

New
M.Sc. (Ag.)

(Horticulture)

There are three specialization are offered by department of horticulture in session 2022-24

- Vegetable Science
- Fruit Science
- Floriculture and landscaping

(Under Semester System as Per ICAR Recommended)

Syllabus Academic Session- 2022-24



**Jananayak Chandrashekhar University, Ballia
Uttar Pradesh**

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About the Department:

The department of Horticulture started in June 2021. Teaching and research in Horticulture was started in JNCU Ballia in the year 2021. This was superseded by two-year master programme in 2021. The department have two Assistant Professor (Guest Faculty). Department organised various programmes and guest lectures in a way to develop professional skills in the students. We are looking forward to organize many more programmes, workshops and lectures for enriching students' ability and enhancing department strengths to accommodate with new developments in society.

About the Programme:

MSc Horticulture is a 2-year full-time postgraduate course that includes a study of cultivation of plants, breeding, harvesting, storage and shortage of vegetables & plants. The MSc Horticulture course motivates students to understand organic lifestyle, health benefits and learning about the aesthetics of plants & vegetables. It also covers deep concepts such as eco-friendly or sustainable development operations and food production. The course is digitally enhanced by introducing fundamentals of genetics and functionality in the course.

Vision:

The department is committed to provide academic excellence and quality of education to the students.

Development of excellent human resources and innovative technological services to community.

Mission:

The university aims at reaching the remotest area of its jurisdiction in order to cater to the needs of those requiring its services and desiring participation in its programmes. The university is committed to playing a significant role in the socio-economic upliftment of the masses of the Uttar Pradesh.

Programme Objectives:

To provide relevant education to the students in horticulture and allied sciences.

To promote research and training on sustainable development of horticulture productivity, cost reduction in farming.

To encourage the youth on entrepreneurship and rural development.

Program learning outcomes: Revamping of post graduate programme in whole of Horticultural Science throughout the country, Imparting quality education, Development of technical manpower to cater the need of government, corporate, quasi government and research organizations both in



India and abroad in horticulture. Exposure to the faculty in the latest technical know-how, Vital step to sustain the Golden Revolution in India.

Teaching Learning Process:

Multiple pedagogic techniques are used in importing the knowledge both within and outside the classrooms. Listed below are some such techniques.

- Lectures
- Tutorials
- PowerPoint presentations
- Project work
- Documentary films on relevant topics
- Debates, discussion, quiz
- Talks/ workshop
- Interaction with expert
- Outstation field trips – surveys designs.
- Internships

Assessment Methods: besides the formal system of university exams held at the end of each semester will as mid - semester and class test that are held regularly, the students are also assessed on the basis of the following;

- Written assignment
- Presentations
- Participation in class discussion
- Agility to think critically and creatively to solve problems.
- Reflexive thinking.
- Participation in extracurricular and co-curriculum activities.
- Critical assessment of Articles book, etc.

Title:

The title of the programme shall be masters in Horticulture.

Affiliation:

The proposed programme shall be governed by the department of Horticulture, Jananayak Chandrashekhar University, Ballia, Uttar Pradesh.

Duration:

The total duration of the programme shall be of two years, spread over in four semesters.

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Seats:

The total number of students to be admitted to the programme shall be 20. The programme will be conducted on regular basis.

Fee:

As per university law and guidelines

Minimum Eligibility for Admission:

As per University guidelines or a three -four-year bachelors degree or equivalent in any stream discipline awarded by a University or institute established as per law and recognized as equivalent by this university with minimum 45% marks for general and OBC category and 40% marks for SC/ST and person with disability categories or equivalent grade, shall constitute the minimum requirements for admission to the masters in sociology programme.

- Reservation of seats for various categories shall be as per the Uttar Pradesh state government rules and regulations.

Admission procedure:

Admission procedure will take place according to the University norms (Jananayak Chandrashekhar University, Ballia) and guidelines in this regard.

Medium of instructions:

The medium of instructions will be English and Hindi.

Attendance:

As per university norms minimum 75% in theory papers and practical papers.

Structure of the programme:

The main purpose of the masters in sociology programme is to develop and disseminate knowledge skills and values through classroom teaching, field visit and research are necessary for promoting, maintaining and improving the functioning of individuals, groups and communities. The masters in sociology programme is comprised of –

Theory papers

practical

Research/dissertation



Preamble

(Vegetable Science)

Vegetables are important constituents of Indian diet and play an important role ensuring nutritional security. They are generally of short duration, high yielding, nutraceutically rich, economically viable and generating substantial on-farm and off-farm employment. Vegetables have a pre-stine place in Indian agricultural economy. The country is being blessed with diverse agro-climatic conditions ranging from the temperate to arid more than 60 cultivated and 30 lesser known vegetables are being grown.

The country has witnessed a tremendous growth in vegetable production and productivity as a result of improved varieties/F1 hybrids/technologies through systematic research coupled with their large scale adoption by the farmers and developmental policies of government compared to area (2.84 mha), production (16.5 mt) and productivity (5.8 t/ha) in 1950–51 there had been phenomenal increase in area (>3 folds; 10.1 mha), production (>10 folds; 185 mt) and productivity (>3 folds; 18.0 t/ha) during 2017–18. Increasing per capita income, health consciousness, urbanisation, shifting of farmers to high value vegetables due to higher income, favourable income elasticity of demand and annual growth rate of domestic demand for vegetables are also important factors fueling its growth in the country. During 2016–17, the total exports including potato and onion accounted for ₹ 5,922 crore sharing 35% of total horticultural exports. With the current level of vegetable production in the country (171 mt), population (1.3 billion) and considering 25% post harvest losses and 5% export and processing, the per capita availability of vegetable production in our country is 250 g as against 300 g recommended dietary allowance (RDA). With projected population of 1.45 billion by 2030, India has to produce 210 mt of vegetables. The targeted production needs to be achieved through utilizing scientific technological and traditional strengths in a sustainable manner without much increasing area under vegetables.

Looking into the above scenario in vegetable production, there is a need to update the knowledge among the post-graduates of Vegetable Science. An effort is therefore made to encompass the advances made in the vegetable production by revising the post-graduate curriculum for delivering and assuring quality education. The proposed curriculum aims to develop a competent human resource equipped with holistic and updated knowledge and skill in the field of Vegetable Science.

The course curriculum has been restructured to cover the current requirement of vegetable production and post harvest management to increase capabilities of students. In order to accomplish the task, either new courses have been formulated or existing course contents are upgraded to include latest developments in vegetables production.

In line with national policies, the existing course contents have been upgraded and five new courses, viz., Principles of vegetable breeding, Breeding for special traits in Vegetable crops, Biodiversity and conservation of Vegetable crops, Biotechnological approaches in Vegetable crops and Advanced laboratory techniques for vegetable crops have been added. A course on Vegetable Breeding has been divided into two courses one for self-pollinated crops and another for cross-pollinated vegetable crops. New components, viz., hydroponics, aeroponics, grafting technique and precision farming have been added in appropriate courses. The overall upgradation of course contents as well as addition of courses are in line with national policy priorities like doubling of farmer's income, more crop per drop, jaivik krishi, soil health, skill development, entrepreneurship development, startup initiatives, etc.



