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UNIT-I

Structure and function of all cytoplasmic organelles, chromosomes, cell cycle, mitosis, meiosis. Modern concept of gene. Mendelian laws of inheritance, chromosome theory of inheritance, gene interaction, cytoplasmic inheritance, linkage and crossing over, sex determination and sex-linked inheritance.

Genetic material, types of DNA and RNA, replication, genetic code, transcription, translation, and gene expression. DNA finger printing and PCR technology. Gene cloning, gene transfer technology, transgenesis. Genetically modified plants and animals. Gene bank and cryopreservation.

Concept of plant and animal diversity.

Totipotency. Tissue culture. Biopesticides and Biofertilizers. Single cell protein (SCP) and their importance. Balanced diet, structure, classification and metabolism of Protein, Carbohydrates and Lipids. Mineral elements and vitamins.

Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

UNIT-II

Physiological mechanisms in plants: Diffusion, Osmosis, Plasmolysis and Imbibition. Absorption of water, factor affecting water absorption. Water relations in plants, stomata, guttation, mineral nutrition, Macro-micronutrients, Plant ash, Mineral deficiency symptoms, mineral absorption. Transpiration and translocation. Respiration and photosynthesis, Phytohormones.

Pollination, fertilization and embryogenesis, parthenogenesis, apomixis and parthenocarpy in angiosperms. Gametes, fertilization, types of eggs, blastulation, gastrulation regeneration and parthenogenesis in animals.

Crops: cereals, millets, pulses, vegetables, fruits, flowers, fibres, medicinal, aromatic, fodder, timber, oils, plantation (tea, coffee, coconut, rubber), spices, condiments and mushroom cultivation. Agricultural and geographical zones. Ecology, Environment and Sustainable development.

Sericulture, Apiculture and Lac Culture.

Fundamental aspects of Insects: Insect pests of crops and management. Animal husbandry, dairy technology, poultry and piggery.

Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

UNIT-III

Biostatistics and its applications. Data: types, collection, classification and presentation (tabulation and graphics). Measures of central tendency- mean, mode, median. Measures of Dispersion- range, standard deviation and standard error. Coefficient of correlation and regression. percentile, tests of significance- Chi-square and T- test.

Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

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Syllabus of Agriculture

UNIT-I

Definition and scope of Agronomy, Classification of field Crops, general principles of Crop production: Climate, soil, soil preparation, seed and sowing, tillage, water management, nutrient management, plant protection management, harvesting, threshing and storage, mixed and inter-cropping, manure and fertilizers, cultivation of common crops- Cereal Crops: Wheat, Barley, Oat: oilseed Crops: Rapeseed and mustard Linseed, Sunflower; Pulse crops: Chick pea, field pea, Lentil, Rajmah, Fodder Crops: Oat, Berseem, Lucerne; Cash Crops: Potato, sugarcane, recommended varieties, seed rate, time and method of sowing, irrigation, manure and fertilizer, weed controls, insect-pests and diseases, harvesting, processing and yield. Soils-origin and classification loam, silt, clay, sandy loam, physical and chemical properties of soil. Use of fertilizers, essential nutrients- nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium, organic and inorganic fertilizers and their effects on crops and soil, FYM and green manauring, water requirement of crops, measurement of water discharge, prevention of loss of water, different methods of irrigation – flooding, basin method, border /strip method, sprinkler and drip irrigation. Disadvantage of excess moisture, prevention of formation of acidic and alkaline soils and their management.

Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

UNIT-II

Study of horticultural crops including recommended varieties and their main features, suitability for different regions, time and method of sowing, manure and fertilizer, irrigation, diseases and pests and their control. major vegetables like Potato, Brinjal, chillies, tomato, Cauliflower, Cabbage, knol khol, Onion, Watermelon, Okra, Radish, Carrot and Pea. cucurbits, bittergourd, bottlegourd, muskmelon, ridge gourd, root crops-carrot, radish sweet potato, turnip, fruits vegetables-tomato, bringal, botanical Classification of vegetables and fruits, pruning and training of fruit plants, Unfruitfulness, Fruit drop, Polyembryony, Parthenocarpy and incompatibility. Practices involved in the production of fruits: Mango, Guava, Kagzi lime, Banana, Grape, Litchi, Papaya, Loquat, Aonla, Ber, Jack Fruit, Apple, Pear and Peach, Production techniques of plantation crops: Coconut, Cashew nut, Tea Coffee and coca Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

UNIT-III

Type of iron and steel, wood, plastic and tin used in agricultural implements and their forms & properties. Study of different types of ploughs- indigenous, chisel, rotary and disc plough, their management & cost, selection of prime movers, water lifting devices; discharge, command area, cost of different system; soil preparation, methods of ploughing, need for tillage, kinds of tillage, mechanical Power transmission through belts, pullies and gears, EC engine and its components. Classification of tractors, Elementary knowledge about main components of tractor and their functions such as steering, clutches, transmission gears, differential and final drive, Introductory agricultural economics-meaning and scope, Production – meaning, factors of production such as land, labour, capital and management, properties of factor of production; law of returns; intensive and extensive agriculture, law of demand, relative prices and standard of living; Cooperation – meaning, principles of cooperation, land development banks: Agriculture-place in Five Year Plans; Extension Education, Extension Teaching and Learnin. Extension and Rural Development Programmes: Including T and V system, National Demonstration, IRDP, Jawahar Rojgar Yozana.

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Study of major breeds of cow, buffalo, goat, sheep, poultry and Pig; Physiology and anatomy of cow and buffalo; characteristics of good milch cow and buffalo, bulls and bullocks. Care and management of pregnant cow, poultry management. Principles of feeding of various classes of livestock and poultry. Clean milk production and maintenance of hygiene, Common medicines and vaccines used in treatment/prevention and control of animal diseases; handling of animals for treatment; castration. Operation flood, Milk and Milk products, Identification of Adult rated milk. Importance of farm's livestock and poultry in agriculture and Indian economy, Pathogenesis disease and vaccination. The antigens, antibiotics, antiseptics, disinfectants, The milk and its synthesis in mammary glands. Composition of milk of different species and colostrum. Details composition and physio-chemical properties of cow and buffalo's milk. Factors affecting quantity and chemical composition of milk. Chemistry of milk constituents viz. lactose, fat, protein, enzymes and vitamins. preservatives and adulterants of milk. Chemical changes occurring during storage of milk. Classification of common feeds and fodders, low-cost balanced feeds. Evaluation of energy and protein value of feed. Processing methods of animal feed stuffs. Processing of milk for filtration, clarification, bactofugation, standardization, homogenization, cream separation-centrifugation. Indigenous milk productspaneer, chhana, ghee, khoa, dahi. Other milk products- cream, butter, ice-cream, condensed milk, milk powder, cheese, dairy by products.

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UNIT-V

Mendel's Law's of heredity, Chromosomal theory of inheritance, meiosis and mitosis, Linkage and crossing over - types, mechanism and significance. Nucleic acid as genetic material structure, replication, genetic code and translation, Mutation - spontaneous and induced, Sex chromosomes and its determination in man and droisophila, sex linked characters. Mean as measures of central tendency-Mean, Median, Mode, Geometric Mean, Harmonic Mean, Weighted Range, Quartile Deviation, Variance, Standard Deviation and Coefficient of variation. Chemistry of Carbohydrates- Glucose, fructose, Galactose, Sucrose, Lactose, Maltose, Starch, Cellulose. Ammo acids, Lipids and fatty acids. Vitamin A, D, E, K, Thiamine, Riboflavin and Nicotinic acid, Plant growth substances, photoperiodism and verbalization, Insect Anatomy: Digestive, Excretory, Reproductive, Circulatory, Respiratory and Nervous systems of grasshopper, General introduction to Phylum Arthropoda, class Insecta, Mode of reproduction in crop plants in relation to breeding techniques. Genetic consequences of self and cross pollinated crops. Plant Introduction and exploration, Breeding self pollinated crops, population's improvement. Mass selection, recurrent selection. Breeding cross pollinated crops mass selection, pedigree, bulk and back cross methods. Classification of plant diseases according to cause and occurrence. Plant Pathogens: Fungi (Albugo. Erysiphe, Ustilago, Claviceps and Puccinia. Diagnositic characters of the following genera: Peronospora, Sclerospora, Ustilago, Sphacelotheca, Tolyposporium, Melampsora, Alternaria, Cercospora, Fusarium, Helminthosporium, pyricularia, Rhizoctonia and Colletotrichum. Preliminary knowledge of hazards related to pesticide use, MRL, ADI, Mammalian Safety Ratio .Basic concept of Integrated Pest Management.

