

# **B.N. University**

**BHUPAL NOBLES' UNIVERSITY,  
UDAIPUR**

**PROPOSED SYLLABUS AND  
COURSE STRUCTURE**

**FOR  
M.Sc. BOTANY**

**CHOICE BASED CREDIT SYSTEM  
(CBCS)**

**Core Course 1  
BOT 611**

**Biology and Diversity of Plants (Microbes, Algae and Fungi)**

**Unit-I**

**Archaeobacteria and Eubacteria:** General characters, distribution, ultra-structure, nutrition, multiplication, biology, economic and evolutionary importance. Methods of genetic recombination and their significance. Isolation, culture and identification of bacteria. General account of Cyanobacteria.

**Unit-II**

**Viruses:** Physical and chemical characteristics, ultra-structure, multiplication, isolation and purification and economic importance. Plant virus transmission.

**Mycoplasma, phytoplasma, L-forms, viroids, rickettsias and prions:** A general account, economic and evolutionary importance.

**Unit -III**

**Algae:** General account, thallus organisation, cell structure, reproduction, life cycle pattern, classification schemes. Salient features of Chlorophyceae, Bacillariophyceae, Phaeophyceae and Rhodophyceae.

**Unit-IV**

**Algae:** Salient features of Prochlorophyceae, Glaucophyceae, Eustigmatophyceae. Economic and evolutionary importance of algae.

**Fungi:** General characters, life cycle patterns, ultra-structure, mycelial growth, cell composition, nutrition (necrotrophs, biotrophs and symbionts), methods of reproduction. Recent trends in classification and phylogenetic relationship among fungal groups.

**Unit-V**

**Fungi:** General account of morphology, reproduction, life cycle and economic importance of Mastigomycotina, Zygomycotina, Ascomycotina, Basidiomycotina and Fungi *imperfecti*. Economic importance of fungi. Heterothallism, Heterokaryosis and Parasexuality in fungi.

**Fungal associations:** Mycorrhizae and Lichens; General account of morphology, reproduction, life cycle and significance.

## Practicals:

1. Isolation culture and identification of bacteria from various sources.
2. Identification of cultured bacteria using Gram's stain.
3. Identification of cyanobacteria and study of heterocyst.
4. Microscopic preparations and study of following algal materials: *Nostoc*, *Oscillatoria*, *Anabaena*, *Microcystis*, *Spirulina*, *Chlamydomonas*, *Volvox*, *Coleochaete*, *Hydrodictyon*, *Ulva*, *Cladophora*, *Pithophora*, *Oedogonium*, *Vaucheria*, *Chara*, *Ectocarpus*, *Sargassum*, *Batrachospermum*, *Polysiphonia*, Diatoms- Available genera.
5. Isolation and establishment of axenic algal culture
6. Study and identification of following fungal genera: *Synchytrium*, *Phytophthora*, *Peronospora*, *Piloboulos*, *Penicillium*, *Erysiphe*, *Claviceps*, *Agaricus*, *Puccinia*, *Uromyces*, *Melanospora*, *Sphacelotheca*.
7. Isolation and identification of mycorrhizae associated with various plant species.
8. Study of lichens

## Reference Books:

1. Bold H. C and Wynne M.J (1975). Introduction to the Algae: Structure and Reproduction Prentice Hall Biological Science Series.
2. Chapman V.J and Chapman D.J (1973). The Algae. Macmillan and company, New York.
3. Fritsch F.E (1945). The Structure and Reproduction of the Algae Volume I and II, Cambridge University Press.
4. Kumar H.D. 1988. Introductory Phycology. Affiliated East-West Press Ltd., New Delhi.
5. Morries I. 1986. An Introduction to the Algae. Cambridge University Press, U.K.
6. Round F.E. 1986. The Biology of Algae. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.
7. Vijayraghavan M.R and Bela Bhatia (1997), Brown Algae: Structure, Ultrastructure and Reproduction, APH publishing Corporations, New Delhi.
8. Vijayraghavan M.R and Bela Bhatia (1997), Red Algae: Structure, Ultrastructure and Reproduction, APH publishing Corporations, New Delhi.
9. Alexopoulos, C. J., Mims, C. W. and Blackwel, M., Introductory Mycology, John Wiley & Sons Inc. Mandahar, C. L. Introduction to Plant Viruses. Chand & Co. Ltd., Delhi. Mehrotra, R. S. and Aneja, R. S. An Introduction to Mycology. New Age Intermediate Press.
10. Manual of Microbiology: Tools and Techniques; Kanika Sharma. Ane books. New Delhi. 2007
11. Textbook of Microbiology; Kanika Sharma. Ane books. New Delhi.

## Core Course 2

### BOT 612

#### Biology and Diversity of Archegoniate

##### Unit –I

**Bryophytes:** Origin of Bryophytes. General characters and classification. Evolution of gametophyte and sporophyte. Comparative study of structure, reproduction and life cycle of Hepaticopsida.

##### Unit -II

**Bryophytes:** Comparative study of structure, reproduction and life cycle of Anthocerotopsida and Bryopsida. Economic and Ecological importance of Bryophytes.

**Pteridophyta:** Evolution of stelar system; Evolution of Prothallus; soral evolution; Heterospory and seed habit; Cytological evolution of ferns; Apogamy and Apospory. Telome theory.

##### Unit –III

**Pteridophyta:** General account of present and past distribution with special reference to India. Study of structure, reproduction, evolution, classification and inter-relationships of the Pteridophyta with special reference to Psilophytopsida, Psilotopsida, Lycopsida, Sphenopsida, Pteropsida.

##### Unit –IV

**Palaeobotany:** Geological time scale, types and nomenclature of fossils, fossilization, methods of study of fossils. Study of fossil archegoniate.

**Gymnosperms:** General account of present and past distribution of gymnosperms with special reference to India. Economic importance of gymnosperms, phylogeny and relationships of the main groups of gymnosperms.

##### Unit –V

**Gymnosperms:** Study of structure, reproduction, evolution, classification, life history with special reference to Cycadopsida, Coniferopsida, Gnetopsida. Evolution of the female strobilus in Coniferales.

## Practicals:

- Study of external and internal morphology and microscopic preparations of following Bryophytes: *Riccia*, *Marchantia*, *Plagiochasma*, *Astrella*, *Targionia*, *Pellia*, *Porella*, *Anthoceros*, *Notothylus*, *Sphagnum*, *Pogonatum*, *Funaria*, *Rhodobryum* and *Polytrichum*.
- Study of temporary, double stained microscopic preparations of Root/ stem/ rhizome/ petiole/ reproductive parts of following pteridophytes:
- *Psilotum*, *Lycopodium*, *Selaginella*, *Isoetes*, *Equisetum*, *Ophioglossum*, *Osmunda*, *Lygodium*, *Gleichenia*, *Cyathea*, *Dryopteris*, *Pteris*, *Actiniopteris*, *Adiantum*, *Marsilea*, *Salvinia* and *Azolla*.
- Permanent double stained microscopic preparations of T.S., T.L.S. and R.L.S. of stem of *Ginkgo*, *Pinus*, *Biota*, *Araucaria*, *Taxus*, *Taxodium*, *Agathis*, *Picea*, *Cephalotaxus*, *Cedrus*, *Podocarpus*, *Abies*, *Cupressus*, *Juniperus*, *Gnetum*, *Ephedra*
- T.S. Leaflet and Rachis of *Cycas* and *Zamia* and needle of *Pinus*.
- T.S. of coralloid root of *Cycas*.
- Microscopic preparations of male cone of *Pinus* and male and female cones of *Ephedra*.
- Study of male cone and megasporophyll of *Cycas*.
- Study of fossil slides and specimens.

## Reference books

1. Bapna, K.R. and Kachroo, P. Hepaticology in India. Vol. I and II. Himanshu Publications, New Delhi, Udaipur
2. Cavers, R. (1964): Inter-relationship of Bryophytes
3. Chandrakant, Pathak (2003). Bryophyta, Dominant Publishers and Distributors, New Delhi.
4. Chaudhary, B.L. and Devra, G. S. Moss Flora of Rajasthan. Himanshu Publications, New Delhi, Udaipur.
5. Chopra, R. N. and P. K. Kumar (1988): Biology of Bryophytes.
6. Parihar N.S. 1991. Bryophyta. Central Book Depot, Allahabad. Puri P. 1980. Bryophytes. Atma Ram and Sons, Delhi.
7. Ram Udar (1976): Bryology in India
8. Rashid A (1998). An introduction to Bryophyta. Vikas Publishing House Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi.
9. Smith, G. M. (1955): Cryptogamic Botany Vol. II
10. Andrews, H.N. (1961) - Studies in Palaeobotany Arnold, C. A. (1972) - An introduction to Palaeobotany

11. Bhatnagar S.P and Moitra Alok 1996. Gymnosperms. New Age International Pvt. Ltd. Publishers, New Delhi, 470 pp.
12. Bierhorst D.W. 1971. Morphology of Vascular Plants. New York and London.
13. Biswas C and Johari B.M 2004. The Gymnosperms Narosa Publishing House, New Delhi. 497 pp.
14. Bower, F. O. (1963) - The Ferns
15. Chamberlain C.J 1934. Gymnosperms-Structure and Evolution, Chicago. Darroh, W.C. (1960) - Principles of Paleobotany
16. Eames, A. J. (1950) - Comparative morphology of vascular plants
17. Foster A.S and Gifford E.M 1959. Comparative Morphology of Vascular Plants. San Francisco.
18. Jermy, A. C. (1973) - The Phylogeny and Classification of ferns. Maheshwari P. and Vasil, Vimla 1961. *Gnetum*, Delhi.
19. Parihar N.S. 1996. Biology and Morphology of Pteridophytes. Central Book Depot, Allahabad.
20. Ramanujan, C.G.K. (1979) - Indian Gymnosperms in Time and Space Rashid, A. (1978) - An introduction to Pteridophytes.
21. Shukla, A.C. and Mishra, S.D. (1975)- Essentials of Paleobotany Sporne K.R 1971. The Morphology of Gymnosperms London, pp. 216. Sporne K.R. 1971. The Morphology of Pteridophytes. London.
22. Stewart W.N. and Rathwell G.W. 1993. Paleobotany and the Evolution of Plants. Cambridge University Press.
23. Surange, K. R. (1968) - Indian Fossil Pteridophytes Trivedi, A. N. (2002) - Advances in Pteridology

## Core Course 3

### BOT 613

#### Cell Biology and Biochemistry

##### Unit-I

**Cell:** Types, Intracellular compartments; Signal hypothesis, protein sorting to mitochondria and chloroplasts. Structure and functions of; cellular membranes, cell wall and cell organelles (nucleus, mitochondria, chloroplasts, Golgi apparatus, lysosomes, endoplasmic reticulum, vacuoles, ribosomes, and cytoskeleton). Synthetic cell and recent developments. Cell division: mitosis and meiosis.

##### Unit-II

**Chromosomes:** Structure of chromatin and chromosomes, unique and repetitive DNA, heterochromatin, euchromatin, Nucleosome structure, DNA loops. Types, occurrence, organization and biological significance of Lampbrush and Polytene chromosomes, Supernumerary chromosomes, Structural and numerical alterations in chromosomes: duplication, deficiency, inversion, translocation heterozygotes, Haploids, aneuploids and euploids; C-value and C-value paradox, Cot curve and its significance.

##### Unit-III

**Bioenergetics:** Principles of the thermodynamics, free energy and chemical potential, free energy of Oxidation – reduction reactions, redox potential. Types of Phosphorylations, structure and functions of Energy carriers (ATP, GTP, NADP, FADH etc.)

**Fats and Lipids:** Volatile oils, Fatty acids and fatty oils, Sesquiterpenes, diterpenes, triterpenes and tetraterpenes. Structure and function of lipids, classification of lipids, fatty acids and their biosynthesis.

##### Unit-IV

**Carbohydrates:** Classification, structure, properties. Biosynthesis of starch and sucrose.

**Enzymes:** General characters, nomenclature and classification, Mode of enzyme action, Michaelis – Menton equation and its significance, Enzyme Kinetics, Lineweaver-Burk (Double Reciprocal Plot). Regulation of enzymes, allosteric modulation, enzyme inhibition, coenzymes, isoenzymes and isoenzymes. Factors effecting enzyme activity.

