

HORTICULTURE

M.Sc Syllabus

Code	Course title	Credits	Semester
Major courses			
Fruit Science			
HOR-PG-C501	Production Technology of Fruit Crops	4	II
HOR-PG-C502	Biodiversity, Conservation and Post-Harvest Management of Fruit Crops	4	III
HOR-PG-C503	Breeding of Fruit Crops	4	II
HOR-PG-C504	Production Technology and Breeding of Fruits Crops - Practical	4	II
HOR-PG-C505	Post-Harvest Management and Biodiversity and Conservation of Fruits - Practical	4	III
Vegetable Science			
HOR-PG-C511	Production of Warm Season Vegetables and Underexploited	4	II
HOR-PG-C512	Production of Cool Season Vegetables and under Exploited Crops	4	III
HOR-PG-C513	Breeding and Seed Production of Vegetable Crops	4	II
HOR-PG-C514	Production, Breeding and Seed Production of Warm Season Vegetable Crops- Practical	4	II
HOR-PG-C515	Production, Breeding and Seed Production of Cool Season Vegetable Crops- Practical	4	III
Floriculture			
HOR-PG-C521	Breeding and Seed production of Ornamental and Flower	4	II
HOR-PG-C522	Production Technology of Cut and Loose Flowers Crops	4	II
HOR-PG-C523	Ornamental Gardening and Landscape Design	4	III
HOR-PG -C524	Production, Breeding and Seed production of Ornamental and Commercial Flower Crops - Practical	4	II
HOR-PG-C525	Ornamental Gardening and Landscape Design-	4	III
Plantation, Spices Medicinal and Aromatic plants			
HOR-PG-C531	Production and Breeding of Plantation Crops	4	II
HOR-PG-C532	Production and Breeding of Spices Crops	4	II
HOR-PG-C533	Production and Breeding of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants	4	III
HOR-PG-C534	Production and Breeding of Plantation and Spice crops-	4	II
HOR-PG-C535	Production and Breeding of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants-Practical	4	III
Minor Courses			
HOR-PG-C541	Principles of Plant Physiology	4	II

HOR-PG-C542	Plant Protection for Horticultural Crops	4	II
HOR-PG-C543	Principles of Plant Physiology - Practical	4	II
HOR-PG-C544	Plant Protection for Horticultural Crops- Practical	4	II
	Any open course offered in other department relevant to the the research tonic	4	II
Compulsory Courses			
HOR-PG-C551	Growth and Development Studies and Biotechnological Application	4	I
HOR-PG-C552	Protected Cultivation and Post-Harvest Technology	4	I
HOR-PG-C553	Experimental Design	4	I
HOR-PG-C554	IPR, Research Ethics and Disaster Management	4	I
HOR-PG-C555	Growth & Development, Biotechnology PHT and Protected cultivation- Practical	4	I
HOR-PG-C556	Library Science, Technical writing and Seminar-Practical	4	III

Credit Requirements

Subject	Master's programme
Major	20
Minor	08
Compulsory	24
Research	20
Total Credits	72

Students have to appear comprehensive examination after passing 75 % of the course work. Qualifying marks in comprehensive exam is 55%.

Major subject: The subject in which the students want specialization.

Minor subject: The subject closely related to students major subject.

Compulsory Courses: The courses are relevant supporting major subjects.

FRUIT SCIENCE

HOR PG 501: Production Technology of Fruit Crops

Commercial varieties of regional, national and international importance, eco-physiological requirements, recent trends in propagation, rootstock influence, planting systems, cropping systems, root zone and canopy management, nutrient management, water management, fertigation, role of bioregulators, abiotic factors limiting fruit production, physiology of flowering, pollination fruit set and development, honeybees in cross pollination, physiological disorders-causes and remedies, quality improvement by management practices; maturity indices, harvesting, grading, packing, storage and ripening techniques; industrial and export potential, Agri. Export Zones(AEZ) and industrial supports with reference to the following crops:

Unit I: Tropical Fruits

Mango, Banana, Citrus, Papaya, Guava, Sapota, Pineapple, Jackfruit and minor fruits of tropics

Unit II: Dryland Fruits

Annonas, Aonla, Pomegranate, Phalsa and Ber

Unit III: Sub Tropical

Litchi, Loquat, Avocado, and Minor Fruits: Mangosteen, Carambola, Bael, Wood Apple, Fig, Jamun, Rambutan, Pomegranate

Unit IV: Temperate and Nuts Crops

Apple, Pear, Quince, Grapes Plums, Peach, Apricot, Cherries, Persimmon, Kiwifruit, Strawberry Walnut, Almond, Pistachio, Pecan Nut and Hazelnut

Reading List:

1. Bose TK, Mitra SK & Sanyal D. (Ed.). 2002. Fruits of India – Tropical and Sub-tropical. 3rd Ed. Vols. I, II. Naya Udyog.
2. Bose TK, Mitra SK & Rathore DS. (Eds.). 1988. Temperate Fruits- Horticulture.
3. Chadha KL & Pareek OP. 1996. (Eds.). Advances in Horticulture. Vol. I. Malhotra Publ. House.
4. Janick J & Moore JN. 1996. Fruit Breeding. Vols. I-III. John Wiley & Sons. Nijjar GS. 1977. (Eds.). Fruit Breeding in India. Oxford & IBH.
5. Radha T & Mathew L. 2007. Fruit Crops. New India Publ. Agency.
6. Singh HP, Negi JP & Samuel C. (Eds.). 2002. Approaches for Sustainable Development of Horticulture. National Horticultural Board
7. Singh HP, Singh G, Samuel JC & Pathak RK. (Eds.). 2003. Precision Farming in Horticulture. NCPAH, DAC/PFDC, CISH, Lucknow.

