

SEMESTER 1

Generic Elective (GE- 1)

Biodiversity (Microbes, Algae, Fungi and Archegoniate)

(Credits: Theory-4, Practical-2) F.M.-75

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Lectures: 60

Unit 1: Microbes (10 lectures)

Viruses –General structure, TMV; Economic importance

Bacteria –General characteristics and cell structure; Economic importance.

Unit 2: Algae (12 lectures)

General characteristics; Morphology and life-cycles of the following: *Nostoc*, *Volvox*, *Oedogonium*, *Batrachospermum*. Economic importance of algae.

Unit 3: Fungi (12 lectures)

General characteristics, life cycle of *Albugo*, *Peziza*, *Agaricus*, *Alternaria*

Symbiotic Associations-Lichens

Unit 5: Bryophytes (10 lectures)

General characteristics, morphology, reproduction of *Marchantia*, *Anthoceros* and *Sphagnum*

Unit 6: Pteridophytes (8 lectures)

General characteristics, morphology and reproduction of *Selaginella* and *Pteris*. (Developmental details not to be included). Heterospory and seed habit, stelar evolution.

Unit 4: Gymnosperms (6 lectures)

General characteristics; morphology, and reproduction of *Pinus* (Developmental details not to be included).



SEMESTER II

Generic Elective (GE-2)

Plant Ecology and Taxonomy

(Credits: Theory-4, Practical-2) F.M.- 75

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Unit 1: Introduction to Ecology

(2 lectures)

Unit 2: Ecological factors

(10 lectures)

Soil: Origin, formation, composition, soil profile. Water: States of water in the environment, precipitation types. Light and temperature: Variation Optimal and limiting factors; Shelford law of tolerance. Adaptation of hydrophytes and xerophytes

Unit 3: Plant communities

(12 lectures)

Characters; Succession; Processes and types

Unit 4: Ecosystem

(10 lectures)

Structure; energy flow trophic organisation; Food chains and food webs, Ecological pyramids; Biogeochemical cycling; Cycling of carbon, nitrogen.

Unit 5: Pollution

Air & Water – Cause & Control.

Unit 6 Introduction to plant taxonomy

(2 lectures)

Identification, Classification, Nomenclature.

Unit 9 Taxonomic hierarchy (outline)

(2 lectures)

Ranks, categories and taxonomic groups

Unit 10 Botanical nomenclature

(6 lectures)

Principles and rules of IUCN

Unit 11 Classification

(6 lectures)

Types of classification-artificial, natural and phylogenetic. Bentham and Hooker (upto series), Hutchinson (upto orders).

Unit 12 Angiospermic Families

(10 lectures)

Catharanthaceae, Acanthaceae, Amaranthaceae, Lamiaceae, Cyperaceae

SEMESTER III

Generic Elective (GE- 3)

Plant Anatomy and Embryology

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Lectures: 60

Unit 1: Meristematic tissues (8 lectures)

Apical, Intercalary and Lateral Meristems; simple and complex tissues

Unit 2: Secondary Growth (8 lectures)

Vascular cambium – structure and function, seasonal activity. Normal and Abnormal growth

Unit 3: Anomalous secondary growth

Boerhavia, Dracaena and Tinospora

Unit 4: Structural organization of flower (8 lectures)

Structure of anther and pollen; Structure and types of ovules; Types of embryo sacs, organization

Unit 5: Fertilization (8 lectures)

Double fertilization

Unit 7: Embryo and endosperm (8 lectures)

Endosperm types, structure and functions; Dicot and monocot embryo; Embryo endosperm Relationship



SEMESTER IV

Generic Elective (GE- 4)

Plant Physiology, Cytogenetics and Biotechnology

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Lectures: 60

UNIT – 1

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1. Transpiration - Mechanism & significance
2. Ascent of Sap – Root Pressure transpiration pull, theory
3. Photosynthesis – Photophosphorylation, C₃, C₄ Cycle
4. Respiration – Glycolysis, TCA Cycle.
5. Growth Hormone – Auxins, Gibberellins

UNIT – 2

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1. Structure of Cytoplasmic Cell Organelles – Mitochondria, Chloroplast, Ribosome
2. Cell Division – Mitosis, Meiosis,
3. Principles of inheritance, Mendel's Law
4. Complimentary Genes & Epistasis
5. Gene – Mutation & Polyploidy

UNIT – 3

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Plant Tissue Culture – History, Requirement, Technique & Application