##### Unit-V

**Amino acids:** Structure, Types, Properties, Stereo-isomers, Functions, Amino Acids as Precursors of Biomolecules, Metabolism of S-containing and Aromatic Amino Acids, Regulation of amino acid synthesis.

**Proteins:** Types, Properties, Structure, function, Cellular localization, Reverse turn and Ramchandran Plot.



**Practicals:**

1. General study of chromosomes: Mitosis: Onion, Meiosis: Onion.
2. Meiotic irregularity in *Rhoeo discolor*.
3. Study of Salivary gland chromosome in *Chironomas*.
4. Ultrastructure of cells, cell organelles.
5. Estimation of total fats in fatty seeds.
6. Preparation of standard curve of proteins (BSA)
7. Estimation of protein content in extracts of plant material by Lowry's method.
6. Determination of catalase activity
8. Demonstration of polyphenoloxidase activity.
9. Determination of specifications value of fats and oils

**Reference Books:**

1. G. Karp, Cell and Molecular Biology, John Wiley & Sons, Inc.
2. EDP De Robertis, Cell and Molecular Biology, Zea and Febiger.
3. H. Lodish, A. Berk, P. Matsudaira, C.A. Kaiser etc., Molecular Cell Biology, Scientific American Books.
4. Biochemistry; Voet and Voet, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, USA.1992.
5. Biochemistry & Molecular Biology of Plants; Eds: Bob Buchanan, Wilhelm Gruissem, Russell Jones (Editor) Wiley; 1st. edition. 2002.
6. Biochemistry. Lubert Stryer, Jeremy M. Berg, John L. Tymoczko. W. H.Freeman and Co. 5th edition. 2002
7. Biochemistry; The molecular basis of cell structure and function. A. L. Lehninger. Worth Publishers. 1982.

## Core Course 4

### BOT 614

#### Plant Ecology and Biodiversity Conservation

##### Unit-I

**Environment:** Physical environment, biotic environment.

**Ecosystem concept:** Structure and function, Ecological energetics; energy flow through ecosystem. Biogeochemical cycles (C, N, P and S cycles), Homeostasis. Principles of limiting factor.

##### Unit-II

**Community ecology:** Communities structure and dynamics, Edges and ecotones, Organismal and individualistic model of community. Succession: Concept, models and mechanisms. Life form and biological spectrum. Concept of niche; gradient analysis and continuum concept.

##### Unit-III

**Population ecology:** Properties of populations, fluctuation, age classes; growth measurement; factors affecting population growth; growth curves, r- and k- strategies; Life history patterns, ecotypes and ecades, type of interactions. Population Genetics and speciation. Adaptive radiation.

##### Unit-IV

**Environmental pollution;** agricultural pollution, atmospheric pollution, global environmental changes, mining and quarrying, restoration ecology. Environmental impact assessment. Environmental regulations and laws. Plant indicators. Phytoremediation. Sustainability; global carrying capacity.

##### Unit-V

**Phytogeography:** Major biomes of the world with special reference to desert and grassland; phytogeographical regions of India.

**Plant Biodiversity:** Types of biodiversity and its conservation, endemism, hot spots . Strategies for conservation – *In situ* and *Ex situ*. International efforts and peoples participation for conservation, International Biological Programme; Man and Biosphere Programme(MAB), IUCN. General account of the activities of Botanical Survey of India (BSI), National Bureau of Plant Genetic Resources (NBPGR), ICAR, CSIR and DBT for conservation.

**Practicals:**

1. Determination of minimum size of quadrat of the grassland ecosystem.
2. Determination of minimum number of quadrats required for grasslands.
3. Determination of frequency, density, abundance and cover
4. Determination of Important Value Index (IVI)
5. Measurement of biodiversity using diversity indices.
6. Determination of leaf area index
7. Analysis of soil texture, moisture content, pH and water holding capacity
8. Determination of per cent organic carbon in the soils samples
9. Water analysis for Hardness, visibility of light in water column, carbonate, bicarbonate and chloride.
10. Estimation of dissolved oxygen content in eutrophic and oligotrophic water samples by Winkler's method.

**Reference books:**

1. Aery, N.C. 2010. Manual of Environmental Analysis, Ane Books Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi.
2. Ambasht, R.S. and Ambasht, N.K. 1999. A text book of Ecology. CBS Publ. & Distr. New Delhi.
3. Begon, M. Harper, J.L. and Townsend, C.R. 1996. Ecology. Blackwell Science, Cambridge, USA.
4. Brady, N.C. 1990. The nature and properties of Soil, MacMillan Press.
5. Campman, J.L. and Reiss, M.J. 1988. Ecology. Principles and Applications, Cambridge University Press, U.K.
6. Heywood, V.M. and Watson, R.T. 1985. Global Biodiversity Assessment, Cambridge Univ. Press, Cambridge.
7. Kormondy, E.J. 1996. Concepts of Ecology. PrenticeHall of India Pvt.Ltd., New Delhi. Ludwig, J. and Reynolds, J.F. 1998. Statistical Ecology. John Wiley & Sons.
8. Misra, R. 1968. Ecology Work Book. Oxford and IBH, New Delhi. Odum, E.P. 1983. Basic Ecology. Saunders, Philadelphia.
9. Smith, R.L. and Smith T.M. 1998. Elements of Ecology. Benjamin/Cummings Publication.
10. Townsend, C.R., Begon, M., Harper, J.L. 2007. Essentials of Ecology.

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11. Frankel, O.H., Brown, A.H.D. and Burdon, J.J. 1995. *The Conservation of Plant Diversity*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, U.K.
12. Heywood, V. (ed) 1995. *Global Biodiversity Assessment*. United Nations Environment Programme. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, U.K.
13. Katewa, S.S. & Jain Anita. *Ethnobotany, Phytogeography, Plant Resources Utilization and conservation*. Apex Publishing House, Jaipur. 2007.
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15. Richard B. Primack. 1993. *Essentials of Conservation Biology*.
16. Swaminathan, M.N. & Jain, R.S. *Biodiversity: Implications for global security*, Macmillan, 1982.
17. Walter, K.S. and Gillett, H.J. 1998. *IUCN Red List of Threatened Plants*. IUCN, the World Conservation Union. IUCN, Gland, Switzerland and Cambridge, U.K.

## Core Course 5

### BOT 621

#### Genetics, Plant Breeding and Evolution

##### Unit-I

**Mendelism and Neo-mendalism:** Concept of gene, Mendel and his laws. Applications of laws and probability tests, Chi-square test and its application in the analysis of genetic data. Extensions of Mendelian principles; Codominance, incomplete dominance, Gene interactions: Dominant and recessive epistasis, Complementary, Supplementary and Duplicate genes. Multiple alleles, pseudoallele, complementation tests, lethal alleles, penetrance and expressivity, Pleiotropy.

##### Unit-II

**Heredity and Variation:** Sex determination; Sex linked, sex influenced and sex limited traits, Linkage and crossing over and linkage map.

Maternal inheritance, Extra-nuclear inheritance in Neurospora, Chlamydomonas, Paramecium, Yeast, Drosophila and Man, Mitochondrial genomes, Chloroplast genomes, Cytoplasmic male sterility. Spontaneous and induced mutations, physical and chemical mutagens. molecular basis of gene mutations, transposable elements in eukaryotes and prokaryotes. Site-directed mutagenesis.

##### Unit-III

**Molecular Genetics:** Cell-cell hybridization, cell hybrids, mapping of genes by cell hybridization methods, Mapping by in-situ hybridization.

Homologous and non-homologous recombination, site-specific recombination. Molecular markers. Physical mapping of genes, artificial chromosomes, Pedigree analysis, genetic disorders, Karyotypes and Idiograms, Polygenic inheritance

##### Unit-I

**Plant Breeding:** Concept of breeding, classical and modern plant breeding. Methods of breeding in self and cross pollinated plants. Selection, Introduction, Heterosis and inbreeding depression.. Genetically modified plants. Polyploidy, Mutation breeding. Breeding work on wheat and Rice.

##### Unit-V

**Evolution:**, Emergence of evolutionary thoughts: Lamarck; Darwin—concepts of variation, adaptation, struggle, fitness and natural selection; Natural selection and Genetic Drift. Hardy-Weinberg law, Speciation; allopatricity, parapatricity.

Concept of Oparin and Haldane; experiment of Miller; the first cell: origin and evolution in prokaryotes and eukaryotes.

**Practicals:**

1. Emasculation, crossing and bagging in crop plants.
2. Problem of genetics.
3. Karyotype determination in onion.
4. Barr body analysis.
5. Genetic exercises and test of goodness of fit using Chi-square

**Reference books:**

1. A.G. Atherly, J.R. Girton, J.F. McDonald, The Science of Genetics, Saunders College Publishers.
2. E.J. Gardner, M.J. Simmons, O.P. Snustad, Principles of Genetics, John Wiley and Sons Inc.
3. B. Lewin, Genes IX, Jones and Bartlett Publishers.
4. Genetics, Hertel, Princeton.
5. Rastogi, Veer Bala, 2014. Organic evolution. Medtec; 1st Edition edition

## Core Course 6

### BOT 622

### Molecular Biology

#### Unit-I

**Cell cycle and DNA:** interphase nucleus, role of cyclins and cyclin-dependent kinases. DNA structure and types (A-, B-, Z-, DNA). DNA replication, enzymes of DNA replication, fidelity of replication, extrachromosomal replicons, DNA damage and repair mechanisms.

#### Unit-II

**RNA:** Structure and types, synthesis and processing: Transcription factors and machinery, formation of initiation complex, transcription activators and repressors, RNA polymerases, elongation and termination, RNA processing, RNA editing, capping, polyadenylation, splicing, structure and function of different types of RNA, RNA transport. Reverse transcriptase.

#### Unit-III

**Protein synthesis and processing:** Ribosome, formation of initiation complex, initiation factors and their regulation, elongation and elongation factors, termination, genetic code, aminoacylation of tRNA, tRNA identity, aminoacyl tRNA synthetase, translational proof-reading, translational inhibitors, post-translational modification of proteins. isolation and purification of protein and nucleic acids, nucleic acid hybridization.

#### Unit-IV

**Gene regulation:** Regulation of gene expression in pro- and eukaryotes, the control sequences (operator, promoter, terminator, attenuator, enhancer, cis- and trans-acting elements), Operon model-Inducible and repressible systems, lac, gal, trp, his and arabinose operon, Attenuation, positive and negative regulation, tissue specific gene expression. Role of chromatin in regulating gene expression and gene silencing. Cell fractionation,

#### Unit-V

**Genomics and Proteomics:** Introduction to Structural, functional genomics and its application to health and agriculture, including gene therapy. Brief account of Proteomics. Ribozymes.

**Cancer:** Genetic rearrangements in progenitor cells, oncogenes, tumor suppressor genes, metastasis, apoptosis, therapeutic interventions of uncontrolled cell growth.

**Practicals:**

1. Study of light and fluorescence microscope.
2. FISH technique for chromosome painting.
3. Isolation of genomic DNA and its visualization on Agarose gel.
4. Isolation of plasmid DNA and its visualization on Agarose gel.
5. Quantification of DNA.
6. Cot-curve preparation for given DNA sample.

**Reference Books:**

1. J.D. Watson, T.A. Baker, S.P. Bell etc., Molecular Biology of the Gene, Pearson Education, India.
2. J.W. Dale and Mv Schantz, From Genes to Genomes, John Wiley & Sons.
3. B.D. Singh, Biotechnology, Kalyani Publishers.
4. An Introduction to Molecular Biotechnology by M. Wink, Wiley-VCH.
5. Introduction to Molecular Biology, Genomics & Proteomics for Biomedical Engineers by M.R. Neuman, CRC Press.



