - Cambridge University Press, London
- ◆ *Physiological Molecular Plant Pathology* - Academic Press, London
- ◆ *Phytopathology* - American Phytopathological Society, USA
- ◆ *Plant Disease* - The American Phytopathological Society, USA
- ◆ *Plant Disease Research* – Indian Society of Plant Pathologists, Ludhiana
- ◆ *Plant Pathology* - British Society for Plant Pathology, Blackwell Publ.
- ◆ *Review of Plant Pathology* - CAB International, Wallingford
- ◆ *Virology*- New York Academic Press

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SOIL SCIENCE & AGRIL.CHEMISTRY

SEMESTER WISE COURSES ISTRBUTION

S.NO	COURSE NO.	TITLE	Credit hrs.
M.Sc(Ag) I-Semester (Minimum 9 credits hrs.)			
1.	SOILS-511	Soil chemistry	3(2+1)
2.	SOILS -512	Soil mineralogy, genesis, classification and soil survey	3(2+1)
3	SOILS -513	Analytical techniques and instrumental methods in soil and plant analysis	3(1+2)
II-Semester (Minimum 12 credits hrs.)			
4.	SOILS -521	Soil fertility and fertilizer use	4(3+1)
5.	SOILS -522	Soil biology and biochemistry	3(2+1)
6.	SOILS -524	Soil, water and air pollution	3(2+1)
7.	SOILS -525	Fertilizer technology	2(2+0)
8.	PGS-502	e-course Technical Writing and Communication Skills	1 (0+1) NC
III-Semester (Minimum 9 credits hrs.)			
9.	SOILS -531	Soil physics	3(2+1)
10.	SOILS -532	Management of problam soils and waters	3(2+1)
11.	PGS -503	e-course -Intellectual property and its Management in Agriculture	1 (1+0) NC
12.	PGS -506	e-course-Disaster Management	1 (1+0) NC
IV-Semester			
13	SOILS -541	Seminar	1
14.	SOILS -542	Comprehensive	2
15.	SOILS -543	Research	20

Note: 1. Minor courses are to be decided by Dean / Advisory committee

2. .If required another course (related / minor) running in a particular semester may also be offered.

SOILS 511

Soil Chemistry

3(2+1)

Objective

To introduce the classical concepts of soil chemistry and to familiarize students with modern developments in chemistry of soils in relation to using soils as a medium for plant growth.

Theory

Chemical (elemental) composition of the earth's crust and soils, Elements of equilibrium thermodynamics, chemical equilibria, electrochemistry and chemical kinetics, Soil colloids: inorganic and organic colloids - origin of charge, concept of point of zero-charge (PZC) and its dependence on variable-charge soil components, surface charge characteristics of soils; diffuse double layer theories of soil colloids, zeta potential, stability, coagulation/flocculation and peptization of soil colloids; electrometric properties of soil colloids; sorption properties of soil colloids; soil organic matter - fractionation of soil organic matter and different fractions, clay-organic interactions, Ion exchange processes in soil; cation exchange- theories based on law of mass action (Kerr-Vanselow, Gapon equations, hysteresis, Jenny's concept), adsorption isotherms, donnan-membrane equilibrium concept, clay-membrane electrodes and ionic activity measurement,; anion and ligand exchange – innersphere and outer-sphere surface complex formation, fixation of oxyanions, hysteresis in sorption-desorption of oxyanions and anions, shift of PZC on ligand exchange, AEC, CEC; experimental methods to study ion exchange phenomena and practical implications in plant nutrition, Potassium, phosphate and ammonium fixation in soils covering specific and non-specific sorption; precipitation-dissolution equilibria; step and constant-rate K; management aspects, Chemistry of acid soils; active and potential acidity; lime potential,; sub-soil acidity, Chemistry of salt-affected soils and amendments, Chemistry and electrochemistry of submerged soils.

Practical

Determination of CEC and AEC of soils, Analysis of equilibrium soil solution for pH, EC, Eh by the use of Eh-pH, meter and conductivity meter, Adsorption-desorption of phosphate/sulphate by soil using simple, adsorption isotherm, Determination of titratable acidity of an acid soil by BaCl₂-TEA method.

Lecture schedule—Theory

S. No	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Chemical (elemental) composition of the earth's crust and soils.	1
2.	Elements of equilibrium thermodynamics, chemical equilibria, electrochemistry and chemical kinetics.	1
3.	Inorganic and organic colloids - origin of charge,	1
4.	Concept of point of zero-charge (PZC) and its dependence on variable-charge soil components, surface charge characteristics of soils;	2
5.	Diffuse double layer theories of soil colloids,	2
6.	Zeta potential,	2
7.	Stability, coagulation/flocculation and peptization of soil colloids;	2
8.	Eelectrometric properties of soil colloids	1
9.	Sorption properties of soil colloids;	1
10.	Fractionation of soil organic matter and different fractions, clay-organic interactions.	2
11.	Theories of cation exchange based on law of mass action (Kerr-Vanselow, Gapon equations, hysteresis, Jenny's concept), adsorption isotherms, donnan-membrane equilibrium concept,	2
12.	Clay-membrane electrodes and ionic activity measurement,;	1
13.	Anion and legend exchange – innersphere and outer-sphere surface complex formation	1
14.	Fixation of oxyanions,hysteresis in sorption-desorption of oxy-anions and anions, shift of PZC on legend exchange,	1
15.	AEC, CEC;	1
16.	Experimental methods to study ion exchange phenomena and practical implications in plant nutrition.	1
17.	Potassium, phosphate and ammonium fixation in soils covering specific and non-specific sorption; precipitation-dissolution equilibria; step and constant-rate K; management aspects.	3
18.	Chemistry of acid soils; active and potential acidity; lime potential,; sub-soil acidity	2
19.	Chemistry of salt-affected soils and amendments;	2
20.	Chemistry of submerged soils.	1
21.	Electrochemistry of submerged soils.	2

Lecture schedule—Practical

S. No	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Determination of CEC of soils	2
2.	Determination of AEC of soils	2
3.	Analysis of equilibrium soil solution for pH	1
4.	Analysis of equilibrium soil solution for Eh	2
5.	Analysis of equilibrium soil solution for EC	1
6.	Adsorption-desorption of phosphate by soil using simple adsorption isotherm	3
7.	Adsorption-desorption of sulphate by soil using simple adsorption isotherm	3
8.	Determination of titratable acidity of an acid soil by BaCl ₂ -TEA method	2

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Objective

To acquaint students with basic structure of aluminosilicate minerals and genesis of clay minerals; soil genesis in terms of factors and processes of soil formation, and to enable students conduct soil survey and interpret soil survey reports in terms of land use planning.

Theory

Fundamentals of crystallography, isomorphism and polymorphism, Structural chemistry, Classification of minerals, chemical composition and properties of clay minerals; genesis and transformation of crystalline and non-crystalline clay minerals; amorphous soil constituents and other non-crystalline silicate minerals; clay minerals in Indian soils, Soil morphology and micromorphology, Factors of soil formation, soil forming processes, weathering of rocks and mineral transformations; soil profile; weathering sequences of minerals with special reference to Indian soils, Concept of soil individual; soil classification systems – historical developments and modern systems of soil classification with special emphasis on soil taxonomy; soil classification, soil mineralogy and soil maps – usefulness, Soil survey and its types; soil survey techniques - conventional and modern; soil series – characterization and procedure for establishing soil series; benchmark soils and soil correlations; soil survey interpretations; soil mapping, thematic soil maps, cartography, mapping units, techniques for generation of soil maps, Landform – soil relationship; major soil groups of India with special reference to respective states; land capability classification and land irrigability classification; land evaluation and land use type (LUT) – concept and application; approaches for managing soils and landscapes in the framework of agro-ecosystem.

Practical

Identification of rocks and minerals, Morphological properties of soil profile in different landforms, Classification of soils using soil taxonomy, Grouping soils using available data base in terms of soil quality, Aerial photo and satellite data interpretation for soil and land use, Cartographic techniques for preparation of base maps and thematic maps, processing of field sheets, compilation and obstruction of maps in different scales, Land use planning exercises using conventional and RS tools

Lecture schedule—Theory

S. No	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Fundamentals of crystallography, isomorphism and polymorphism	1
2.	Structural chemistry and Classification of minerals	1
3.	Chemical composition and properties of clay minerals	2
4.	Genesis and transformation of crystalline and non-crystalline clay minerals	2
5.	Amorphous soil constituents and other non-crystalline silicate minerals; clay minerals in Indian soils.	2
6.	Soil morphology and micromorphology	1
7.	Soil formation, Factors of soil formation, soil forming processes	2
8.	Weathering of rocks and mineral transformations	3
9.	Soil profile; weathering sequences of minerals with special reference to Indian soils	2
10.	Concept of soil individual and soil classification systems	2
11.	Historical developments and modern systems of soil classification with special emphasis on soil taxonomy	2
12.	Soil classification, soil mineralogy and soil maps – usefulness.	1
13.	Soil survey and its types; soil survey techniques - conventional and modern	2
14.	Soil series – characterization and procedure for establishing soil series	1
15.	Benchmark soils and soil correlations	1
16.	Soil survey interpretations; soil mapping, thematic soil maps, cartography, mapping units, techniques for generation of soil maps	2
17.	Landform – soil relationship; major soil groups of India with special reference to respective States	1
18.	Land capability classification and land Irrigability classification	1
19.	Land evaluation and land use type (LUT) – concept and application	2
20.	Approaches for managing soils and landscapes in the framework of agro-ecosystem.	1

Lecture schedule—Practical

S. No	Topic	No. of lecture
9.	Identification of rocks	1
10.	Identification of minerals	1

11.	Morphological properties of soil profile in different landforms	2
12.	Classification of soils using soil taxonomy	2
13.	Grouping soils using available data base in terms of soil quality	2
14.	Aerial photo and satellite data interpretation for soil and land use	2
15.	Cartographic techniques for preparation of base maps and thematic maps, processing of field sheets, compilation and obstruction of maps in different scales	4
16.	Land use planning exercises using conventional and RS tools	2

Suggested Readings

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SOILS 513 Analytical techniques & instrumental methods in soil & plant analysis 3(1+2)

Objective

To familiarize the students with commonly used instruments – their working, preparations of common analytical reagents for qualitative and quantitative analysis of both soil as well as plant samples.

