

### Semester – III

Core Course V : Anatomy of Angiosperms – 100 marks

(Credits -6 : Theory -4, Practical -2)

Theory (each class 1 hour)

Unit - I	Introduction , Types of tissue Tissues: Classification of tissues, Simple and complex tissues (no phylogeny) Pits and plasmodesmata , Ergastic, Substances	7 Lecturers
Unit - II	Stem: Organization of shoot apex (Apical cell theory, Histogen theory, Tunica-Corpus theory) , Types of vascular bundles, structure of dicot and monocot stem .	5 Lecturers
	Leaf: Structure of dicot and monocot leaf	4 Lecturers
	Root: Organization of Root apex (Apical cell theory, Histogen theory , Korper-Kappe theory) structure of dicot and monocot root	4 Lecturers
Unit - III	Vascular Cambium : Structure function and Seasonal activity of cambium, Secondary growth in root and dicot stem ( sap wood and heart wood)	5 Lecturers
	Periderm :Development and composition of periderm and lenticels	3 Lecturers
Unit - IV	Adaptive and protective system : Epidermal tissue system (cuticle, waxes, Trichomes (Uni and Multicellular, glandular and non-glandular, two examples of each), stomata ( Classification, Anatomical adaptation of xerophytes and Hydrophytes	5 Lectures
Unit- V	Secretary System : Hydathodes, cavities , Lithosysts and Laticiferas	3 Lecturers
	Mechanical tissue System	
Practical	1. Study of Anatomical details through permanent slides / temporary stain mounts / museum specimen with the help of suitable example. 2. Apical meristem of root, shoot of vascular cambium. 3. Distribution and types of parenchyma, Collenchyma and Sclerenchyma. 4. Xylem : Tracheary elements- tracheids, vessel elements, thickenings ; perforation plates, xylem fibers. 5. Wood: ring porous; diffuse porous; heart and sap wood. 6. Phloem : Sieve tubes-sieve plates; companion cells; Phloem fibers . 7. Epidermal system : Cell types stomata types, trichomes, non-glandular and glandular. 8. Root: Monocot, Dicot, secondary growth. 9. Stem: Monocot , dicot –Primary and secondary growth, periderm; lenticels. 10. Leaf: isobilateral, dorsiventral . 11. Adaptive Anatomy : xerophytes , Hydrophytes	

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## Semester-III

Core Course VI: Economic Botany – 100 marks

(Credits-6: Theory-4, Practical-2)

THEORY (Each class 1 hour): PRACTICAL (Each class 2 hours)

[75 marks (Mid Sem 15 + End Sem 60)]

Lectures: 60 [40 Theory + 20 Practical classes]

Unit-I	Origin of Cultivated Plants: Concept of Centres of Origin, their importance with reference to Vavilov's work. Examples of major plant introductions; Crop domestication and loss of genetic diversity.	3 lectures
Unit-II	Cereals : Wheat and Rice (origin, morphology, processing & uses).	3 lectures
	Legumes: General account, importance to man and ecosystem.	3 lectures
	Sugars & Starches: Morphology and processing of sugarcane, products and by-products of sugarcane industry. Potato – morphology, propagation & uses.	3 lectures
Unit-III	Spices: Listing of important spices, their family and part used, economic importance with special reference to fennel, saffron, clove and black pepper	4 lectures
	Beverages: Tea, Coffee (morphology, processing & uses)	4 lectures
	Drug-yielding plants: Therapeutic and habit-forming drugs with special reference to <i>Cinchona</i> , <i>Digitalis</i> , <i>Papaver</i> and <i>Cannabis</i> .	4 lectures
	Tobacco: Tobacco (Morphology, processing, uses and health hazards)	2 lectures
Unit-IV	Oils & Fats: General description, classification, extraction, their uses and health implications groundnut, coconut, linseed and <i>Brassica</i> and Coconut (Botanical name, family & uses)	4 lectures
	Essential Oils: General account, extraction methods, comparison with fatty oils & their uses.	4 lectures
Unit-V	Natural Rubber: Para-rubber: tapping, processing and uses.	2 lectures
	Timber plants: General account with special reference to teak and pine.	2 Lectures
	Fibres: Classification based on the origin of fibres, Cotton and Jute (morphology, extraction and uses).	2 lectures

Practical (20 classes, each class of 2h)