## Core Course 7

### BOT 623

## Structural and Reproductive Plant Biology

### Unit-I

**Meristems:** Introduction, organization of meristems, shoot development– organization of the shoot apical meristems (SAM), wood development in relation to environmental factors. Organization of root apical meristem (RAM), lateral roots; root hairs. Floral meristems and floral development in *Arabidopsis*.

**Tissue and tissue systems;** Parenchyma, Collenchyma, Sclerenchyma, Xylem, Phloem, Secretory structures and periderm

### Unit -II

**Plant anatomy:** Primary and secondary structure of root and stem of angiosperms. Anomalous secondary growth in stem and roots of angiosperms with special reference to *Aristolochia*, *Salvadora*, *Bignonia*, *Achyranthes*, *Amaranthus*, *Boerhaavia*, *Mirabilis*, *Chenopodium*, *Dracaena*, *Tinospora*. Leaf anatomy. Leaf development and phyllotaxy.

### Unit -III

**Flower:** Evolution of flower, genetics of floral organ differentiation; foliar stamens; open carpels; primitive living angiosperms; floral anatomy.

**Male gametophyte:** Structure of anthers, microsporogenesis, role of tapetum, pollen germination, pollen tube growth and guidance, pollen embryos.

### Unit -IV

**Female gametophyte:** Ovule development and types, placentation types and its evolution. Megasporogenesis, organization of the embryo sac, types of embryo sacs.  
**Pollination and Fertilization:** pollen-pistil interaction; pollination mechanisms and vectors; sporophytic and gametophytic self-incompatibility. Double fertilization, *in vitro* fertilization.

### Unit -V

**Endosperm:** Types, ultrastructure, endosperm haustoria, their extension, persistence and function.

**Embryo-**Polarisation of Zygote, embryogenic types, organogenesis of mono and dicot embryos. Structure and function of suspensor. Polyembryony – Types; genetic, somatic and pollen embryo. Apomixis. Seed development and fruit growth.

## Practicals:

1. Training in paraffin wax method for preparation of serial sections from fixation to mounting of permanent slides
2. Staining of slides using single and double stains
3. Demonstration of slides showing embryological peculiarities (male and female gametophytes, endosperm, embryo)
4. Anatomical study of the following materials:

Stem: *Boerhaavia*, *Achyranthes*, *Bignonia*, *Chenopodium*, *Leptadaenia*,  
*Nyctanthes*, *Salvadora*, *Dracaena*, *Triticum*, *Mirabilis*,  
*Aristolochia*, *Amaranthus*, *Chenopodium*.

Root: *Tinospora*, *Ficus*.

Floral anatomy: Buds of *Opuntia*, *Rosa*, *Calotropis*, *Hibiscus* and *Nerium*.  
Nodal Anatomy: *Calotropis*, *Nerium*

## Reference books:

1. Bhojwani, S.S. and Bhatnagar, S.P. Embryology of Angiosperms (4<sup>th</sup> Revised and enlarged edition), 2000.
2. Burgess, J. 1985. An Introduction to Plant Cell Development, Cambridge University Press, Oxford.
3. Fahn, A. 1982. Plant Anatomy (3<sup>rd</sup> Ed.), Pergamon Press, Oxford.
4. Johri, B.M., Ambegaokar, K.B. and Srivastava, P.S. Comparative Embryology of Angiosperms, Vol. I & II, SpringerVerlag.
5. Lyndon, R.F. 1990. Plant Development – The Cellular basis, Unwin Hyman, London. Maheshwari, P. An Introduction to Embryology of Angiosperms, 1950.
6. Raghavan, V. 1999. Developmental Biology of Flowering Plants, SpringerVerlag, New York.
7. Shivanna, K.R. and Johri, B.M. The Angiosperm Pollen structure and Function, Wiley Eastern Ltd., Publications, 1989.
8. Steeve, T.A. and Sussex, I.M. Patterns in Plant Development (2<sup>nd</sup> Ed.), Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.

## Core Course 8

### BOT 624

#### Plant growth and development

##### Unit-I

**Water relations:** Chemical and Water potential. Absorption of water. Ascent of Sap, Transpiration, Factors affecting the rate of transpiration, Physiology of stomatal movement and regulation of transpiration. Guttation. Membrane transport: transport proteins, passive and active mechanisms.

##### Unit-II

**Plant nutrition:** Nutrient requirement of plants. Essential nutrients: macro and micronutrients, Chelating agents, Nutrient deficiency (Symptoms and disorders). **Seed:** Seed development, germination and dormancy, bud dormancy, Ageing, Senescence and death.

##### Unit -III

**Plant growth and Regulation:** Over view, Historical account, Measurement of growth and growth kinetics. Plant growth regulators: Biosynthesis, chemical nature, physiological effects and mode of action of auxins, gibberellins, cytokinins, ethylene, abscisic acid, brassinosteroids, jasmonic acid and salicylic acid.

##### Unit -IV

**Photomorphogenesis:** Over view, Historical account, Photoreceptors: structure, function, properties (Phytochrome and cryptochrome), molecular mechanism of action and role in photomorphogenesis. Photoperiodism: significance, Florigen, floral induction and development, Vernalization.

##### Unit -V

**Signal transduction:** Basic concept and principles, Receptors and Second messengers (types, function), Signal transduction and gene expression, Signaling involving calcium, inositol phospholipids and G proteins, Two component sensor regulator system. Plant movements and taxis; Types, role of signal transduction.

**Practicals:**

1. Study of effect of radiation on seed germination.
2. Determination of gibberellic acid by half seed (cereal) method.
3. Seed viability test.
4. Estimation of total auxins, cytokinins and gibberellins in plant material.
5. Effect of IAA on rooting.
6. Hormonal effects on senescence.

**Reference Books:**

1. Introductory Plant Physiology, 2nd Edition G. Ray Noggle (Emeritus), George J. Fritz. Prentice Hall of India. 2002.
2. Plant Physiology; Sebanek J. Sebanek. Elsevier Science & Technology. 1992.
3. Plants Under Stress: Biochemistry, Physiology and Ecology and Their Application to Plant Improvement; Hamlyn G. Jones, T. J. Flowers, M. B. Jones. Cambridge University Press. 2008.
4. Biochemistry & Molecular Biology of Plants; Eds: Bob Buchanan, Wilhelm Gruissem, Russell Jones (Editor) Wiley; 1st. edition. 2002.
5. Physiology and Biochemistry of Metal Toxicity and Tolerance in Plants. M. N. V. Prasad, Kazimierz Strzalka, M. N. V. Prasad. Springer. 2002.
6. Plant Hormones: Physiology, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology: P. J. Davies Peter J. Davies. Kluwer Academic Publishers. 1995.
7. The Physiology of Flowering Plants; Opik, Helgi. Cambridge University Press.
8. Text book of Plant Physiology. V. Verma. Ane Books. New Delhi. 2007.
9. Plant Physiology; R.M. Devlin. Reinhold publications. 1969.

## Core Course 9

### BOT 631

#### Plant Physiology

##### Unit-I

**Photosynthesis:** Historical account, Evolution of photosynthetic apparatus, physiological and ecological significance, Factors effecting photosynthesis. Photo pigments; types, structure and synthesis, Photosystems; types, structure and function. Photophosphorylation. Photo-protective mechanisms. Carbon assimilation; C<sub>3</sub>, C<sub>4</sub> and CAM pathways, Photorespiration and its significance.

##### Unit-II

**Respiration:** Over view, Historical account, Evolution of anaerobic and aerobic metabolism, Aerobic respiration: glycolysis, TCA cycle, Pentose phosphate pathway, Oxidative electron transport and chemiosmotic hypothesis of ATP synthesis, alternative oxidase system, Anaerobic respiration. Fermentation: Alcohol and Lactic acid fermentations. Gluconeogenesis

##### Unit-III

**Lipid and Nitrogen metabolism:** Oxidation of Fatty acids,  $\beta$ -oxidation, Ketone Bodies. Uptake, transport and assimilation of nitrate, ammonium assimilation (reductive amination, GS-GOGAT system, transamination).

**Biological nitrogen fixation:** Non symbiotic and Symbiotic, nitrification and denitrification. Structure of nodule and heterocyst, Role and structure of Nitrogenase, Leghemoglobin, Genetics of Nitrogen fixation.

##### Unit-IV

**Secondary metabolism:** synthesis, function and uses of Glycosides, anthraquinones, isothiocyanates, flavonols, lactones phenols, saponins, cardiac glycosides. Alkaloids, indoles, isoquinolines, tropanes, pyridine and piperidine, steroidal alkaloids. Phenols and Tannins. Antibiotics.

##### Unit-V

**Stress physiology:** Types of stress and physiological consequences, Response and resistance mechanisms, Molecular mechanism of tolerance, Stress tolerant Transgenics. Heat stress and heat shock proteins, Osmotic adjustments, Reactive oxygen species and oxidative stress, Metal toxicity. Biotic stress and response, HR and SAR mechanisms.

## **Practicals**

1. Determination of water potential of plant tissue by falling drop method.
2. Determination of osmotic potential of cell sap.
3. Determination of osmotic potential of cell sap by plasmolytic method.
4. Demonstration of mechanism of opening and closing of stomata.
5. Determination of the rate of transpiration.
6. Study of effect of plant hormone on rate of transpiration.
7. Demonstration of osmosis by using egg membrane.
8. Effect of osmotic potential of external solution on the rate of imbibition.
9. Determination of stomatal index, frequency and pore area.
10. Effects of chemicals and temperature on the permeability of protoplasmic membrane.
11. Estimation of water content, dry matter and ash content of plant.

## **Reference Books**

1. Plant Physiology; Lincoln Taiz and Eduardo Zeiger, Sinauer Associates; 3rd ed. 2002.
2. Introduction to Plant Physiology; William G. Hopkins and Norman P. A. Huner. Wiley; 3 Ed., 2003.
3. Plant Physiology; Frank B. Salisbury and Cleon Ross. Brooks Cole; 4th edition 1992.
4. Water Relations of Plants, Paul Jackson Kramer. Academic Press. May 1983.
5. Plant Stress Biology: From Genomics to Systems Biology. Wiley-VCH, 2009.
6. Plant Abiotic Stress (Biological Sciences Series); Eds: Matthew A. Jenks and Paul M. Hasegawa. Wiley-Blackwell, 2005.
7. Plant Physiology; Eds; Meirion Thomas. Prentice Hall Press; 5th edition. 1973.
8. Physiology and Molecular Biology of Stress Tolerance in Plants; Eds; K.V. Madhava Rao, A.S. Raghavendra and K. Janardhan Reddy. Springer; 1st edition, 2006.
9. Oxidative Stress in Plants; Dirk Inze and Marc Van Montagu. CRC Press; 1st edition, 2001. Antioxidants and Reactive Oxygen Species in Plants (Biological Sciences Series). Ed; Nicholas Smirnoff. Wiley-Blackwell. 2005.
10. Plant Physiology; Hans Mohr, Dr Hans Mohr, Hans Mohr. Springer. 1995.

## Core Course 10

### BOT 632

#### Plant Systematics and Resources Utilization

##### Unit-I

**Fundamentals of Systematics:** Historical account of development of Taxonomy, Plant nomenclature, Taxonomic structure (concept of taxa, species, genus, family), numerical taxonomy, Botanical gardens, Herbarium, Taxonomic terminology; floral formula and floral diagram. Phylogeny; origin and evolution of angiosperms

##### Unit -II

**Systems of angiosperm classification** – broad outline and relative merits and demerits of major systems of classification (Bentham and Hooker; Engler and Prantl; Hutchinson; Takhtajan; Angiosperm Phylogeny Group).

**Taxonomic evidence** – Role of morphology, anatomy, embryology, palynology, phytochemistry, molecular systematics

##### Unit -III

**Angiosperm families:** Range of floral variation and trends of evolution in the Ranunculaceae, Magnoliaceae, Malvaceae, Brassicaceae, Leguminosae (Subfamily; Papilionoideae, Caesalpinioideae, Mimosoideae), Solanaceae, Asteraceae, Cucurbitaceae, Rutaceae, Rosaceae, Apiaceae, Asclepiadaceae, Apocynaceae, Lamiaceae, Euphorbiaceae, Orchidaceae, Liliaceae, Poaceae.