Theory

Principles of visible, ultraviolet and infrared spectrophotometry, atomic absorption, flame-photometry, inductively coupled plasma spectrometry; chromatographic techniques, mass spectrometry and X-ray diffractometry; identification of minerals by X-ray by different methods.

Practical

Preparation of solutions for standard curves, analytical reagents, qualitative reagents, indicators and standard solutions for acid-base, oxidation reduction and complexometric titration; soil, water and plant sampling techniques, their processing and handling.

Determination of nutrient potentials and potential buffering capacities of soils for phosphorus and potassium; estimation of phosphorus, ammonium and potassium fixation capacities of soils.

Electrochemical titration of clays; determination of cation and anion exchange capacities of soils; estimation of exchangeable cations (Na, Ca, Mg, K); estimation of root cation exchange capacity, analysis of soil and plant samples for N, P, K, Ca, Mg, S, Zn, Cu, Fe, Mn, B and Mo; analysis of plant materials by digesting plant materials by wet and dry ashing and soil by wet digestion methods, drawing normalized exchange isotherms; measurement of redox potential.

Lecture schedule—Theory

S. No	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Principles of visible, ultraviolet and infrared spectrophotometry	2
2.	Principle and instrumentation of atomic absorption spectrophotometer	2
3.	Principles of flame-photometry	1
4.	Principles and instrumentation of inductively coupled plasma spectrometry	2
5.	Principles and instrumentation of chromatographic techniques	4
6.	Principles of mass spectrometry and X-ray diffractometry	2
7.	Principles of identification of minerals by X-ray by different methods.	3

Lecture schedule—Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Analytical chemistry – Basic concepts, techniques and calculations	3
2.	Principle of analytical instruments and their calibration for soil and plant analysis	2
3.	Determination of available nitrogen in soil	1
4.	Determination of available phosphorus in soil	1
5.	Determination of available potassium in soil	1
6.	Determination of available sulphur in soil	1
7.	Determination of available Boron in soil	1
8.	Determination of available molybdenum in soil	1

9.	Determination of iron, copper, manganese and zinc in soil	1
10.	Determination of potential buffering capacity of phosphorus	1
11.	Determination of potential buffering capacity of potassium	1
12.	Determination of ammonium fixation capacity of soil	1
13.	Determination of potassium fixation capacity of soil	1
14.	Determination the cation exchange capacity of soil	1
15.	Determination the anion exchange capacity of soil	1
16.	Determination of calcium and magnesium in soil	1
17.	Determination of Sodium in soil	1
18.	Estimation of root cation exchange capacity	1
19.	Determination of nitrogen in plant	1
20.	Determination of phosphorus in plant	1
21.	Determination of potassium in plant	1
22.	Determination of sulphur in plant	1
23.	Determination of calcium and magnesium in plant	1
24.	Determination of boron in plant	1
25.	Determination of molybdenum in plant	1
26.	Determination of iron, copper, manganese and zinc in plant	1
27.	Estimation of root cation exchange capacity	1
28.	Drawing normalized exchange isotherms; measurement of redox potential	2

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SOILS 521

Soil Fertility And Fertilizer Use

4(3+1)

Objective

To impart knowledge about soil fertility and its control, and to understand the role of fertilizers and manures in supplying nutrients to plants so as to achieve high fertilizer use efficiency.

Theory

Soil fertility and soil productivity; nutrient sources – fertilizers and manures; essential plant nutrients - functions and deficiency symptoms, soil and fertilizer nitrogen – sources, forms, immobilization and mineralization, nitrification, denitrification; biological nitrogen fixation -types, mechanism, microorganisms and factors affecting; nitrogenous fertilizers and their fate in soils; management of fertilizer nitrogen in lowland and upland conditions for high fertilizer use efficiency, soil and fertilizer phosphorus - forms, immobilization, mineralization, reactions in acid and alkali soils; factors affecting phosphorus availability in soils; phosphatic fertilizers - behavior in soils and management under field conditions, potassium - forms, equilibrium in soils and its agricultural significance; mechanism of potassium fixation; management of potassium fertilizers under field conditions, sulphur - source, forms, fertilizers and their behavior in soils; calcium and magnesium– factors affecting their availability in soils; management of sulphur, calcium and magnesium fertilizers, micronutrients – critical limits in soils and plants; factors affecting their availability and correction of their deficiencies in plants; role of chelates in nutrient availability, common soil test methods for fertilizer recommendations; quantity– intensity relationships; soil test crop response correlations and response functions, fertilizer use efficiency; blanket fertilizer recommendations – usefulness and limitations; site- specific nutrient management; plant need based nutrient management; integrated nutrient management, soil fertility evaluation - biological methods, soil, plant and tissue tests; soil quality in relation to sustainable agriculture.

Practical:

Chemical analysis of soil for total N,P&K and available nutrients (N, P, K, S, Cu, Fe, Mn ,Zn, Mo, B), analysis of plants for essential elements (N, P, K, S, Cu, Fe, Mn, Zn, Mo, B)

Lecture schedule—Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Soil fertility and soil productivity	1
2.	Nutrient sources – fertilizers and manures	1
3.	Essential plant nutrients - functions and deficiency symptoms	2
4.	Soil and fertilizer nitrogen – sources, forms, immobilization and mineralization, nitrification, denitrification	2
5.	Biological nitrogen fixation -types, mechanism, microorganisms and factors affecting	2
6.	Nitrogenous fertilizers and their fate in soils	2
7.	Management of nitrogenous fertilizer in lowland and upland conditions for high fertilizer use efficiency.	2
8.	Soil and fertilizer phosphorus - forms, immobilization, mineralization, reactions in acid and alkali soils	2
9.	Factors affecting phosphorus availability in soils	1
10.	Phosphatic fertilizers - behavior in soils and management under field conditions.	2
11.	Potassium - forms, equilibrium in soils and its agricultural significance	1
12.	Mechanism of potassium fixation in soil	2
13.	Management of potassium fertilizers under field conditions	1
14.	Sulphur - source, forms, fertilizers and their behavior in soils	1
15.	Calcium and magnesium– factors affecting their availability in soils	2
16.	Management of sulphur, calcium and magnesium fertilizers under field conditions	2
17.	Micronutrients – critical limits in soils and plants	1
18.	Factors affecting their availability and correction of their deficiencies in plants	3
19.	Role of chelates in nutrient availability	1
20.	Common soil test methods for fertilizer recommendations	2
21.	Quantity– intensity relationships	1
22.	Soil test crop response correlations and response functions	2
23.	Fertilizer use efficiency and factors affecting the FUE	2
24.	Blanket fertilizer recommendations – usefulness and limitations	1
25.	Site-specific nutrient management	1
26.	Plant need based nutrient management	1
27.	Integrated nutrient management and its importance and components	1
28.	Soil fertility evaluation : Biological methods, use of visual symptoms of nutrient deficiency or toxicity	1
29.	Soil fertility evaluation : Plant analysis method – DRIS methods, critical levels in plants, rapid tissue tests, indicator plants	1
30.	Soil fertility evaluation: Soil analysis methods – critical levels of different nutrients in soil.	2
31.	Interpretation and calibration of soil test values and fertilizer recommendations to crops	1
32.	Soil quality in relation to sustainable agriculture	1

Lecture schedule—Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Determination of Total nitrogen in soil	1
2.	Determination of Total phosphorus in soil	1
3.	Determination of Total potassium in soil	1
4.	Determination of available nitrogen in soil	1
5.	Determination of available phosphorus in soil	1
6.	Determination of available potassium in soil	1
7.	Determination of available sulphur in soil	1
8.	Determination of available Boron in soil	1
9.	Determination of available molybdenum in soil	1
10.	Determination of iron, copper, manganese and zinc in soil	1
11.	Determination of nitrogen in plant	1
12.	Determination of phosphorus in plant	1
13.	Determination of potassium in plant	1
14.	Determination of sulphur in plant	1
15.	Determination of boron in plant	1
16.	Determination of molybdenum in plant	1
17.	Determination of iron, copper, manganese and zinc in plant	1

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SOILS 522

Soil biology and Biochemistry

3(2+1)

Objective

To teach students the basics of soil biology and biochemistry, including biogeochemical cycles, plant growth promoting rhizobacteria, microbial interactions in soil and other soil activities.

Theory

Soil biota, soil microbial ecology, types of organisms in different soils; soil microbial biomass; microbial interactions; un-culturable soil biota, microbiology and biochemistry of root-soil interface; phyllosphere; rhizosphere, soil, enzymes, origin, activities and importance; soil characteristics influencing growth and activity of microflora, microbial transformations of nitrogen, phosphorus, sulphur, iron and manganese in soil; biochemical composition and biodegradation of soil organic matter and crop residues, humus formation; cycles of important organic nutrients, biodegradation of organic wastes and their use for production of biogas and manures; biotic factors in soil development; microbial toxins in the soil, preparation and preservation of farmyard manure, animal manures, rural and urban composts and vermicompost, biofertilizers – definition, classification, specifications, method of production and role in crop production, BIS standards for biofertilizer for quality control.

Practical

Determination of soil microbial population, soil microbial biomass (C N P), fractionation of organic matter (HA, FA, Humin, Lignin and humus) and functional groups, soil enzymes, measurement of important soil microbial processes such as nitrification, N₂ fixation, S oxidation, P solubilization .