Course Title with Credit Load
M.Sc.(Hort.)(Vegetable Science)

Course Code	Course Title	Credit Hours
HOR501*	Production of Cool Season Vegetable Crops	2+1
HOR502	Protected Cultivation of Vegetable Crops	2+1
HOR503	Principles and practices of Organic farming	2+1
HOR504	Intellectual property and its management in agriculture	1+0
HOR505	Experimental design	2+1
HOR506*	Production of Warm Season Vegetable Crops	2+1
HOR507	Seed Production of Vegetable Crops	2+1
HOR508	Conservation Agriculture	1+1
HOR509	Basic Concepts in Laboratory Techniques	1+1
HOR510	Information Technology In Agriculture	0+1
HOR511*	Growth and Development of Vegetable Crops	2+1
HOR512	Post Harvest Management of Vegetable Crops	2+1
HOR513	Dry land farming and watershed management	2+1
HOR514	Technical writing and communication skills	1+0
HOR515	Agricultural research, research ethics and rural development programmes	1+0
HOR516*	Principles of Vegetable Breeding	2+1
HOR517	Library and Information Techniques	0+1
HOR518	Seminar	0+1
	Research Thesis	0+30
	Total Credits	70

*Compulsory among major courses



1 st Semester						Evaluation Marks
Code No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Mid Term	End Term	Practical	Total
HOR501	Production of cool season vegetable crops	2+1	25	50	25	100
HOR502	Protected cultivation of vegetable crops	2+1	25	50	25	100
HOR503	Principles and practices of organic farming	2+1	25	50	25	100
HOR504	Intellectual property and its management in agriculture	1+0	25	50	25	100
HOR505	Experimental designs	2+1	25	50	25	100
Total Credits		13	-			

2 nd Semester						Evaluation Marks
Code No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Mid Term	End Term	Practical	Total
HOR506	Production of warm season vegetable	2+1	25	50	25	100
HOR507	Seed production of vegetable crops	2+1	25	50	25	100
HOR508	Conservation agriculture	1+1	25	50	25	100
HOR509	Information technology in agriculture	1+1	25	50	25	100
HOR510	Basic concepts in laboratory techniques	0+1	25	50	25	100
Total Credits		11	-			

3 rd Semester						Evaluation Marks
Code No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Mid Term	End Term	Practical	Total
HOR511	Growth and development of vegetable crops	2+1	25	50	25	100
HOR512	Post harvest management of vegetable crops	2+1	25	50	25	100
HOR513	Dry land farming and water shed management	2+1	25	50	25	100
HOR514	Technical writing and communication skills	0+1	25	50	25	100
HOR515	Agricultural research, Research ethics and rural development programs	1+0	25	50	25	100
Total Credits		11	-			

4 th Semester						Evaluation Marks
Code No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Mid Term	End Term	Practical	Total
HOR516	Principles of vegetable breeding	2+1	25	50	25	100
HOR517	Library and information services	1+0	25	50	25	100
HOR518	Seminar	1				
HOR519	Thesis research	30				
Total Credits		35	-			
Total Semester Credit Hours		70				

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M.Sc.(Hort.)(Vegetable Science)

First Semester

- **Course Title** : Production of Cool Season Vegetable Crops
- **Course Code** : HOR501
- **Credit Hours** : (2+1)
- **Need of course?**

Cool season vegetables are a major source of dietary fibres, minerals and vitamins. Some of these vegetables also contribute protein, fat and carbohydrate. Most of the leafy and root vegetables are rich in minerals, especially in micro-elements such as copper, manganese and zinc. Vegetables differ in their temperature requirements for proper growth and development. Most of the winter vegetable crops are cultivated in cool season when the monthly mean temperature does not exceed 21°C. Even in temperate climate, these vegetables are cultivated in spring summer in hilly tracks where the daytime temperature in summer is less than 21°C. The students of vegetable science need to have an understanding of production technology of important cool season vegetable crops and their management.

- **Objective of Course**

To impart knowledge and skills on advancement in production technology of cool season vegetable crops

The course is constructed given as under:

No. Block	Unit
• Production of cool season vegetable	I
Bulb and tuber cropscrops	II Cole crops
	• Root crops
	• Peas and beans V Leafy vegetables

- **Theory**

Introduction, commercial and nutritional importance, origin and distribution, botany and taxonomy, area, production, productivity and constraints, soil requirements, climatic factors for yield and quality, commercial varieties/hybrids, seed rate and seed treatment, raising of nursery, sowing/planting time and methods, hydroponics and aeroponics, precision farming, cropping system, nutritional including micronutrients and irrigation requirements, intercultural operations, special horticultural practices, weed control, mulching, role of plant growth regulators, physiological disorders, maturity indices, harvesting, yield, post-harvest management (grading, packaging and marketing), pest and disease management and product oneconomics of crops.

Unit I

Bulb and tuber crops—Onion, garlic and potato.

Cole crops—Cabbage, cauliflower, kohlrabi, broccoli, Brussels sprouts and kale.

Unit III

Root crops—Carrot, radish, turnip and beetroot.

Unit IV

Peas and beans—Garden peas and broad bean.

Unit V

Leafy vegetables—Beet leaf, fenugreek, coriander and lettuce.

- **Practical**

- Scientific raising of nursery and seed treatment;
- Sowing and transplanting;
- Description of commercial varieties and hybrids;
- Demonstration on methods of irrigation, fertilizers and micronutrients application;
- Mulching practices, weed management;
- Use of plant growth substances in cool season vegetable crops;
- Study of nutritional and physiological disorders;
- Studies on hydroponics, aeroponics and other soil less culture;
- Identification of important pest and diseases and their control;
- Preparation of cropping schemes for commercial farms;
- Visit to commercial farm, greenhouse/polyhouses;
- Visit to vegetable market;
- Analysis of benefit to cost ratio.

- **Teaching Methods / Activities**

- Classroom lectures
- Assignment (written and speaking)
- Student presentation
- Hands on training of different procedures
- Group discussion

- **Learning outcome**

Aftersuccessfulcompletionofthiscourse,thestudentsareexpectedto:

- Appreciate the scope and scenario of cool season vegetable crops in India
- Acquire knowledge about the production technology and post-harvest handling of cool season vegetable crops
- Calculate the economics of vegetable production in India

- **Suggested Reading**

- Bose TK, Kabir J, Maity TK, Parthasarathy VA and Som MG. 2003. *Vegetable crops*. Vols. I-III. Naya dyog.
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Chadha KL and Kalloo G. (Eds.). 1993-94. *Advances in horticulture* Vols. V-X. Malhotra publ. house.
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Rubatzky VE and Yamaguchi M. (Eds.). 1997. *World vegetables: principles, production and nutritive values*. Chapman and Hall.

Saini GS. 2001. *A textbook of olericulture and floriculture*. Aman publishing house.

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Shanmugavelu KG. 1989. *Production technology of vegetable crops*. Oxford and IBH.
 Singh DK. 2007. *Modern vegetable varieties and production technology*. International book distributing Co.
 Singh SP. (Ed.). 1989. *Production technology of vegetable crops*. Agril. comm. res. centre. Thamburaj S and Singh N. (Eds.), 2004. *Vegetables, tuber crops and spices*.
 ICAR. Thompson H C and Kelly W C. (Eds.). 1978. *Vegetable crops*. Tata McGraw-Hill.