##### Unit -IV

**Ethnobotany:** Introduction, History and development of ethnobotanical study; scope and potential applications; methods in ethnobotanical study. Applied Ethnobotany and intellectual property rights.

**Economic Botany:** Origin, evolution, Botany, cultivation and uses of fibre yielding plants, cereal crops, sugar yielding plants, pulses, oil yielding plants.

##### Unit -V

**Economic Botany:** Origin, evolution, Botany, cultivation and uses of fruits and nuts, vegetables, spices, condiments, beverages, medicinal plant, rubber yielding plants and petrocrops. Centres of origin.

**Practicals:**

- (i) Study of at least 20 locally available families of flowering plants
- (ii) Identification of genus and species of locally available wild plants
- (iii) Preparation of botanical keys
- (iv) Training in using floras and herbarium for identification of specimens described in the class.
- (v) Field trips within and around the campus, compilation of field notes and preparation of herbarium sheets of such plants.
- (vi) Knowledge of at least 25 plant species of economically and traditionally important plants.

**Reference books:**

1. Cronquist, A. 1988. The Evolution and Classification of Flowering Plants (2nd ed.) Allen Press, U.S.A.
2. Davis, P. H. and V. H. Heywood 1991. Principles of Angiosperm Taxonomy. Today and Tomorrow Publications, New Delhi
3. Gurcharan Singh. 2004. Plant Systematics : Theory and Practice Oxford and IBH Publishing Co. Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi.
4. Heywood (ed.) Modern Methods in Plant Taxonomy.
5. Jones, S.B., Luchsinger, A.L. 1987. Plant Systematics.
6. Judd Walter S., Campbell C. S., Kollogg, E. A., Stevens P.F. and M. J. Donoghue 2008. Plant Systematics: A phylogenetic approach. Sinauer Associates, INC, Publishers. Sunderland, Massachusetts, USA.
7. Lawrence, George H. M. 1951. Taxonomy of Vascular Plants. Oxford and IBH Publ. Co. Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi
8. Nordenstam, B., El Gazaly, G. and Kassas, M. 2000. Plant Systematics for 21<sup>st</sup> century.
9. Quicke, Donald, L. J. 1993. Principles and Techniques of Commemorative Taxonomy. Blakie Academic and Professional, London
10. Radford, A.E. 1986. Fundamentals of Plant Systematics, Harper & Row Publ. USA.
11. Stace, C. A. 1980. Plant Taxonomy and Biosystematics Edward Arnold, London.
12. Takhtajan, A.L. 1997. Diversity and Classification of Flowering Plants. Columbia Univ. Press, New York.
13. Tiagi, Y.D. and Aery, N.C. Flora of Rajasthan (South and South -east Region). Himanshu Publications, New Delhi, Udaipur.
14. Woodland, D.W. 1991. Contemporary Plant Systematics. Prentice Hall, New Jersey.
15. Katewa, S.S. & Jain Anita. Ethnobotany, Phytogeography, Plant Resources Utilization and conservation. Apex Publishing House, Jaipur. 2007.
16. Kocchar, S.L. 1998. Economic Botany of the Tropics, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, Macmillan India Ltd., Delhi.
17. Nair, M.N.B. et al. (eds) 1998. Sustainable Management of Non-wood Forest Products. Faculty of Forestry, University Putra Malaysia, 434004 PM Sardong,



- Selangor, Malaysia.
18. Paroda, R.S. and Arora, R.K. 1991. Plant Genetic Resources Conservation and Management. IPGRI (Publication), South Asia Office, C/o NBPGR, Pusa Campus, New Delhi.
  19. Plant Wealth of India 1997. Special Issue of Proceedings Indian National Science Academy B-63.

## Core Course 11

### BOT 641

#### Genetic Engineering

##### Unit-I

**Recombinant DNA Technology:** – Gene cloning principles and techniques (Plasmid, phage, cosmid, construction of genomics/ cDNA libraries, choice of vectors. Restriction enzymes. Restriction mapping- concept and techniques. DNA sequencing, PCR, Northern and Southern blotting, RFLP, RAPD, AFLP based DNA finger printing, microarrays. Integration and expression of foreign genes in pro- and eukaryotes.

##### Unit-II

**The Genetics of RNA:** Catalytic diversity of RNAs, RNA silencing in plants, Cross talk between RNA metabolic pathways- an RNomics approach. Understanding alternative splicing: Towards a cellular code, Gene discovery by ribozyme and siRNA libraries. Epigenetics. Non-coding RNA and gene silencing, Prions of yeast as epigenetic phenomena.

##### Unit-III

**Genetic Engineering of Plants:** Methods of direct and *Agrobacterium* mediated gene transfer, electroporation, microinjection, particle-gun technology. Chloroplast transformation and its utility. Transgenic plants: performance and fortification of agricultural products–Bt cotton, Bt brinjal. Herbicide resistance, viral resistance, bacterial resistance, fungal resistance, stress tolerance, Golden rice and transgenic sweet potato. Current status of transgenic plants in India and other countries, ecological and ethical issues associated with GM crops and GM food. Labeling of GM plants and products.

##### Unit-IV

**Applications:** Gene therapy: Principles and different strategies, Gene therapy for inherited diseases, ethical issues related to human gene therapy practices. Stem cells; Biology and genetics, stem cell based therapy and tissue engineering, Ethical and social considerations of stem cell research, genome projects, Basics of protein engineering and design, protein profiling and its significance. Production of Industrial enzymes, biodegradable plastics, therapeutic proteins.

## Unit-V

**Applications:** Genetic manipulation of plasmids, Molecular mechanisms and differentiation of T4-DNA, Seed and Cell bank, Biosensors, Biochips, Hybridoma technology, production of edible vaccines and antibiotics using transgenic technology, Nucleic acid probes, Animal vaccines, Cryopreservation, germplasm collection and conservation, plant tissue culture certification. Importance of integrated pest management and terminator gene technology. Environmental impact of herbicide resistance crops and super weeds

### Practicals:

1. Isolation of plant genomic DNA, its purification and visualization.
2. Isolation of plasmid DNA and genetic transformation of bacterial cells using competent *E. coli*.
3. Preparation of master-mix and settling of PCR reaction.
4. RAPD and ISSR markers.
5. Demonstration of particle gun technology and model.
6. SDS-PAGE and its use in protein profiling and analysis.
7. Culture of *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* (LBA 4404) on agar-plate and broth.
8. Co-culture of *Agrobacterium* with tissue culture explants.
9. Gus assay for genetic transformation.
10. Restriction Digestion of genomic DNA by use of Restriction enzymes e.g. Eco RI, Fluid III, Bam H I and Gel Electrophoresis.

### Reference Books:

1. T.A. Brown, Genomes 3, Garland Sciences, Taylor & Francis Group, New York & London.
2. B.R. Gluik, J.J. Pasternak, Molecular Biotechnology, American Society for Microbiology, Washington, D.C.
3. S.B. Prinrose & R.M. Twyman, Principles of Gene Manipulation and Genomics, Blackwell Publishing.
4. Genomics by S. Choudhary & D.B. Carlson, Informa.

## Core Course 12

### BOT 642

#### Analytical Techniques in Plant Science

##### Unit-I

**Microscopy:** Optical, phase contrast, Fluorescence and electron microscopy (TEM and Scanning); Centrifugation-Principle; Ultra centrifugation.

**Electrophoretic techniques:**Principle, types of instruments, resolution, separation and application, isoelectric focusing.

##### Unit-II

**Chromatography:**Principle and methodology of chromatographic techniques: (a) Paper (b) Thin Layer (c) Column (d) Gel (e) Gas and (f) HPLC.

**Spectrophotometry-**Principle, and applications, Atomic Absorption Spectrometer, NMR.

##### Unit-III

**Bioinformatics:** Introduction, Biological Sequence Databases; National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI), EMBL Nucleotide Sequence Database (EMBL-Bank), DNA Data Bank of Japan (DDBJ), Protein Information Resource (PIR), Swiss-Prot. Applications of Bioinformatics.

##### Unit-IV

**Biostatistics:** Variables in biology, collection, classification and tabulation of data. Graphical and diagrammatic representation, Measures of central tendency – Mean (arithmetic, harmonic and geometric), Median and Mode.

##### Unit-V

**Biostatistics:** Measures of dispersion: Standard deviation and standard errors; skewness and kurtosis; Correlation and Regression. Analysis of variance (single factor analysis), chi-square test, type of errors; levels of significance, probability distributions (Binomial, Poisson and normal).

**Practicals:**

1. Principle, construction, operation and application of the following instruments and technologies:
  - (i) Various types of chromatography and TLC, column chromatography, gas and HPLC.
  - (ii) Electrophoresis system
  - (iii) Various types of microscopes.
  - (iv) Centrifugation
  - (v) Spectrophotometers
  - (vi) Fluorimeters.
2. Computation of mean, mode, median, standard deviation, chi square, analysis of variance, correlation coefficient, regression analysis, post hoc analysis.
3. Perform BLAST using NCBI tool
4. Design Primer using various primer designing softwares.
5. Sequence retrieval from databases.
6. Multiple Sequence alignment and Construction of phylogenetic tree.

**Reference Books:**

1. Practical Biochemistry: Keith Willson and John Walker, Cambridge University Press.
2. Physical Biochemistry: David Friefelder.
3. Instrumental methods of chemical analysis: Chatwal and Anand, Himalaya Publishing House.
4. Instrumental Methods of Chemical Analysis: B.K. Sharma, Goel Publishing House.
5. X-Ray Methods: C. Whiston.
6. The Electron Microscope in Biology: A.V. Grimstone.
7. Tertiary Level Biology- Methods in Experimental Biology: R. Ralph Blackie.
8. Animal Tissue Technique: G.L. Humason.
9. NMR and Chemistry: J.W. Akitt, Chapman and Hall.
10. S. C. Gupta. Fundamentals of Statistics. Himalaya Pub. House.

11. J. Medhi. Statistical Methods an introductory text. New Age International (P) Ltd. Publishers.
12. P. S. S. Sudar Rao & J. Richard. An introduction to biostatistics. Prentice Hall of India. N. Delhi.
13. Ghosh Z. and Bibekanand M. (2008) Bioinformatics: Principles and Applications. Oxford University Press.
14. Pevsner J. (2009) Bioinformatics and Functional Genomics. II Edition. Wiley-Blackwell

## Discipline Specific Electives

### Applied Plant Sciences

#### Unit-I

**Biofertilizers:** General account about the microbes used as biofertilizer – *Rhizobium*, *Azospirillum*, *Azotobacter*, Cyanobacteria (blue green algae), *Azolla* and *Anabaena azollae* association, Mycorrhizal association; colonization of VAM. Organic farming – Green manuring and organic fertilizers.

#### Unit-II

**Nursery development:** objectives and scope. Planning and seasonal activities - Planting - direct seeding and transplants. Vegetative propagation: air-layering, cutting, treatment of cutting, rooting medium and planting of cuttings. Hydroponics

#### Unit-III

**Floriculture:** Importance and scope of floriculture and landscape gardening. Ornamental Plants: Flowering annuals; Herbaceous perennials. Bonsai. Commercial Floriculture: Factors affecting flower production. Hardening of plants – green house - mist chamber, shed root, shade house and glass house.

#### Unit-IV

**Plant disease management:** Symptoms of plant diseases. Control methods. Integrated pest management. Study of etiology and management of following important plant diseases; Downy mildew and Green ear of bajra, Blight of maize, Tikka disease of groundnut, Leaf blight of rice, Grassy shoots of sugarcane, Sandal spike, Rice tungro, Bunchy top of banana. Diseases and Pests of Ornamental Plants.

#### Unit-V

**Intellectual Property Rights:** Introduction to Intellectual Property. Historical Perspective, Different Types of IP, Importance of protecting IP. Copyrights, Trade Marks, Patents, Geographical Indications, Trade Secrets, Different International agreements; World Trade Organization (WTO), General Agreement on Tariffs & Trade (GATT), Trade Related Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS).