Lecture schedule—Theory

S. No	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Soil microbiology, Soil biota, soil microbial ecology	1
2.	Classification of micro-organism and types of organisms in different soils	2
3.	Soil microbial biomass	1
4.	Microbial interactions	1
5.	Soil biota in culturale and un-culturale land and factors affecting it	1
6.	Microbiology and biochemistry of root-soil interface	2
7.	Phyllosphere	1
8.	Rhizosphere	1
9.	Soil enzymes, origin, activities and importance	1
10.	Soil characteristics influencing growth and activity of microflora.	1
11.	Microbial transformations of nitrogen in soil	1
12.	Microbial transformations of Phosphorus in soil	1
13.	Microbial transformations of Sulphur in soil	1
14.	Microbial transformations of Iron in soil	1
15.	Microbial transformations of manganese in soil	1
16.	Biochemical composition and biodegradation of soil organic matter and crop residues	2
17.	Humus formation; cycles of important organic nutrients.	2
18.	Biodegradation of organic wastes and their use for production of biogas and manures	2
19.	Biotic factors in soil development	1
20.	Microbial toxins in the soil	1
21.	Preparation and preservation of farmyard manure and animal manure	1
22.	Composting methods and Rural and urban compost	1
23.	Vermicomposting	2

24.	Biofertilizers – definition, classification, specifications, method of production and role in crop production	2
25.	BIS standards for biofertilizer for quality control	1

Lecture schedule—Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Determination of soil microbial population (Fungi, Bacteria and Actinomycetes)	2
2.	Determination of Soil microbial biomass Carbon	2
3.	Determination of Soil microbial biomass Nitrogen	2
4.	Determination of Soil microbial biomass phosphorus	2
5.	Fractionation of organic matter (HA, FA, Humin, Lignin and humus) and functional Groups	4
6.	Measurement of important soil microbial processes such as nitrification, N ₂ fixation, S oxidation, P solubilization	4

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SOILS 524

Soil, water and air pollution

3(2+1)

Objective

To make the students aware of the problems of soil, water and air pollution associated with use of soils for crop production.

Theory

Soil, water and air pollution problems associated with agriculture, nature and extent, nature and sources of pollutants – agricultural, industrial, urban wastes, fertilizers and pesticides, acid rains, oil spills etc.; air, water and soil pollutants - their CPC standards and effect on plants, animals and human beings, sewage and industrial effluents – their composition and effect on soil properties/health, and plant growth and human beings; soil as sink for waste disposal, pesticides – their classification, behavior in soil and effect on soil microorganisms, toxic elements – their sources, behavior in soils, effect on nutrients availability, effect on plant and human health, Pollution of water resources due to leaching of nutrients and pesticides from soil; emission of greenhouse gases – carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide, remediation/amelioration of contaminated soil and water; soil as a sink for waste disposal, soil and water quality standards.

Practical

Sampling of sewage waters, sewage sludge, solid/liquid industrial wastes, polluted soils and plants, estimation of dissolved and suspended solids, chemical oxygen demand (COD), biological demand (BOD), nitrate and ammonical nitrogen and phosphorus, heavy metal content in effluents, heavy metals in contaminated soils and plants, analysis of soil and plant samples for pesticides residues, visit to various industrial sites to study the impact of pollutants on soil and plants.

Lecture schedule—Theory

S. No	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Soil, water and air pollution problems associated with agriculture, nature and extent	3
2.	Air pollution causes, effects and control	1
3.	Water pollution causes, effects and control	1
4.	Soil pollution causes, effects and control	1
5.	Nature and sources of agricultural pollutants and their CPC standards and effect on plants, animals and human beings	1

6.	Nature and sources of industrial pollutants and their CPC standards and effect on plants, animals and human beings	2
7.	Nature and sources of urban wastes pollutants and their CPC standards and effect on plants, animals and human beings	2
8.	Nature and sources of fertilizers and pesticides pollutants and their CPC standards and effect on plants, animals and human beings	2
9.	Nature and sources of pollutants as acid rains, oil spills etc.; air, water and soil pollutants - their CPC standards and effect on plants, animals and human beings	2
10.	Sewage and industrial effluents – their composition and effect on soil properties/health, and plant growth and human beings; soil as sink for waste disposal	3
11.	Pesticide and its classification	1
12.	Pesticides behavior in soil and effect on soil microorganisms	2
13.	Toxic elements – their sources, behavior and effect on soil	1
14.	Effect of toxic elements on nutrients availability and plant and human health	2
15.	Pollution of water resources due to leaching of nutrients and pesticides from soil	1
16.	Emission of greenhouse gases – carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide	3
17.	Remediation/amelioration of contaminated soil and water	2
18.	Soil as a sink for waste disposal, soil and water quality standards.	2

Lecture schedule—Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Sampling of sewage waters, sewage sludge, solid/liquid industrial wastes, polluted soils and plants	2
2.	Estimation of total dissolved and suspended solids heavy metal content in effluents	1
3.	Determination of chemical oxygen demand (COD) in effluents	1
4.	Determination of biological demand (BOD) in effluents	1
5.	Determination of nitrate nitrogen in effluents	1
6.	Determination of amonical nitrogen in effluents	1
7.	Determination of phosphorus in effluents	1
8.	Determination of heavy metal content in effluents	2
9.	Analysis of temporary and total hardness of water sample by titration	1
10.	Determination of heavy metal content in contaminated soil	3
11.	Determination of heavy metal content in plant samples	2

Suggested Readings

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SOILS 525

Fertilizer technology

2(2+0)

Objective

To impart knowledge about how different fertilizers are manufactured using different kinds of raw materials and handling of fertilizers and manures.

Theory

Fertilizers – production, consumption and future projections with regard to nutrient use in the country and respective states; fertilizer control order, manufacturing processes for different fertilizers using various raw materials, characteristics and nutrient contents, recent developments in secondary and micronutrient fertilizers and their quality control as per fertilizer control order, new and emerging issues in fertilizer technology – production and use of slow and controlled release fertilizers, supergranules fertilizers and fertilizers for specific crops/situations.

Lecture schedule—Theory

S. No	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Fertilizers – production, consumption and future projections with regard to nutrient use in the country and respective states	3

2.	Fertilizer control order	2
3.	Manufacturing processes for nitrogenous fertilizers using various raw materials, characteristics and nutrient contents.	4
4.	Manufacturing processes for phosphatic fertilizers using various raw materials, characteristics and nutrient contents.	3
5.	Manufacturing processes for potassic fertilizers using various raw materials, characteristics and nutrient contents.	2
6.	Manufacturing processes for Secondary nutrients fertilizers using various raw materials, characteristics and nutrient contents.	2
7.	Manufacturing processes for micro nutrient fertilizers using various raw materials, characteristics and nutrient contents.	3
8.	Manufacturing processes for mix and complex fertilizers using various raw materials, characteristics and nutrient contents.	3
9.	Recent developments in secondary and micronutrient fertilizers and their quality control as per fertilizer control order	2
10.	New and emerging issues in fertilizer technology	2
11.	New and emerging issues in production and use of slow and controlled release fertilizers	3
12.	Supergranules fertilizers	1
13.	fertilizers for specific crops/situations and applications	2

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SOILS 531

Soil Physics

3(2+1)

Objective

To impart basic knowledge about soil physical properties and processes in relation to plant growth.

Theory

Scope of soil physics and its relation with other branches of soil science; soil as a three phase system, soil texture, textural classes, mechanical analysis, specific surface, soil consistence; dispersion and workability of soils; soil compaction and consolidation; soil strength; swelling and shrinkage - basic concepts, soil structure - genesis, types, characterization and management soil structure; soil aggregation, aggregate stability; soil tilth, characteristics of good soil tilth; soil crusting - mechanism, factors affecting and evaluation; soil conditioners; puddling, its effect on soil physical properties; clod formation, soil water: content and potential, soil water retention, soil-water constants, measurement of soil water content, energy state of soil water, soil water potential, soil-moisture characteristic curve; hysteresis, measurement of soil-moisture potential, water flow in saturated and unsaturated soils, Poiseuille's law, Darcy's law; hydraulic conductivity, permeability and fluidity, hydraulic diffusivity; measurement of hydraulic conductivity in saturated and unsaturated soils, infiltration; internal drainage and redistribution; evaporation; hydrologic cycle, field water balance; soil-plant-atmosphere continuum, composition of soil air; renewal of soil air - convective flow and diffusion; measurement of soil aeration; aeration requirement for plant growth; soil air management, modes of energy transfer in soils; energy balance; thermal properties of soil; measurement of soil temperature; soil temperature in relation to plant growth; soil temperature management.

Practical

Mechanical analysis by pipette and international methods, determination of bulk density of soil by core sampler method, measurement of Atterberg limits, aggregate analysis - dry and wet, measurement of soil-water content by different methods, measurement of soil-water potential by using tensiometer and gypsum blocks, determination of soil-moisture characteristics curve and computation of pore-size distribution, determination of hydraulic conductivity under saturated and unsaturated conditions, determination of infiltration rate of soil, determination of aeration porosity and oxygen diffusion rate, soil temperature measurements, estimation of water balance components in bare and cropped fields.

Lecture schedule—Theory

S. No	Topic	No. of lecture
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1.	Scope of soil physics and its relation with other branches of soil science, Soil as a three phase System	2
2.	Soil texture, textural classes, mechanical analysis, specific surface	2
3.	Soil consistence; dispersion and workability of soils	2
4.	Soil compaction and consolidation	2
5.	Soil strength; swelling and shrinkage - basic concepts	2
6.	Soil structure - genesis, types, characterization and management soil structure	2
7.	Soil aggregation, aggregate stability	1
8.	Soil tilth, characteristics of good soil tilth	1
9.	Soil crusting - mechanism, factors affecting and evaluation	1
10.	Soil conditioners and Puddling, its effect on soil physical properties and clod formation.	2
11.	Water flow in saturated soils	1
12.	Water flow in unsaturated soils	1
13.	Poiseuille's law and Darcy's law	1
14.	Hydraulic conductivity and hydraulic diffusivity	1
15.	Measurement of hydraulic conductivity in saturated and unsaturated soils.	1
16.	Permeability and fluidity	1
17.	Infiltration and Internal drainage and redistribution	1
18.	Evaporation, hydrologic cycle, field water balance	2
19.	Soil-plant-atmosphere continuum	1
20.	Composition of soil air; renewal of soil air - convective flow and diffusion; measurement of soil aeration; aeration requirement for plant growth; soil air management	2
21.	Modes of energy transfer in soils	1
22.	Energy balance; thermal properties of soil	1
23.	Measurement of soil temperature; soil temperature in relation to plant growth; soil temperature Management	2

Lecture schedule—Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Mechanical analysis by pipette and international methods	1
2.	Determination of bulk density of soil by core sampler method	1
3.	Measurement of Atterberg limits	1
4.	Aggregate analysis - dry and wet methods	1
5.	Measurement of soil-water content by different methods	1
6.	Measurement of soil-water potential by using tensiometer	1
7.	Measurement of soil-water potential by using gypsum blocks	1
8.	Determination of soil-moisture characteristics curve and computation of pore-size distribution	1
9.	Determination of hydraulic conductivity under saturated conditions	1
10.	Determination of hydraulic conductivity under unsaturated conditions	1
11.	Determination of infiltration rate of soil	1
12.	Determination of aeration porosity	1
13.	Determination of oxygen diffusion rate	1
14.	Soil temperature measurements	1
15.	Estimation of water balance components in bare fields	1
16.	Estimation of water balance components in e and cropped fields	1

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Objective

To educate students about basic concepts of problem soils and brackish water, and their management. Attention will be on management of problem soils and safe use of brackish water in relation to crop production.

