

M. Sc BOTANY: II SEMESTER - THEORY SYLLABUS

BOT: HCT 2.1 ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL BIOLOGY		64 hours
1	Ecosystem: Concept and components; Tropic structure; Diversity and characters of major ecosystems- Aquatic, Terrestrial; Productivity- Primary production and measurement of primary productivity; Energy flow in ecosystems; Biogeochemical cycles- Water, Carbon, Nitrogen, Sulphur and Phosphorus.	16 h
2	Communities: Classification, structure and characteristics- Analytic and Synthetic; Plant succession- Views and types; Climatic climax; Genecology- Concepts, ecotypes and ecads; Soil: Formation, profile and properties; Soil erosion and conservation; Plant interaction- Competition and allelopathy; Water bodies and their classification; Methods and importance of rain water harvesting.	16 h
3	Environmental Biology: Definition, scope and importance; Structure and composition of atmosphere- Lithosphere, Hydrosphere and Biosphere; Pollution- Air, Water and Land- Sources of pollutants and their effects on plants; Management of pollutants; Greenhouse effect, ozone depletion and acid rain; Climate change and its effects on vegetation and crop productivity; Environmental Toxicology: Definition, toxic chemicals, pesticides and insecticides; Bioaccumulation and their effects.	16 h
4	Environmental monitoring and management: Biological and physicochemical monitoring; Remote sensing and geographical information system; Biodegradation of pollutants. Environmental protection and conservation: Environmental education and awareness, Environmental Protection Acts, Current environmental issues in India	16 h

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11. Natural Resource Management: Jha L K (APHA Pubs, New Delhi 1997)
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14. Ecology of Natural Resources: Ramade F (John-Wiley & Sons, New York 1991).
15. Essentials of Ecology and Environmental Sciences: Rana S V S (Prentice-Hall 2005)

BOT: HCT 2.2 PLANT ANATOMY AND EMBRYOLOGY		64 hours
1	<p>Anatomy: Organization of primary plant body, Apical meristems and primary growth, Primary xylem – composition, Primary phloem - composition, Shoot Apex: Apical Cell Theory, Tunica Corpus Theory, Cyto-histological Zonation Theory. Root Apex: Histogenic boundaries; Quiescent center. Structure and development of the cell wall – Structure (light microscopic and ultramicroscopic structure), composition of the cell wall, Cell wall development. The effect of hormones on cell differentiation, Genetic control of cell growth and development, Role of the cytoskeleton in cell growth and development, Cell shaping by microtubules.</p>	16 h
2	<p>Development of the secondary vascular system of the stem and root. Role of the vascular cambium, the effect of secondary growth on the primary body on leaf and branch traces. Secondary Xylem: Structure of secondary xylem, Secondary xylem of gymnosperms and dicotyledons. Patterns of distribution of xylary elements and rays, Tyloses, Genetic control of differentiation of secondary xylem. Evolution in secondary xylem of dicotyledons. Secondary phloem: Gross and Ultra structure, development of the phloem. Nature and development of the cell wall of sieve elements. Nature of protoplast of sieve elements, Nature and function of P-protein, Distinctive features of phloem of gymnosperms, The nature and function of companion cells and Strasburger cells, Nodal anatomy, Anamalous secondary growth: Aristolochia, Boerhaavia, Dracaena, Periderm, Secretary tissues in plants.</p>	16 h
3	<p>Embryology: Introduction, Brief history of Embryology with particular reference to the contribution of Indian embryologists, Male gametophyte: Microsporogenesis, tapetum, types, function of tapetum. Pollen morphology – structure, stratification, unit of dispersal, aperture, types arrangement, classification NPC system. Female gametophyte: Types of embryosac development, organisation of an embryosac, Ultrastructural studies, Embryosac haustoria. Pollination: Structure of the style and stigma, histochemical studies, pollen - pistil interaction, compatability/ incompatibility ,pollen germination, pollen embryosac.</p>	16 h
4	<p>Fertilization: Post pollination events; Path pollen tube, site of pollen discharge, double fertilization, Embryogenesis: Monocot (Najas), Dicot embryo development (Capsella), genetics of embryo development (Arabidopsis), Endosperms: Types, structure, development and function of Endosperm, Endosperm haustoria. Polyembryony & Apomixis – a brief account, Experimental Embryology: Intra ovarian pollination, in vitro Pollination and in vitro fertilization, ovule and embryo culture and somatic embryogenesis.</p>	16 h

