

B.Sc., BOTANY

First Year, II -Semester

Paper-II

Gymnosperms, Taxonomy of Angiosperms and Ecology

DSC-1B

Credits-4

Theory Syllabus

UNIT-I

- 1) Gymnosperms: General characters, structure, reproduction and classification (Sporne's). Distribution and economic importance of Gymnosperms.
- 2) Morphology of vegetative and reproductive parts, systematic position and life cycle of Pinus and Gnetum,
- 3) Geological time scale Introduction to Palaeobotany, Types of fossils and fossilization, Importance of fossils.

UNIT-II

(15 hours)

- 1) Introduction: Principles of plant systematics, Types of classification: Artificial, Natural and Phylogenetic; Systems of classification: Salient features and comparative account of Bentham & Hooker and Engler & Prantl classification systems. An introduction to Angiosperm Phylogeny Group (APG).
- 2) Current concepts in Angiosperm Taxonomy: Embryology in relation to taxonomy Cytotaxonomy, Chemotaxonomy and Numerical Taxonomy.
- 3) Nomenclature and Taxonomic resources: An introduction to ICN, Shenzhen code – a brief account. Herbarium: Concept, techniques and applications.

(15 hours)

UNIT-III

- 1) Systematic study and economic importance of plants belonging to the following families: Polypetalae Annonaceae, Capparidaceae, Rutaceae, Fabaceae (Faboideae/Papilionoideae, Caesalpinioideae, Mimosoideae), Cucurbitaceae
- 2) Gamopetalae: Apiaceae, Asteraceae, Asclepiadaceae, Lamiaceae, Monochalmydeae: Amaranthaceae, Euphorbiaceae
- 3) Monocotyledons: Orchidaceae, Poaceae and Zingiberaceae.

UNIT-IV

(15 hours)

1. Component of eco system, energy flow, food chain and food webs.
2. Plants and environment, ecological adaptations of plants, Hydrophytes, Xerophytes and Mesophytes
3. Plant Succession serial stages, modification of environment, climax formation with reference to Hydrosere and Xerosere.

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Practical Syllabus

(45 hours)

1. Study of viruses and bacteria using electron micrographs (photographs).
2. Gram staining of Bacteria.
3. Study of symptoms of plant diseases caused by viruses, bacteria, Mycoplasma and fungi:
Viruses: Tobacco mosaic
Bacteria: Angular leaf spot of cotton and Rice tungro.
Mycoplasma: Little leaf of Brinjal and Leaf curl of papaya
Fungi: White rust on Crucifers, Rust on wheat & Tikka disease of Groundnut.
4. Vegetative and reproductive structures of the following taxa:
Algae: Oscillatoria, Nostoc, Volvox, Oedogonium, Chara, Ectocarpus and Polysiphonia.
Fungi: Albugo, Mucor, Saccharomyces, Penicillium, Puccinia and Cercospora
5. Section cutting of diseased material infected by Fungi and identification of pathogens as per theory syllabus. White rust of Crucifers, Rust on wheat & Tikka disease of Groundnut.
6. Lichens: Different types of thalli and their external morphology
7. Examination of important microbial, fungal and algal products:
Biofertilizers, protein capsules, antibiotics, mushrooms, Agar-agar etc.
8. Field visits to places of algal / microbial / fungal interest (e.g. Mushroom cultivation, water bodies).
9. Study of Morphology (vegetative and reproductive structures) and anatomy of the following Bryophytes: Marchantia, Anthoceros and Polytrichum.
10. Study of Morphology (vegetative and reproductive structures) and anatomy of the following Pteridophytes: Lycopodium, Equisetum and Marsilea.
11. Study of Anatomical features of Lycopodium stem, Equisetum stem and Marsilea petiole & rhizome by preparing double stained permanent mounts.

Practical Model Paper

Max. Marks: 25

Time : 3 hrs

1. Identify the given components 'A' & 'B' in the algal mixture .
Describe with neat labeled diagrams & give reasons for the classifications. 2 X 2 = 4M
2. Classify the given bacterial culture 'D' using Gram – staining technique. 3M
3. Take a thin transverse section of given diseased material 'E'.
Identify & describe the symptoms caused by the pathogen. 4M
4. Identify the given specimens 'F', 'G' & 'H' by giving reasons .
(Fungal-1, Bacteria-1 & Viral-1) 3 X 1 = 3M
5. Comment on the given slides 'I' & 'J' (Algae-1, Fungi-1) 2 X 2 = 4M
6. Identify the given specimen 'K' & slide 'L' (Bryophytes & Pteridophytes) 2 X 2 = 4M
7. Record 3M

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Practical Syllabus

(45 hours)

1. Study of Morphology (vegetative and reproductive structures) of the following taxa:
Gymnosperms - Pinus and Gnetum.
2. Study of Anatomical features of Pinus needle and Gnetum stem by preparing double stained permanent mounts.
3. Fossil forms using permanent slides / photographs: Cycadeoidea.
Systematic study of locally available plants belonging to the families prescribed in theory Syllabus (Minimum of one plant representative for each family)
4. Study of morphological and anatomical characteristics of locally available plant species (Eichhorinia, Hydrilla, Pistia, Nymphaea, Asparagus, Opuntia, Euphorbia melii)
5. Demonstration of herbarium techniques.
6. Candidate has to submit at least 30 herbarium sheets.

Practical Model Paper

Time : 3 hrs

Max. Marks: 50

1. Prepare a mount of the given material ' A ' (Hydrophytes /Xerophytes)
Draw diagram & give reasons for identification. **8M**
2. Prepare a double stained permanent mount of the given material ' B ' (Gymnosperms)
Draw diagram & give reasons for identification. **10M**
3. Identify the given specimens **C & D** (Gymnosperms /Xerophytes) **2 X 4 = 8M**
4. Identify the given slides **E&F** (Gymnosperms /Xerophytes) **2 X 4 = 8M**
5. Technical description of the given plant twig ' A '
10M
6. Herbarium **3M**
7. Record **3M**

sketch B2
mount of A
account for A