Theory

Area and distribution of problem soils – acidic, saline, sodic and physically degraded soils; origin and basic concept of problematic soils, and factors responsible, morphological features of saline, sodic and saline-sodic soils; characterization of salt-affected soils - soluble salts, ESP, pH; physical, chemical and microbiological properties, management of salt-affected soils; salt tolerance of crops - mechanism and ratings; monitoring of soil salinity in the field; management principles for sandy, clayey, red lateritic and dry land soils, acid soils - nature of soil acidity, sources of soil acidity; effect on plant growth, lime requirement of acid soils; management of acid soils; biological sickness of soils and its management, quality of irrigation water; management of brackish water for irrigation; salt balance under irrigation; characterization of brackish waters, area and extent; relationship in water use and quality, agronomic practices in relation to problematic soils; cropping pattern for utilizing poor quality ground waters.

Practical

Characterization of acid, acid sulfate, salt-affected and calcareous soils, determination of cations (Na^+ , K^+ , Ca^{++} and Mg^{++}) in ground water and soil, samples, determination of anions (Cl^- , SO_4^{--} , CO_3^{--} and HCO_3^-) in ground waters and soil samples, lime requirements of acid soil and gypsum requirements of sodic soil.

Lecture schedule—Theory

S. No	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Area and distribution of problem soils – acidic, saline, sodic and physically degraded soils	2
2.	Origin and basic concept of problematic soils, and factors responsible	3
3.	Morphological features of saline, sodic and saline-sodic soils	2
4.	Characterization of salt-affected soils - soluble salts, ESP, pH; physical, chemical and microbiological properties	2
5.	Management of salt-affected soils	2
6.	Salt tolerance of crops - mechanism and ratings	2
7.	Monitoring of soil salinity in the field	1
8.	Management principles for sandy, clayey, red lateritic and dry land soils	3
9.	Acid soils - nature of soil acidity, sources of soil acidity	1
10.	Soil acidity effect on plant growth and lime requirement of acid soils	2
11.	Management of acid and acid sulphate soils	2
12.	Biological sickness of soils and its management	2
13.	Quality of irrigation water and their crop response	2
14.	Management of brackish water for irrigation	2
15.	Salt balance under irrigation	1
16.	Characterization of brackish waters, area and extent, relationship in water use and quality	3

Lecture schedule—Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lecture
1.	Characterization of acid and acid sulfate soils salt-affected and calcareous soils	1
2.	Characterization of salt-affected soils	1
3.	Characterization of calcareous soils	1
4.	Determination of Ca^{++} and Mg^{++} in soil	1
5.	Determination of Ca^{++} and Mg^{++} in ground water	1
6.	Determination of Potassium in ground water	1
7.	Determination of Potassium in soil	1
8.	Determination of sodium in ground water	1
9.	Determination of sodium in soil	1
10.	Determination of CO_3^{--} and HCO_3^- in ground waters	1
11.	Determination of CO_3^{--} and HCO_3^- in soil	1
12.	Determination of chloride in ground waters	1
13.	Determination of chloride soil	1
14.	Determination of sulphate (SO_4^-) in ground waters	1
15.	Determination of sulphate (SO_4^-) in soil	1

16.	Determination of gypsum requirement of sodic soil	1
17.	Determination of lime requirement of acid soil	1

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- Australian Journal of Soil Research
- Biology and Fertility of Soils
- Communications in Soil Science and Plant Analysis
- Clays and Clay minerals
- European Journal of Soil Science
- Geoderma
- Indian Journal of Agricultural Sciences
- Journal of Plant Nutrition and Soil Science
- Journal of the Indian Society of Soil Science
- Nutrient Cycling in Agroecosystems
- Plant and Soil
- Soil and Tillage Research
- Soil Biology and Biochemistry
- Soil Science
- Soil Science Society of America Journal
- Soil Use and Management
- Water, Air and Soil Pollution
- Water Resources Research

STATISTICS, MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

**Semester wise distribution of
courses M.Sc. (Ag) and Ph.D.**

Course Code	Course title	Credits
MATH 521	Mathematical Methods	3+0
STAT 511	Statistical Methods	2+1
STAT 521	Experimental Designs	2+1
STAT 522	Sampling Techniques	2+1
STAT 523	Data Analysis Using Statistical Packages	2+1
STAT 524	Applied Regression Analysis	2+1
STAT 531	Time Series Analysis	2+1

MATH 521

Mathematical Methods

3 (3+0)

Objective

This course is meant for students who do not have sufficient background of Mathematics. The students would be exposed to elementary mathematics that would prepare them to study their main courses that involve knowledge of Mathematics. The students would get an exposure to differentiation, integration and differential equation,

Theory:

Variables and functions; limit and continuity. Specific functions. Differentiation: theorems of differentiation, differentiation of logarithmic, trigonometric, exponential and inverse functions, function of a function, derivative of higher order, partial derivatives. Application of derivatives in agricultural research; determination of points of inflexion, maxima and minima in optimization, etc, integration as a reverse process of differentiation, methods of integration, reduction formulae, definite integral; Applications of integration in agricultural research with special reference to economics and genetics, engineering, etc., vectors and vector spaces, Matrices, notations and operations, laws of matrix algebra; transpose and inverse of matrix; Eigen values and Eigen vectors. Determinants - evaluation and properties of determinants, application of determinants and matrices in solution of equation for economic analysis, Set theory-set operations, finite and infinite sets, operations of set, function defined in terms of sets.

Lecture schedule: Theory

S. No.	Topics	No. of Lectures
1.	Variables, Functions, Evaluation of Functions, Operations with functions	3
2.	Limits, continuity, $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{x^n - a^n}{x - a}$,	2
3.	Limits $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x}$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$	2
4.	Specific functions, Differentiation Formulae differentiation of sum and product of functions	2
5.	Quotient rule, function of functions	2
6.	Differentiation of function of functions, Parametric Equation	3
7.	Successive differentiation	1
8.	Partial derivatives	1
9.	Determination of point of inflexion	1
10.	Maxima and minima	2
11.	Integration	1
12.	Integration Formulae	1
13.	Integration by Substitution	2
14.	Integration by Parts	2
15.	Reduction Formulae	2
16.	Definite Integration	1
17.	Vectors	1

18.	Matrices, notations	1
19.	Matrix Addition, equality of matrices, square matrix, identity, null matrix	2
20.	Subtraction, Scalar Multiplication, Matrix Multiplication, Transpose of a Matrix	2
21.	Inverse of Matrix	2
22.	Eigen Values	2
23.	Eigen Vectors	2
24.	Determinants 2*2, 3*3	1
25.	Properties of determinants	2
26.	Symmetric, skew-symmetric matrix, Cramer's rule for solving system of linear Equations	2
27.	Set Theory, Set operations	1
28.	Finite and infinite sets	1
29.	Function defined in terms of sets	1

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STAT 511

Statistical Methods

3(2+1)

Objective

This course is meant for students who do not have sufficient background of Statistical Methods. The students would be exposed to concepts of statistical methods and statistical inference that would help them in understanding the importance of statistics. It would also help them in understanding the concepts involved in data presentation, analysis and interpretation. The students would get an exposure to presentation of data, probability distributions, parameter estimation, tests of significance, regression and multivariate analytical techniques.

Theory

Classification, tabulation and graphical representation of data. Box-plot, Descriptive statistics. Exploratory data analysis; Theory of probability. Random variable and mathematical expectation, Discrete and continuous probability distributions: Binomial, Poisson, Negative Binomial, Normal distribution, Beta and Gamma distributions and their applications. Concept of sampling distribution: chi-square, t and F distributions. Tests of significance based on Normal, chi-square, t and F distributions. Large sample theory, Introduction to theory of estimation and confidence- intervals. Correlation and regression. Simple and multiple linear regression model, estimation of parameters, predicted values and residuals, correlation, partial correlation coefficient, multiple correlation coefficient, rank correlation, test of significance of correlation coefficient and regression coefficients. Coefficient of determination, Non-parametric tests - sign, Wilcoxon, Mann-Whitney U-test, Wald Wolfowitz run test, Run test for the randomness of a sequence. Median test, Kruskal- Wallis test, Friedman two-way ANOVA by ranks. Kendall's coefficient of concordance.

Practical

Exploratory data analysis, Box-Cox plots; Fitting of distributions ~ Binomial, Poisson, Negative Binomial, Normal; Large sample tests, testing of hypothesis based on exact sampling distributions ~ chi square, t and F ; Confidence interval estimation and point estimation of parameters of binomial, Poisson and Normal distribution; Correlation and regression analysis, Nonparametric tests.

Lecture schedule: Theory

S. No.	Topics	No. of Lectures
1.	Classification, tabulation	2
2.	Exploratory data analysis	1
3.	Theory of probability	2
4.	Random variable and mathematical expectation	1
5.	Binomial, Poisson, Negative Binomial, Normal distribution	4

6.	Beta and Gamma distributions and their applications	2
7.	Tests of significance for large samples	2
8.	Tests of significance for small samples	3
9.	theory of estimation and confidence-intervals	2
10.	Simple partial and multiple correlation	3
11.	Simple and partial regression	3
12.	Non parametric tests	1
13.	One sample non parametric tests	2
14.	Two sample non parametric tests	2
15.	k sample non parametric tests	2

Lecture schedule: Practical

S. N.	Topics	No. of Lectures
1.	Box-Cox plots	1
2.	Fitting of Binomial distribution	1
3.	Fitting of Poisson distribution	1
4.	Fitting of Negative binomial distribution	1
5.	Fitting of Normal distribution	1
6.	Large Sample tests	1
7.	Chi Square test	1
8.	One sample, two sample and paired t test	1
9.	F- test	1
10.	Computation of Simple correlation	1
11.	Computation of partial and multiple correlation	1
12.	Computation of Simple and partial regression	1
13.	Computation of Run test	1
14.	Sign and sign wilcoxon test	1
15.	Mann-whitney U test	1
16.	Kruskal- Wallis test	1

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STAT 521

Experimental Designs

3(2+1)

Objective

This course is meant for students of agricultural and animal sciences other than Statistics. Designing an experiment is an integrated component of research in almost all sciences. The students would be exposed to concepts of Design of Experiments so as to enable them to understand the concepts involved in planning, designing their experiments and analysis of experimental data.

