


ACHARYA NAGARJUNA UNIVERSITY: CENTRE FOR DISTANCE EDUCATION

M.Sc. – Botany - Program code: 01

Program Structure

Program code	Program	Internal assessment	External exams	Max. Marks	credits
SEMISTER 1					
101BO24	Plant Systematics	30	70	100	4
102BO24	Reproductive Biology of Angiosperms	30	70	100	4
103BO24	Biology and Diversity of Viruses, Bacteria, Algae and Fungi	30	70	100	4
104BO24	Outlines of Bryophytes, Pteridophytes, Gymnosperms and Plant Fossils	30	70	100	4
105BO24	Plant Systematics and Reproductive Biology of Angiosperms	---	---	100	4
106BO24	Biology and Diversity of Viruses, Bacteria, Algae, and Fungi and Outlines of Bryophytes, Pteridophytes Gymnosperms and Plant Fossils	---	---	100	4
SEMISTER 2					
201BO24	Plant Ecology and Biodiversity	30	70	100	4
202BO24	Plant Physiology	30	70	100	4
203BO24	Compulsory Foundation – Cell Biology	30	70	100	4
204BO24	Plant Structure and Development	30	70	100	4
205BO24	Plant Ecology and Biodiversity and Plant Physiology	---	---	100	4
206BO24	Cell Biology and Plant Structure and Development	---	---	100	4
SEMISTER 3					
301BO24	Plant Pathology	30	70	100	4
302BO24	Plant Metabolism	30	70	100	4
303BO24	Ethnobotany and Ethnomedicine	30	70	100	4
304BO24	Molecular Biology of Plants	30	70	100	4
305BO24	Plant Pathology and Plant Metabolism	---	---	100	4
306BO24	Ethnobotany and Ethnomedicine and Molecular Biology of Plants	---	---	100	4
SEMISTER 4					
401BO24	Plant cell, Tissue and Organ Culture	30	70	100	4
402BO24	Genetic engineering and Bioinformatics	30	70	100	4
403BO24	Cytogenetics and Plant Breeding	30	70	100	4
404BO24	Horticulture and Landscaping	30	70	100	4
405BO24	Plant cell, Tissue and Organ Culture and Genetic engineering and Bioinformatics	---	---	100	4
406BO24	Cytogenetics and Plant Breeding and Horticulture and Landscaping	---	---	100	4


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SEMESTER-I
M Sc BOTANY
101BO24-PLANT SYSTEMATICS

UNIT-I

1. Systematics: Concepts and basic components;
2. Taxonomic structure; Taxonomic hierarchy- species to division;
3. International Code of Nomenclature (ICN) of algae, fungi and plants -
4. Principles, Rules and Recommendations, Ranks, Principle of Priority, Typification, Author citation, Effective and Valid publication.

UNIT-II

1. System of classification of Armen Takhtajan and its merits and demerits;
2. Angiosperm Phylogeny Group (APG) classification;
3. A brief account of selective clades like Basal angiosperms, Magnoliids, Monocots (including Commelinids),
5. A brief account of selective clades like Eudicots, Rosids, Asterids.

UNIT-III

1. Taxonomic evidence: Morphology, Anatomy, Embryology, Palynology and Cytology in relation to taxonomy;
2. Data information systems;
3. Botanical Survey of India (BSI): Objectives, activities, organization and publications.

UNIT-IV

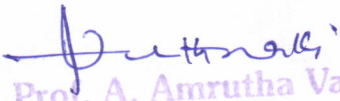
1. Process of Plant Identification: Construction, types and use of Taxonomic keys;
2. Herbarium methodology: Collection of plants, processing and preservation of specimens;
4. mportant World and Indian herbaria;
5. Major botanical gardens of the World and India;
6. DNA barcoding in plants and its practical implications.

UNIT-V

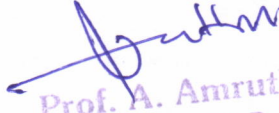
1. Chemosystematics: Primary and Secondary metabolites, Semantides and Non-semantides etc. in plants;
2. Phylogenetic Systematics: operational units, characters, coding and construction of cladograms;
3. Serosystematics: Methodology and its applications in systematics;
4. Molecular Systematics: Gene sequences, Phylogenetic analysis, Restriction site analysis, allozymes etc.

REFERENCE BOOKS:

- 1) **International Code of Nomenclature for algae, fungi, and plants** (Schenzhen Code), 2018. (online version) adopted by the *Nineteenth International Botanical Congress*, Chenzehen, China.
- 2) **Angiosperm Phylogeny group**, 2016. An update of the Angiosperm Phylogeny Group classification for the orders and families of flowering plants: APG IV. *Botanical Journal of the Linnaean Society* 181: 1-20.