Practical	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cereals: Rice (habit sketch, study of paddy and grain, starch grains, micro-chemical tests).</li> <li>2. Legumes: Soya bean, Groundnut, (habit, fruit, seed structure, micro-chemical tests).</li> <li>3. Sugars &amp; Starches: Sugarcane (habit sketch; cane juice- micro-chemical tests), Potato (habit sketch, tuber morphology, T.S. tuber to show localization of starch grains, w.m. starch grains, micro-chemical tests).</li> <li>4. Spices: Black pepper, Fennel and Clove (habit and sections).</li> <li>5. Beverages: Tea (plant specimen, tea leaves), Coffee (plant specimen, beans).</li> <li>6. Oils &amp; Fats: Coconut- T.S. nut, Mustard-plant specimen, seeds; tests for fats in crushed seeds.</li> <li>7. Essential oil-yielding plants: Habit sketch of <i>Rosa</i>, <i>Vetiveria</i>, <i>Santalum</i> and <i>Eucalyptus</i> (specimens/photographs).</li> <li>8. Rubber: specimen, photograph/model of tapping, samples of rubber products.</li> <li>9. Drug-yielding plants: Specimens of <i>Digitalis</i>, <i>Papaver</i> and <i>Cannabis</i>.</li> <li>10. Tobacco: specimen and products of Tobacco.</li> <li>11. Woods: <i>Tectona</i>, <i>Pinus</i>: Specimen, Section of young stem.</li> <li>12. Fibre-yielding plants: Cotton (specimen, whole mount of seed to show lint and fuzz; whole mount of fibre and test for cellulose), Jute (specimen, transverse section of stem, test for lignin on transverse section of stem and fibre).</li> </ol>
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## Semester-IV

Core Course VII: Genetics & Plant Biotechnology – 100 marks  
(Credits-6: Theory-4, Practical-2)

THEORY (Each class 1 hour): PRACTICAL (Each class 2 hours)  
[75 marks (Mid Sem 15 + End Sem 60)]

Lectures: 60 [40 Theory + 20 Practical classes]

Unit-I	Mendelian genetics and its extension Mendelism: History; Principles of inheritance; Chromosome theory of inheritance; Autosomes and sex chromosomes; Probability and pedigree analysis; Incomplete dominance and codominance; Multiple alleles, Lethal alleles, Epistasis, Pleiotropy.	4 lectures
	The Structures of DNA and RNA / Genetic Material: DNA Structure: Miescher to Watson and Crick- historic perspective, DNA structure, Salient features of double helix, Types of DNA, Types of genetic material, denaturation and renaturation; Organization of DNA- Prokaryotes, Viruses, Eukaryotes.	6 lectures
Unit-II	The replication of DNA: Chemistry of DNA synthesis (Kornberg's discovery); General principles – bidirectional, semi-conservative and semi discontinuous replication	4 lectures
	Central dogma and genetic code: Key experiments establishing-The Central Dogma, Genetic code. Transcription in prokaryotes; Transcription in eukaryotes.	4 lectures
	Translation (Prokaryotes and eukaryotes): Ribosome structure and assembly, mRNA; aminoacyl tRNA synthetases; Various steps in protein synthesis.	4 lectures
Unit-III	Linkage, crossing over and chromosome mapping: Linkage and crossing over-Cytological basis of crossing over; Recombination frequency, two factor and three factor crosses; Numericals based on gene mapping; Sex Linkage.	6 lectures
Unit-IV	Variation in chromosome number and structure: Deletion, Duplication, Inversion, Translocation, Position effect, Euploidy and Aneuploidy	8 lectures
	Gene mutations: Types of mutations; Molecular basis of Mutations; Mutagens – physical and chemical (Base analogs, deaminating, alkylating and intercalating agents); Detection of mutations: CIB method.	6 lectures
Unit-V	Fine structure of gene: Classical vs molecular concepts of gene; Cis-Trans complementation test for functional allelism; Structure of Phage T4, rII Locus.	6 lectures
	Plant Tissue Culture: Historical perspective; Aseptic tissue culture techniques, Composition of media; Nutrient and hormone requirements (role of vitamins and hormones).	6 lectures
	Totipotency; Organogenesis; Embryogenesis (somatic and zygotic); Protoplast isolation, culture and fusion; Tissue culture applications (micropropagation, androgenesis, virus elimination, secondary metabolite production, haploids, triploids and hybrids; Cryopreservation; Germplasm Conservation).	6 lectures

### Practical (20 classes, each class of 2h)

Practical	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Meiosis through temporary squash preparation.</li> <li>2. Mendel's laws through seed ratios. Laboratory exercises in probability and chi-square analysis.</li> <li>3. Chromosome mapping using test cross data.</li> <li>4. Pedigree analysis for dominant and recessive autosomal and sex linked traits with floral chart.</li> </ol>
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## Semester-IV

Core Course VIII: Plant Ecology and Phytogeography – 100 marks

(Credits-6: Theory-4, Practical-2)

THEORY (Each class 1 hour): PRACTICAL (Each class 2 hours)

[75 marks (Mid Sem 15 + End Sem 60)]

Lectures: 60 [40 Theory + 20 Practical classes]