Theory

Need for designing of experiments, characteristics of a good design. Basic principles of designs- randomization, replication and local control, Uniformity trials, size and shape of plots and blocks; Analysis of variance; Completely randomized design, randomized block design and Latin square design, Factorial experiments, (symmetrical as well as asymmetrical), orthogonality and partitioning of degrees of freedom, Confounding in symmetrical factorial experiments, Factorial experiments with control treatment, Split plot and strip plot designs; Analysis of covariance and missing plot techniques in randomized block and Latin square designs; Transformations, crossover designs, balanced incomplete block design, resolvable designs and their applications ~ concepts, randomisation procedure, analysis and interpretation of results. Response surfaces. Experiments with mixtures.

Practical

Uniformity trial data analysis, formation of plots and blocks, Fairfield Smith Law; Analysis of data obtained from CRD, RBD, LSD; Analysis of factorial experiments without and with confounding; Analysis with missing data; Split plot and strip plot designs; Transformation of data; Analysis of resolvable designs; Fitting of response surfaces.

Lecture schedule: Theory

S. No.	Topics	No. of Lectures
1.	Basic concepts of design of experiment	2
2.	Basic principles of designs	3
3.	Uniformity trials	1
4.	Size and shape of plots and blocks	1
5.	Analysis of variance and transformations	2
6.	CRD, RBD and LSD	3
7.	Factorial experiments	4
8.	Confounding in symmetrical factorial experiments	2
9.	Factorial experiments with control treatment	2
10.	Split plot design	2
11.	Strip plot design	2
12.	Analysis of covariance and missing plot techniques	2
13.	crossover designs	1
14.	resolvable designs	1
15.	Response surfaces	2
16.	Experiments with mixtures	2

Lecture schedule: Practical

S. N.	Topics	No. of Lectures
1.	Formation of plots	1
2.	Formation of blocks	1
3.	Analysis of CRD	1
4.	Analysis of RBD	1
5.	Analysis of LSD	1
6.	Analysis of factorial experiment	1
7.	Analysis of asymmetric factorial experiments	1
8.	Analysis of confounded factorial experiments	1
9.	Analysis with missing data in RBD	1
10.	Analysis with missing data in LSD	1
11.	Transformation of data	1
12.	Analysis of SPD	1
13.	Analysis of strip plot design	1
14.	Analysis of resolvable designs	1
15.	Fitting of response surfaces	2

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Objective

This course is meant for students of agricultural and animal sciences other than Statistics. The students would be exposed to elementary sampling techniques. It would help them in understanding the concepts involved in planning and designing their surveys, presentation of survey data analysis of survey data and presentation of results. This course would be especially important to the students of social sciences.

Theory

Concept of sampling, sample survey vs complete enumeration, planning of sample survey, sampling from a finite population, Simple random sampling, sampling for proportion, determination of sample size; inverse sampling, Stratified sampling, Cluster sampling, PPS sampling, Multi-stage sampling, double sampling, systematic sampling; Use of auxiliary information at estimation as well as selection stages, Ratio and regression estimators. Construction and analysis of survey designs, sampling and non-sampling errors; Preparation of questionnaire Non-sampling errors.

Practical

Random sampling ~ use of random number tables, concepts of unbiasedness, variance, etc.; simple random sampling, determination of sample size; Exercises on inverse sampling, stratified sampling, cluster sampling and systematic sampling; Estimation using ratio and regression estimators; Estimation using multistage design, double sampling and PPS sampling.

Lecture schedule: Theory

S. No.	Topics	No. of Lectures
1.	Concept of sampling	2
2.	sample survey vs complete enumeration	2
3.	planning of sample survey	2
4.	sampling from a finite population	2
5.	Simple random sampling	3
6.	Stratified sampling	3
7.	systematic sampling	2
8.	Cluster sampling	2
9.	Multi-stage sampling	2
10.	double sampling	2
11.	PPS sampling	2
12.	Ratio and regression estimators	3
13.	sampling and non-sampling errors	3
14.	Preparation of questionnaire	2

Lecture schedule: Practical

S. No.	Topics	No. of Lectures
1.	Random sampling ~ use of random number tables	2
2.	Determination of sample size in SRS	2
3.	Estimation of mean and variance in simple and stratified sampling	3
4.	Estimation of sample size in stratified sampling	2
5.	Cluster sampling	1
6.	Systematic sampling	1
7.	Ratio and regression estimator	1
8.	Multi stage sampling	2
9.	Double sampling	1
10.	PPS sampling	1

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Objective

This course is meant for exposing the students in the usage of various statistical packages for analysis of data. It would provide the students an hands on experience in the analysis of their research data. This course is useful to all disciplines.

Theory

Use of Software packages for: Summarization and tabulation of data; Descriptive statistics; Graphical representation of data, Exploratory data analysis, Fitting and testing the goodness of fit of discrete and continuous probability distributions; Testing of hypothesis based on large sample test statistics; Testing of hypothesis using chi-square, t and F statistics, Concept of analysis of variance and covariance of data for single factor, multi-factor, one-way and multi- classified experiments, contrast analysis, multiple comparisons, Analyzing crossed and nested classified designs, Analysis of mixed models; Estimation of variance components; Testing the significance of contrasts; Correlation and regression including multiple regression, Discriminant function; Factor analysis; Principal component analysis; Analysis of time series data, Fitting of non-linear models; Time series data; Spatial analysis; Neural networks.

Practical

Use of software packages for summarization and tabulation of data, obtaining descriptive statistics, graphical representation of data. Robust Estimation, Testing linearity and normality assumption, Estimation of trimmed means etc., Cross tabulation of data including its statistics, cell display and table format and means for different sub- classifications; Fitting and testing the goodness of fit of probability distributions; Testing the hypothesis for one sample t -test, two sample t -test, paired t -test, test for large samples - Chi-squares test, F test, One way analysis of variance, contrast and its testing, pair wise comparisons; Multiway classified analysis of variance - cross- classification, nested classification, factorial set up, fixed effect models, random effect models, mixed effect models, estimation of variance components; Generalized linear models - analysis of unbalanced data sets, testing and significance of contrasts, Estimation of variance components in unbalanced data sets - maximum likelihood, ANOVA, REML, MINQUE; Bivariate and partial correlation, Distances - to obtain a distance matrix, dissimilarity measures, similarity measures; Linear regression, Multiple regression, Regression plots, Variable selection,

Regression statistics, Fitting of growth models - curve estimation models, examination of residuals; Discriminant analysis - fitting of discriminant functions, identification of important variables, Factor analysis. Principal component analysis-obtaining principal component, spectral composition; Analysis of time series data - fitting of ARIMA models, working out moving averages. Spatial analysis; Neural networks.

Lecture schedule: Theory

S. No.	Topics	No of Lectures
1.	Uses of software packages	2
2.	Summarization and tabulation of data	2
3.	Descriptive statistics	2
4.	Graphical representation of data	2
5.	large sample test	2
6.	Small Sample test	2
7.	Analysis of Variance	2
8.	Analysis of Covariance	2
9.	Estimation of variance components	2
10.	Testing the significance of contrasts	2
11.	Correlation and regression	2
12.	Factor analysis	2
13.	Principal component analysis	2
14.	Analysis of time series data	2
15.	Fitting of non-linear models	2
16.	Spatial analysis	2

Lecture schedule: Practical

S. N.	Topics	No. of Lectures
1.	Obtaining descriptive statistics	1
2.	graphical representation of data	1
3.	Fitting and testing the goodness of fit of probability distributions	2

4.	large sample test	2
5.	Small Sample test	2
6.	principal component analysis	1
7.	Analysis of time series data	1
8.	fitting of ARIMA models	1
9.	Spatial analysis	1

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STAT 524

Applied Regression Analysis

3(2+1)

Objective

This course is meant for students of all disciplines including agricultural and animal sciences. The students would be exposed to the concepts of correlation and regression. Emphasis will be laid on diagnostic measures such as autocorrelation, multicollinearity and heteroscedasticity. This course would prepare students to handle their data for analysis and interpretation.

Theory

Introduction to correlation analysis and its measures; Correlation from grouped data, Biserial correlation, Rank correlation; Testing of population correlation coefficients; Multiple and partial correlation coefficients and their testing, Problem of correlated errors; Auto correlation; Durbin Watson Statistics; Removal of auto correlation by transformation; Analysis of collinear data; Detection and correction of multicollinearity; Regression analysis; Method of least squares for curve fitting; Testing of regression coefficients; Multiple and partial regressions, Examining the multiple regression equation; Concept of weighted least squares; regression equation on grouped data; Various methods of selecting the best regression equation; regression approach applied to analysis of variance in one way classification, Heteroscedastic models, Concept of nonlinear regression and fitting of quadratic, exponential and power curves; Economic and optimal dose, Orthogonal polynomial.

Practical

Correlation coefficient, various types of correlation coefficients, partial and multiple, testing of hypotheses; Multiple linear regression analysis, partial regression coefficients, testing of hypotheses, residuals and their applications in outlier detection; Handling of correlated errors, multicollinearity; Fitting of quadratic, exponential and power curves, fitting of orthogonal polynomials.