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Syllabus of Biology

BOTANY

Unit I- CYTOLOGY/

- Prokaryote and Eukaryote cell, Cell Cycle, Mitosis and Meiosis, structure and function of all
 cytoplasmic organelles, nucleus, chromosomes, Lampbrush and Polytene chromosomes, DNA
 structure and replication, RNA structure and type, Modern concept of genes.
- Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit II- MICROBIOLOGY

- Viruses- Structure, transmission, multiplication, bacteriophages and economics importance.
- Bacteria- Structure, Classification, Gram Negative and Gram Positive Bacteria, Staining techniques, Vegetative, Asexual and Sexual reproduction, Genetic recombination and economic importance of Bacteria.
- Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit III- FUNGI AND PLANT PATHOLOGY

- Salient features of fungi. Broad classification of Fungi (Alexopoulos) upto class Level, nutrition
 of Fungi. Reproduction in Fungi- asexual reproduction, sexual reproduction. Heterothallism,
 heterokaryosis and parasexual cycle, Economic Importance of Fungi, Life history of Mucor,
 Penicillium, Yeast, Puccinia, Agaricus, Morchella, Alternaria. An introduction to Mushroom
 cultivation.
- Pathology of fungal plant diseases- A brief idea about diseases symptom. Establishment of diseases, categories of plant diseases on the basis of their occurrence. Control of plant diseasesbrief idea about exclusion, eradication, protection by fungicides and by developing resistance.
- Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit IV- ALGAE, LICHENS AND BRYOPHYTA

- Algae Introduction and salient features, Classification of algae upto class Level, range of vegetative structure, cell structure of prokaryotic and eukaryotic Algae. Reproduction, types of Life cycles (Haplontic, Diplontic, Diplontic, Haplobiontic and Diplobiontic) and Alternation of generations in Algae, ecology of algae, Life cycle of Nostoc, Chlamydomonas, Oedogonium, Vaucheria, Ectocarpus, Polysiphonia, Diatoms, Economic importance of Algae.
- Lichens- Characteristics, General Structure, Symbiotic relationship, reproduction and economic importance.
- Bryophyta- Salient features of Bryophytes, Habitats, Distribution and economic importance of Bryophyta, Classification of Bryophyta, a brief account of Alternation of generations, Life history of Marchantia, Anthoceros and Funaria.
- Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit V- PTERIDOPHYTA AND GYMNOSPERMS

- Pteridophyta- Salient features of Pteridophytes, Habitats, Distribution, Classification and Economic importance of Pteridophytes, Alternation of generation in pteridophytes, Telome Theory, steler system, Apogamy, Agamospory, Apospory, Heterospory and seed habit, Life History of Rhynia, Selaginella, Equisetum, Pteris.
- Gymnosperms- General Charactersitcs, classification (upto family Level) of Gymnosperms,
 Ecological and economic importance of gymnosperms, morphology, Anatomy and

- reproduction of Cycas, Pinus and Ephedra. Types of Fossils and their types, process of fossilization, living fossils.
- Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit VI - TAXONOMY OF ANGIOSPERMS