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- 3) Judd, W.S. Campbell, C.S., Kellogg, E.A., Stevens, P.A. and Donoghue, M.J. 2016. *Plant Systematics: A Phylogenetic Approach*. Sinauer Associates, Inc., Massachusetts.
- 4) Simpson, M. G. 2006. *Plant Systematics*. Elsevier Academic Press, Canada.
- 5) Sambamurthy, A. V. S. S. 2005. *Taxonomy of Angiosperms*. I.K. International Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi.
- 6) Crawford, D.J. 2003. *Plant Molecular Systematics*. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, UK.
- 7) Gurcharan Singh. 1999. *Plant Systematics - Theory and Practice*. Oxford & IBH Publishing company Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi.
- 8) Radford, A. E. 1986. *Fundamentals of Plant systematics*. Harper & Row Publisher, New York.
- 9) Davis, P. H. and Heywood, V. M. 1973. *Principles of Angiosperm Taxonomy*. Robert Kereiger Publishers, New York.
- 10) Gamble, J. S. and Fisher, C. E. C. 1915-35. *Flora of Presidency of Madras*. 3 Volumes. BSMS, Dehradun.


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SEMESTER-I

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102BO24-REPRODUCTIVE BIOLOGY OF ANGIOSPERMS

UNIT-I

1. Historical account of Plant Reproduction.
2. Floral differentiation: Inflorescence and floral meristem, mutations affecting floral differentiation.
3. Male Gametophyte: Structure of anther, microsporogenesis, role of tapetum; pollen development; formation of vegetative and generative cells; pollen sterility; abnormal features of pollen.
4. Female gametophyte: Types of ovule, megasporogenesis, special features. Types of female gametophytes and their development, ultra structure of mature embryo sac; haustorialbehaviour of embryo sac, nutrition of embryo sac.

UNIT-II

1. Pollination: Pollen transfer, pollination mechanisms and vectors. Structure of style and stigma; pollen-pistil interaction.
2. Fertilization: Pollen germination and pollen-tube growth, path of pollen-tube, pollentube discharge; double fertilization.
3. Endosperm: Types of endosperms, cytology and functions of endosperm.

UNIT-III

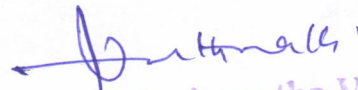
1. Embryogenesis: Gene expression during embryogenesis.
2. Embryogeny in dicots and monocots.
3. Underdeveloped and reduced embryos; Nutrition of embryo.
4. Polyembryony: Causes of polyembryony, experimental induction of polyembryony, classification of polyembryony and its practical applications..

UNIT-IV

1. Apomixis: Vegetative reproduction, apospory, causes of apomixis, significance of apomixis.
2. Embryology in relation to Taxonomy:Importance of embryological characters in taxonomic. considerations, families with special embryological features.
3. Role of palynology in taxonomy.

UNIT-V


1. Experimental Embryology: Embryo culture: Embryo rescue, embryo culture,


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2. microsurgical experiments and applications.
3. Somatic embryogenesis: Direct and indirect somatic embryogenesis, embryoids,
4. synthetic seeds, practical applications of somatic embryogenesis.
5. Endosperm culture: The technique of endosperm culture, histology and cytology of callus, triploid production and their practical applications.

TEXT BOOKS:

- 1) Maheswari, P. A. 1950. *Introduction to Embryology of Angiosperms*. McGraw Hill Book
- 2) company.
- 3) Shivanna, K.R. and John, B.M. 1989. *The Angiosperm Pollen structure and Function*, Wiley Eastern Ltd., New Delhi.
- 4) Johri, B.M., Ambegaokar, K.B. and Srivastava, P.S. *Comparative Embryology of*
- 5) *Angiosperms*, Vol.I & II, Springer Verlag.
- 6) Bhojwani, S.S. and Bhatnagar, S.P. 2000. *Embryology of Angiosperms* (revised edition), Vikas publishing House, New Delhi.
- 7) Fosket, D.E. 1994. *Plant Growth and Development: A Molecular Approach*. Academic Press, New York.
- 8) Raghavan, V. 1997. *Molecular Embryology of Flowering plants*. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.
- 9) Khasim, S. M. 2002. *Botanical Microtechnique: Principles and Practice*. Capital
- 10) Publishing company, New Delhi.


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SEMESTER-I
M Sc BOTANY
103BO24- BIOLOGY AND DIVERSITY OF VIRUSES, BACTERIA,
ALGAE AND FUNGI

UNIT-I

1. Brief account of discovery of viruses; general properties.
2. Structure, cultivation, and purification of viruses
3. Transmission of viruses.
4. Brief account of bacteriophages and plant viruses; Economic importance.

UNIT-II

1. Morphology and ultra structure of bacteria.
2. Nutritional types (autotrophs and heterotrophs); Growth of Bacteria;
3. Recombination in bacteria (transformation, transduction and conjugation);
4. General characters of Actinomycetes, Archaeobacteria, Mycoplasmas and Cyanobacteria; Economic importance.