Lecture Schedule: Theory

S. No.	Topics	No. of Lectures
1.	Correlation analysis and Correlation from grouped data	3
2.	Biserial correlation and Rank correlation	2
3.	Multiple and partial correlation coefficients	3
4.	Testing of population correlation coefficients	1
5.	Auto correlation and its removal	3
6.	multiple regression equation	2
7.	methods of selecting the best regression equation	2
8.	regression approach applied to analysis of variance	2
9.	Heteroscedastic models	4
10.	fitting of curves	4
11.	Orthogonal polynomial	6

Lecture Schedule: Practical

S. No.	Topics	No. of Lectures
1.	Measure of Correlation coefficient	1
2.	Measure of partial and multiple correlation coefficients	3
3.	Testing of correlation coefficients	1
4.	Multiple Linear regression analysis	3
5.	Partial regression coefficients	1
6.	Outlier detection	2
7.	Fitting of quadratic curves	1
8.	Fitting of exponential and power curves	2
9.	fitting of orthogonal polynomials	2

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Objective

This course is meant to teach the students the concepts involved in time series data. They would also be exposed to components of time series, stationary models and forecasting/ projecting the future scenarios based on time series data. It would also help them in understanding the concepts involved in time series data presentation, analysis and interpretation.

Theory

Components of a time-series. Autocorrelation and Partial autocorrelation functions, Correlogram and periodogram analysis, Linear stationary models: Autoregressive, Moving average and Mixed processes. Linear non-stationary models: Autoregressive integrated moving average processes, Forecasting: Minimum mean square forecasts and their properties, Calculating and updating forecasts, Model identification: Objectives, Techniques, and Initial estimates. Model estimation: Likelihood function, Sum of squares function, Least squares estimates. Seasonal models. Intervention analysis models and Outlier detection.

Practical

Time series analysis, autocorrelations, correlogram and periodogram; Linear stationary model; Linear non-stationary model; Model identification and model estimation; Intervention analysis and outliers detection.

Lecture schedule: Theory

S. No.	Topics	No. of Lectures
1.	Components of a time-series	4
2.	Autocorrelation and Partial autocorrelation functions	4
3.	Autoregressive	4
4.	Linear non-stationary models	4
5.	Forecasting and updating forecasts	6
6.	Model identification and Model estimation	4
7.	Seasonal models	2
8.	Intervention analysis models and Outlier detection	4

Lecture schedule: Practical

S. No.	Topics	No. of lectures
1.	Time series analysis	2
2.	Autocorrelations	2
3.	correlogram and periodogram	2
4.	Linear stationary model	2
5.	Linear non-stationary model	2
6.	Partial regression coefficients	2
7.	Model identification and model estimation	2
8.	Intervention analysis and outliers detection	2

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PLANT PHYSIOLOGY

Course Code	Course title	Credits
PPHYS 511	Principles of plant physiology	3(3+0)
PPHYS 521	Physiological and molecular responses of plants to abiotic stress	3(2+1)
PPHYS 531	Hormonal regulation of plant growth and development	3(2+1)

PPHYS 511 Principles of Plant Physiology 3(3+0)

Objective

To acquaint the students with the basic concepts of plant physiology and their application in agriculture.

Theory

Cell organelles and their physiological functions, structure and physiological functions of cell wall, cell inclusions; cell membrane structure and functions. Soil and plant water relations, water and its role in plants, properties and functions of water in the cell water relations-cell water terminology, water potential of plant cells. Water loss from plants-Energy balance-Solar energy input-energy dissipation at crop canopy level- evapotranspiration transpiration – Driving force for transpiration, plant factors influencing transpiration rate, Mycorrhizal association on water uptake. Stomata structure and function – mechanism of stomatal movement, antitranspirants. Physiology of water stress in plants: Influence of water stress at cell, organ, plant and canopy levels. Indices for assessment of drought resistance. Uptake of mineral elements in plants –Mechanisms of uptake-translocation of minerals in plants. The role of mineral nutrients in plant metabolism, critical levels, deficiency symptoms, nutrient deficiency and toxicity. Foliar nutrition. Photosynthesis and its importance in bio productivity. Photochemical process, photochemical reactions, CO₂ reduction in Calvin cycle, supplementary pathway of C fixation in C₄ and CAM plants and its significance. Photorespiration and its relevance. Photosynthesis as a diffusive process effect of environmental factors on photosynthetic rates, Translocation of photosynthates and its importance in sink growth. Mitochondrial respiration, growth and maintenance respiration, cyanide resistant respiration and its significance. Nitrogen metabolism: Inorganic nitrogen species (N₂, NO₃ and NH₃) and their reduction to aminoacids, protein synthesis and nucleic acids. Growth and differentiation. Hormonal concept of growth and differentiation, plant growth hormones and their physiological role synthetic growth regulators, growth retardants., Apical dominance, senescence, fruit growth, abscission. Photo morphogenesis: Photo receptors, phytochrome, cryptochrome, physiology of flowering - Photoperiodism and Vernalisation.

Lecture schedule---Theory

S.No	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Cell organelles and their physiological functions, structure and physiological functions of cell wall, cell inclusions; cell membrane structure and functions.	3
2	Soil and plant water relations, water and its role in plants, properties and functions of water.	2
3	Water relations-cell water terminology, water potential of plant cells.	2
4	Water loss from plants-Energy balance-Solar energy input-energy dissipation at crop canopy level- evapotranspiration .	2
5	Transpiration –Driving force for transpiration, plant factors influencing transpiration rate, Mycorrhizal association on water uptake.	2
6	Stomata structure and function – mechanism of stomatal movement	2
7	Antitranspirants.	2
8	Physiology of water stress in plants: Influence of water stress at cell, organ, plant and canopy levels. Indices for assessment of drought resistance.	2
9	Uptake of mineral elements in plants –Mechanisms of uptake-translocation of minerals in plants.	2
10	The role of mineral nutrients in plant metabolism, critical levels, deficiency symptoms, nutrient deficiency and toxicity.	3
11	Foliar nutrition	1
12	Photosynthesis and its importance in bio productivity. Photochemical process, photochemical reactions,	2
13	CO ₂ reduction in Calvin cycle, supplementary pathway of C fixation in C ₄ and CAM plants and its significance	3
14	Photorespiration and its relevance. Photosynthesis as a diffusive process effect of environmental factors on photosynthetic rates	3
15	Translocation of photosynthates and its importance in sink growth	2
16	Mitochondrial respiration, growth and maintenance respiration, cyanide resistant respiration and its significance.	3

17	Nitrogen metabolism: Inorganic nitrogen species (N ₂ , NO ₃ and NH ₃) and their reduction to aminoacids,	2
18	Protein synthesis and nucleic acids.	2
19	Growth and differentiation. Hormonal concept of growth and differentiation, plant growth hormones and their physiological role.	2
20	Synthetic growth regulators, growth retardants., Apical dominance, senescence, fruit growth, abscission.	2
21	Photo-morphogenesis: Photo receptors, phyto-chrome, crypto-chrome,	2
22	Physiology of flowering- Photo-periodism and Vernalisation.	2

Suggested Readings

Hopkins WG & Huner NPA. 2004. *Introduction to Plant Physiology*. John Wiley & Sons.
 Salisbury FB & Ross C. 1992. *Plant Physiology*. 4th Ed. Wadsworth Publ.
 Taiz L & Zeiger E. 2006. *Plant Physiology*. 4th Ed. Sinauer Associates.
 Gupta N K & Gupta S. 2005. *Plant Physiology*. Oxford and IBH, New Delhi

PPHYS 521 Physiological and Molecular Responses of Plants to Abiotic Stresses 3(2+1)

Objective

To apprise the students regarding abiotic stress to plant and its molecular basis.

Theory

Response of plants to abiotic stresses: Abiotic stresses affecting plant productivity. Basic principles of a crop improvement programme under stress, Interactions between biotic and abiotic stresses. Physiological processes affected by drought. Drought resistance mechanisms: Escape Dehydration postponement (Drought avoidance), Dehydration tolerance and characteristics of resurrection plants. Osmotic adjustment, Osmo-protectants, Stress proteins. Water use efficiency as a drought resistant trait. Molecular responses to water deficit: Stress perception, Expression of regulatory and functional genes and significance of gene products. Stress and hormones - ABA as a signaling molecule- Cytokinin as a negative signal. Oxidative stress: Reactive Oxygen Species (ROS). Role of scavenging systems (SOD catalase etc.). High temperature stress: Tolerance mechanisms- role of membrane lipids in high temperature tolerance. Functions of HSP's. Salinity: Species variation in salt tolerance. Salinity effects at – Cellular and whole plant level, tolerance mechanisms. Salt tolerance in – Glycophytes and halophytes, Breeding for salt resistance. Heavy metal stress: Aluminium and cadmium toxicity in acid soils. Role of Phyto-chelatins (heavy metal binding proteins).

Practical

Measurement of water status of plants, determination of osmotic potential by vapour pressure and freezing point depression, Stress imposition and quantification, Stress –stomatal conductance. Canopy temperature as a reflection of transpiration and root activity, Water use – efficiency, Heat and salt tolerance and membrane integrity.

Lecture schedule--Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Response of plants to abiotic stresses: Abiotic stresses affecting plant productivity.	2
2	Basic principles of a crop improvement programme under stress,	2
3	Interactions between biotic and abiotic stresses.	1
4	Physiological processes affected by drought. Drought resistance mechanisms: Escape Dehydration postponement (Drought avoidance),	2
5	Dehydration tolerance and characteristics of resurrection plants.	1
6	Osmotic adjustment, Osmo-protectants, Stress proteins. Water use efficiency as a drought resistant trait.	2
7	Molecular responses to water deficit: Stress perception,	2
8	Expression of regulatory and functional genes and significance of gene products.	1
9	Stress and hormones- ABA as a signaling molecule- Cytokinin as a negative signal. Oxidative stress:	3
10	Reactive Oxygen Species (ROS). Role of scavenging systems (SOD catalase etc.).	3
11	High temperature stress: Tolerance mechanisms- role of membrane lipids in high temperature tolerance. Functions of HSP's.	3
12	Salinity: Species variation in salt tolerance. Salinity effects at – Cellular and whole plant level, tolerance mechanisms.	3
13	Salt tolerance in – Glycophytes and halophytes, Breeding for salt resistance.	2

14	Heavy metal stress: Aluminum and cadmium toxicity in acid soils.	3
15	Role of Phyto-chelatins (heavy metal binding proteins).	2

Lecture schedule--Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Measurement of water status of plants	3
2	Determination of osmotic potential by vapour pressure and freezing point depression	2
3	Stress imposition and quantification,	2
4	Stress –stomatal conductance. Canopy temperature as a reflection of transpiration and root activity	3
5	Water use – efficiency	2
6	Heat and salt tolerance	2
7	Membrane integrity	2

Suggested Readings

Hopkins WG & Huner NPA. 2004. *Introduction to Plant Physiology*. John Wiley & Sons.
 Salisbury FB & Ross C. 1992. *Plant Physiology*. 4th Ed. Wadsworth Publ.
 Taiz L & Zeiger E. 2006. *Plant Physiology*. 4th Ed. Sinauer Associates.
 Gupta N K & Gupta S. 2005. *Plant Physiology*. Oxford and IBH, New Delhi.