- A general account of origin and evolution of angiosperms, Basic principles and broad outline of the classification proposed by Bentham Hooker and Hutchinsion. International code of Botanical nomenclature, Botanical gardens and herbaria, Botanical Survey of India.
- Distingushing features and economic importance of the families- Ranunculaceae, Caryophyllaceae, Malvaceae, Rutaceae, Fabaceae, Rosaceae, Cucurbitaceae, Apiaceae, Rubiaceae, Solanaceae. Acanthaceae, Lamiaceae, Apocynaceae, Euphorbiaceae, Polygonaceae, Orchidaceae, Liliaceae, Poaceae.
- Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit VII- ANATOMY

- Meristems- Characteristics and functions, Primary and secondary meristems, Apical cell theory, Histozen theory, Tunica carpus theory, Tissue and Tissue System in Plants.
- A brief account of root, shoot and leaf anatomy, Root-stem transition. Secondary growth in Root and Stem, Annual ring, sapwood, heartwood, periderm and anomalas secondary growth in Dicot, Monocot stem and roots.
- Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit VIII- PLANT PHYSIOLOGY

- Diffusion, Osmosis, Plasmolysis and Imbibition. Absorption of water (Active and Passive Absorption), Factor effecting of water absorption, Mineral Nutrition, Macro and Micro Nutrients, Plant Ash, Mineral deficiency symptoms, Theories of Mineral Absorption.
- Transpiration, Theories of Transpiration, Structure of stomata, opening and closing of stomata, factors effecting and significance of transpiration. Translocation of Solutes, Theories of translocation of food, Mechanism of phloem transport and factor effecting translocation.
- Respiration (Aerobic and Anaerobic), glycolysis, Krebs Cycle, ETS, Redox potential, pentose phosphate pathway, ATP, Oxidative phosphorylation, factors effecting the rate of respiration.
- Photosynthesis- Historical background, Concept of photo system I and II, Z-scheme, Structure
 of Chloroplast, Pigments, Photophosphorylation, Calvin cycle, Hatch- slack cycle, CAM
 Plants. Factor effecting the rate of Photosynthesis.
- Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit IX- EMBRYOLOGY AND MORPHOGENESIS

- Structure of Anther, Ovule, Types of Ovule, Micro and Megasporogenesis and development of Male and Female gametophyte respectively, Pollination, Fertilization, Endosperm, Development of Embryo, polyembryony, apomixis.
- General concept of Morphogensis, seed germination and dormancy, Plant movements, Plant growth regulators, Photoperiodism and vernalization.
- Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit X-ECOLOGY

• Definition and scope of ecology and its relationships, The environment and its factors, Primary and Secondary productivity biosphere (Hydrosphere, Lithosphere and stratosphere).

- Concept of ecosystem, Types of ecosystem, Biotic and Abiotic components, energy flow, Trophic level, Food Chains, Food web, Ecological Pyramids, Community (Characters, Life forms and Biological spectrum) Ecological Succession.
- Biogeochemical cycles (Carbon, Nitrogen and Phosphorous cycle). Biogeographical regions of India, Vegetation types of India, Population (Characters, Biotic potential, density, Natality, Mortality, Growth curve, eco types and ecads). Pollution (Air, Water, Soil, Noise and radioactive).
- Introduction of Toxicology, Principles and History of environmental toxicology, Types and Source of Toxic Agents.
- Concept of Biodiversity, Conservation and management, Concept of Protected areas, Ex-situ and In-situ conservation, India's Wild life habitats, Distribution, conservation status and efforts.
- Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit XI- ECONOMIC BOTANY

- Cereals and Millets, Food Plants (Potato, Sweet-Potato, Sugarcane), Fruits (Mango, Apple, Banana, Citrus, Litchi), Fibres (Cotton, Hemp and Coir), Vegetables (Root, Stem, Leaf and Fruit Vegetables), Timbers (Teek, Saal, Chir, Deodar, Shisham and Oak), Medicinal Plants related with Uttarakhand, Oils (Linseed, Mustard and Groundnut Oil).
- Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit XII- GENETICS