UNIT-III

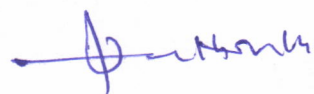
1. Distribution and thallus organization,
2. Classification and economic importance of algae;
3. Brief account of Chlorophyceae, Rhodophyceae, Phaeophyceae, and
4. Bacillariophyceae.
5. Algae as primary producers and commercial products. Algae as SCP. Algal blooms and toxins.

UNIT-IV

1. General characters and Nutrition of Fungi
2. Reproduction of fungi;
3. Classification of Fungi (Ainsworth system);
4. Brief account of Zygomycotina, Ascomycotina, Basidiomycotina and Deuteromycotina.

UNIT-V

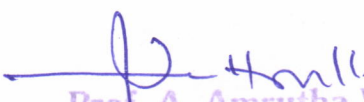
1. Ecto and endomycorrhizal associations;
2. Edible and poisonous mushrooms,
3. Mushroom cultivation;
4. Importance of Fungi in Agriculture and industry and Mycotoxins.



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TEXTBOOKS:

- 1) An Introduction to Fungi: by Webster, J. (1985). Cambridge Univ. Press.
- 2) Brock Biology of Microorganisms: by Madigan, Mordinko and Parker (2000).
- 3) Prentice Hall.
- 4) Introduction to Plant Viruses: by Mandahar. C.I. (1978). Chand & Co., New Delhi.
- 5) Introductory Phycology by Kumar, H.D. (1988). Affiliated East-West Press. Ltd,
- 6) New Delhi.
- 7) An Introduction to the Algae by Morris. J. (1986). Cambridge University' Press,
- 8) U.K
- 9) Microbiology: by Prescott, L.M., Harley, J.P. and Klein, D.A. (1992), WCB
- 10) Publishers.
- 11) Introductory Mycology: by Alexopoulos, C.J. Mims, C.W. and Blackwell, M.
- 12) (1996). John Wiley & Sons.
- 13) The Biology of Algae by Round. F.E. (1986). Cambridge University Press. U.K.


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SEMESTER-I

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104BO24- OUTLINES OF BRYOPHYTES, PTERIDOPHYTES, GYMNOSPERMS AND PLANT FOSSILS

UNIT-I

1. Classification, general characters, range of thallus organization and reproduction in Hepaticopsida,
2. Classification, general characters, range of thallus organization and reproduction in Anthocerotopsida
3. Classification, general characters, range of thallus organization and reproduction in Bryopsida.
4. Evolutionary trends in gametophytes and sporophytes of Bryophytes.

UNIT-II

1. General characteristics and classification of pteridophytes;
2. Study of morphology, anatomy and reproduction of Psilopsida, Psilotopsida,
3. Lycopsida, Sphenopsida and Pteropsida.
4. Origin and phylogeny of pteridophytes.
5. 1.4.2.4 Evolution of stele in Pteridophytes. Heterospory and seed habit in pteridophytes.

UNIT-III

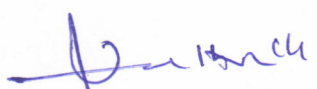
1. Classification, distribution and economic importance of Gymnosperms.
2. Structure and reproduction in living (modern) Cycads, Coniferopsida and Gnetopsida.
3. Wood of gymnosperms;
4. Male and female gametophytes of gymnosperms.

UNIT-IV

1. Principles of Paleobotany; Geological time scale;
2. Determination of age of plant fossils; process of fossilization; types of fossils;
3. Comprehensive account of fossil algae, fossil bryophytes,
4. Fossil pteridophytes and gymnosperms.

UNIT-V

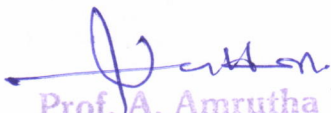
1. Ecological, economic, evolutionary and industrial applications of Bryophytes,


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2. Ecological, economic, evolutionary and industrial applications of Pteridophytes,
1.4.5.3 Ecological, economic, evolutionary and industrial applications of
Gymnosperms
3. Plant Fossils. Recent trends and model plants from Bryophyte and Pteridophyte
plants.

REFERENCE BOOKS:

- 1) Agashe, S.N. 1995. Palaeobotany. Oxford & IBH, New Delhi
- 2) Arnold, C.A. 1947. An introduction to Palaeobotany, New York
- 3) Bhatnagar, S.P. and Moitra, A. 1996. Gymnosperms, New Age Int. Pvt. Ltd. New Delhi.
- 4) Parihar, N.S. 1991. Bryophytes. Central Book Depot, Allahabad.
- 5) Parihar, N.S. 1996. The Biology and Morphology of Pteridophytes. Central
6) Book Depot, Allahabad.
- 7) Puri, P. 1980. Bryophytes. Atma Ram & Sons, New Delhi.
- 8) Sporne, K.R. 1991. The Morphology of Pteridophytes. B.I. Publication. Pvt. Ltd.
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Master of Sciences (BOTANY) Programme CODE:01

Course: M.Sc. Botany (Practical) Semester: 01

105BO24: Plant Systematics and Reproductive Biology of Angiosperms

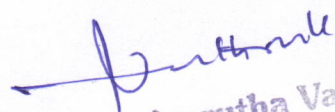
Practical Syllabus

Plant systematics Laboratory Exercises:

1. Description of specimens from locally available representative families.
2. Description of a genus based on 3-4 different species.
3. Identification of plant specimens using floras and identification keys.
4. Preparation of identification keys for at least 10 specimens based on morphological features.
5. Study of herbarium specimens of different families covered in theory course.