- **Course Title** : **Protected Cultivation of Vegetable Crop**

- **Course Code** : **HOR502**

- **Credit Hours** : **(2+1)**

- **Need of course?**

India is the second largest producer of vegetable crops in the world. However, its vegetable production is much less than the requirement, if a balanced diet is provided to every individual. There are different ways and means to achieve this target. Protected cultivation, which is the modification of the natural environment to achieve optimum plant growth. It is the most intensive form of crop production

with a yield per unit area up to ten times superior to that of a field crop. During winter under north-east Indian conditions, it is difficult to grow tomato, capsicum, cucurbits, french bean, amaranth, etc. in open field. However, various types of protected structures have been developed for growing some high value crops by

providing protection from the excessive cold. Production of off-season vegetable nurseries under protected structure has become a profitable business. The main purpose of raising nursery plants in protected structure is to get higher profit and disease free seedlings in off-season to raise early crop in protected and open field condition. The low cost polyhouse is economical for small and marginal farmers, who cannot afford huge cost of high-tech polyhouse. Besides supplying the local markets, the production of polyhouse vegetables is greatly valued for its export potential and plays an important role in the foreign trade balance of several national economies. The students of vegetable science need to have an understanding of protected cultivation of vegetable crops.

- **Objective of Course**

To impart latest knowledge about growing of vegetable crops under protected environmental conditions

The course is constructed given as under:

No. Block	Unit
• Protected cultivation of vegetable crops	I. Scope and importance II. Types of protected structure • Abiotic factors • Nursery raising • Cultivation of crops • Solutions to problems

- **Theory**

Unit I

Scope and importance- Concept, scope and importance of protected cultivation of vegetable crops; Principles, design, orientation of structure, low and high cost polyhouses/greenhouse structures.

Unit II

Types of protected structure- Classification and types of protected structures - greenhouse/polyhouses, plastic- non plastic low tunnels, plastic walk in tunnels, high roof tunnels with ventilation, insect proof

ethouses, shednethouses, rainshelters, NVP, climate control greenhouses, hydroponics and aeroponics; Soil and soilless media for bed preparation; Design and installation of drip irrigation and fertigation system.

Unit III

Abiotic factors-

Effect of environmental factors and manipulation of temperature, light, carbon dioxide, humidity, etc. on growth and yield of different vegetables.

Unit IV

Nursery raising- High tech vegetable nursery raising in protected structures using plugs and portrays, different media for growing nursery under protected cultivation; Nursery problems and management technologies including fertigation

Cultivation of crops- Regulation of flowering and fruiting in vegetable crops; Technology for raising tomato, sweet pepper, cucumber and other vegetables in protected structures, including varieties and hybrids, training, pruning and staking growing vegetables under protected structures.

Unit V

Solutions to problems- Problems of growing vegetables in protected structures and their remedies, physiological disorders, insect and disease management in protected structures; Use of protected structures for seed production; Economics of greenhouse crop production.

- **Practical**

- Study of various types of protected structures;
- Study of different methods to control temperature, carbon dioxide and light;
- Study of different types of growing media, training and pruning systems in greenhouse crops ;
- Study of fertigation and nutrient management under protected structures;
- Study of insect pests and diseases in greenhouse and its control;
- Use of protected structures in hybrid seed production of vegetables;
- Economics of protected cultivation (Any one crop);
- Visit to established green/poly houses/shade/nethouses in the region.

- **Teaching Methods/Activities**

- Classroom Lectures
- Assignment (written and speaking)
- Student presentation
- Hands on training of different procedures
- Group discussion

- **Learning outcome**

After successful completion of this course, the students are expected to:

- Appreciate the scope and scenario of protected cultivation of vegetable crops in India
- Acquire knowledge about the effect of abiotic factors on growth, flowering and production of vegetable crops
- Gain knowledge about the designing of various low cost protected structures
- Adopting the raising of vegetable seedlings in low cost protected structures as entrepreneur

- **Suggested Reading**

Chadha K L and Kalloo G. (Eds.). 1993-

94. *Advances in horticulture*. Malhotra Pub. House. Chandra S and Som V. 2000. *Cultivating vegetables in greenhouse*. Indian horticulture 45:17-18.

Kalloo G and Singh K. (Eds.). 2000. *Emerging scenario in vegetable research and development*. Research periodicals and Book publ. house.

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- **CourseTitle** : **Principles and Practices of Organic Farming**
- **CourseCode** : **HOR503**
- **CreditHours** : **2+1**
- **Objective of the course**
To study the principles and practices of organic farming for sustainable crop production.
- **Theory**

UnitI

Organic farming - concept and definition, its relevance to India and global agriculture and future prospects; principles of organic agriculture; organics and farming standards; organic farming and sustainable agriculture; selection and conversion of land, soil and water management - land use, conservation tillage; shelter zones, hedges, pasture management, agro-forestry.

UnitII

Organic farming and water use efficiency; soil fertility, nutrient recycling, organic residues, organic manures, composting, soil biota and decomposition of organic residues, earthworms and vermicompost, green manures, bio-fertilizers and biogas technology.

UnitIII

Farming systems, selection of crops and crop rotations, multiple and relay cropping systems, intercropping in relation to maintenance of soil productivity.

UnitIV

Control of weeds, diseases and insect pest management, biological agents and pheromones, bio-pesticides.

UnitV

Socio-economic impacts; marketing and export potential: inspection, certification, labeling and accreditation procedures; organic farming and national economy.

- **Practical**
 - Method of making compost by aerobic method
 - Method of making compost by anaerobic method
 - Method of making vermicompost
 - Identification and nursery raising of important agro-forestry trees and shrubs for shelter belts
 - Efficient use of biofertilizers, technique of treating legume seeds with *Rhizobium* cultures, use of *Azotobacter*, *Azospirillum*, and PSC cultures in field
 - Visit to a biogas plant
 - Visit to an organic farm
 - Quality standards, inspection, certification and labeling and accreditation procedures for farm produce from organic farms
- **Teaching methods/activities**
Classroom teaching with AV aids, group discussion, assignment, exposure visit
- **Learning outcome**
Basic knowledge on organic farming for sustainable agriculture and development
- **Suggested Reading**
 - Ananthakrishnan TN. (Ed.). 1992. *Emerging Trends in Biological Control of Phytophagous Insects*. Oxford & IBH.
 - Gaur A. 1982. *A Manual of Rural Composting*, FAO/UNDP Regional Project Document, FAO.

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- Rao BV Venkata. 1995. *Small Farmer Focused Integrated Rural Development: Socio-economic Environment and Legal Perspective*: Publ. 3, Parisaraprajna Parishatana, Bangalore.
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- Woolmer PL and Swift MJ. 1994. *The Biological Management of Tropical Soil Fertility*. TSBF & Wiley.

Course Title : Intellectual property and management In agriculture

Course Code : HOR504

Credit Hours : 1+0

Objective of Course

The main objective of this course is to equip students and stakeholders with knowledge of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) related protection systems, their significance and use of IPR as a tool for wealth and value creation in a knowledge-based economy.

Theory

Historical perspectives and need for the introduction of Intellectual Property Right regime; TRIPS and various provisions in TRIPS Agreement; Intellectual Property and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR), benefit of securing IPRs; Indian Legislations for the protection of various types of Intellectual Properties; Fundamentals of patents, copyrights, geographical indications, designs and layout, trade secrets and traditional knowledge, trademarks, protection of plant varieties and farmers' rights and biodiversity protection; Protectable subject matters, protection in biotechnology, protection of other biological materials, ownership and period of protection; National

Biodiversity protection initiatives; Convention on Biological Diversity; International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture; Licensing of technologies, Material transfer agreements, Research collaboration Agreement, License Agreement.