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BOT: SCT. 2.3.1 MEDICINAL AND AROMATIC PLANTS		64 hours
1	Ethnobotany and ethno medicine: History and importance of ethnobotany and ethnomedicine in modern health care system; Basic concepts and development of Traditional systems of medicine- Ayurveda, Tibetan, Unani, Siddha systems and ethno medicines of Hyderabad Karnataka Region.	16 h
2	Herbal drugs: Methods of preparation and their use in the treatment of coronary, respiratory, urinary, gastrointestinal, gynecological, nervous, diabetics, cancer and other common disorders; Plants used as general tonics; Medicinal food plants- Cereals, pulses, vegetables and wild food plants.	16 h
3	Cultivation and microbial association: Cultivation of medicinal and aromatic plants - <i>Chlorophytum borivillianum</i> , <i>Cassia angustifolia</i> , <i>Stevia rebaudiana</i> , <i>Aloe vera</i> , <i>Gloriosa superba</i> , <i>Withania somnifera</i> , <i>Mentha piperata</i> , <i>Ocimum sanctum</i> and <i>Cymbopogon flexuosus</i> . Methods employed in disease and pest control, harvesting and storage of crude drugs; Post-harvest care, deterioration and disintegration of active compounds by microbes.	16 h
4	Pharmacognosy: Raw drug analysis, microscopic and macroscopic characteristics; Preliminary chemical analysis of <i>Mentha piperata</i> , <i>Ocimum sanctum</i> , <i>Withania</i> , <i>Rauwolfia</i> ; Phytochemistry- Classification and properties of alkaloids, steroids, terpenoids, lectins, non-proteinous amino acids; Controversial drugs and IPR related to medicinal and aromatic plants.	16 h

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8. The chemotaxonomy of plants: Smith P M (Edward Arnold, London 1976).

BOT: SCT 2.3.2 METHODS IN PLANT SCIENCES		64 hours
1	Microbiological methods: Microscopy (Optical, Phase contrast, Fluorescence, Confocal and Electron – TEM & SEM). Microbial Technique: Sterilization, fungal and Bacterial stains, culture media, Staining techniques simple, negative and Gram's staining and endospore, isolation of microbes from soil, air, water and other substrates. Microbial enumeration techniques- Heamocytomter, Dilution plate technique, selective culture media. Micrometry and different types.	16 h
2	Aerobiological techniques: Spore sampling techniques- Slides, Petri plates, vertical cylinder, Anderson sampler and Burkard spore trap. Microtomy and staining: Microtomy and double staining of plant sections. Radioisotope Techniques: Types of isotopes, radioactive decay. Detection and measurement of radioactivity- GM counter, scintillation counter, autoradiography. Isotopes used in biology, safety methods in handling radioisotopes.	16 h
3	Centrifugation, principles and application: Sedimentation coefficient, types of centrifuges, differential centrifugation, density-gradient, analytical, and ultracentrifugation and their applications. Chromatography, principles and application: Paper chromatography, Thin layer chromatography (TLC), 2-Dimensional chromatography, HPTLC. Detection methods. Column chromatography, gel filtration, adsorption, partition, affinity, ion exchange and HPLC. Gas chromatography	16 h
4	Electrophoresis: Principle and applications; SDS-PAGE, isoelectric focussing, 2D electrophoresis. Agarose Gel Electrophoresis: Preparation, separation and determination of molecular size of DNA, denaturing agarose gel electrophoresis and their applications. pH meter: Principle, Glass electrode, Reference electrode, Combination Electrode; Spectroscopy: Principles and application: Beer and Lambert law, Colorimetry and UV-Visible spectrophotometry, Flame photometry and Atomic absorption spectrophotometry.	16 h

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15. Genome Analysis – A Laboratory manual Vol.-I: Analyzing DNA- Birren et al. (Panima, New Delhi/Blore 2006).