#### Practicals:

1. Effect of mycorrhizal inoculation on plant growth.
2. Study of root nodule development
3. Effect of Blue Green algae on plant growth
4. Various nursery and gardening practices
5. IPR issues-case studies
6. Study of important plant diseases

## Reference Books

1. Vayas,S.C, Vayas, S. and Modi, H.A. 1998 Bio-fertilizers and organic \_Farming Akta Prakashan, Nadiad
2. Bose T.K. & Mukherjee, D., 1972, Gardening in India, Oxford & IBH Publishing Co., New Delhi.
3. Sandhu, M.K., 1989, Plant Propagation, Wile Eastern Ltd., Bangalore, Madras.
4. N.K. Acharya: *Textbook on intellectual property rights*, Asia Law House (2001).
5. Manjula Guru & M.B. Rao, *Understanding Trips: Managing Knowledge in Developing Countries*, Sage Publications (2003).
6. P. Ganguli, *Intellectual Property Rights: Unleashing the Knowledge Economy*, Tata McGraw-Hill (2001).



## Discipline Specific Electives

### Plant Tissue Culture and Plant Breeding

#### Unit-I

**History:** Scope and applications, Historical account of development of plant tissue culture; Contributions of P. R. White, R. J. Gauthret, J. Reinert, F. C. Steward, G. Morel, E. C. Cocking, P. Maheshwari, B. M. Johri, I. K. Vasil, Vimla Vasil, S. C. Maheshwari, Sipra-Guha Mukherjee. Concept of cell totipotency, cellular differentiation and morphogenesis, molecular basis of *in vitro* differentiation.

#### Unit-II

**Tools and techniques:** Concept of asepsis and methods of sterilization-physical and chemical methods of sterilization, Principle, construction and operation of instruments used in plant tissue culture- pH meter, ovens, Laminar Flow Clean Air Bench, Glassbead sterilizer, Lux meter, Magnetic stirrer etc. Explant selection, preparation and initiation of cultures, callus and suspension cultures, single cell culture, measurement of growth characteristics (cell size, types, number, viability, fresh and dry weight, PCV etc.)

#### Unit-III

**In vitro regeneration of plants:** Different pathways of micropropagation (Enhanced axillary branching, *de novo* shoot bud differentiation, somatic embryogenesis and callus organogenesis) and their applications. Stages of micropropagation. Micropropagation in forestry and horticulture.

#### Unit-IV

**Protoplast technology:** Protoplast isolation, culture, regeneration and maintenance, Viability tests for protoplast generation, Regeneration from protoplasts, Methodology adopted in protoplast fusion and their application in plant research. Somatic hybridization. Somaclonal variation-its causes and consequences. Role of plant tissue culture in crop improvement. Virus elimination and culture of obligate parasites.

**Secondary plant metabolites:** Production by use of cell culture technology. Bioreactors, types and uses. Hairy root culture, cell immobilization.

#### Unit-V

**Plant breeding;** Introduction and objectives. Methods of crop improvement, advantages and limitations; Hybridization, mass selection, pure line selection; inbreeding depression, heterosis. Green revolution.

**Practicals:**

1. TLC of plant pigment/ colored food additives (Anthocyanin/ curcuma).
2. TLC of alkaloid/ guggulsterone, use of TLC documentation system.
3. HPLC separation of secondary products, preparation of sample for HPLC (dilutions, filtration by membrane, loading and calculation of data).
4. Determination of UV lambda max by spectrophotometer.
5. Organized culture subculture in liquid medium: root/ shoot/hair roots.
6. Hairy root culture: co-culture method.
7. Somatic embryogenesis.
8. Column chromatography procedure for separation of secondary metabolites.
9. Anther culture for haploids.
10. Observation of cells under visible/ fluorescence microscope.
11. Explant preparation.
12. Medium preparation.
13. Shoot culture technique and regeneration.
14. Separation of shoots in organized culture.
15. Hybridization techniques - Emasculation, Bagging (For demonstration only).
16. Induction of polyploidy conditions in plants (For demonstration only).

**Reference Books:**

1. Bhojwani S.S. and Razdan M.K. (1983). Plant Tissue Culture: Theory and Practice. Elsevier, Amsterdam.
2. Razdan M.K., 2002. Introduction to Plant Tissue Culture. Oxford & IBH.
3. Reinert J. and Bajaj Y.P.S.1977. Plant Cell Tissue and Organ Culture. Springer Verlag.
4. Bhojwani S.S. 1990. Plant Tissue Culture: Application and Limitations. Elsevier.
5. Narayanswamy. 1994. Plant Cell and Tissue Culture. East-West Press.
6. Singh, B.D. (2005). Plant Breeding: Principles and Methods. Kalyani Publishers. 7<sup>th</sup> edition.

## Discipline Specific Electives

### Bioinformatics

#### Unit-I

**Introduction of computers:** Components and their functions, hardware and software, Input-Output devices. Basic concepts about data and information, Representation of data in computers in binary, bits and bytes.

#### Unit-II

**Programming languages:** Computer words coding (ASCII and EBCDIC), Numeric data. Introduction to Programming languages, C<sup>++</sup> Perl. Conceptual understanding of assemblers, Compilers, Operating System.

#### Unit-III

**Information Retrieval:** LAN, WAN, Introduction to Internet, WWW, NICNET, ERNET, VSNL, ISDN, E-mail, Publication on worldwide web, on-line publishing ventures eg. Biomed, online international database access.

#### Unit-IV

**Biological Databases:** Primary Sequence databases (Protein and DNA databases), Secondary databases, Composite databases.

Sequence Alignment and Databases searching: Evolutionary basis of sequence alignment. Optimal Alignment methods, Substitution Scores and Gap penalties.

#### Unit-V

**Sequence Alignment:** Statistical significance of alignment, Databases similarity searching: FASTA, BLAST.

Pairwise database searching: EMBOSS, Multiple Sequence alignment: CLUSTAL W. BLIS Network in India.

**Practicals:**

Practicals will be based on theory course contents.

**Reference Books:**

1. Fundamental of Computer: P.K. Sinha
2. Introduction to Bioinformatics: Parrysmith and Attwood.
3. Introduction to Bioinformatics: Baxevenis and Oulette.
4. Internet for Molecular Biologist: Swindell.
5. Molecular databases for protein sequences and structure studies – An Introduction  
Silence: J., Sillince M., Springerberlagd, Berlin 1972.
6. Leaping from Basic to C<sup>++</sup>: Robert J. Traister, A.P. Professional Cambridge.
7. Perl 5 Unleashed: Kamran Husain & Robert F. Breedlore SAMS Publishing.
8. Bioinformatics-Methods and Applications. Rastogi, Mendratta, Rastogi Prentice  
Hall, New Delhi.

## Discipline Specific Electives

### Secondary Metabolite Production

#### Unit-I

**Secondary metabolites:** Principal classes of secondary metabolites (alkaloid, terpenes, phenolics), shikimic acid and mevalonate pathways. Bioactive molecules from plants, fungi and microorganisms.

#### Unit-II

**Production of secondary metabolites:** Nutrients and media, approaches and factors affecting the production of secondary metabolites (optimization, selection, hairy roots, elicitation, concept of growth and production media).

#### Unit-III

**Production of pharmaceutically important drugs in culture:** alkaloids (*Catharanthus*, *Nicotiana*, Papaver), anti-tumour agents (taxol, podophyllotoxins, vincristine), saponins and sterols (diosgenin, guggul, ginseng), food additives (sweetners, flavours and colours) and insecticides. Bioconversion of molecules by cell free system, and cell cultures, freely suspended and immobilized cells and enzymes.

#### Unit-IV

**Molecular farming:** production of drugs by genetic engineering technology, metabolic engineering for the production of useful metabolites. Methods of extraction and isolation of secondary metabolites: alkaloids, polyphenolics and terpenes and their tests.

#### Unit-V

**Bioreactors:** types of bioreactors (stirred tank, air lift, membrane type, immobilized cell bioreactors), process and operation. Bioreactor for production of biomass (secondary metabolites and for micropropagation), mass-scale for commercialization. Plant tissue culture industry in India.

**Practicals:**

1. Extraction and preparation of crude extract for value addition.
2. TLC of various compounds – alkaloids, food additives.
3. Handling of spectrophotometer and  $\lambda_{max}$  determination.
4. HPLC profile of selected material.
5. Column chromatography for isolation of pure compound.
6. Identification of local medicinal plants and their usage.
7. Quantitative tests for alkaloids, steroids, terpenes, phenolics etc.

**Reference Books:**

1. Plant Secondary Metabolites by A. Crozier et al., Blackwell Publishers.
2. Biotechnology – Secondary Metabolites by K.G. Ramawat & J.M. Merillon, Science Publishers Inc.
3. Natural Products from Plant II Edition by L.J. Cseke et. al., Taylor and Francis.
4. Bioactive Molecules and Medicinal Plants by K.G. Ramawat and J.M. Merillon, Springer, Germany.
5. Plant-derived Natural Products by A.E. Osbourn & V. Lonzotti, Springer, Germany.

## **Discipline Specific Electives**

### **Biology and Evolution in Bryophytes**

#### **Unit-I**

Introduction, characteristics and classification, Evolution of gametophyte and sporophyte of bryophytes. Reproduction : asexual and sexual

#### **Unit -II**

A comparative study of the various orders of: Hepaticopsida, Anthocerotopsida, Bryopsida, Regeneration studies, Ecology

#### **Unit -III**

Bryophytic flora of Rajasthan, Contribution of Indian Bryologists : SR Kashyap, SK Pande, Ram Udar , PN Mehra, Cytology and cytogenetics. Spore morphology, germination and interrelationships in mosses.

#### **Unit -IV**

Morphogenetic studies with special reference to : Protonema and mechanism of bud formation, Physiology of rhizoid formation, Physiology of reproduction

#### **Unit -V**

Origin of Bryophytes, Economic importance, Microtechniques in bryological studies

**Practicals:**

Practicals will be based on theory course contents.

**Reference Books:**

1. Introduction to Bryology. Vol.I and II. W.B. Schofield, University of British Columbia.
2. Bryophyte Development: Physiology and Biochemistry. Chopra R.N., Satish C. Bhatia. CRC Press.
3. An introduction to Bryophyta. A. Rashid. Vikas Publications. New Delhi.
4. British Mosses and Liverworts. Cambridge Watson. E.V.
5. Cryptogmic Botany. Vol. II. Smith G.M.
6. Liverworts of the Western Himalayas and the Punjab Palm Part I. University of Punjab, Lahore.
7. Biology of Bryophytes. R.N. Chopra & S.C. Bhatia.
8. Taxonomy of Indian Mosses. R.S. Chopra.



## Discipline Specific Electives

### Agrostology

#### UNIT – I

**Gramineae:** Distribution, Habit, Root, Stem, Leaf, Inflorescence, fruit, seed and Embryo. Relationship of the Gramineae. Evolution in Gramineae: Evolution of spikelets Floral evolution, structure and evolution of Gynoecium. Grass Systematics: Sub families, tribes and sub-tribes. Anatomy of Grass leaf and stem

#### UNIT – II

**Grasslands:** Grassland Environment including Micrometeorological Parameters: Humidity, Absolute humidity, Specific humidity, Relative humidity, Vapour pressure and Measurement of humidity. Soil and soil forming process operating in Grasslands. Root system of plants of grasslands. Ecological amplitude of various constituent species of grasslands. Chemical composition and fodder value of Indian Grasses.

#### UNIT – III

**Grassland research:** Institutions of Grassland research in India: Their aims, objectives and achievements. Grasslands and National Economy: Grassland as supplier of fodder, Role of grasses in checking soil erosion, stabilization of sand dunes, Thatching, Oil, Khas khas; Grassland and defence, wildlife management, food for human consumption. Socio-economic importance of Grasses in the life of indigenous people of Rajasthan. Threats to the grasslands of Indian desert.

#### UNIT – IV

**Pastures:** Importance, status and research needs of pastures; pasture establishment, improvement and renovation of natural pastures, cultivated pastures and common pasture grasses; Scope of grassland ecology; grassland climate, Basis of grassland classification, phytogeography of grasslands, major grassland types, grasslands in India with special reference to Rajasthan. Ecological status of grasslands in India.