- Mendel's experiments, Mendelian Law's, Abberrations of mendelian Law's, Sex Determination, Sex Linked inheritance, Cytoplasmic inheritance, Linkage and Crossing Over, Mutations, Genetic code, Protein Synthesis, Gene expression, Gene Bank, Nif and Nod genes, C-DNA and Gene Library.
- Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit XIII- PLANT BREEDING

- Aims and Objectives of Plant breeding, Basic techniques used in Plant breeding, Selection, Plant introduction, Acclimatization, Hybridization, Hybrid Vigour, Mutational breeding.
- Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

ZOOLOGY

Unit I. ORIGIN OF LIFE AND EVOLUTION: Theories of origin of life and organic evolution. (Modern synthetic theory of evolution.). Fossils and fossilization. Evolution of life through ages (Geological time scale). Evolution of man. Speciation. Hardy- Weinberg equilibrium. Genetic drift. Gene pool.

Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit II. DIVERSITY OF LIVING ORGANISMS: Kingdom system of classification. Protostomia and Deuterostomia. Acoelomata and Coelomat., Major groups of Non-Chordata and Chordata and their classification up to classes. Taxonomy and systematics. Rules of Nomenclature. Linnean hierarchy. Biological concept of species and types of species.

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Unit III. ANIMAL TISSUE SYSTEMS: Epithelial tissue, connective tissue (Fluid tissue, muscles, bone and cartilage), Nervous tissue.

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Unit IV. PROTOZOA TO ECHINODERMATA:

- Nutrition, locomotion and reproduction in Protozoa.
- Canal system and skeleton in Porifera.
- Nematocysts, polymorphism, Corals and coral reefs and metagenesis in Coelenterata.
- Metamerism, nephridial system and locomotory organs in Annelida
- Significance of *Peripatus*.
- Types of mouth parts, Tracheal system and metamorphosis in Insecta. Booklungs. Larval forms in Crustacea.
- Torsion and Detorsion in Gastropoda. Foot and gills in Mollusca.
- Water- vascular system (Asterias) and larval forms in Echinodermata.
- Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit V. COMPARATIVE ANATOMY OF CHORDATA:

- Endostyle and protonephridia in Protochordata. Affinities of Hemichordata,
- Organs of neural complex and tadpole larva in Herdmania. wheel organ in Branchiostoma.
- Differences between Petromyzon and Myxine.
- Scales, types of tail in fishes. Lung fishes. Latimeria. Electric organs in fishes.
- Limbless Amphibia. Neoteny in Amphibia.
- Chelonia, Rhynchocephalia, Crocodilia and Dinosaurs. Distinction between poisonous and non-poisonous snakes. Biting mechanism in snakes. Venom and anti-venom.
- Structure of a typical feather. Types of feather. Flightless birds. Aerial adaptations in birds.
- Prototheria, Metatheria. Flying mammals. Cetacea and Sirenia. Dentition in Mammals. Eye and ear of mammals.

General comparative anatomy of vertebrates: Integument. Gills of Cyclostomata and Pisces, Air bladder.Lungs and air -sacs. Alimentary canal, liver and pancreas. Types of hearts. Types of Kidneys. Cranial nerves and spinal cord.

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Unit VI. BIOCHEMISTRY: Balanced Diet, Nutrient substances (Structure and classification of Protein, Carbohydrates and Lipids). Nutrient elements. Vitamins. Enzymes and Enzyme action. Metabolism of Proteins, Carbohydrates and Lipids.

Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit VII. PHYSIOLOGY: Homeostasis. Intra-cellular and Extra-cellular digestion. Digestion and absorption of Protein. Carbohydrates and Lipids. Respiratory pigments and physiology of respiration. Hemopoiesis, composition of blood, blood groups and blood coagulation. Cardiac Cycle. Nitrogenous excretion. urine formation in mammals. Mechanism of muscle contraction. Conduction and transmission of nerve impulse. Endocrine system and mechanism of hormone action with special reference to Thyroid, Parathyroid, Pituitary and Adrenal glands; Gonads and Gastro-intestinal tract. Bioluminescence.

Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit VIII. DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY: Gametes and gametogenesis. Mechanism of fertilization. Types of eggs. Patterns of cleavage. Embryonic induction and primary organizer. Fate maps. Blastulation and types of blastula. Gastrulation (frog and chick.). Foetal membranes of chick. Placentation in mammals. Regeneration. Parthenogenesis.

Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit IX. ANIMAL BEHAVIOUR (ETHOLOGY): Stereotyped and innate patterns of behaviour. Innate releasing mechanism (IRM). Taxes, kinesis and reflexes, Fixed and modifiable action patterns. Learned behaviour. Imprinting. Migration in fishes and birds. Parental care in Amphibia and Pisces. Biological clock.

Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit X. ECONOMIC ZOOLOGY: Beneficial and harmful protozoa. Life-cycles and pathogenesis of Entamoeba histolytica, Trypnosoma gambiense, Plasmodium vivax, Fasciola hepatica, Taenia solium, Ascaris lumbricoides and Encyclostoma deudenale. Life-cycles and pathogenesis of Mosquito spp. (Anopheles, Culex and Aedes). House-fly: health and hygiene. Sponge industry. vermiculture. Insects pests of crops, fruits and vegetables. Integrated pest management (IPM). Sericulture. Apiculture. Lac-culture. Pearl industry. Aquaculture and Pisciculture. Animal husbandry and Dairy technology. Poultry and piggery.

Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit XI. BIOSTATISTICS: Statistics and Biological researches. Data. Types of data, data collection, classification and presentation (tabulation and graphics etc.). Measures of central tendency- mean, mode, median. Measures of Dispersion- Range, Standard deviation and standard error. Coefficient of correlation. Tests of Significance- Chi-square and T- test.

Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit XII. MOLECULAR BIOLOGY AND BIOTECHNOLOGY: Genetic material of prokaryotes and eukaryotes. Types of DNA and RNA. DNA replication. Genetic code. Central dogma of protein synthesis. DNA Fingerprinting and PCR technology. Biotechnology- a double edged sword. Gene cloning, Gene transfer technology. Gene bank and cryopreservation. Transgenesis. Genetically modified animals and plants. Totipotency. Tissue culture. Biopesticides. Biofertilizers. Single cell protein (SCP) and their importance.

Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

Unit XIII. BIOINFORMATICS: Basic knowledge of computer and its components. Input and output devices. RAM and ROM. Software and Hardware.

Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.



Syllabus of Horticulture

UNIT-I

Agricultural and horticultural zones, Classification and distribution of field crops, multiple cropping, mixed cropping, intercropping, relay and alley cropping, cultural practices for major field crops cereals, pulses, oil seeds and fodder crops; Green manuering; Crop rotation; Physical and chemical properties of soil, soil classification; Manure and fertilizers; Different methods of irrigation; Weed Management;

Measures of central tendency: mean, mode, median, geometric mean, harmonic mean, percentiles and quartile for raw and grouped data, dispersion: range, standard deviation, variance, coefficient of variation for raw and grouped data, correlation: scatter diagram, correlation coefficient and its properties, regression; Water relations in plants, study of stomata, guttation, transpiration, mechanism of stress tolerance, photosynthesis, photorespiration, respiration, phytohormones, physiological role in controlling plant process, unfruitfulness, physiology of training and pruning; Importance of microbes in horticulture,

Classifications of carbohydrates, fats, proteins, vitamins and minerals; Mendelian genetics–Mendel' s principles of heredity, Chromosome theory of inheritance, gene interaction, cytoplasmic inheritance and maternal effects, chemical basis of heredity, structure and component of nucleic acids, replication, transcription and translation, physical basis of heredity, cell reproduction, mitosis, meiosis and its significance, gametogenesis and syngamy in plants, mutations.