Suggested Readings

- Erbisch F and Maredia K. 1998. *Intellectual Property Rights in Agricultural Biotechnology*. CABI.
- Ganguli P. 2001. *Intellectual Property Rights: Unleashing Knowledge Economy*. McGraw-Hill.
- Intellectual Property Rights: Key to New Wealth Generation*. 2001. NRDCA and Aesthetic Technologies.
- Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India. 2004. *State of Indian Farmer*. Vol. V. Technology Generation and IPR Issues. Academic Foundation.
- Rothschild M and Scott N. (Ed.). 2003. *Intellectual Property Rights in Animal Breeding and Genetics*. CABI.
- Saha R. (Ed.). 2006. *Intellectual Property Rights in NAM and Other Developing Countries: A Compendium on Law and Policies*. Daya Publ. House.

The Indian Acts - Patents Act, 1970 and amendments; Design Act, 2000; Trademarks Act, 1999; The Copyright Act, 1957 and amendments; Layout Design Act, 2000; PP Vand FRA Act 2001, and Rules 2003; The Biological Diversity Act, 2002.

I. Course Title : Experimental Designs

II. Course Code : HOR505

III. Credit Hours : 2+1**IV. Need of the course**

This course is meant for students of agricultural and animal sciences other than Agricultural Statistics. Designing an experiment is an integrated component of research in almost all sciences. The students would be exposed to concepts of Design of Experiments so as to enable them to understand the concepts involved in planning, designing their experiments and analysis of experimental data.

V. Theory**Unit I**

Need for designing of experiments, characteristics of a good design. Basic principles of designs- randomization, replication and local control.

Unit II

Uniformity trials, size and shape of plots and blocks, Analysis of variance, Completely randomized design, randomized block design and Latin square design.

Unit III

Factorial experiments, (symmetrical as well as asymmetrical), orthogonality and partitioning of degrees of freedom. Concept of confounding.

Unit IV

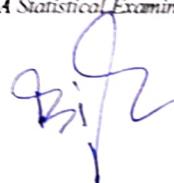
Split plot and strip plot designs, analysis of covariance and missing plot techniques in randomized block and Latin square designs; Transformations, Balanced Incomplete Block Design, resolvable designs and their applications, Lattice design, alpha design - concepts, randomization procedure, analysis and interpretation of results. Response surfaces. Combined analysis.

VI. Practical

- Uniformity trial data analysis, formation of plots and blocks, Fairfield Smith Law, Analysis of data obtained from CRD, RBD, LSD, Analysis of factorial experiments,
- Analysis with missing data,
- Split plot and strip plot designs.

VII. Suggested Reading

- Cochran WG and Cox GM. 1957. *Experimental Designs*. 2nd Ed. John Wiley.
- Dean AM and Voss D. 1999. *Design and Analysis of Experiments*. Springer.
- Montgomery DC. 2012. *Design and Analysis of Experiments*, 8th Ed. John Wiley.
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- Fisher RA. 1953. *Design and Analysis of Experiments*. Oliver & Boyd.
- Nigam AK and Gupta VK. 1979. *Handbook on Analysis of Agricultural Experiments*. IASRI Publ.
- Pearce SC. 1983. *The Agricultural Field Experiment: A Statistical Examination of Theory and Practice*. John Wiley.



SECOND SEMESTER

- **CourseTitle** :ProductionofWarmSeasonVegetableCrops
- **CourseCode** :HOR 506
- **CreditHours** :(2+1)
- **Need of thecourse?**

Unlike cool-season vegetables, warm-season vegetable crops require higher soil and air temperature, thus, they are always planted after the last frost date ranging from late spring after the last frost date to late summer. Daytime temperature may still be warm enough but drop so much at night-time that the weather is not suitable for warm-season crops any longer. In general, summer vegetables require a little higher temperature than winter vegetables for optimum growth. In summer vegetables, the edible portion is mostly botanical fruit. The students of vegetable science need to have an understanding of production technology of important warm season vegetable crops and thereafter their management.

- **Objectofthecourse**

To impart knowledge and skills on advancement in production technology of warm season vegetable crops

The course is constructed given as under:

No.	Block	Unit
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- Production of warm season vegetable
 - 1. Fruit vegetable crops
 - 2. Beans
 - Cucurbits
 - Tubercrops
 - Leafy vegetables

- **Theory**

Introduction, commercial and nutritional importance, origin and distribution, botany and taxonomy, area, production, productivity and constraints, soil



requirements, climatic factors for yield and quality, commercial varieties/hybrids, seed rate and

seed treatment, raising of nursery including grafting technique, sowing/planting time and methods, precision farming, cropping system, nutritional including micronutrients and irrigation requirements, intercultural operations, special horticultural practices namely hydroponics, aeroponics, weed control, mulching, role of plant growth regulators, physiological disorders, maturity indices, harvesting, yield, post-harvest management (grading, packaging and marking), pest and disease management and economics of crops.

UnitI

Fruit vegetables—Tomato, brinjal, hot pepper, sweet pepper and okra.

UnitII

Beans—French bean, Indian bean (Sem), cluster bean and cowpea.

UnitIII

Cucurbits—Cucumber, melons, gourds, pumpkin and squashes.

UnitIV

Tuber crops—Sweet potato, elephant foot yam, tapioca, taro and yam.

UnitV

Leafy vegetables—Amaranth and drumstick.

Practical

- Scientific raising of nursery and seed treatment;
- Sowing, transplanting, vegetable grafting;
- Description of commercial varieties and hybrids;
- Demonstration on methods of irrigation, fertilizers and micronutrients application;
- Mulching practices, weed management;
- Use of plant growth substances in warm season vegetable crops;
- Study of nutritional and physiological disorders;
- Studies on hydroponics, aeroponics and other soil less culture;
- Identification of important pests and diseases and their control;
- Preparation of cropping schemes for commercial farms;
- Visit to commercial farm, greenhouse/polyhouses;
- Visit to vegetable market;
- Analysis of benefit to cost ratio.

Teaching Methods/Activities

- Classroom Lectures
- Assignment (written and speaking)
- Student presentation
- Hands on training of different procedures
- Group discussion

Learning outcome

After successful completion of this course, the students are expected to:

- Appreciate the scope and scenario of warm season vegetable crops in India
- Acquire knowledge about the production technology and post-harvest handling of warm season vegetable crops
- Calculate the economics of vegetable production in India

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- **Course Title :Seed Production of Vegetable Crops**

- **Course Code :HOR507**

- **Credit Hours :(2+1)**

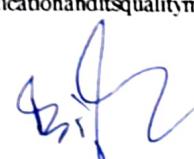
- **Need of the course?**

Enhancing yield and quality of vegetable crops depends upon a number of factors. The inputs like fertilizers, irrigation and plant protection measures and suitable agronomic practices contribute greatly towards improving yield and quality of the vegetable produce. If good quality seed is not used, the full benefits of such inputs and agronomic practices cannot be realized. The use of high quality seed thus, plays a pivotal role in the production of vegetable crops. It is, therefore, important to use the seed conforming to the prescribed standards. A good quality seed should have high genetic and physical purity, proper moisture content and good germination. It should also be free from seed borne diseases and weed seeds. The quality of the produce will deteriorate if these factors are overlooked. Outcrossing, physical admixtures and mutations are the prime factors responsible for the deterioration of seed quality. A variety could be saved from deterioration if proper checks are made at different stages of seed multiplication. It is also extremely important to maintain high genetic purity of a variety. The students of vegetable science need to have an understanding of seed production technology of vegetable crops and their essential processing before supplying them to the market or further use.