#### UNIT – V

Grassland as an ecosystem; Dynamics of grassland ecosystem, nutrition of grasslands, Grass-legume association; Ecology of fire in grasslands; Grasses and grasslands in relation to soil conservation; management of grasslands.

**Practicals:**

1. Study of Morphological and Anatomical Characters of Grass Stem, Root and Leaf.
2. Study of types of inflorescence of family Poaceae.
3. Study of Spikelet of Grasses.
4. Mechanical analysis of Grassland soil.
5. Determination of the pH of Grassland soil.
6. Study of Grassland vegetation by Quadrat method.
7. Study of Grassland vegetation by line transect method.
8. Study of Grassland vegetation by point frame.
9. Study of Grassland vegetation by the point – centered quarter method.
10. Comparison of grassland communities under various stresses of biotic impacts.
11. Determination of total biomass in a Grassland community.
12. Study of primary productivity of a Grassland vegetation.
13. Determination of organic matter of Grassland soil.
14. Determination of chlorophyll content of Grassland species.
15. Determination of Forbs and grass ratio of Grassland by random count method.
16. Determination of Inter and Intraspecific relations of the Grassland species.
17. Study of Reproductive capacity of Grassland species.
18. Study of seed Germination of grass species.
19. Determination of leaf area index.
20. Study of microflora of Grassland soil.

**Reference Books:**

1. Grass Systematics by Frank W. Gould.
2. Grassland and Fodder Resources of India by R.O. Whyte.
3. Forage Crops of India by Dabadghao and Shankarnarayan.
4. Grass cover of India by Shankarnarayan.

## Discipline Specific Electives

### Advanced Plant Pathology

#### Unit-I

**Disease:** History and significance, General definitions and terminology. Concept of disease: Parasites, parasitism, pathogen, pathogenicity, Fundamental concepts of plant pathology. Inoculum; Source: primary and secondary, Inoculum potential. Epidemiology: epidemic and sporadic diseases. Epiphytotics. Disease forecasting, Factors affecting plant diseases: abiotic; soil, climatic, other physical factors, Methods of studying, plant pathogens, Koch's Postulates, Isolation and identification of pathogens

#### Unit-II

**Pathogenesis:** Penetration of host, Plant disease development and symptoms, Transmission of disease. Resistance to plant pathogens: Types of resistance; horizontal vertical resistance. Deranged physiology with special reference to phenolics, carbohydrates, enzymes, plant growth regulators and other metabolites, Molecular basis of pathogen virulence and host resistance, gene-for-gene concept. Role of toxins and phytoalexins in disease development.

#### Unit-III

**Pathogens:** Study of symptoms, etiology, perpetuation and control measures of common fungal, bacterial, viral and phytoplasma induced disease with special reference to Wheat, Maize, Bajra, Sesame, Groundnut, Sugarcane, Cowpea, Gram, Tomato, Potato, Chillies, Lemon etc. diseases specially with respect to regional crops and vegetables. Plant galls: insect and mite induced galls, types, classification, structure, effect on host physiology. Nematodes as plant-parasites or pathogens of plants, Host response and symptoms, Important plant-parasitic nematodes and diseases, Control of plant-parasitic nematodes.

#### Unit-IV

**Plant disease management:** Concept: Principles and practice, Prophylactic approach, Eradication, Prevention. Quarantine, some examples of Agri-quarantine measures. Chemical control; classification and types of formulations, additives, application, equipment, and calibrations transportation, handling, storage and disposals. Chemical groups, structure, formulation and methods of application. Bioassay tests and formulation stability.

## Unit-V

**Biological control:** Definition, Concept, biological control agents (BCA), natural control and natural balance. Types of interactions contributing to biological control. Mechanisms of biological control. Biocontrol agents, Commercial products and application

### Practicals:

1. Preparation of culture media; PDA, Czapeks Dox Agar and Richard's medium for fungal culture.
2. Measurement of fungal dimensions (Measurement of spore size, Mycelium width etc.)
3. Proving of Koch postulates for at least one fungal disease and one bacterial disease.
4. Study of the effect of fungicides on the germination and growth of plant pathogenic fungi.
5. Isolation of nematode from soil & study of their histology.
6. Study of diseases with respect to host, casual organism, symptoms.
7. Isolation and pure culture development of plant pathogenic fungi and bacteria.
8. Identification of plant pathogenic fungi and bacteria.

### Reference Books:

1. Principles of Plant Pathology, R.S. Singh, 3 rd Ed., Oxford & IBH Co., New Delhi. 1988.
2. Plant Pathology, R.S. Mehrotra,. Tata McGraw Hill Publishing Company, New Delhi. 1989.
3. Diseases of Crop Plants in India, G. Rangaswami and A. Mahadevan, Printice Hall of India Publications. 1999.
4. Essential Plant Pathology, Gail L. Schumann and Cleora J. D'Arcy C H Dickinson , J A Lucas, 2006.
5. A Text books of Modern Plant Pathology, K. S. Bilgrami and H. C. Dube, Vikas Publishing House Pvt. Ltd., 1996.
6. Plant Tumors, Arun Mishra, Today and Tomorrow's Printer and Publishers, India, 1985.
7. Plant Disease: An Advance Treatise, James G. Horsfall and Ellis B. Cowling, Second Edition, Academic Press, London, 1977.

## Discipline Specific Electives

### Industrial Biotechnology and Bioprocess engineering

#### Unit-I

**Industrial Biotechnology:** Principles of fermentation technology, Fermenters and Bioreactors; types, construction, design. Operation processes; aeration, agitation, temperature regulation and filtration method. Control of bioprocess parameters; physical, chemical and mechanical.

#### Unit-II

**Fermentation processes:** batch culture, fed-batch culture and continuous culture. Solid state fermentation. Air and Media sterilization. Microbial growth kinetics and measurement of growth. Factors affecting growth. Isolation, preservation and improvement of industrially important microbes. Media for industrial fermentation. Inoculum development.

#### Unit-III

**Downstream Processing:** introduction, removal of microbial cells and solid matter, foam preparation, precipitation, filtration, centrifugation, cell disruptions, liquid-liquid extraction, chromatography, membrane process, drying and crystallization.

Industrial production of microbial biomass, enzymes, primary and secondary metabolites. Enzyme and cell immobilization and their industrial applications.

#### Unit-IV

**Applications:** Industrial application of recombinant DNA technology using microbes. Microbial polysaccharides and polyesters. Production of Single Cell Proteins (SCP). Microbial transformation of steroids and sterols. Use of microbes in bioprospecting, oil recovery, bioremediation, biomining. Effluent treatment and disposal of effluents.

#### Unit-V

**Microbial Food Technology:** Concept, Microbiology of food products. Principles of Food preservation: Contamination, spoilage and preservation of different kinds of foods. Sterilization and Pasteurization. Fermented foods. Probiotics. Elementary idea of canning and packing. Food sanitation, control and inspection.

### **Practicals:**

1. Study of principle and working of important instruments used in industrial and bioprocess engineering.
2. Designing of a simple Lab fermenter.
3. Study of growth kinetics of bacteria.
4. Study of effect of physical factors on growth of production strain.
5. Study of effect of chemical factors on growth of production strain.
6. Study of effect of inoculum size on growth.
7. Study of effect of UV radiation on microbial growth.
8. Study of effect of chemical disinfectants on microbial growth.
9. Isolation and purification of microbial metabolites
10. Improvement of production strains.
11. Study of production of organic acids from bacterial strains.
12. Study of immobilization of enzymes.
13. Isolation of antibiotic producing microbes from soil.
14. Antibiotic sensitivity test.
15. Isolation of industrially important microorganisms for microbial processes.
16. To test the production of enzymes: Amylase, proteinases, lipases and celluloses by microorganisms.
17. Demonstration of citric acid production by *Aspergillus niger*.
18. Methylene blue reductase test to determine the quality of milk sample.
19. Study of food-spoilage microorganisms in fresh, canned, fermented food and meat.
20. Production and analysis of SCP: *Spirulina*, yeast, *Chlorella*, mushroom.
21. Production of yoghurt using specific starter cultures.
22. Preparation of alcohol from fruit juices.
23. Removal of microbial cells from a solution by membrane filtration method.
24. Determination of phenol coefficient.

### **Reference books:**

1. Microbiology: Concepts and Applications; Michael Joseph Pelczar, E. C. S. Chan, Noel R. Krieg, McGraw-Hill Companies; 6th edition (February 1993).
2. Food Microbiology; William C Frazier and Dennis C. Westhoff. Tata McGraw Hill. 2008.
3. General Microbiology; R.C. Dube and D. K. Maheswari. S Chand , New Delhi. 2000.
4. Microbiology; M.J., Prescott, J.P Harley and D.A. Klein.. 5<sup>th</sup> Edition, WCB Mc GrawHill, New York. 2002.
5. General Microbiology; R.Y. Stanier, E.A. Adelberg and J.L. Ingram. 5th Ed., Prentice Hall of India Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi. 1991.
6. Introduction to Microbiology; A.S. Rao. Prentice-Hall of India Pvt Ltd., Nerw Delhi. 1997.
7. Microbiology: Principles and Explorations, J.G. Black, John Wiley, USA.2005.

8. A Text Book of Microbiology: R. C. Dubey and Maheshwari. S Chand & Company Ltd. 2009.
9. Principles of Fermentation Technology; P F Stanbury , S. Hall , A. Whitaker. Butterworth-Heinemann; 2 edition. 1999.
10. Microbiology: an Introduction, G.J. Tortora. R.F. Burdell and C.L. Case. Benjamin-Cummings Publishing Company. 1989.
11. Industrial Microbiology: An Introduction; M.J. Waites, N. L. Morgan, N. L. and G. Higton, Wiley-Blackwell. 2001.
12. Experiments in Microbiology, Plant pathology and Biotechnology, K. R. Aneja. New Age international Publishers, 2004.
13. Manual of Microbiology: Tools and Techniques; Kanika Sharma. Ane books. New Delhi. 2007.

## Discipline Specific Electives

### Stress Physiology

#### Unit-I

**Stress:** Introduction and General Concepts, Environmental conditions that cause stress. Phytotoxic compounds, Resistance or sensitivity of plants to stress, Stress resistance mechanisms, response to environmental stress, molecular basis of response. Regulation of plant stress responses: Abscisic acid (ABA), Jasmonic acid, Ethylene, Calcium, Genetic engineering for various stresses. Problems of water, temperature, salt, water logging and pollution stresses internationally and nationally.

#### Unit-II

**Water Stress:** Water status of plants, causes of water deficit and its physiological consequences, Mechanism of salt stress, physiological responses of plants to salinity stress, Tolerance to drought and salinity, Molecular and genetic basis of drought and salinity resistance. Osmotic adjustment, Compatible solutes (osmolytes), Compatible ions, Proline & glycine betaine, Mannitol, D-Pinitol, Osmotin. Effect of water deficit on membrane transport. Additional genes induced by water stress, Breeding for drought resistance, Drought hardening.

#### Unit-III

**Heat stress:** Conditions that cause heat stress, physiological consequences of heat stress, Resistance or sensitivity of plants to heat stress, Heat avoidance and tolerance, molecular aspects of thermo-tolerance. Heat shock proteins and their role in stress resistance.

**Freezing stress:** Effect of low temperature on plant metabolism, freezing process, freezing injury, Cold hardening, Acclimatization to low temperature, Freezing resistance; types, measurements and changes, factors related to freezing tolerance, molecular basis of freezing injury and tolerance.

#### Unit-IV

**Radiation stress:** Influence of high light intensity on photosynthesis, photoprotection mechanisms, Effect of UV radiations on plants, Mechanism of UV tolerance.

**Flooding stress:** Nature of water logging stress, Effect of flooding stress on physiological processes of plants, acclimatization to flooding.

**Oxidative Stress:** factors that cause oxidative stress, Reactive oxygen species (ROS) and oxidative stress. Effects of ozone on plants, Ozone Damage, Resistance to ozone. Tolerance to oxidative stress. Salicylic acid and ethylene.

