

I Semester /Botany Core Course - 1

Fundamentals of Microbes and Non-vascular Plants

(Viruses, Bacteria, Fungi, Lichens, Algae and Bryophytes) (Total hours of

teaching – 60 @ 04 Hrs./Week)

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Learning Outcomes:

On successful completion of this course, the students will be able to:

- > Explain origin of life on the earth.
- > Illustrate diversity among the viruses and prokaryotic organisms and can categorize them.
- Classify fungi, lichens, algaeand bryophytes based on theirstructure, reproduction and life cycles.
- > Analyze and ascertain the plant disease symptoms due to viruses, bacteria and fungi.
- > Recall and explain the evolutionary trends among amphibians of plant kingdom for their shift to land habitat.
- > Evaluate the ecological and economic value of microbes, thallophytes and bryophytes.

Unit – 1:Origin of life and Viruses

12Hrs.

- 1. Origin of life, concept of primary Abiogenesis; Miller and Urey experiment. Five kingdom classification of R.H. Whittaker
- 2. Discovery of microorganisms, Pasteur experiments, germ theory of diseases.
- 3. Shape and symmetry of viruses; structure of TMV and Gemini virus; multiplication of TMV; A brief account of Prions and Viroids.
- 4. A general account on symptoms of plant diseases caused by Viruses. Transmission of plant viruses and their control.
- 5. Significance of viruses in vaccine production, bio-pesticides and as cloning vectors.

Unit – 2:Special groups of Bacteria and Eubacteria

12Hrs.

1. Brief account of Archaebacteria, Actinomycetes and Cyanobacteria.

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- 2. Cell structure and nutrition of Eubacteria.
- 3. Reproduction- Asexual (Binary fission and endospores) and bacterial recombination (Conjugation, Transformation, Transduction).
- 4. Economic importance of Bacteria with reference to their role in Agriculture and industry (fermentation and medicine).
- 5. A general account on symptoms of plant diseases caused by Bacteria; Citrus canker.

Unit – 3: Fungi & Lichens

12 Hrs.

- 1. General characteristics of fungi and Ainsworth classification (upto classes).
- Structure, reproductionand life history of(a) Rhizopus (Zygomycota) and (b) Puccinia (Basidiomycota).
- 3. Economic uses of fungi in food industry, pharmacy and agriculture.
- 4. A general account on symptoms of plant diseases caused by Fungi; Blast of Rice.
- 5. Lichens- structure and reproduction; ecological and economic importance.

Unit – 4: Algae

12 Hrs.

- 1. General characteristics of Algae (pigments, flagella and reserve food material); Fritsch classification (upto classes).
- 2. Thallus organization and life cycles in Algae.
- 3. Occurrence, structure, reproduction and life cycle of *(a)Spirogyra* (Chlorophyceae) and (b) *Polysiphonia* (Rhodophyceae).
- 4. Economic importance of Algae.

Unit - 5: Bryophytes

12 Hrs.

- 1. General characteristics of Bryophytes classification upto classes.
- 2. Occurrence, morphology, anatomy, reproduction (developmental details are not needed) and life cycle of (a) *Marchantia* (Hepaticopsida) and (b) *Funaria*(Bryopsida).
- 3. General account on evolution of sporophytes in Bryophyta.

Text books:

- Botany I (Vrukshasastram-I): Telugu Akademi, Hyderabad
- Pandey, B.P. (2013) College Botany, Volume-I, S. Chand Publishing, New Delhi
- ➤ Hait,G., K.Bhattacharya&A.K.Ghosh (2011) *A Text Book of Botany, Volume-I*, New Central Book Agency Pvt. Ltd., Kolkata

➤ Bhattacharjee, R.N., (2017) *Introduction to Microbiology and Microbial Diversity*, Kalyani Publishers, New Delhi.

Books for Reference:

- Dubey, R.C. &D.K.Maheswari (2013) A Text Book of Microbiology, S.Chand& Company Ltd., New Delhi
- ➤ Pelczar Jr., M.J., E.C.N. Chan &N.R.Krieg (2001) *Microbiology*, Tata McGrawHill Co, New Delhi
- Presscott, L. Harley, J. and Klein, D. (2005) Microbiology, 6th edition, Tata McGraw Hill Co. New Delhi.
- Alexopoulos, C.J., C.W.Mims&M.Blackwell (2007) *Introductory Mycology*, Wiley& Sons, Inc., New York
- Mehrotra, R.S. & K. R. Aneja (1990) *An Introduction to Mycology*. New Age International Publishers, New Delhi
- Kevin Kavanagh (2005) Fungi; Biology and Applications John Wiley & Sons, Ltd., West Sussex, England
- John Webster & R. W. S. Weber (2007) Introduction to Fungi, Cambridge University Press, New York
- Fritsch, F.E. (1945) The Structure & Reproduction of Algae (Vol. I & Vol. II) Cambridge University Press Cambridge, U.K..
- Bold, H.C. & M. J. Wynne (1984) *Introduction to the Algae*, Prentice-Hall Inc., New Jersey
- Robert Edward Lee (2008) Phycology. Cambridge University Press, New York
- ➤ Van Den Hoek, C., D.G.Mann&H.M.Jahns (1996) Algae: An Introduction to Phycology.

 Cambridge University Press, New York
- Shaw, A.J.&B.Goffinet (2000) *Bryophyte Biology*. Cambridge University Press, New York.