Orchard Management system; Organic Farming; Introductory economics-meaning and scope, factors of production, law of returns and law of demand; Extension and rural development programmes in India; Agroforestry system, subsystem and practice: agri-silviculture, silvipastoral, horti-silviculture, hortisilvipastoral, shifting cultivation, taungya, home gardens, alley cropping, intercropping, wind breaks, shelterbelts and energy plantations; Mushroom Cultivation;

Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

UNIT-II

Fruit Crops: Horticultural classification of fruits including genome classification, importance of fruit crops in nutrition and national economy, detailed study of area, production and export potential, varieties, climate and soil requirements, propagation techniques, planting density and systems, after care, training and pruning, water, nutrient and weeds management, use of plant growth regulators, physiological disorders, important insect – pests and diseases and their control measures, post-harvest technology, harvest indices, harvesting methods, grading, packaging and storage of the following crops viz. mango, banana, bael, grapes, citrus, papaya, sapota, guava, pineapple, jackfruit, avocado, Pomegranate, fig, litchi, ber, aonla, annona, jamun, carissa, date palm, phalsa, apple, pear, peach, apricot, cherry, strawberry, kiwi, almond, walnut, pecan nut, hazel nut and chest nut.

Vegetable Crops: Horticultural classification of vegetables including genome classification, importance of cool season vegetable crops in nutrition and national economy, detailed study of area, production and export potential, varieties, climate and soil requirements, seed rate, preparation of field, nursery practices; transplanting of vegetable crops and planting for directly sown/transplanted vegetable crops, spacing, planting systems, water and weed management, nutrient management and deficiencies, use of chemicals and growth regulators, cropping systems, harvest, yield and seed production, important insect – pests and diseases and their control measures, post-harvest technology, harvest indices, harvesting methods, grading, packaging, storage and marketing of temperate, tropical and subtropical vegetable crops viz. cabbage, cauliflower, knol-khol, broccoli, Brussels sprout, lettuce, palak, Chinese cabbage,

spinach, fenugreek, garlic, onion, leek, radish, carrot, turnip, beet root, peas, French bean, broad beans, rhubarb, asparagus, globe artichoke, tomato, brinjal, chillies, okra, amaranthus, cluster beans, cowpea, lab-lab, snap bean, cucurbits, moringa, curry leaf, potato, tapioca, sweet potato, arrow root, cassava, colocasia, xanthosoma, amorphophallus, dioscorea, jerusalem artichoke, horse radish.

Plantation Crops: History and development, scope and importance, area and production, export and import potential, role in national and state economy, uses, industrial importance, by products utilization, soil and climate, varieties, propagation: principles and practices of seed, vegetative and micropropagation, planting systems and method, gap filling, systems of cultivation, mulching, shade regulation, weed and water management, training, pruning and handling, nutrition, foliar feeding, role of growth regulators, soil management, liming practices, tipping practices, top working, physiological disorders, important insect – pests and diseases and their control measures, harvesting, post-harvest handling and processing, packaging and marketing, yield and economics of coconut, arecanut, oil palm, palmyrah palm, cacao, cashew nut, coffee, tea and rubber.

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UNIT-III

Medicinal and Aromatic Crops: History, scope, importance, origin, distribution, production, climatic and soil requirements, propagation and nursery techniques, planting and aftercare, training and pruning, nutrient and water management, plant protection, harvesting, processing, therapeutic and pharmaceutical uses and economics of medicinal and aromatic plants viz. pepper, cardamom, clove, ginger, turmeric, betelvine, periwinkle, rauvolfia, dioscorea, isabgol, *Ammi majus*, belladonna, cinchona, pyrethrum, citronella grass, khus grass, sweet flag (bach), lavender, geranium, patchouli, bursera, mentha, muskdana (musk mallow) and ocimum.