BOT: OET. 2.4.1 BIOFERTILIZERS		hours
I	<p>Biofertilizers: Definition and advantages, Bacterial Biofertilizers: General account on Azatobacter, Azospirillum, Frankia and Rhizobium.</p> <p>Cyanobacterai (BGA) as biofertilizers: general account and applications of Anbaena, Nostoc, Plectonema, Tolypoothrix and Azolla.</p> <p>Mass production of bacterial and cyanobacterial biofertilizers and applications methods.</p>	16 h
II	<p>Mycorrhizae as biofertilizers: general account and applications of mycorrhizae. Trichoderma as biocontrol agent.</p> <p>Biopesticiders: general account and fungal biopesticides. Bacillus thuringiensis and insecticidal plants. Mass production and application methods of mycorrhizae and biopesticides.</p> <p>Biopesticidal transgenic plant and its consequences.</p>	16 h

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PRACTICALS

BOT: HCP. 2.5 (HCT - 2.1) Ecology and Environment Biology

1. Determination of leaf area by Planimeter method.
2. Determination of available soil moisture by Moisture meter.
3. Determination of stomatal index.
4. Determination of organic content of soil.
5. Determination of soil pH using pH meter.
6. Water quality analysis- DO, COD, BOD, Chlorides, Sulphates, TDS, Carbon dioxide.
7. Determination of minimum size of the quadrat by species area curve method.
8. Study of frequency of herbaceous plants by applying Law of frequency.
9. Study of plant abundance and density by quadrat method.
10. Meteorological instruments and their working principles.

BOT: HCP. 2.6 (HCT - 2.2) Plant anatomy and Embryology

1. Preparation of fixatives and stains for anatomical studies.
2. Preparation of double stained permanent slides.
3. Preparation and identification of the Transverse section of the following plants: *Tridax procumbens*, *Boerhaavia diffusa*, *Nyctanthus arborterrestris*, *Leptadenia reticulate*, *Aristolochia indica*, *Salvadora persica*.
4. Preparation and identification based on TS, TLS and RLS of the following wood: *Michelia champaca*, *Dalbergia sisso*, *Tectona grandia*, *Azadirachta indica*, *Mangifera indica* and *Tecoma stans*.
5. Epidermal studies- trichomes and stomata
6. Preparation of Microtome section and staining procedure.
7. Identification of different developmental stages of Embryosac.
8. Identification of different developmental stages of Anther.
9. Histochemical studies for cellulose, callose, chitins, PAS reaction, Lignin.
10. Embryo and endosperm mounting.

Note: submission of 10 permanent slides.

BOT: SCP. 2.7.1 (SCT 2.3.1) Medicinal and Aromatic Plants

1. Identification of medicinal plants
2. Preliminary tests for the occurrence of secondary metabolites
3. Separation of Alkaloids (TLC)
4. Estimation of Phenols
5. Estimation of essential oils
6. Identification of raw drugs- Pharmacognostic studies.
7. Identification of controversial drugs
8. Collection and identification of endemic medicinal plants.
9. Documentation of plants used in Ayurveda, Sidda, Unani, Tibatian and Homeopathy
10. Study of medicinal fruits, vegetables and aromatic plants.

BOT: SCP. 2.7.2 (SCT 2.3.2) Methods in Plant Science

1. Demonstration of sterilizing methods.
2. Demonstration of serial dilution technique
3. Isolation of bacteria and fungi from soil and plant parts.
4. Plasmid culture.
5. Demonstration of pH meter and UV spectra
6. Chromatography- separation of pigments.
7. Separation of proteins by SDS-PAGE
8. Separation of DNA on agarose gel electrophoresis
9. Separation of RNA on formaldehyde agarose gel electrophoresis
10. Study of statistical analysis