- **Object of the course**

To impart a comprehensive knowledge and skills on quality seed production of vegetable crops. The course is constructed given as under:

No. Block	Unit
• Seed production of vegetable crops	I. Introduction, history, propagation and reproduction • Agro-climate and methods of seed production • Seed multiplication and its quality maintenance



- Seed harvesting, extraction and its processing
- Improved agro-techniques and field and seed standards

- **Theory**

Unit I

Introduction, history, propagation and reproduction— Introduction, definition of seed and its quality, seed morphology, development and maturation; Apomixis and fertilization; Modes of propagation and reproductive behaviour; Pollination mechanisms and sex forms in vegetables; History of vegetable seed production; Status and share of vegetable seeds in seed industry

Unit II

Agro-climate and methods of seed production— Agro-climate and its influence on quality seed production; Deterioration of crop varieties, genetic and agronomic principles of vegetable seed production; Methods of seed production, hybrid seeds and techniques of large scale hybrid seed production; Seed village concept

Unit III

Seed multiplication and its quality maintenance— Seed multiplication ratios and replacement rates in vegetables; Generation system of seed multiplication; Maintenance and production of nucleus, breeder, foundation, certified/truthful lab else seeds; Seed quality and mechanisms of genetic purity testing

Unit IV

Seed harvesting, extraction and its processing— Maturity standards; Seed harvesting, curing and extraction; Seed processing, viz., cleaning, drying and treatment of seeds, seed health and quality enhancement, packaging and marketing; Principles of seed storage; Orthodox and recalcitrant seeds; Seed dormancy

Unit V

Improved agro-techniques and field and seed standards— Improved agro-techniques; Field and seed standards in important solanaceous, leguminous and cucurbitaceous vegetables, cole crops, leafy vegetables, bulbous and root crops and okra; clonal propagation and multiplication in vegetative propagated crops; Seed plot technique and true potato seed production in potato

Practical

- Study of floral biology and pollination mechanisms in vegetables;
- Determination of modes of pollination;
- Field and seed standards;
- Use of pollination control mechanisms in hybrid seed production of important vegetables;
- Maturity standards and seed extraction methods;
- Seed sampling and testing;
- Visit to commercial seed production areas;
- Visit to seed processing plant;
- Visit to seed testing laboratories.

Teaching Methods/Activities

- Classroom Lectures
- Assignment (written and speaking)
- Student presentation
- Hands on training of different procedures
- Group discussion

Learning outcome

After successful completion of this course, the students are expected to:

- Appreciate the scope and scenario of seed production of vegetable crops in India

- Acquire knowledge about the complete seed production technology, extraction and post-extraction processing of vegetable seeds
- Adoption of seed production of vegetable crops as entrepreneur

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• **Course Title** : Conservation Agriculture

• **Course Code** : HOR508

• **Credit Hours** : 1+1

• **Need of the course**

To impart knowledge of conservation of agriculture for economic development.

• **Theory**

Unit I

Conventional and conservation agriculture systems, sustainability concerns, conservation agriculture: Historical background and present concept, global experiences, present status in India.

Unit II

Nutrient management in CA, water management, weed management, energy use, insect-pest and disease management, farm machinery, crop residue management, cover crop management.

Unit III

Climate change mitigation and CA, C-sequestration, soil health management, soil microbes and CA.

Unit IV

CA in agroforestry systems, rainfed/dryland regions

Unit V

Economic considerations in CA, adoption and constraints, CA: The future of agriculture

- **Practicals**
 - Study of long-term experiments on CA.
 - Evaluation of soil health parameters,
 - Estimation of C-sequestration,
 - Machinery calibration for sowing different crops, weed seed bank estimation under CA, energy requirements, economic analysis of CA.
- **Teaching methods/activities**
Classroom teaching with AV aids, group discussion, oral presentation by students.
- **Learning outcome**
Experience on the knowledge of various types of conservation of agriculture.
- **Suggested Reading**
 - Arakeri HR and Roy D. 1984. *Principles of Soil Conservation and Water Management*. Oxford & IBH.
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- **Course Title** : Basic concepts in laboratory techniques
- **Course Code** : HOR509
- **Credit Hours** : 0+1

Objective

To acquaint the students about the basics of commonly used techniques in laboratory.

Practical

- Safety measures while in Lab;
- Handling of chemicals/substances;
- Use of burettes, pipettes, measuring cylinders, flasks, separatory funnel, condensers, micro pipettes and vacupets;
- Washing, drying and sterilization of glassware;
- Drying of solvents/chemicals;
- Weighing and preparation of solutions of different strengths and their dilution;
- Handling techniques of solutions;
- Preparation of different agro-chemical doses in field and pot applications;
- Preparation of solutions of acids;
- Neutralisation of acid and bases;
- Preparation of buffers of different strengths and pH values;
- Use and handling of microscope, laminar flow, vacuum pumps, viscometer, thermometer, magnetic stirrer, micro-ovens, incubators, sand bath, water bath, oil bath;
- Electric wiring and earthing;
- Preparation of media and methods of sterilization;
- Seed viability testing, testing of pollen viability;
- Tissue culture of crop plants;
- Description of flowering plants in botanical terms in relation to taxonomy.

Suggested Readings

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I. Course Title : Information Technology in Agriculture**II. Course Code : HOR510****III. Credit Hours :1+1****IV. Need of the course**

This is a course on Introduction to Networking and Internet Applications that aims at exposing the students to understand analogy of computer, basic knowledge of MS Office. Also to understand Internet and WWW, use of IT application and different IT tools in Agriculture

V. Theory**Unit I**

Introduction to Computers, Anatomy of computer, Operating Systems, definition and types. Applications of MS Office for document creation & Editing, Data presentation, interpretation and graph creation, statistical analysis, mathematical expressions,

Unit II

Database, concepts and types, uses of DBMS in Agriculture, World Wide Web Statistical Sciences: Computer Application

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(WWW). Concepts and components, Introduction to computer programming languages, concepts and standard input/output operations. e-Agriculture, concepts and applications.

Unit III

Use of ICT in Agriculture, Computer Models for understanding plant processes. IT application for computation of water and nutrient requirement of crops. Computercontrolled devices (automated systems) for Agri-input management, Smartphone Apps in Agriculture for farm advises, market price, postharvest management etc.,

Unit IV

Geospatial technology for generating valuable agri-information. Decision support systems, concepts, components and applications in Agriculture, Agriculture Expert System, Soil Information Systems etc. for supporting Farm decisions, Preparation of contingent crop-planning using IT tools.

VI. Suggested Reading

- Vanitha G 2011. *Agro-informatics*
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THIRD SEMESTER

- **CourseTitle** :GrowthandDevelopmentofVegetableCrops
- **CourseCode** :HOR511
- **CreditHours** :(2+1)
- **Need of thecourse?**

In agriculture, the term plant growth and development is often substituted with crop growth and yield since agriculture is mainly concerned with crops and their economic products.