Reproductive Biology of Angiosperms Laboratory exercises

1. To study the permanent slides of different types ovules,
2. To study the T.S of Tetralobed dithecous anther and Bilobed monothecous anther
3. To study the permanent slides of different types of embryosacs
4. To study the permanent slides of Dicot embryo and monocot embryo
5. To perform Pollen viability test.


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106 BO24: Biology and Diversity of Viruses, Bacteria, Algae, and Fungi and Outlines of Bryophytes, Pteridophytes Gymnosperms and Plant Fossils

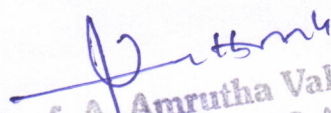
Practical Syllabus

Diversity of Bacteria Virus Algae and Fungi - Laboratory Exercises:

1. To study bacteria by using Gram's staining method.
2. Demonstration of the presence of nitrogen fixing organisms (*Rhizobium* sp.) and their isolation from root nodules of legumes.
3. Learning the methods of sterilization, media preparation and inoculation techniques of bacteria
4. Algal collection from different habitats and their identification.
5. Morphological and reproductive stages of some genera of Cyanophyta, Chlorophyta, Xanthophyta, Pheophyta and Rhodophyta.
6. Morphological studies and identification of the fungi through temporary and permanent mounts as mentioned in syllabus.

Biology and Diversity of Bryophytes and Pteridophytes: Laboratory Exercises:

1. Study of morphological and anatomical details of vegetative and reproductive structures of the Bryophytes as mentioned in the syllabus through specimens, temporary and permanent slides.
2. Study of morphological and anatomical details of vegetative and reproductive structures of the Pteridophytes as mentioned in the syllabus through specimens, temporary and permanent slides.
3. Study of important fossil Pteridophytes from permanent slides.
4. Study of morphology and anatomy of vegetative and reproductive parts of different genera as mentioned in theory syllabus. 3. Prepare the permanent slides to study the anatomical details of different Gymnospermic woods.
5. Study of important fossil Gymnosperms with the help of permanent slides.


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SEMESTER-2
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201BO24- PLANT ECOLOGY AND BIODIVERSITY

UNIT-I

Levels of Ecological Organization; Population characteristics and dynamics; Communities characteristics and their analysis; Structure and function of ecosystem; Energy flow in ecosystem; Homeostasis of ecosystem; Biomes and their types.

UNIT-II

Soils: Soil properties and types of soils; Global biogeochemical cycles of Carbon and Sulfur; Dynamic Phytogeography: Basic principles, Age and area theory; Centre of origin; Endemism, Migration and Continental drift.

UNIT-III

Biodiversity: Current concepts, Levels of Biodiversity like Species, Ecosystem and Genetic diversities, IUCN categories of threat; Causes of biodiversity loss; Keystone species; Biodiversity hotspots of India and world; Organizations involved in biodiversity conservation: IUCN, WWF, UNEP and UNESCO.

UNIT-IV


Strategies for *in situ* conservation: Protected areas: Sanctuaries, National Parks, Biosphere Reserves and Mangroves; Strategies for *ex situ* conservation: Botanical Gardens, Seed Banks, Field Banks, Gene Banks, *in vitro* preservation;

UNIT-V

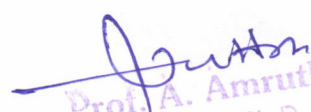
Air pollution and climate change; Sustainable development; Phytoremediation; Application of Remote sensing and Geographical Information System (GIS) in biodiversity studies.

TEXT BOOKS:

1. Marchese, C., 2014. *Biodiversity hot spots : A shortcut for more complicated concept. Global Ecology and conservation*. <http://dx.doi.org/10.10.16/j.gecco.2014.12.008>.
2. Odum, E.P. and Gary W. Barrett, 2011. *Fundamentals of Ecology* (5th Edition), Saunders ISBN.
3. Russel, P.J., Wolfe, S. L., Hertz, P. E., Starr, C. and Mc Million B., 2008. *Ecology*, Cengage Learning India Pvt Ltd., New Delhi.