Spices and Condiments: History, scope and importance, area and production, uses, export potential and role in national economy, classification, soil and climate, seed, vegetative and micro propagation systems and methods of planting, nutrient management, irrigation practices, weed control, mulching and cover cropping, training and pruning practices, role of growth regulators, shade crops and shade regulation, harvesting, post-harvest technology, packaging, storage, value added products, methods of extraction of essential oil and oleoresins, economics of crops viz. cardamom, pepper, ginger, turmeric, clove, nutmeg, cinnamon, all spice, curry leaf, coriander, fenugreek, fennel, cumin, dill, celery, bishops weed, saffron, vanilla, thyme and rosemary.

Current general Knowledge and Current Scientific Advancement with these topics.

UNIT-IV

Floriculture: Scope and importance of floriculture industry, classification of flowers and ornamental plants, detailed study of area, production and export potential, varieties, climate and soil requirements, seed rate, preparation of field, nursery practices; transplanting of flower crops and planting for directly sown/transplanted flower crops, spacing, planting technique, water and weed management, nutrient management and deficiencies, use of chemicals and growth regulators, harvesting, yield and seed production, important insect – pests and diseases and their control measures, post-harvest technology, harvesting stages, harvesting methods, grading, packaging, storage and marketing of flowering plants like rose, marigold, chrysanthemum, orchid, carnation, gladiolus, jasmine, dahlia, tuberose, bird of paradise, china aster and gerbera (under open and protected conditions), dehydration technique for drying of flowers, production techniques for bulbous.

Ornamental Gardening & Landscaping: History, types and styles of gardens and gardens in India, landscaping, basic principles, garden components and adornments; identification and use of landscape drafting equipments; layout of different types of gardens, designing of water garden, terrace garden, roof

garden, rock garden, bog garden, sunken garden, terrariums; bioaesthetic planning, town and country planning, urban planning; landscaping of parks and public areas, educational institutions, industrial areas, railway stations, dam sites, hydroelectric stations, river banks; Use of ornamental trees, shrubs, climbers and creepers, indoor plants, herbaceous perennials, palms, ferns, grasses, cacti and succulents in landscaping; lawn making; Flower arrangement; Types and art of making bonsai.

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UNIT-V

Propagation, Nursery Management, Protected Cultivation: Methods of propagation: advantages and disadvantages; Seed dormancy: scarification & stratification, internal and external factors; Nursery techniques, apomixes – mono-embrony, polyembrony, chimera & bud sport; Methods and techniques of cutting, layering, grafting and budding; Physiological and bio-chemical basis of rooting, factors influencing rooting in cuttings and layering; Graft incompatibility; Anatomical studies of bud union, selection and maintenance of mother trees, collection of scion wood stick, scion-stock relationship and their influences; Bud wood certification; Techniques of propagation through specialized organs, corm, runners, suckers, rhizomes; Micrografting, hardening of plants in nurseries; Insect-pest and disease control in nursery; Nursery registration, methodology and certification; Designs of mist chamber, humidifiers, greenhouses, glasshouses, cold frames, hot beds, shade nets, poly-houses, lath house, conservatories; Land preparation and soil treatment, fertigation and irrigation management and cost of production.

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UNIT-VI

Post Harvest Management: Principles and methods of post harvest management, pre-harvest factors affecting quality, factors responsible for deterioration of horticultural produce, physiological and biochemical changes, different systems of storage, packaging methods and types of packages, classification of preservatives, food colours. Methods of preparation of juices, squashes, syrups, cordials and fermented beverages, jam, jelly, marmalade, pickles, chutneys and sauces, quality control of processed products, Govt. policy on import and export of processed fruits, food laws; modes of transport; Food and its function, Balanced diet: RDA for various age groups; Materials, tools and implements used in horticulture.

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