Growth, which is irreversible quantitative increase in size, mass, and/or volume of a plant or its parts, occurs with an expenditure of metabolic energy. Plant development is an overall term, which refers to various changes that occur during its life cycle. In vegetable crops, development is a series of processes from the initiation of growth to death of a plant or its parts. Growth and development are sometimes used interchangeably in conversation, but in a botanical sense, they describe separate events in the organization of the mature plant body. The students of vegetable science need to have an understanding of growth and development of vegetable crops.

- **Objective of the course**

To teach the physiology of growth and development of vegetable crops

No. Block	Unit
• Growth and development of phytohormones in vegetable crops	1. Introduction and 2. Physiology of dormancy and germination
	• Abiotic factors
	• Fruit physiology
	• Morphogenesis and tissue culture
• Theory	
Unit I	
<i>Introduction and phytohormones—</i>	
Definition of growth and development; Cellular structures and their functions; Physiology of phytohormones functioning/biosynthesis and mode of action; Growth analysis and its importance in vegetable production.	
Unit II	
<i>Physiology of dormancy and germination—</i>	
Physiology of dormancy and germination of vegetable seeds, tubers and bulbs; Role of auxins, gibberellins, cytokinins and abscisic acid; Application of synthetic PGRs including plant growth retardants and inhibitors for various purposes in vegetable crops; Role and mode of action of morphactins, antitranspirants, anti-auxin, ripening retardant and plant stimulants in vegetable crop production.	
Unit III	
<i>Abiotic factors—</i>	
Impact of light, temperature, photoperiod, carbon dioxide, oxygen and other gases on growth, development of underground parts, flowering and sex expression in vegetable crops; Apical dominance.	
Unit IV	
<i>Fruit physiology—</i> Physiology of fruit set, fruit development, fruit growth, flower and fruit drop; parthenocarpy in vegetable crops; phototropism, ethylene inhibitors, senescence and abscission; fruit ripening and physiological changes associated with ripening.	
Unit V	
<i>Morphogenesis and tissue culture—</i> Morphogenesis and tissue culture techniques in vegetable crops; Grafting techniques in different vegetable crops.	
• Practical	
• Preparation of plant growth regulator's solutions and their application;	
• Experiments in breaking and induction of dormancy by chemicals;	
• Induction of parthenocarpy and fruit ripening;	
• Application of plant growth substances for improving flower initiation, changing sex expression in cucurbits and checking flower and fruit drops and improving fruit set in solanaceous vegetables;	
• Growth analysis techniques in vegetable crops;	

- Grafting techniques in tomato, brinjal, cucumber and sweet pepper.

Teaching Methods / Activities

- Classroom Lectures
- Assignment (written and speaking)

- Student presentation
- Hands on training of different procedure
- Group discussion

Learning outcome

After successful completion of this course, the students are expected to:

- Acquire knowledge about the growth and development of plants in vegetable crops
- Distinguish between primary and secondary growth in plant stems
- Understand how hormones affect the growth and development of vegetable crops

Suggested Reading

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- **Course Title** : Postharvest Management of Vegetable Crops

- **Course Code** : HOR512

- **Credit Hours** : (2+1)

- **Need of the course?**

Vegetables are highly perishable crops as they have great quantity and quality loss after harvest. Hence, they require integrated approach to arrest their spoilage, which causes tones of vegetable produce annually. Lack of postharvest awareness and inadequacy of equipment's are the major problems in postharvest chain, which lead to a serious post-harvest loss in the developing countries every year. A comprehensive understanding of postharvest factors causing deterioration is necessary to overcome these challenges. Pre and postharvest management such as use of improved varieties, good cultural practices, good pre and postharvest handling practices, management of temperature, relative humidity and storage atmosphere according to crop requirement, use of permitted chemicals, design of appropriate packaging material and storage structures are some of the control measures used in reducing postharvest losses, therefore, this course was customized.

- **Objective of the course**

To facilitate deeper understanding of principles and to acquaint the student with proper handling and management technologies of vegetable crops for minimizing the post-harvest losses

The course is organized as follows:

No. Blocks	Units
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- Post-harvest management of

- 1 Importance and scope

• **Theory**

UnitI

Importance and scope—Importance and scope of post-harvest management of vegetables

UnitII

Maturity indices and biochemistry—Maturity indices and standards for different vegetables; Methods of maturity determination; Biochemistry of maturity and ripening; Enzymatic and textural changes; Ethylene evolution and ethylene management; Respiration and transpiration along with their regulation methods

UnitIII

Harvesting and losses factors—Harvesting tools and practices for specific market requirement; Postharvest physical and biochemical changes; Preharvest practices and other factors affecting postharvest losses

Packinghouse operations—Packinghouse operations; Commodity pretreatments chemicals, wax coating, precooling and irradiation; Packaging of vegetables, prevention from infestation, management of postharvest diseases and principles of transportation

UnitV

Methods of storage—Ventilated, refrigerated, modified atmosphere and controlled atmosphere storage, hypobaric storage and cold storage; Zero-energy cool chamber, storage disorders like chilling injury in vegetables

• **Practical**

- Studies on stages and maturing indices;
- Ripening of commercially important vegetable crops;
- Studies of harvesting, pre-cooling, pre-treatments, physiological disorders-chilling injury;
- Improved packaging;
- Use of chemicals for ripening and enhancing shelf life of vegetables;
- Physiological loss in weight, estimation of transpiration, respiration rate and ethylene release;
- Storage of important vegetables;
- Cold chain management;
- Visit to commercial packing house, cold storage and control atmosphere storage.

• **Teaching Methods/Activities**

- Classroom lectures including ppt.
- Students group discussion
- Individual or group assignments (writing and speaking)
- Presentation of practical handwork

• **Learning outcome**

After successful completion of this course, the students are expected to be able to understand:

- Regulation of postharvest losses by using chemicals and growth regulators
- Pre and postharvest treatments for extending shelf life of vegetable crops
- Packing house operations for extending the shelf life of vegetable crops
- Successful storage of vegetable crops

• **Suggested Reading**

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- **CourseTitle** : Dryland Farming and Watershed Management
- **CourseCode.** : HOR513
- **CreditHours** : 2+1

- **Objectiveofthecourse**

To teach the basic concepts and practice of dryland farming and soil moisture conservation.

- **Theory**

UnitI

Definition, concept and characteristics of dryland farming; dryland versus rainfed farming; significance and dimensions of dryland farming in Indian agriculture.

UnitII

Soil and climatic parameters with special emphasis on rainfall characteristics; constraints limiting crop production in dryland areas; types of drought, characterization of environment for water availability; crop planning for erratic and aberrant weather conditions.

UnitIII

Stress physiology and resistance to drought, adaptation of crop plants to drought,

drought management strategies; preparation of appropriate crop plans for dry land areas; mid-contingent plan for aberrant weather conditions.

UnitIV

Tillage, tilth, frequency and depth of cultivation, compaction in soil tillage; concept of conservation tillage; tillage in relation to weed control and moisture conservation; te

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- **CreditHours** : 2+1
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drought management strategies; preparation of appropriate crop plans for dry land areas; mid-contingent plan for aberrant weather conditions.