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4. **Wilkinson, D.A.** 2007. *Fundamental Processes in Ecology: An Earth system Approach*. Oxford.
5. **Chapman, J.L. and Reiss, M.J.**, 2003. *Ecology: Principles and Applications*, (2nd Edition) Cambridge University Press, UK.
6. **Ambasht, R.S. and Ambasht, N.K.**, 1999. *A Text Book of Ecology*, CBS Publishers and Distributers, New Delhi.
7. **IUCN Red List of threatened species** Version 2019.1.
8. **Chauhan, S.S.** 2014. *Status of Biodiversity in India: Issues and Challenges*. Indian Journal of Plant Sciences 3(1) : 35-42.
9. **Wood, A., Pamela, S.E. and Johanna, M.** 2000. *The root causes of biodiversity loss*. United Kingdom: Early-Scan Publications.
10. **Richard B. Primack**, 1993. *Essentials of Conservation Biology* (6th Edition) Oxford University Press.
11. **Heywood, V.M. and Watson, R.T.** 1985. *Global Biodiversity Assessment*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.
12. **Swaminathan M.N. & Jam R.S.**, 1982. *Biodiversity: Implications for Global Security*, Macmillan.


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SEMESTER-2
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202BO24- PLANT PHYSIOLOGY

UNIT - I

Membrane transport and translocation of water and solutes: The structure and properties of water; water transport processes (diffusion, bulk flow, osmosis, water potential, components of water potential); Mechanism of water transport through xylem; Solute transport by active and passive mechanisms. Structure and properties of membrane transport proteins.

UNIT - II

Water loss by transpiration; Mechanism of stomatal movements; antitranspirants. Sensory Photobiology: Historical discovery of phytochromes, structure and function of phytochrome, photochemical and biochemical properties of phytochrome, phytochrome induced plant responses, molecular mechanism of action of phytochrome in gene expression, Cryptochrome and its role in photomorphogenesis.

UNIT - III

The flowering process- Photoperiodism and its significance, initiation of flower primordia, flowering stimulus, vernalization, endogenous clock and its regulation. Plant growth regulators: Physiological effects and mode of action of auxins, gibberellins, cytokinins, ethylene, abscisic acid, brassinosteroids, jasmonic acid and salicylic acid.

UNIT-IV

Signal transduction: Over view, receptors and G proteins, second messengers, two component sensor regulator system in bacteria and plants, signal transduction and gene expression. Essential nutrients, deficiencies and plant disorders.

UNIT - V

Stress Physiology: Water stress, salt stress, temperature stress (HSP), biotic stress (HR and SAR), heavy metal stress; Stress avoidance and tolerance mechanisms; Structural, physiological, biochemical and molecular responses of plants to environmental stress; Reclamation of saline and heavy metal contaminated soils.

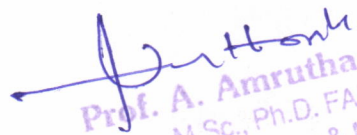
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- 3) Moore, T.C. 1989. Biochemistry and Physiology of Plant Hormones. Springer Verlag, New York, USA.
- 4) Singhal *et al.* 1999. Concepts in Photobiology. Photosynthesis and Photo-morphogenesis, Narosa Pub. House. New Delhi.
- 5) Taiz and Zeiger, 1998. Plant Physiology. Sinauer Associates Inc., Publishers, Sunderland.
- 6) Salisbury F.B & C. W. Ross, 1992. Plant Physiology, 4th Edition. Wadsworth Publishing Co., Belmont, California.


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SEMESTER-2
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203BO24- CELL BIOLOGY

UNIT- I

Eukaryotic cell : Organelles – Chloroplast, Mitochondria, Ribosomes, Endoplasmic reticulum, Peroxisomes, Golgi apparatus, Lysosomes and plant vacuoles and Cytoskeleton.

UNIT- II

Nucleus; Ultrastructure of prokaryotic and eukaryotic chromosome; chromosome banding; Karyotype; Euchromatin and heterochromatin. Special types of Chromosomes: Polytene, Lamp-brush, B-chromosomes, and Sex- chromosomes,

UNIT- III

Phases of Cell cycle: G1, S, G2 and M phases, Check points in cell cycle - Role of cyclins; Cyclin dependent kinases; Cell division; significance of meiosis.

UNIT- IV

Apoptosis –mechanism and significance , oncogene and tumour suppressor genes. Genomes of mitochondria and chloroplasts. Endosymbiotic theory.

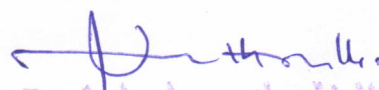
UNIT-V

Structural alteration in chromosomes - Origin, Duplications, Deletions, Inversions and Translocations.

Numerical alteration in chromosomes: Origin, Occurrence of haploids, polyploids and aneuploids.

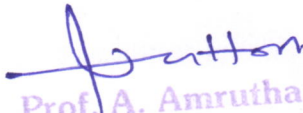
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SEMESTER-2

M Sc BOTANY

204BO24- PLANT STRUCTURE AND DEVELOPMENT

UNIT-I

Types and functions of meristems, organization and regulation of Shoot Apical Meristem (SAM) and Root Apical Meristem (RAM), floral meristems and MADS-Box genes.