Unit-I	<b>Introduction</b> Concept of ecology, Autoecology, Synecology, system ecology, Levels of organization, Inter-relationships between the living world and the environment, the components of environment.	2 lectures
Unit-II	<b>Soil:</b> Importance; Origin; Formation; Composition; Physical; Chemical and Biological components; Soil profile.	5 lectures
	<b>Water:</b> Importance: States of water in the environment; Atmospheric moisture; Precipitation types (rain, fog, snow, hail, dew); Hydrological Cycle.	2 lectures
	<b>Light, temperature, wind and fire:</b> Variations; adaptations of plants to their variation.	4 lectures
Unit-III	<b>Biotic interactions:</b>	2 lectures
	<b>Population ecology:</b> Characteristics and Dynamics .Ecological Speciation	4 lectures
	<b>Plant communities:</b> Concept of ecological amplitude; Habitat and niche; Characters: analytical and synthetic; Ecotone and edge effect; succession – types.	4 lectures
Unit-IV	<b>Ecosystems:</b> Trophic organisation; Food chains and Food webs; Ecological pyramids.	4 lectures
	<b>Functional aspects of ecosystem:</b> Principles and models of energy flow; Production and productivity; Biogeochemical cycles; Cycling of Carbon, Nitrogen and Phosphorus.	5 lectures
Unit-V	<b>Phytogeography:</b> Principles; Theory of tolerance; Endemism; Brief description of major terrestrial biomes (one each from tropical, temperate & tundra).	8 lectures

### Practical (20 classes, each class of 2h)

Practical	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Study of instruments used to measure microclimatic variables: Soil thermometer, maximum and minimum thermometer, anemometer, psychrometer/hygrometer, rain gauge and lux meter.</li> <li>Determination of pH of various soil and water samples (pH meter, universal indicator/Lovibond comparator and pH paper)</li> <li>Analysis for carbonates, chlorides, nitrates, sulphates, organic matter and base deficiency from two soil samples by rapid field tests.</li> <li>Determination of organic matter of different soil samples by Walkley &amp; Black rapid titration method.</li> <li>Comparison of bulk density, porosity and rate of infiltration of water in soils of three habitats.</li> <li>Determination of dissolved oxygen of water samples from polluted and unpolluted sources.</li> <li>(a). Study of morphological adaptations of hydrophytes and xerophytes (four each). (b). Study of biotic interactions of the following: Stem parasite (<i>Cuscuta</i>), Root parasite (<i>Orobanch</i>) Epiphytes, Predation (Insectivorous plants).</li> <li>Determination of minimal quadrat size for the study of herbaceous vegetation in the college campus, by species area curve method (species to be listed).</li> <li>Quantitative analysis of herbaceous vegetation in the college campus for frequency and</li> </ol>
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## Semester-V- IV

Core Course IX: Plant Systematics – 100 marks  
(Credits-6: Theory-4, Practical-2)

THEORY (Each class 1 hour): PRACTICAL (Each class 2 hours)  
[75 marks (Mid Sem 15 + End Sem 60)]

Lectures: 60 [40 Theory + 20 Practical classes]

Unit-I	Plant identification, Classification, Nomenclature; Biosystematics.	2 lectures
	Identification: Field inventory; Functions of Herbarium; Important herbaria and botanical gardens of the world and India; Virtual herbarium.	5 lectures
Unit-II	Taxonomic hierarchy: Concept of taxa (family, genus, species); Categories and taxonomic hierarchy; Species concept (taxonomic, biological, evolutionary).	5 lectures
	Botanical nomenclature: Principles and rules (ICN); principle of priority and its limitations.	5 lectures
Unit-III	Systematics- an interdisciplinary science: Evidence from palynology, cytology, phytochemistry and molecular data.	6 lectures
	Systems of classification: Major contributions of Hutchinson, Takhtajan and Cronquist; Classification systems of Bentham and Hooker (upto series) and Engler and Prantl (upto series); Brief reference of Angiosperm Phylogeny Group (APG III) classification.	6 lectures
Unit-IV	Biometrics, numerical taxonomy and cladistics: Characters; Variations; cluster analysis; Phenograms, cladograms.	4 lectures
Unit-V	Phylogeny of Angiosperms: Homology and analogy, parallelism and convergence, monophyly, Paraphyly, polyphyly and clades).origin& evolution of angiosperms; co-evolution of angiosperms and animals.	7 lectures