UnitIV
Tillage, tilth, frequency and depth of cultivation, compaction in soil tillage; concept of conservation tillage; tillage in relation to weed control and moisture conservation; te

chniques and practices of soil moisture conservation (use of mulches, kinds, effectiveness and economics); antitranspirants; soil and crop management techniques, seeding and efficient fertilizer use.

UnitV

Concept of watershed resource management, problems, approach and components.

- **Practical**

- Method of Seed Priming
- Determination of moisture content of germination of important dryland crops
- Determination of Relative Water Content and Saturation Deficit of Leaf
- Moisture stress effects and recovery behaviour of important crops
- Estimation of Potential ET by Thornthwaite method
- Estimation of Reference ET by Penman Monteith Method
- Classification of climate by Thornthwaite method (based on moisture index, humidity index and aridity index)
- Classification of climate by Koppen Method
- Estimation of water balance by Thornthwaite method
- Estimation of water balance by FAO method
- Assessment of drought
- Estimation of length of growing period
- Estimation of probability of rain and crop planning for different drought condition
- Spray of anti-transpirants and their effect on crops
- Water use efficiency
- Visit to dryland research stations and watershed projects

- **Teaching methods/activities**

Classroom teaching with AV aids, group discussion, assignment.

- **Learning outcome**

Basic knowledge on dryland farming and soil moisture conservation.

- **Suggested Reading**

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- Das NR. 2007. *Tillage and Crop Production*. Scientific Publ.
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Course Title : Technical writing and communications skills

Course Code : HOR514

Credit Hours : 0+1

Objective

To equip the students/ scholars with skills to write dissertations, research papers, etc. To equip the students/ scholars with skills to communicate and articulate in English (verbal as well as writing).

Practical (Technical Writing)

- Various forms of scientific writings- theses, technical papers, reviews, manuals, etc.;

- Various parts of thesis and research communications (title page, authorship contents page, preface, introduction, review of literature, material and methods, experimental results and discussion);
- Writing of abstracts, summaries, précis, citations, etc.;

- Commonly used abbreviations in the theses and research communications;
- Illustrations, photographs and drawings with suitable captions; pagination, numbering of tables and illustrations;
- Writing of numbers and dates in scientific write-ups;
- Editing and proof-reading;
- Writing of a review article;
- Communication Skills-Grammar (Tenses, parts of speech, clauses, punctuation marks);
- Error analysis (Common errors), Concord, Collocation, Phonetics symbols and transcription;
- Accentual pattern: Weak forms in connected speech;
- Participation in group discussion;
- Facing an interview;
- Presentation of scientific papers.

Suggested Readings

- Barnes and Noble. Robert C. (Ed.). 2005. *Spoken English: Flourish Your Language*.
- Chicago Manual of Style. 14th Ed. 1996. Prentice Hall of India.
- Collins Cobuild English Dictionary. 1995.
- Harper Collins. Gordon HM and Walter JA. 1970. *Technical Writing*. 3rd Ed.
- Holt, Rinehart and Winston. Hornby AS. 2000. *Comprehensive Advanced Learner's Dictionary of Current English*. 6th Ed. Oxford University Press.
- James HS. 1994. *Handbook for Technical Writing*. NTC Business Books.
- Joseph G. 2000. *MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers*. 5th Ed. Affiliated East-West Press.
- Mohan K. 2005. *Speaking English Effectively*. MacMillan India.
- Richard WS. 1969. *Technical Writing*.
- Sethi J and Dhamija PV. 2004. *Course in Phonetics and Spoken English*. 2nd Ed. Prentice Hall of India.
- Wren PC and Martin H. 2006. *High School English Grammar and Composition*. S. Chand & Co.

Course Title programmes	:Agricultural research, research ethics and rural development
Course Code	:HOR515
Credit Hours	:1+0

Objective

To enlighten the students about the organization and functioning of agricultural research systems at national and international levels, research ethics, and rural development programmes and policies of Government.

Theory

UNIT I History of agriculture in brief; Global agricultural research system: need, scope, opportunities; Role in promoting food security, reducing poverty and protecting the environment; National Agricultural Research Systems (NARS) and Regional Agricultural Research Institutions; Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR); International Agricultural Research Centres (IARC), partnership with NARS, role as a partner in the global agricultural research system, strengthening capacities at national and regional levels; International fellowships for scientific mobility.



UNIT II Research ethics: research integrity, research safety in laboratories, welfare of animals used in research, computer ethics, standards and problems in research ethics.

UNIT III Concept and connotations of rural development, rural development policies and strategies. Rural development programmes: Community Development Programme, Intensive Agricultural District Programme, Special group-Area Specific Programme, Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) Panchayati Raj Institutions, Co-operatives, Voluntary Agencies/ Non-Governmental Organisations. Critical evaluation of rural development policies and programmes. Constraints in implementation of rural policies and programmes.

Suggested Readings

- Bhalla GS and Singh G. 2001. *Indian Agriculture - Four Decades of Development*. Sage Publ.
- Punia MS. *Manual on International Research and Research Ethics*. CCS Haryana Agricultural University, Hisar.
- Rao BSV. 2007. *Rural Development Strategies and Role of Institutions - Issues, Innovations and Initiatives*. Mittal Publ.
- Singh K. 1998. *Rural Development - Principles, Policies and Management*. Sage Publ.

FOURTH SEMESTER

- Course Title : Principles of Vegetable Breeding
- Course Code : HOR516
- Credit Hours : (2+1)
- Need of the course?



Plant breeding has been practiced for thousands of years, since beginning of humancivilization. Vegetablebreeding,whichisanartandscienceofchangingthetraitsofplantsinordertoproducedesiredtraits,hasbeenusedtoimprovethequalityof nutrition in products for human beings. A breeding programme, which is neededifcurrentvarietiesarenotproducinguptothecapacityoftheenvironment,canbe accomplished through many different techniques ranging from simply selectingplants with desirable characteristics, make use of knowledge of genetics and chromosomestomorecomplexmoleculartechniques.Whendifferentgenotypes exhibit differential responses to different sets of environmental conditions, a genotype x environment ($G \times E$) interaction is said to occur. Breeding high yieldingopenpollinatedvarietiesandhybrids,andexploitationofflocationspecificcomponent of genotypic performance are the only options left to reduce this increasing gapbetween the production and requirements in view of decreasing land resources. Nevertheless, vegetable breeding is an integral part of plant breeding but this willbe re-modeled to suit to breeding of different vegetables crops. The students ofvegetablesciencewhoarehavingbreedingasmajorsubjectneedtohaveanunderstandingof vegetablebreedingprinciples.

- Objectiveofthecourse**

To teach basic principles and practices of vegetable breeding

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- Principles of vegetable breeding

Unit

- I. Importance and history
- Selection procedures
- Heterosis breeding
- Mutation breeding
- Polyploid breeding
- Ideotype breeding

- Theory**

UnitI

Importance and history- Importance, history and evolutionary aspects of vegetable breeding and its variation from cereal crop breeding.

UnitII

Selection procedures- Techniques of selfing and crossing; Breeding systems and methods; Selection procedures and hybridization; Genetic architecture; Breeding for biotic stress (diseases, insect pests and nematode), abiotic stress (temperature, moisture and salt) resistance and quality improvement; Breeding for water use efficiency (WUE) and nutrients use efficiency (NUE).

UnitIII

Heterosis breeding- Types, mechanisms and basis of heterosis, facilitating mechanisms like male sterility, self-incompatibility and sex forms.