PPHYS 531 Hormonal Regulation of Plant Growth and Development 3(2+1)

Objective

To apprise the students about structure function of plant growth regulator on growth and development of plant.

Theory

Definition and classification of plant growth regulators- Hormones, endogenous growth substances and synthetic chemicals, Endogenous growth regulating substances other than hormones. triconanol, Phenols – polyamines, jasmonates, concept of death hormone. Site of synthesis, biosynthetic pathways and metabolism and the influence on plant growth development of individual group of hormones- Auxins, Gibberellins, cytokinins, Abscisic acid and Ethylene Brassinosteroids. Signal perception, transduction, and effect at functional gene level of different hormones - Auxins- cell elongation, Gibberellins -, germination of dormant seeds, cytokinins- cell division. Retardation of senescence of plant parts, Abscisic acid-Stomatal closure and induction of drought resistance, Ethylene- fruit ripening. Interaction of hormones in regulation of plant growth and development processes. Rooting of cuttings - Flowering. Apical dominance, molecular aspects of control of reproductive growth and development. Synthetic growth regulators- Classification, their effect on plant growth and development. Practical utility in agriculture and horticulture.

Practical

Extraction of hormones from plant tissue. Auxins- bioassays- auxins effect on rooting of cuttings, abscission, apical dominance, Gibberellins- bioassays-GA effect on germination of dormant seeds, cytokinin- bioassays- cytokinin effect on apical dominance and senescence, ABA bioassay estimation. ABA effect on stomatal movement, Ethylene bioassays, estimation using physico chemical techniques (with the condition that GLC/ HPLC is provided) - effect of hormones on breaking dormancy.

Lecture schedule—Theory

S.No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Definition and classification of plant growth regulators- Hormones,	2
2	Endogenous growth substances and synthetic chemicals	2
3	Endogenous growth regulating substances other than hormones. triconanol, Phenols – polyamines, jasmonates, concept of death hormone.	3
4	Site of synthesis, biosynthetic pathways and metabolism and the influence on plant growth and development of individual group of hormones- Auxins	1
5	Site of synthesis, biosynthetic pathways and metabolism and the influence on plant growth and development of individual group of hormones- Gibberellins	1
6	Site of synthesis, biosynthetic pathways and metabolism and the influence on plant growth development of individual group of hormones- and cytokinins	1
7	Site of synthesis, biosynthetic pathways and metabolism and the influence on plant growth and development of individual group of hormones-. Abscisic acid	1
8	Site of synthesis, biosynthetic pathways and metabolism and the influence on plant growth and development of individual group of hormones- Ethylene	1
9	Site of synthesis, biosynthetic pathways and metabolism and the influence on plant growth and development of individual group of hormones- brassinosteroids	2
10	Signal perception. Transduction and effect at functional gene level of different hormones- Auxins- cell elongation, Gibberellins -, germination of dormant seeds.	3

11	Signal perception. Transduction and effect at functional gene level of different hormones- cytokinins- cell division. Retardation of senescence of plant parts, Abscisic acid- Stomatal closure and induction of drought resistance, Ethylene- fruit ripening.	3
12	Interaction of hormones in regulation of plant growth and development processes. Rooting of cuttings-Flowering. Apical dominance,	3
13	Molecular aspects of control of reproductive growth and development.	3
14	Synthetic growth regulators- Classification, their effect on plant growth and development.	3
15	Practical utility of Synthetic growth regulators agriculture and horticulture.	3

Lecture schedule--Practical

S.No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Extraction of hormones from plant tissue.	5
2	Auxins- bioassays- auxins effect on rooting of cuttings, abscission, apical dominance	2
3	Gibberellins- bioassays-GA effect on germination of dormant seeds,	2
4	Cytokines- bioassays- cytokinin effect on apical dominance and senescence,	2
5	ABA bioassays estimation. ABA effect on stomatal movement,	2
6	Ethylene bioassays, effect of hormones on breaking dormancy	2
7	Estimation of PGRs using physico chemical techniques (with the condition that GLC/ HPLC is provided)	3

Suggested Readings

Hopkins WG & Huner NPA. 2004. *Introduction to Plant Physiology*. John Wiley & Sons. Salisbury FB & Ross C. 1992. *Plant Physiology*. 4th Ed. Wadsworth Publ.

Course Code	Course title	Credits
BIOCH 511	Basic Biochemistry	3(2+1)
BIOCH 521	Plant Bio Chemistry	3(2+1)

BIOCH511

Basic Biochemistry

3(2+1)

Objective

To provide elementary knowledge of structure, functions and metabolism of biomolecules.

Theory:

Scope and importance of biochemistry in agriculture; Fundamental principles governing life; structure of water; acid base concept and buffers; pH; hydrogen bonding; hydrophobic, electrostatic and Van der Waals forces, classification, structure and function of carbohydrates, lipids and biomembranes, amino acids, proteins, and nucleic acids, structure and biological functions of vitamins, enzymes classification and mechanism of action; regulation, factors affecting enzyme action. Hormones – animal, plants and insects, metabolism of carbohydrates, lipids, proteins. Oxidative phosphorylation. DNA replication, transcription and translation. Recombinant DNA technology.

Practical:

Preparation of standard and buffer solutions, Extraction and estimation of sugars, Amino acids, Estimation of Proteins by Lowry's method, Estimation of DNA and RNA by diphenylamine and orcinol methods, Estimation of Ascorbic acid, Separation of biomolecules by TLC and Paper chromatography.

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Scope and importance of biochemistry in agriculture.	1
2	Fundamental principles governing life.	1
3	Structure of water; acid base concept and buffers; pH.	1
4	Hydrogen bonding; hydrophobic, electrostatic and Vander Waals forces	1
5	Classification, structure and function of carbohydrates	1
6	Classification, structure and function of lipids, Bio-membranes	2
7	Classification and structure of amino acids.	1
8	Properties and general reaction of amino acids.	1
9	Classification and structure of proteins.	1
10	Nucleic acids- Nucleosides, Nucleotides and structure of DNA and RNA	2
11	Classification of DNA and RNA.	1
12	Vitamins- Structure and classification	1
13	Biological functions of vitamins, Co-enzyme.	1
14	Enzymes- Classification and mechanism of action	1
15	Regulation and factors affecting enzyme action.	1
16	Inhibitors of enzymes	1
17	Hormones – Classification and mode of action in Animal.	1
18	Hormones - Classification and mode of action in, plants and insects	2
19	Differences of hormone in Animals, Plants and Insects	1
20	Metabolism of carbohydrates- Glycolysis and its regulation	1
21	Kreb's cycle and its regulation.	1
22	Biosynthesis of sucrose and starch	1
23	Biosynthesis of Fatty acids and glycerols	1
24	Elementary concept of protein synthesis – translation	1
25	Oxidative phosphorylation	1
26	DNA replication, transcription	2
27	Recombinant DNA technology concept	2

Lecture schedule: Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Preparation of standard and buffer solutions.	2
2	Extraction and estimation of sugars	1
3	Estimation of Total Amino acids.	1
4	Estimation of Proteins by Lowry's method	2
5	Estimation of DNA.	2
6	Estimation of RNA by diphenylamine and orcinol methods	2
7	Estimation of Ascorbic acid	1
8	Separation of biomolecules by TLC.	3

9	Paper chromatography	2
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Suggested Readings

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Nelson DL & Cox MM. 2007. Lehninger Principles of Biochemistry. 5th Ed. MacMillan. Voet D, Voet J G & Pratt CW. 2007. Fundamentals of Biochemistry. John Wiley.

BIOCH521

Plant Biochemistry

3 (2+1)

Objective

Detailed information about biochemical and molecular basis of various plant processes and plant growth regulatory substances.

Theory:

Scope and importance of biochemistry in Agriculture, Plant cell organelles and their separation, structure and function. Photosynthetic pigments, photosynthesis, C₃, C₄ and CAM pathways, photorespiration, Sucrose- starch interconversion, biosynthesis of structural carbohydrates, storage proteins and lipids. Biochemistry of nitrogen fixation and nitrate assimilation, sulphate reduction and incorporation of sulphur in to amino acids, Biochemistry of seed germination and development, Biochemistry of fruit ripening, phytohormones and their mode of action, signal transduction, Biochemistry and significance of secondary metabolites-cyanogenic glycosides, glucosinolates, phenolic compounds, terpenoids, alkaloids, plant defense system.

Practical:

Estimation of chlorophyll, protein by Lowry's method and starch. Estimation of nitrate content by hydrazine sulphate reduction method. *In vivo* assay of nitrate reductase activity, Assay of nitrogenase activity by acetylene reduction method.

Lecture schedule: Theory

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Scope and importance of Biochemistry in Agriculture	1
2	Plant cell organelles and their separation, structure and function	1
3	Photosynthesis- Photosynthetic pigments.	2
4	Calvin cycle (C ₃ pathway)	1
5	C ₄ and CAM pathways	1
6	Photorespiration.	1
7	Sucrose-starch interconversion	1
8	Biosynthesis of structural carbohydrates	2
9	Biosynthesis of storage proteins and lipids	2
10	Biochemistry of nitrogen fixation and nitrate assimilation	3
11	Sulphate reduction and incorporation of sulphur into amino acids	2
12	Biochemistry of seed germination and development	2
13	Biochemistry of fruit ripening	1
14	Phytohormones and their mode of action, signal transduction.	3
15	Biochemistry and significance of secondary metabolites	1
16	Cyanogenic glycosides, glucosinolates	1
17	Biochemistry and significance of Phenolic compounds	2
18	Biochemistry and significance of Terpenoids	1
19	Biochemistry and significance of alkaloids.	2
20	Role of secondary metabolites in plant defense system.	2

Lecture schedule: Practical

S. No.	Topic	No. of lectures
1	Estimation of chlorophyll	2
2	Estimation of Protein by Lowry's method	2
3	Estimation of starch	3
4	Estimation of nitrate content by hydrazine sulphate reduction method	3
5	<i>In vivo</i> assay of Nitrate Reductase activity.	3
6	Assay of nitrogenase activity by acetylene reduction method	3

Suggested Readings

Buchanan BB, Gruissem W & Jones RL. 2000. *Biochemistry and Molecular Biology of Plants*. 2nd Ed. John Wiley.