UNIT-II

Structure and function of vascular cambium; wood- heart wood and sap wood, porous and nonporous wood, reaction wood; secondary growth in Dicots and Monocots; Anomalous secondary growth in Dicots and Monocots; structure and functions of simple and complex tissues.

UNIT-III

Structure and development of leaf, stomata, nodes their and evolution; special anatomical adaptations of Kranz and CAM anatomy features.

UNIT-IV

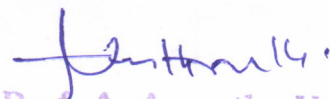
Plant embryo development, stages, cell division and pattern formation in embryo, cell polarity In embryo, genetic and hormonal regulation of embryo development. Seed germination and factors influencing the germination and seedling growth.

UNIT- V

Seed Dormancy- types, factors causing seed dormancy, mechanism of breaking seed dormancy, Programmed Cell Death (PCD); Senescence types and biochemical changes associated with leaf senescence; applications of anatomy in taxonomy and pharmacognosy.

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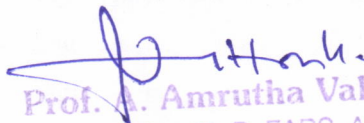
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M.Sc. BOTANY SEMESTER – II


PRACTICAL PAPER – I (205BO24)

PRACTICAL PAPER – I : PLANT ECOLOGY AND BIODIVERSITY AND
PLANT PHYSIOLOGY

Plant Ecology and Biodiversity

1. Construction of Ombrothermic diagram
 2. Determination of minimum size of a quadrat by Species Area Curve method
 3. Determination of frequency, density and abundance by Quadrat method
 4. Determination of Leaf area and 'kemp' s constant
 5. Determination of Leaf area index
 6. Soil textural analysis
 7. Mapping of hot spots of India Mapping of hot spots of World
 8. Mapping of National Parks and Biosphere Reserves in India
 9. Identification of endemic species
- Plant Physiology

1. Determination of water potential
2. Demonstration of osmosis by using egg membrane
3. Estimation of seed germination as effected by red and far –red radiation
4. Determination of osmotic potential of cell sap by plasmolytic method
5. Determination of stomatal index, frequency and pore area
6. Effects of temperature on the permeability of protoplasmic membrane
7. Effects of chemicals on the permeability of protoplasmic membrane
8. Determination of gibberellic acid by half seed (cereal) method
9. Seed viability test


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M.Sc. BOTANY SEMESTER – II

PRACTICAL PAPER – II (206BO24)

CELL BIOLOGY
AND
PLANT STRUCTURE AND DEVELOPMENT

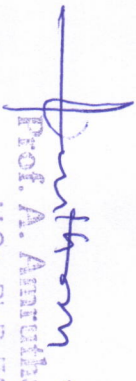
Syllabus

Cell Biology

1. Preparation of slides, observation and identification of various stages of mitosis from *Allium cepa* roots
2. Determination of Mitotic Index (MI)
3. Effect of chemical mutagens on dividing cells (mitosis)
4. Study of meiotic stages in flower buds of *Allium cepa* / *Tradescantia spathacea*
5. Study of photographs of chromosomes with different banding patterns
6. Study of microscopic pictures of Polytene chromosomes, Lampbrush chromosomes, B-chromosomes etc.

Plant Structure and Development

1. Observe the variations in anatomical features of Dicots
2. Observe the variations in anatomical features of monocots
3. Observation of anomalous secondary growth in Dicots (*Boerhaavia* or *Bignonia*)
4. Observation of anomalous secondary growth in monocots (*Dracaena*)
5. Study the variations in anatomical features of leaves
6. Study of structure and types of stomata
7. Study of anatomical differences between C4 and CAM plants


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SEMESTER-3
M Sc BOTANY
301BO24- PLANT PATHOLOGY

UNIT-I

Concept of disease in plants; Definitions of plant disease; Historical development of Plant Pathology. Methods of studying Plant disease; collection, preservation, isolation of pathogens and proving Koch postulates. Symptoms caused by plant pathogenic fungi, bacteria and viruses. Classification of plant diseases.

UNIT-II

Entry of pathogens into the host. Role of enzymes, toxins and phytoalexins in plant pathogenesis. Physiological changes in diseased plants. Plant disease forecasting.

Genetics of disease resistance.

UNIT-III

Detailed study of symptoms, etiology, epidemiology and control of the following fungal diseases of plants; late blight of potato, *Taphrina* leaf spot of turmeric, powdery mildew of cucurbits, black stem rust of wheat, blast of rice, tikka disease of groundnut, red rot of sugarcane.