### Practical (20 classes, each class of 2h)

Practical	<p>1. Study of vegetative and floral characters of the following families (Description, V.S. flower, section of ovary, floral diagram/s, floral formula/e and systematic position according to Bentham &amp; Hooker's system of classification):</p> <p>Ranunculaceae - <i>Ranunculus</i>, <i>Delphinium</i>  Brassicaceae - <i>Brassica</i>, <i>Alyssum</i> / <i>Iberis</i>  Myrtaceae - <i>Eucalyptus</i>, <i>Callistemon</i>  Umbelliferae - <i>Coriandrum</i> / <i>Anethum</i> / <i>Foeniculum</i>  Asteraceae - <i>Sonchus</i> / <i>Launaea</i>, <i>Vernonia</i> / <i>Ageratum</i>, <i>Eclipta</i> / <i>Tridax</i>  Solanaceae - <i>Solanum nigrum</i> / <i>Withania</i>  Lamiaceae - <i>Salvia</i> / <i>Ocimum</i>  Euphorbiaceae - <i>Euphorbia hirta</i> / <i>E. milii</i>, <i>Jatropha</i>  Liliaceae - <i>Asphodelus</i> / <i>Lilium</i> / <i>Allium</i>  Poaceae - <i>Triticum</i> / <i>Hordeum</i> / <i>Avena</i></p> <p>2. Field visit (local) – Subject to grant of funds from the university.</p> <p>3. Mounting of a properly dried and pressed specimen of any wild plant with herbarium label (to be submitted in the record book)</p>
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### Suggested Readings

1. Singh, G. (2012). *Plant Systematics: Theory and Practice*. Oxford & IBH Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi. 3rd edition.
2. Jeffrey, C. (1982). *An Introduction to Plant Taxonomy*. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.
3. Judd, W.S., Campbell, C.S., Kellogg, E.A., Stevens, P.F. (2002). *Plant Systematics-A Phylogenetic Approach*. Sinauer Associates Inc., U.S.A. 2nd edition.
4. Maheshwari, J.K. (1963). *Flora of Delhi*. CSIR, New Delhi.
5. Radford, A.E. (1986). *Fundamentals of Plant Systematics*. Harper and Row, New York.

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## Semester-IV

Core Course X: Reproductive Biology of Angiosperms – 100 marks  
(Credits-6: Theory-4, Practical-2)

THEORY (Each class 1 hour): PRACTICAL (Each class 2 hours)  
[75 marks (Mid Sem 15 + End Sem 60)]

Lectures: 60 [40 Theory + 20 Practical classes]

Unit-I	Introduction: History (contributions of G.B. Amici, W. Hofmeister, E. Strasburger, S.G. Nawaschin, P. Maheshwari, B.M. Johri, W.A. Jensen, J. Heslop-Harrison) and scope.	2 lectures
Unit-II	Anther: Anther wall: Structure and functions, microsporogenesis.	2 lectures
	Pollen biology: Microgametogenesis; Pollen wall structure, MGU (male germ unit) structure, NPC system; Palynology and scope (a brief account); Pollen wall proteins; Pollen viability, storage and germination.	5 lectures
Unit-III	Ovule: Structure; Types; Special structures-endothelium; Female gametophyte- megasporogenesis (monosporic, bisporic and tetrasporic) and megagametogenesis (details of <i>Polygonum</i> type); Organization and ultrastructure of mature embryo sac.	5 lectures
	Endosperm: Types, development, structure and functions.	3 lectures
	Embryo: Six types of embryogeny; General pattern of development of dicot and monocot embryo.	6 lectures
Unit-IV	Pollination and fertilization: Pollination types and significance; double fertilization.	4 lectures
	Self incompatibility: Basic concepts; Methods to overcome self-incompatibility: Intraovarian and <i>in vitro</i> pollination; Cybrids, <i>in vitro</i> fertilization.	5 lectures
Unit-V	Seed: Structure, importance and dispersal mechanisms	3 lectures
	Polyembryony and apomixes: Introduction; Classification; Causes and applications.	4 lectures
	Germline transformation: Pollen grain and ovules through pollen tube pathway method/ <i>Agrobacterium</i> / biolistic.	4 lectures

### Practical (20 classes, each class of 2h)

Practical	<p>1. Anther: Wall and its ontogeny; Tapetum (amoeboid and glandular); MMC, spore tetrads, uninucleate, bicelled and dehiscent anther stages through slides/micrographs, male germ unit (MGU) through photographs and schematic representation.</p> <p>3. Pollen grains: Fresh and acetolyzed showing ornamentation and aperture, pseudomonads, polyads, pollinia (slides/photographs, fresh material), ultrastructure of pollen wall (micrograph); Pollen viability: Tetrazolium test, germination: Calculation of percentage germination in different media using hanging drop method.</p> <p>4. Ovule: Types-anatropous, orthotropous, amphitropous/campylotropous, circinotropous, unitegmic, bitegmic; Tenuinucellate and crassinucellate; Special structures: Endothelium, obturator, hypostase, caruncle and aril (permanent slides/specimens/photographs).</p> <p>5. Female gametophyte through permanent slides/ photographs: Types, ultrastructure of mature egg apparatus.</p> <p>6. Embryogenesis: Study of development of dicot embryo through permanent slides; dissection of developing seeds for embryos at various developmental stages; Study of suspensor through electron micrographs.</p>
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