UnitIV

Mutation and Polyploidy breeding; Improvement of asexually propagated vegetable crops and vegetables suitable for protected environment.

UnitV

Ideotype breeding- Ideotype breeding; varietal release procedure; DUS testing in vegetable crops; Application of *In-vitro* and molecular techniques in vegetable improvement.

- Practical**

- Floral biology and pollination behaviour of different vegetables;

- Techniques of selfing and crossing of different vegetables, viz., Cole crops, okra, cucurbits, to mato, eggplant, hot pepper, etc.;
- Breeding system and handling of filial generations of different vegetables;
- Exposure to biotechnological lab practices;
- Visit to breeding farms.

Teaching Methods / Activities

- Classroom Lectures
- Assignment (written and speaking)
- Student presentation
- Hands on training of different procedures
- Group discussion

Aftersuccessfulcompletionofthiscourse,thestudentsareexpectedto:

- Acquire knowledge about the principles of vegetable breeding
- Improve yield, quality, abiotic and biotic resistance, other important traits of vegetable crop
- Understand how the basic principles are important to start breeding of vegetable crops

X. Suggested Reading

- Allard RW. 1960. *Principle of plant breeding*. John Wiley and Sons, USA. Kalloo G. 1988. *Vegetable breeding* (Vol. I, II, III). CRC Press, FL, USA.
- Kole CR. 2007. *Genome mapping and molecular breeding in plants - vegetables*. Springer, USA. Peter KV and Pradeep Kumar T. 1998. *Genetics and breeding of vegetables*. ICA R, New Delhi, p. 488.
- Prohens J and Nuez F. 2007. *Handbook of plant breeding - vegetables* (Volland II). Springer, USA.
- Singh BD. 2007. *Plant breeding - principles and methods* (8th edn.). Kalyani Publishers, New Delhi.
- Singh Ram J. 2007. *Genetic resources, chromosome engineering, and crop improvement - vegetable crops* (Vol. 3). CRC Press, FL, USA.

I. Course Title : Library and information services

II. Course Code : HOR 517

III. Credit Hours : (0+1)

Objective

To equip the library users with skills to trace information from libraries efficiently, to apprise the user of information and knowledge resources, to carry out literature survey, to formulate information search strategies, and to use modern tools (Internet, OPAC, search engines, etc.) of information search.

Practical

Introduction to library and its services; Role of libraries in education, research and technology transfer; Classification systems and organization of library; Sources of information - Primary Sources, Secondary Sources and Tertiary Sources; Intricacies of abstracting and indexing services (Science Citation Index, Biological Abstracts, Chemical Abstracts, CAB Abstracts, etc.); Tracing information from reference sources; Literature survey; Citation techniques / Preparation of bibliography; Use of CD-ROM Databases, Online Public Access Catalogue and other computerized library services; Use of Internet including search engines and its resources; e-resources access methods.

Seminar 0+1

Thesis Research 30

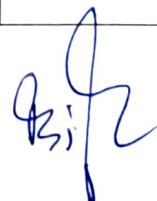


1 st Semester						Evaluation Marks
Code No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Mid Term	End Term	Practical	Total
HOR501	Tropical Fruit Production	2+1	25	50	25	100
HOR502	Nutrition Of Fruit Crops	2+1	25	50	25	100
HOR503	Principles and practices of organic farming	2+1	25	50	25	100
HOR504	Intellectual property and its management in agriculture	1+0	25	50	25	100
HOR505	Experimental designs	2+1	25	50	25	100
Total Credits		13				-

2 nd Semester						Evaluation Marks
Code No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Mid Term	End Term	Practical	Total
HOR506	Sub-Tropical and Temperate Fruit Production	2+1	25	50	25	100
HOR507	Canopy Management in Fruit Crops	2+1	25	50	25	100
HOR508	Conservation agriculture	1+1	25	50	25	100
HOR509	Information technology in agriculture	1+1	25	50	25	100
HOR510	Basic concepts in laboratory techniques	0+1	25	50	25	100
Total Credits		11				-

3 rd Semester						Evaluation Marks
Code No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Mid Term	End Term	Practical	Total
HOR511	Propogation and Nursery Management Of Fruit Crops	2+1	25	50	25	100
HOR512	Export Oriented Fruit Production	2+1	25	50	25	100
HOR513	Dry land farming and water shed management	2+1	25	50	25	100
HOR514	Technical writing and communication skills	0+1	25	50	25	100
HOR515	Agricultural research, Research ethics and rural development programs	1+0	25	50	25	100
Total Credits		11				-

4 th Semester						Evaluation Marks
Code No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Mid Term	End Term	Practical	Total
HOR516	Breeding Of Fruit Crops	2+1	25	50	25	100
HOR517	Library and information services	1+0	25	50	25	100
HOR518	Seminar	1				
HOR519	Thesis research	30				
Total Credits		35				-
Total Semester Credit Hours		70				



Preamble

(FruitScience)

India is one of the top ranking fruit producing countries in the world. It is evident from current estimates that India is producing to the tune of 100 million metric tonnes on annual basis with average productivity of 14-15 tonnes per hectare. Diverse and peculiar agro-ecological conditions prevalent in the country lays down a suitable platform to grow wide range of tropical, subtropical and temperate fruits including nuts. Given the statistics, India is the largest producer of fruits like mango, banana, papaya and pomegranate achieving highest productivity in grape, banana and papaya on the global scenario. Several fruits like mango, banana, grapes, etc. are being exported besides several others have untapped export potential to earn foreign exchange. On the whole, horticulture contributes about 30 per cent to GDP of agriculture, with major contributions coming from cultivation and processing of fruits and nuts. It is worth mentioning that fruit production occupies a special role in today's multi-faceted agriculture.

Per capita consumption of fruits have increased significantly owing to consumer awareness for healthy food rich in vitamins, minerals and antioxidants coupled with enhanced levels of productivity leading to increased availability. Fruit production has witnessed tremendous developments owing to systematic research efforts in the last few decades. Notable examples are making available quality planting material including rootstocks through genetic improvement and efficient propagation protocols; judicious and integrated use of water and nutrients through micro-irrigation approaches; biotic and abiotic stress management practices; high density planting systems; crop regulation and pre-and post-harvest management.

The above mentioned wide ranging advancements in the field of fruit science necessitate their precise inclusion in the course curricula for delivering and assuring quality education in an updated manner. This specifically aims to develop an especially trained cadre of human resource equipped with holistic and updated knowledge in fruit science. Thus, the various courses developed constitute the State-of-Art framework of modern practices in fruit production and orchard management. The course design lays requisite emphasis on skill development in addition to addressing the educational requirements of the post-graduate students *vis-a-vis* latest know-how. Course contents have been framed to encompass various related fields like physiology, biochemistry, genetic and molecular biology to draw better insight and understanding into the different mechanisms underlying sustainable fruit production systems.

In short, course restructuring can be viewed as a comprehensive package drawing deeper insight into cultural and management practices extending from superior cultivars/ rootstocks, planting systems, propagation methods, training and pruning, orchard floor management, plant protection measures, crop regulation, maturation and harvesting. The existing courses have been redesigned to include technological interventions, molecular approaches and hi-tech innovations made in the last decade or so. Courses have been added on Systematics, Nutrition, Research Ethics and Methodologies, Smart Fruit Production to broaden the student's reach of understanding of principles and modern trends in fruit growing.