#### Unit-V



**Biotic stress:** Influence of Plant Pathogens on Host Physiology, hypersensitive response (HR), Role of secondary metabolites, NO, Benzoic acid and salicylic acid, ROS, Jasmonic acid and Ethylene in plant defence, Pathogenesis-related (PR) proteins, Plant defensins, Phytoalexins, Systemic plant defence responses, Systemic acquired resistance (SAR), Induced systemic resistance (ISR).

**Anthropogenic stress:** Soil Pollutants (heavy metals and pesticides), functional and ecological aspects of heavy metal stress on plants, physiology of heavy metal toxicity in plants, phytoremediation, Mechanism of heavy metal tolerance, pesticide stress. Atmospheric stressors (air pollutants; SO<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, Greenhouse Gases and elevated CO<sub>2</sub> levels).

### **Practicals:**

1. Determination of water potential of plant.
2. Measurement of salinity of given soil.
3. Measurement of relative water content and osmotic potential.
4. Determination of chlorophyll stability index.
5. Estimation of chlorides in leaves of halophytes and non halophytes.
6. Study of protein/amino acid profile in plants under stress.
7. Study of effect of fungal infection on peroxidase activity.
8. Study of phenolics in scales of onion varieties differing in disease resistance.
9. Study of free radical scavenging enzymes, catalase and super oxide dismutase.
10. Study of free proline accumulation in plants under stress.
11. Study of seed germination under stress condition.
12. Determination of water potential by gravimetric method.
13. Effect of temperature and chemicals on membrane permeability.
14. Study of rate of transpiration under different environmental factors.
15. Study of rate of photosynthesis under different light intensities.
16. To test the germination capacity of seeds using Tetrazolium chloride.
17. Measurement of pH of expressed cell sap and different soils using pH meter.
18. Determination of ratio of water absorption and transpiration by weighing method.
19. Study of effect of temperature on seed germination.
20. Study of effect of salt stress on protoplasm.

### **Reference Books:**

1. Singhal *et al.* 1999. Concepts in Photobiology, Photosynthesis and Phytomorphogenesis, Narosa Pub. House, New Delhi.
2. Plant Physiology Taiz and Zeiger, Sinauer Associates Inc., Publishers, Sunderland. 1998.
3. Devlin and Witham, 1986. Plant Physiology. CBS Publishers and Distributors, New Delhi.

4. Buchanan, B.B., Gruissem, W. and Jones, R.L. 2000. Biochemistry and molecular Biology of plants. American Society of Plant Physiologists
5. Physiological Plant Ecology : Ecophysiology and Stress Physiology of Functional Groups. Springer-Verlag. Larcher, W. 2004.
6. Plant Physiological Ecology. Lambers, H, Chapin III, F.S. and Pons, T.L. Springer. 1998
7. Introduction to plant physiology. Hopkins, W.G and Huner, 2004..
8. Fitter AH and Hay, R.K.M. 2001. Wiley. Environmental Physiology of Plants 2nd Edition. Academic Press.
9. The Physiology of Plants Under Stress, Soil and Biotic Factors. D.M. Orcutt and E.T. Nilsen. John Wiley and Sons, Inc., 605 3rd Avenue, New York, NY 10158-0012. 2000. Hardback, 683 pp., \$125.00. ISBN 0-471-17008-9.
10. Physiological Plant Ecology: ecophysiology and stress physiology. Walter Larcher. Springer, New York. 2003.
11. Stress Physiology. D. P. Singh. New Age International Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 2003.
12. Plant response to abiotic stress. Heribert Hirt, Kazuo Shinozaki. Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg, Germany. 2004.

## Discipline Specific Electives

### Environmental Monitoring, Management and Restoration

#### Unit-I

**Environmental pollution:** Types (Air, Water, Soil, Radioactive, Noise, Thermal), effects on plants, animals and buildings; control of pollution; indoor air pollution.

Green house effect and global warming; ozone depletion; UV- B radiations; acid rain. Environmental monitoring; Biomonitoring; Bioindicators.

#### Unit-II

**Environmental management:** Introduction and scope of, basic concepts of sustainable development. Survey and classification of natural resources; conservation; management of resources: Management and utilization of inland freshwater resources; management of forest resources. Biomass as a source of energy, non-conventional sources of energy.

#### Unit -III

**Biological diversity:** Threats to biodiversity, major causes of extinction, vulnerability of species to extinction, IUCN threat categories, Red data book. Strategies for biodiversity conservation, principles of biodiversity conservation *in-situ* and *ex-situ* conservation strategies, theory of reserve design; Biosphere reserves. Megadiversity zones and Hot spots, concepts, distribution and importance. Threatened plants of India.

#### Unit -IV

**Waste management:** Solid Waste; Sources and management; Composting and methane production; Hazardous waste; Disposal and management of radioactive waste. Industrial ecology and recycling industry. Environmental Biotechnology – Scope and applications; Concept of cleaner technology.

#### Unit -V

**Ecology of Disturbed Ecosystems;** Wastelands – Description, classification. Disturbance and its impact on the structure and functioning of terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems; Environmental impacts of mining and industrialization. Restoration: Aim and strategies of restoration; physical, chemical, biological and biotechnological tools of restoration. Phytoremediation of disturbed ecosystems; Acceleration of ecological succession, reintroduction of biota.

## Practicals:

1. Determination of phenol contents of the given plant samples growing in polluted and seemingly non-polluted environments.
2. Determination of chlorophyll „a“, „b“ and total chlorophyll contents of the given plant samples growing in polluted and seemingly non-polluted environments.
3. Determination of soluble protein contents of the given plant samples growing in polluted and seemingly non-polluted environments.
4. Determination of carbohydrate contents of the given plant samples growing in polluted and seemingly non-polluted environment.
5. Determination of the proline contents of plants growing in polluted and seemingly non-polluted environments.
6. Determination of the activity of acid phosphatase enzyme in the given plant samples growing in polluted and seemingly non-polluted environments.
7. Determination of the activity of peroxidase enzyme in the given plant samples growing in polluted and seemingly non-polluted environments.
8. Determination of the activity of polyphenol oxidase enzyme in the given plant samples growing in polluted and seemingly non-polluted environments.
9. Determination of the activity of nitrate reductase enzyme in the given plant samples growing in polluted and seemingly non-polluted environments.
10. Calculate the dust capturing capacity of the leaves provided to you.
11. Calculate the percentage of the injured area in the leaves provided to you.
12. Study the effect of different lead and cadmium concentrations on the germination of seeds
13. Determination of the Dissolved Oxygen content of the given water samples.
14. Determination of the hardness of the given water samples.
15. Determination of the alkalinity of the given water samples.
16. Determination of the acidity of the given water samples.
17. Determination of the residual chlorine in the given water samples.
18. Determination of the organic carbon contents in the given soil sample.
19. Determination of the contents of calcium carbonate in the given soil sample.
20. Measurement of alpha and beta counts in soil samples
21. Field survey of important plants of the region for biodiversity.
22. Study of IUCN Red list categories.

**Reference Books:**

1. Bradshaw, A.D. and Chadwick, M.J. 1980. The Restoration of Land. Blackwell Scientific Publications, Oxford.
2. Singh A and Ward O.P. (Eds.). Applied Bioremediation and Phytoremediation. Springer. 2004.
3. Abrol I.P. and Dhruva Narayan V.V. (Eds.). Technologies for Wasteland Development. ICAR, New Delhi. 1998.
4. K.V.S.G. Murlikrishan. Air pollution and control.
5. Bell & Bell. Industrial noise control.
6. Peary. Environmental engineering.
7. Gilbert Masters. Introduction to environmental engineering and science.
8. Owen and Chiras. Natural Resource Conservation.
9. K.D. Saxena. Environmental planning, policies and programs in India.
10. G.W.Cox. Conservation Ecology.
11. W.R. L. IUCN. Global Biodiversity.
12. Aery N.C. 2010. Manual of Environmental Analysis. Ane Books. New Delhi.

## Discipline Specific Electives

### Biosystematics

#### Unit-I

**Experimental Taxonomy:** Classical vis-à-vis experimental taxonomy, scope and significance of experimental taxonomy, principles and procedures of biosystematics, experimental taxonomic categories, Deme terminology. Concept of species, origin and evolution of species, speciation in vegetatively reproducing plants, speciation in relation to breeding systems. Concept of character, adaptive significance of major taxonomic characters and morphological trends in angiosperms, a general account of numerical taxonomy.

#### Unit-II

**Population and Speciation:** Population concept, variation within population, causes of variation in populations; polymorphism and gene flow within population. Population and the environment: phenotypic plasticity and range of tolerance, ecotypes, transplant experiments. Hybridization: recognition of hybrids, isolation mechanisms, hybrid swarms and introgression, taxonomic treatment of hybrids.

#### Unit-III

**Biosystematics and conservation:** Endangered taxa and their conservation with special reference to India, Hot spots; Biosystematics and conservation. Evolution and migration of flora, taxonomy of cultivated plants; Plant explorations, invasions and introductions; Local plant diversity and its socio-economic importance

#### Unit-IV

**Taxonomic tools:** Herbarium, flora, histological, cytological, phytochemical, serological, biochemical and molecular techniques; Computer and GIS. Role of the following disciplines in modern taxonomy: Morphology, Anatomy, Embryology, Phytochemistry, Cytology, Palynology, Genome analysis, Nucleic acid hybridization

#### Unit-V

**Case studies:** Taxonomic and morphological characteristics of the following : *Paeonia*, *Exocarpus*, *Trapa*, *Sphenoclea*, *Nyctanthes*, *Funaria*, *Calycanthus*, *Polygala*, *Aristolochia*, *Casuarina*, *Passiflora*, *Centella*, *Dischidia*, *Utricularia*, *Tillandsia*, *Butomus*, *Butomopsis*, *Alisma*.

**Practical:**

1. Descriptions, sketching, classification and identification of wild and cultivated plants represented in local flora.
2. Methods of preparation of herbarium
3. Methods of preparation of digital herbarium
4. Exercises on nomenclature problems: Author citation, Principle of Priority, transfer of taxa, effective and valid publication etc
5. Describing new taxon, deposition of type, Latin diagnosis and abbreviations used in citations.
6. Preparation and use of Botanical keys
7. Practical based on numerical taxonomy
8. Study of Exotic plants found in the region
9. Study of Endemic plants of India in light of IUCN Red List Categories.
10. Semipermanent pollen preparations by acetolysis method and study of different pollen morphotypes.
11. Study of chromosomes, chromosome banding and Karyotype analysis
12. Interpretation of phytochemical data for taxonomy

**Reference Books:**

1. Bhojwani, S. S. and Bhatnagar, S. P. 1984. Embryology of Angiosperms. Vikas Publ. House, New Dehli.
2. Cronquist, A. 1981. An Integrated System of Classification of Flowering Plants. Columbia University Press, New York.
3. Cronquist, A. 1988. The Evolution and Classification of Flowering Plants (2nd ed.) Allen Press, U.S.A.
4. Davis, P. H. and V. H. Heywood 1991. Principles of Angiosperm Taxonomy. Today and Tommorrow Publications, New Delhi.
5. Erdtman, G. 1952. Pollen Morphology and Plant Taxonomy. Angiosperms. Almquist and Wiksell. Stockholm.
6. Fahn. 1979. Plant Anatomy.
7. Hutchinson, J. 1959. Families of Flowering plants.