UNIT-IV

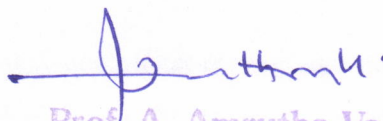
Detailed study of the following bacterial and viral diseases: bacterial leaf blight of rice, angular leaf spot and black arm of cotton, citrus canker, tobacco mosaic disease.

UNIT-V

Principles of plant disease control: Plant quarantine, seed treatment, cultural practices chemical control, development of disease resistant varieties. Biological control of plant diseases. Integrated Pest Management - concept, system, benefits and limitations.

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SEMESTER-3
M Sc BOTANY
302BO24- PLANT METABOLISM

UNIT-I

Energy and Enzymes: Energy flow through living systems, principles of the thermodynamics, free energy and chemical potential, free energy of oxidation–reduction reactions, redox potential, types of phosphorylations, structure and functions of ATP. Enzymes: General aspects, nomenclature and classification of enzymes, mode of enzyme action, Michaelis – Menton equation and its significance, regulation of enzymes, enzymes inhibition and isoenzymes.

UNIT-II

Photochemistry and Photosynthesis: General concepts of photosynthesis, photosynthetic pigments, structure of photosynthetic apparatus, photosynthetic electron transport (Non-cyclic, cyclic), proton transport and ATP synthesis. Carbon assimilation: The carbon cycle, photorespiration and its significance, C₄ and CAM pathways and their physiological and ecological significance. Biosynthesis of starch and sucrose, translocation by phloem, phloem loading and unloading.

UNIT-III

Respiration: Over view of plant respiration, glycolysis, pentose phosphate pathway, TCA cycle, electron transport chain (ETC), chemiosmotic hypothesis of ATP synthesis, alternative oxidase system, Alcohol and Lactic acid fermentations.


UNIT-IV

Nitrogen metabolism: Sources of nitrogen to plants, biological nitrogen fixation, nodule formation and nod-factors, mechanism of nitrate uptake and reduction, ammonium assimilation (reductive amination, transamination and GS-GOGAT).

Sulfate metabolism: Uptake, transport and assimilation.

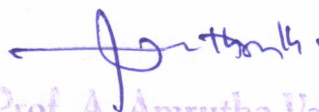
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Lipid metabolism: Structure and function of lipids, classification of lipids, fatty acids and their biosynthesis. Synthesis of phospholipids and storage lipids; catabolism of lipids; glyoxylate cycle.


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SEMESTER-3
M Sc BOTANY
304BO24- MOLECULAR BIOLOGY OF PLANTS

UNIT-I

Evidence for DNA as genetic material, physical and chemical structure of DNA, mechanism of DNA replication, DNA damage and DNA repair mechanisms. C value and C value paradox. Cot curves.

UNIT-II

Transcription in prokaryotes and Eukaryotes, mRNA processing and other RNA processing events, mechanism of Translation, RNA splicing, genetic code, protein biosynthesis. Protein sorting and targeting of proteins to the organelles.

UNIT-III

Principles of gene regulation in prokaryotes (lactose and tryptophan operons), role of chromatin remodeling and DNA methylation in gene regulation. Transposons, mechanism of transposition and genetic consequences of transposition. Cis-acting and trans-acting factors in eukaryotic gene regulation.

UNIT-IV


RNA Biology and Genome editing: RNA world hypothesis. Small RNA (Micro RNA) mediated transcriptional and translational regulation. Gene knock-down using RNAi. TALENS, ZFNs and CRISPR-CAS9 based genome editing technologies. Applications of Genome Editing Technologies in plant biology.

UNIT-V

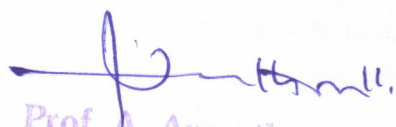
Next generation DNA sequencing methods. Atomic Force Microscopy, Cryo-EM and Confocal Microscopy. Principles and types of electrophoretic techniques. LC-MS, and Labeled tracers.

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SEMESTER-4

M Sc BOTANY

401BO24- PLANT CELL, TISSUE AND ORGAN CULTURE

UNIT-I

Plant tissue culture laboratory organization and requirements. Various explant and non-explant sterilization techniques. Tissue culture media: Composition and preparation of different types of media.

UNIT-II

Basic concept of regeneration: Concept of Cellular Totipotency and Differentiation. Fundamental aspects of Morphogenesis. Organogenesis- direct & indirect. Role of plant growth regulators and factors governing *in vitro* behavior of cultures.

UNIT-III

Propagation and variation: stages and applications of micropropagation. Photoautotrophic micropropagation and acclimatization of tissue culture plants. Production of pathogen free plants and their application. Somatic embryogenesis, role of physical and chemical factors in the induction of synthetic seed-production and their uses. Somaclonal variations and their applications.

UNIT-IV

Somatic hybridization: Protoplast isolation, fusion and culture, selection and characterization of hybrids. Symmetric, asymmetric hybrids and cybrids, significant achievements and limitations of Protoplast research, production of test tube plants. Callus and embryo culture, production of seedless fruits.