Dey PM & Harborne JB. 1997. *Plant Biochemistry*. Academic Press.

Goodwin TW & Mercer EI. 1983. *Introduction to Plant Biochemistry*. Pergamon Press.

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NONCREDIT (E) COURSES

S.No.	Course No.	Title	Credit Hrs.
1.	PGS 501	LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SERVICES	1(0+1)
2.	PGS 502	TECHNICAL WRITING AND COMMUNICATIONS SKILLS	1(0+1)
3.	PGS 503 (e-Course)	INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND ITS MANAGEMENT IN AGRICULTURE	1(1+0)
4.	PGS 504	BASIC CONCEPTS IN LABORATORY TECHNIQUES	1(0+1)
5.	PGS 505 (e-course)	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH, RESEARCH ETHICS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES	1(1+0)
6.	PGS 506	DISASTER MANAGEMENT	1(1+0)

PGS 501 LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SERVICES 0+1

Objective

To equip the library users with skills to trace information from libraries efficiently, to apprise them of information and knowledge resources, to carry out literature survey, to formulate information search strategies, and to use modern tools (Internet, OPAC, search engines etc.) of information search.

Practical

Introduction to library and its services; Role of libraries in education, research and technology transfer; Classification systems and organization of library; Sources of information- Primary Sources, Secondary Sources and Tertiary Sources; Intricacies of abstracting and indexing services (Science Citation Index, Biological Abstracts, Chemical Abstracts, CABI Abstracts, etc.); Tracing information from reference sources; Literature survey; Citation techniques/Preparation of bibliography; Use of CD-ROM Databases, Online Public Access Catalogue and other computerized library services; Use of Internet including search engines and its resources; e-resources access methods.

PGS 502 TECHNICAL WRITING AND COMMUNICATIONS SKILLS 0+1

Objective

To equip the students/scholars with skills to write dissertations, research papers, etc.

To equip the students/scholars with skills to communicate and articulate in English (verbal as well as writing).

Practical

Technical Writing - Various forms of scientific writings- theses, technical papers, reviews, manuals, etc; Various parts of thesis and research communications (title page, authorship contents page, preface, introduction, review of literature, material and methods, experimental results and discussion); Writing of abstracts, summaries, précis, citations etc.; commonly used abbreviations in the theses and research communications; illustrations, photographs and drawings with suitable captions; pagination, numbering of tables and illustrations; Writing of numbers and dates in scientific write-ups; Editing and proof-reading; Writing of a review article.

Communication Skills - Grammar (Tenses, parts of speech, clauses, punctuation marks); Error analysis (Common errors); Concord; Collocation; Phonetic symbols and transcription; Accentual pattern: Weak forms in connected speech: Participation in group discussion: Facing an interview; presentation of scientific papers.

Suggested Readings

Chicago Manual of Style. 14th Ed. 1996. Prentice Hall of India.

Collins' Cobuild English Dictionary. 1995. Harper Collins.

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Hornby AS. 2000. *Comp. Oxford Advanced Learner's Dictionary of Current English*. 6th Ed. Oxford University Press.

James HS. 1994. *Handbook for Technical Writing*. NTC Business Books.

Joseph G. 2000. *MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers*. 5th Ed. Affiliated East-West Press.
 Mohan K. 2005. *Speaking English Effectively*. MacMillan India.
 Richard WS. 1969. *Technical Writing*. Barnes & Noble.
 Robert C. (Ed.). 2005. *Spoken English: Flourish Your Language*. Abhishek.
 Sethi J & Dhamija PV. 2004. *Course in Phonetics and Spoken English*. 2nd Ed. Prentice Hall of India.
 Wren PC & Martin H. 2006. *High School English Grammar and Composition*. S. Chand & Co.

PGS 503 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND ITS 1+0
MANAGEMENT IN AGRICULTURE

Objective

The main objective of this course is to equip students and stakeholders with knowledge of intellectual property rights (IPR) related protection systems, their significance and use of IPR as a tool for wealth and value creation in a knowledge-based economy.

Theory

Historical perspectives and need for the introduction of Intellectual Property Right regime; TRIPs and various provisions in TRIPS Agreement; Intellectual Property and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR), benefits of securing IPRs; Indian Legislations for the protection of various types of Intellectual Properties; Fundamentals of patents, copyrights, geographical indications, designs and layout, trade secrets and traditional knowledge, trademarks, protection of plant varieties and farmers' rights and biodiversity protection; Protectable subject matters, protection in biotechnology, protection of other biological materials, ownership and period of protection; National Biodiversity protection initiatives; Convention on Biological Diversity; International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture; Licensing of technologies, Material transfer agreements, Research collaboration Agreement, License Agreement.

Suggested Readings

Erbisch FH & Maredia K. 1998. *Intellectual Property Rights in Agricultural Biotechnology*. CABI.
 Ganguli P. 2001. *Intellectual Property Rights: Unleashing Knowledge Economy*. McGraw-Hill.
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 Rothschild M & Scott N. (Ed.). 2003. *Intellectual Property Rights in Animal Breeding and Genetics*. CABI.
 Saha R. (Ed.). 2006. *Intellectual Property Rights in NAM and Other Developing Countries: A Compendium on Law and Policies*. Daya Publ. House.
The Indian Acts - Patents Act, 1970 and amendments; Design Act, 2000;
Trademarks Act, 1999; The Copyright Act, 1957 and amendments; Layout
Design Act, 2000; PPV and FR Act 2001, and Rules 2003;
National Biological Diversity Act, 2003.

PGS 504 BASIC CONCEPTS IN LABORATORY TECHNIQUES 0+1

Objective

To acquaint the students about the basics of commonly used techniques in laboratory.

Practical

Safety measures while in Lab; Handling of chemical substances; Use of burettes, pipettes, measuring cylinders, flasks, separatory funnel, condensers, micropipettes and vascupets; washing, drying and sterilization of glassware; Drying of solvents/chemicals. Weighing and preparation of solutions of different strengths and their dilution; Handling techniques of solutions; Preparation of different agro-chemical doses in field and pot applications; Preparation of solutions of acids; Neutralisation of acid and bases; Preparation of buffers of different strengths and pH values. Use and handling of microscope, laminar flow, vacuum pumps, viscometer, thermometer, magnetic stirrer, micro-ovens, incubators, sandbath, waterbath, oilbath; Electric wiring and earthing. Preparation of media and methods of sterilization; Seed viability testing, testing of pollen viability; Tissue culture of crop plants; Description of flowering plants in botanical terms in relation to taxonomy

Suggested Readings

Furr AK. 2000. *CRC Hand Book of Laboratory Safety*. CRC Press.

Gabb MH & Latchem WE. 1968. *A Handbook of Laboratory Solutions*. Chemical Publ. Co.

PGS 505 AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH, RESEARCH ETHICS 1+0 **AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES**

Objective

To enlighten the students about the organization and functioning of agricultural research systems at national and international levels, research ethics, and rural development programmes and policies of Government.

Theory

UNIT I

History of agriculture in brief; Global agricultural research system: need, scope, opportunities; Role in promoting food security, reducing poverty and protecting the environment; National Agricultural Research Systems (NARS) and Regional Agricultural Research Institutions; Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR): International Agricultural Research Centres (IARC), partnership with NARS, role as a partner in the global agricultural research system, strengthening capacities at national and regional levels; International fellowships for scientific mobility.

UNIT II

Research ethics: research integrity, research safety in laboratories, welfare of animals used in research, computer ethics, standards and problems in research ethics.

UNIT III

Concept and connotations of rural development, rural development policies and strategies. Rural development programmes: Community Development Programme, Intensive Agricultural District Programme, Special group – Area Specific Programme, Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) Panchayati Raj Institutions, Co-operatives, Voluntary Agencies/Non-Governmental Organisations. Critical evaluation of rural development policies and programmes. Constraints in implementation of rural policies and programmes.

Suggested Readings

Bhalla GS & Singh G. 2001. *Indian Agriculture - Four Decades of Development*. Sage Publ.

Punia MS. *Manual on International Research and Research Ethics*. CCS, Haryana Agricultural University, Hisar.

Rao BSV. 2007. *Rural Development Strategies and Role of Institutions - Issues, Innovations and Initiatives*. Mittal Publ.

Singh K.. 1998. *Rural Development - Principles, Policies and Management*. Sage Publ.

PGS 506 DISASTER MANAGEMENT 1+0

Objectives

To introduce learners to the key concepts and practices of natural disaster management; to equip them to conduct thorough assessment of hazards, and risks vulnerability; and capacity building.

Theory

UNIT I

Natural Disasters- Meaning and nature of natural disasters, their types and effects. Floods, Drought, Cyclone, Earthquakes, Landslides, Avalanches, Volcanic eruptions, Heat and cold Waves, Climatic Change: Global warming, Sea Level rise, Ozone Depletion

UNIT II

Man Made Disasters- Nuclear disasters, chemical disasters, biological disasters, building fire, coal fire, forest fire. Oil fire, air pollution, water pollution, deforestation, Industrial wastewater pollution, road accidents, rail accidents, air accidents, sea accidents.

UNIT III

Disaster Management- Efforts to mitigate natural disasters at national and global levels. International Strategy for Disaster reduction. Concept of disaster management, national disaster management framework;

financial arrangements; role of NGOs, Community-based organizations, and media. Central, State, District and local Administration; Armed forces in Disaster response; Disaster response: Police and other organizations.

Suggested Readings

Gupta HK. 2003. *Disaster Management*. Indian National Science Academy. Orient Blackswan.

Hodgkinson PE & Stewart M. 1991. *Coping with Catastrophe: A Handbook of Disaster Management*. Routledge.

Sharma VK. 2001. *Disaster Management*. National Centre for Disaster Management, India.