8. Johri, B. M. 1984. Comparative embryology of Angiosperms. Ind. Nat. Sc. Acad. New Delhi.
9. Judd Walter S., Cmpbell C. S., Kollogg, E. A., Stevens P.F. and M. J. Donoghue 2008. Plant Systematics. Sinauer Associates, INC, Publishers. Sunderland, Massachusetts,USA.
10. Lawrence George H. M. 1951. Taxonomy of Vascular Plants. Oxford and IBH Publ.Co. Pvt. Ltd. New Delhi .
11. Maheshwari, P. 1985. An Introduction to Embryology of Angiosperms. Tata McGraw Hill. New Delhi.
12. Nair, P. K. K. 1966. Pollen morphology of Angiosperms. Periodical Expert Book Agency, New Delhi.
13. Manilal, K. S. and M. S. Muktesh Kumar [ed.] 1998. A Handbook of Taxonomic Training. DST, New Delhi.
14. Quicke, Donald, L. J. 1993. Principles and Techniques of Contemporary Taxonomy. Blakie Academic & Professional, London.
15. Shivanna, K. R. and N. S. Rangaswamy. 1992. Pollen Biology- A Laboratory Manual. Springer-Verlag
16. Sharma Arunkumar and Archana Sharma. 1980. Chromosome Technique: Theory and Practices (3rd ed.) Butterworths, London.
17. Taylor, D. V. and L. J. Hickey 1997. Flowering Plants: Origin, Evolution and Phylogeny. CBS Publishers & Distributers, New Delhi.
18. Takhtajan, A. 1962. Flowering plants- Origin and Dispersal.



## Discipline Specific Electives

### Commercialization of Micropropagation Technologies

#### Unit-I

**Micropropagation technology:** Global opportunities, growth of tissue culture industry in India. Scope of commercialization of tissue culture based technologies. Planning and design of tissue culture facility for mass propagation of plants. Concept of clean area. Mass media preparation and dispensation, and storage. Autoclaving and contamination control. Hatcheries, transfer area, control of physical environment in growth room, air – handling and conditioning, culture room lightning, air exchange, humidity control.

#### Unit-II

**Commercialization:** Economizing micropropagation through reduction in labor cost, space utilization, cost reduction in media constituents and innovative approaches e.g. CO<sub>2</sub> enrichment, automation in plant tissue culture-use of bioreactors and robotics. Culture vessel ventilation. *Ex Vitro* rooting. Natural light in culture rooms. Liquid culture and temporary immersion.

#### Unit-III

**Green house technology:** Greenhouse location design, glazing materials, greenhouse cooling and heating, evaporative cooling, axial flow fans and humidity control. Monitoring water quality-water softening, ion exchange, reverse osmosis and distillation. Control of insects pests and microbial infection. Fogging facility, misting systems, light control in greenhouse, General nursery practices, maintenance of plants under nursery shade.

#### Unit-IV

**Applications:** Available technologies for micropropagation of ornamentals, fruit plants plantation crops, spices and condiments, oil seeds and legumes. Costing of tissue culture raised plants, quality control, packaging, transport and shipment. Ex-agar and agar-gel transportation. Virus indexing, quarantine and health.

#### Unit-V

**Entrepreneurship:** Setting-up of a micropropagation based industry- SWOT analysis, capital and operational cost, market survey and product acceptance, technology demonstration , preparation of project report, financial institutions and supports, marketing strategies, Export potential.

#### Practicals:

1. Basic concepts of laboratory planning: concept of clean area, Hatch windows, environmental control in growth rooms, transfer area, culture room lighting, air-exchange, humidity control.
2. Scale-up production of identified plant species involving – culture establishment, shoot multiplication, rooting and hardening and acclimatization.
3. Learning Innovations in micropropagation:
  - (a) Liquid culture system
  - (b) Support matrices
  - (c) CO<sub>2</sub> enrichment
  - (d) Temporary immersion
  - (e) Culture vessel ventilation
4. Greenhouse design, operation and management:
  - (a) Glazing materials
  - (b) Fogging, Misting, Light Control
  - (c) Greenhouse cooling
  - (d) Greenhouse heating
5. Cost analysis exercises for tissue culture plants.
6. Project development, planning and execution – case studies

#### **Reference Books:**

1. Pierik, RLM (1987) *In vitro* culture of Higher Plants, Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, Dordrecht, The Netherlands.
2. Prakash, J. and Pierik, RLM (Eds.) 1992 “Plant Biotechnology: Commercial Prospects and Problems” Oxford and IBH Publishing Co. Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi.
3. Hartmann, HT, Kestner, DE, Davis, FT and Geneve RL 1997. Plant Propagation – Principles and Practices. Sixth Edition, Prentice Hall Inc. New Jersey, USA.
4. Jitendra Prakash 1995. Biotechnology Research and Industry Survey. Vadamalai Services, Pichanur, Coimbatore.
5. Vasil, IK (Ed.) 1991. Scale-up and Automation in Plant Propagation In “Cell Culture and Somatic Cell Genetics of Plant Vol. 8, Academic Press, N. York, USA.
6. Nelson, PV 1991. Greenhouse operation and Management (Fourth Edition), Prentice Hall Inc. New Jersey, USA.

## **Skill Enhancement Course Elective Biofertilizers**

### **Unit I**

General account about the microbes used as biofertilizer – *Rhizobium* – isolation, identification, mass multiplication, carrier based inoculants, Actinorrhizal symbiosis.

### **Unit II**

*Azospirillum*: isolation and mass multiplication – carrier based inoculant, associative effect of different microorganisms. *Azotobacter*: classification, characteristics – crop response to *Azotobacter* inoculum, maintenance and mass multiplication.

### **Unit III**

Cyanobacteria (blue green algae), *Azolla* and *Anabaena azollae* association, nitrogen fixation, factors affecting growth, blue green algae and *Azolla* in rice cultivation.

### **Unit IV**

Mycorrhizal association, types of mycorrhizal association, taxonomy, occurrence and distribution, phosphorus nutrition, growth and yield – colonization of VAM – isolation and inoculum production of VAM, and its influence on growth and yield of crop plants.

### **Unit V**

Organic farming – Green manuring and organic fertilizers, Recycling of biodegradable municipal, agricultural and Industrial wastes – biocompost making methods, types and method of vermicomposting – field Application.

### **Suggested Readings**

1. Dubey, R.C., 2005 A Text book of Biotechnology S.Chand & Co, New Delhi.
2. Kumaresan, V. 2005, Biotechnology, Saras Publications, New Delhi.
3. John Jothi Prakash, E. 2004. Outlines of Plant Biotechnology. Emkay \_Publication, New Delhi.
4. Sathe, T.V. 2004 Vermiculture and Organic Farming. Daya publishers.
5. Subha Rao, N.S. 2000, Soil Microbiology, Oxford & IBH Publishers, New \_Delhi.
6. Vayas,S.C, Vayas, S. and Modi, H.A. 1998 Bio-fertilizers and organic \_Farming Akta Prakashan, Nadiad

## **Skill Enhancement Course Elective**

### **Collection, Processing, Preservation & Sale of Plant materials**

#### **Unit-I**

Collection of specimens, storing in fixatives, type of fixatives, Stains and dyes; type of stains, natural dyes, coal tar dyes. Theory of staining, types of staining, differentiation, mordants, bleaching, staining, temporary preparation of free hand section, permanent preparation of free hand section, permanent preparation of microtome section.

#### **Unit-II**

Paraffin course; washing, dehydration, infiltration, embedding, sectioning, cutting wood cube, cutting paraffin block, cutting paraffin ribbons, mounting of ribbon, staining of sections. Whole mount preparation, bacteria, fungi, algae, bryophytes, pteridophytes, gymnosperms & angiosperms, study of stomata. Smear or squash procedure; anther, root tip.

#### **Unit-III**

Herbarium technique; collection process, equipments for collection, plant press, field book, blotting materials, pressing of plants, keeping wet materials, drying of specimens, mounting of specimens, labeling of specimen, storing of herbarium sheets, preservation of type specimen, important herbarium of the world and india.

#### **Unit-IV**

Culture technique; conditions, plugging, agar-agar, pouring of medium, marking of glassware, sterilization, autoclave, pouring of sterilized media, inoculation of hood and room, inoculation tools, transfer of culture, preparation of agar slant, maintenance of culture, fungi, algae, angiosperms

#### **Unit-V**

Solutions, true solution, suspension, concentration of solutions, acid, base and salt, dilute solution of acids, salts, measurement of pH, pH meter, glass electrode, buffer solution, phosphate buffer. Glasswares, graduated glassware, ungraduated glassware, cleaning of glassware. Strategy for sale of the classwork material and scope.

#### **Suggested Readings**

Dwivedi, J.N., Singh, R.B. 1985. Essential of Plant technique. Scientific Publisher, Jodhpur.

## Skill Enhancement Course Elective

### Intellectual Property Right

#### Unit I

Introduction to Intellectual Property: Historical Perspective, Different Types of IP, Importance of protecting IP. Copyrights Introduction, How to obtain, Differences from Patents. Trade Marks Introduction, How to obtain, Different types of marks – Collective marks, certification marks, service marks, Trade names, etc. Differences from Designs.

#### Unit II

Patents Historical Perspective, Basic and associated right, WIPO, PCT system, Traditional Knowledge, Patents and Healthcare – balancing promoting innovation with public health, Software patents and their importance for India. Geographical Indications Definition, rules for registration, prevention of illegal exploitation, importance to India.

#### Unit III

Industrial Designs Definition, How to obtain, features, International design registration. Layout design of integrated circuits Circuit Boards, Integrated Chips, Importance for electronic industry. Trade Secrets Introduction and Historical Perspectives, Scope of Protection, Risks involved and legal aspects of Trade Secret Protection.

#### Unit IV

Different International agreements (a) World Trade Organization (WTO): (i) General Agreement on Tariffs & Trade (GATT), Trade Related Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) agreement (ii) General Agreement on Trade related Services (GATS) (iii) Madrid Protocol (iv) Berne Convention (v) Budapest Treaty (b) Paris Convention WIPO and TRIPS, IPR and Plant Breeders Rights, IPR and Biodiversity

#### Unit V

IP Infringement issue and enforcement – Role of Judiciary, Role of law enforcement agencies – Police, Customs etc. Economic Value of Intellectual Property – Intangible assets and their valuation, Intellectual Property in the Indian Context – Various laws in India Licensing and technology transfer.

#### Reference Books:

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Arthur Raphael Miller, Micheal H. Davis; *Intellectual Property: Patents, Trademarks and Copyright in a Nutshell*, West Group Publishers (2000).

Jayashree Watal, *Intellectual property rights in the WTO and developing countries*, Oxford University Press, Oxford.

## **Skill Enhancement Course Elective**

### **Nursery, Gardening and Green House Practices**

#### **Unit-I**

**Nursery:** definition, objectives and scope and building up of infrastructure for nursery, planning and seasonal activities - Planting - direct seeding and transplants. Seed: Structure and types - Seed dormancy; causes and methods of breaking dormancy - Seed storage: Seed banks, factors affecting seed viability, genetic erosion – Seed production technology - seed testing and certification.

#### **Unit-II**

**Vegetative propagation:** air-layering, cutting, selection of cutting, collecting season, treatment of cutting, rooting medium and planting of cuttings - Hardening of plants – green house - mist chamber, shed root, shade house and glass house.

#### **Unit-III**

**Gardening:** definition, objectives and scope - different types of gardening - landscape and home gardening - parks and its components - plant materials and design - computer applications in landscaping - Gardening operations: soil laying, manuring, watering, management of pests and diseases and harvesting.

#### **Unit-IV**

**Cultivation of Vegetables:** Sowing/raising of seeds and seedlings - Transplanting of seedlings - Study of cultivation of different vegetables: cabbage, brinjal, lady's finger, onion, garlic, tomatoes, and carrots - Storage and marketing procedures.

#### **Unit –V**

**Green house:** Fundamentals of greenhouse structures and greenhouse design, heating and cooling, benching, lighting, irrigation, and fertilization systems, and greenhouse maintenance. Greenhouse pest control. Different kinds of plants grown in a greenhouse such as foliage plants, bedding plants, flowering plants, vegetables and cut flowers..

#### **Suggested Readings**

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3. Kumar, N., 1997, Introduction to Horticulture, Rajalakshmi Publications, Nagercoil.
4. Edmond Musser & Andres, Fundamentals of Horticulture, McGraw Hill Book Co., New Delhi.
5. Agrawal, P.K. 1993, Hand Book of Seed Technology, Dept. of Agriculture and Cooperation, National \_Seed Corporation Ltd., New Delhi.
6. Janick Jules. 1979. Horticultural Science. (3rd Ed.), W.H. Freeman and Co., San Francisco, USA.