UNIT-V

Applications of plant tissue culture: production of haploids and its significance in crop improvement. Secondary metabolite production through cell and organ culture (Hairy roots). Cryopreservation and conservation of Germplasm. Gene Banks.

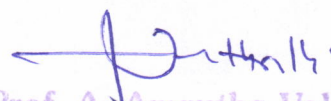
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SEMESTER-4

M Sc BOTANY

409BO24- GENETIC ENGINEERING AND BIOINFORMATICS

UNIT-I

Recombinant DNA technology: Tools and methods involved in generating r-DNA molecules, gene cloning-techniques, and identification of clones by screening procedures,

UNIT-II

Construction and screening of genomic and c-DNA libraries; PCR, types and its applications; Principles, types and applications of Blotting techniques.

UNIT-III

Genetic Engineering of plants: Plant transformation with Ti-plasmid of *Agrobacterium tumefaciens*, physical methods of transferring genes to plants, reporter genes and use of different promoters. Transgenic plants. Bio-safety and Bio-ethical issues of GM crops, and IPRs.

UNIT-IV


Bioinformatics: definition, introduction, scope and applications. Databases – CBI GenBank, PDB, OMIM, EMBL. Literature Databanks – Pub Med, Med line. Sequence Alignment based on Matrices (BLOSUM and PAM), Tools for sequence alignment – BLAST, FASTA. Pair wise and Multiple sequence alignment and phylogenetic analysis.

UNIT-V

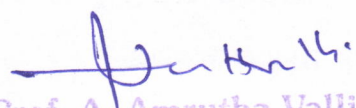
The biological databases and types; Sequence databases; Structural databases; Prediction of genes and gene function. Translation of gene into protein; Protein secondary structure prediction; Prediction of domains, motifs and profiles of proteins.

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SEMESTER-4
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403BO24- CYTOGENETICS AND PLANT BREEDING

UNIT-I

Principles of plant breeding- Objectives and achievements; Breeding methods in clonally propagated, self-pollinated and cross-pollinated crops; Selection-types of selection and significance; Hardy-Weinberg Law.

UNIT-II

Plant genetic resources and centers of origin; Heterosis- theories and importance; Hybridization-types, Hybrids- production and significance; Male sterility (MS)- classification (GM, CMS, CGMS and chemically induced MS) and its importance in breeding; Polyploidy-types, polyploidy breeding and its significance.

UNIT-III

Mutation breeding- mutation types, mutagens, procedure and significance of mutation breeding in crop improvement; Breeding methods for resistance- to biotic (Fungi, Viruses, Insect and Pests) and abiotic (Drought and Salt) stresses.

UNIT-IV


Markers - Morphological, biochemical and molecular (RFLP, RAPD) markers and their applications in plant breeding; Marker assisted selection (MAS); Molecular maps- Genetic and physical maps, QTL maps and linkage maps. National and International plant organizations associated with crop improvement programmes.

UNIT-V

Molecular Cytogenetics - FISH, GISH, Flow Cytometry and applications of molecular Cytogenetics; Microdissection and Microcloning techniques. Introduction to statistical constants- Mean, Mode, Median, Variance, Standard Deviation and Standard Error, Normal distribution curve, ANOVA, Students t-test and F-test.

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SEMESTER-4
M Sc BOTANY
404BO24- HORTICULTURE AND LANDSCAPING

UNIT-I

Importance of horticulture; Nursery and types of nursery beds; Orchard plan and systems of planting; Propagation of plants by asexual methods (cutting, layering, grafting and budding).

UNIT-II

Commercial floriculture: Propagation and production of flower crops like Roses, Chrysanthemum and Jasminum; Pomology: Nutritive value of fruits, Cultivation practices and production of fruit crops like Mango, Banana and Guava.

UNIT-III

Olericulture: Importance of vegetables in human nutrition, Types of vegetable gardens. A brief study of inter-cultivation practices of major vegetable crops of regional importance.

UNIT-IV


Importance and scope of landscape gardening; Principles of landscape design; Garden adornments; Garden features: Wall, Fencing, Steps, Garden drives and Paths, Hedges, Arches, Pergola, Lawn, Carpet bedding, Flower beds, Shrubbery, Borders, Rockery, Water gardens, Bonsai, Topiary; Garden types: Indoor garden, Outdoor garden; Garden styles: Formal gardens, Informal gardens and Free style gardens.

UNIT-V

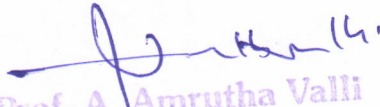
Site analysis; Elements in landscape design: Land form, Water garden furniture, Lights, Paving etc.; Study of different trees, shrubs, herbs, ground cover, indoor plants etc., suitable for landscaping and their identification; Landscaping of historical monuments and places of Tourist importance.

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