HORT PG 502: Biodiversity, Conservation and Post Harvest Management of Fruit Crops

Unit I: Biodiversity and conservation

Biodiversity and conservation; issues and goals, centers of origin of cultivated fruits; primary and secondary centers of genetic diversity. Present status of gene centers; exploration and collection of germplasm; Conservation of genetic resources – conservation *in situ* and *ex situ*. Germplasm conservation-problem of recalcitrancy-cold storage of scions, tissue culture, cryopreservation, pollen and seed storage; inventory of germplasm, introduction of germplasm, plant quarantine.

Unit II: IPR and GIS

Intellectual property rights, regulatory horticulture. Detection of genetic constitution of germplasm and maintenance of core group. GIS and documentation of local biodiversity, Geographical indication of the following crops: Mango, Sapota, Citrus, Guava, Banana, Papaya, Grapes, Jackfruit, Custard, Apple, Ber, Aonla, Malus, *Prunus* sp, Litchi, Nuts, Coffee, Tea, Rubber, Cashew, Coconut, Cocoa, Palmyrah, Arecanut, Oil Palm and Betelvine.

Unit III: Maturity Index and Ripening

Maturity indices, harvesting practices for specific market requirements, influence of pre-harvest practices, enzymatic and textural changes, respiration and transpiration. Physiology and biochemistry of fruit ripening, ethylene evolution and ethylene management, factors leading to post-harvest loss, pre-cooling.

Unit IV: Storage and Packaging of Fruits

Treatments prior to shipment, viz., chlorination, waxing, chemicals, biocontrol agents and natural plant products. Methods of storage-ventilated, refrigerated, MAS, CA storage, physical injuries and disorders. Packing methods and transport, principles and methods of preservation, food processing, canning, fruit juices, beverages, pickles, jam, jellies, candies. Dried and dehydrated products, nutritionally enriched products, fermented fruit beverages, packaging technology, processing waste management, food safety standards.

Reading List:

1. Frankel OH & Hawkes JG. 1975. *Crop Genetic Resources for Today and Tomorrow*. Cambridge University Press.
2. Peter KV & Abraham Z. 2007. *Biodiversity in Horticultural Crops*. Vol. I. Daya Publ. House.
3. Peter KV. 2008. *Biodiversity of Horticultural Crops*. Vol. II. Daya Publ. House.
4. Haid NF & Salunkhe SK. 1997. *Post Harvest Physiology and Handling of Fruits and Vegetables*. Grenada Publ.
5. Mitra SK. 1997. *Post Harvest Physiology and Storage of Tropical and Sub-tropical Fruits*. CABI.
6. Ranganna S. 1997. *Hand Book of Analysis and Quality Control for Fruit and Vegetable Products*. Tata McGraw-Hill.
7. Sudheer KP & Indira V. 2007. *Post Harvest Technology of for Introduction to the Physiology and Handling of Fruits, Vegetables and Ornamentals*. CABI.

HOR PG 503: Breeding of Fruit Crops

Origin and distribution, taxonomical status - species and cultivars, cytogenetic, genetic resources, blossom biology, breeding systems, breeding objectives, ideotypes, approaches for crop improvement - introduction, selection, hybridization, mutation breeding, polyploidy breeding, rootstock breeding, improvement of quality traits, resistance breeding for biotic and abiotic stresses, biotechnological interventions, achievements and future thrust in the following selected fruit crops.

Unit I: Tropical Fruits

Mango, Banana, Papaya, Citrus, Grapes, Guava and Sapota

Unit II: Sub Tropical Fruits

Pineapple, Mangosteen, litchi, Jackfruit, and avocado

Unit III: Dryland Fruits

Custard Apple, Aonla, Jamun, Phalsa, and Ber

Unit IV: Temperate Fruits

Apple, Pear, Plums, Peach, Apricot, Cherries, Raspberry, Mulberry and Strawberry and Some Nuts

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1. Bose TK, Mitra SK & Sanyal D. (Eds.). 2002. *Fruits of India - Tropical and Sub-tropical*. 3rd Ed. Vols. I, II. Naya Udyog.
2. Chadha KL & Pareek OP. 1996. (Eds.). *Advances in Horticulture*. Vol. I. Malhotra Publ. House.
3. Chadha KL & Shikhamany SD. 1999. *The Grape: Improvement, Production and Post-Harvest Management*. Malhotra Publ. House.

4. Janick J & Moore JN. 1996. Fruit Breeding. Vols.I-III. John Wiley & Sons. Nijjar GS. 1977. (Eds.). Fruit Breeding in India. Oxford & IBH.
5. Radha T & Mathew L. 2007. FruitCrops. New India Publ. Agency.
6. Singh S, Shivankar VJ, Srivastava AK & Singh IP. (Eds.). 2004. Advances in Citriculture. Jagmander Book Agency.
7. Peter KV. 2008. *Biodiversity of Horticultural Crops*. Vol. II. Daya Publ. House.

HOR PG 504: Production Technology and Breeding of Fruits Crops - Practical

Unit I: Principles

Identification of important cultivars, observations on growth and development, practices in growth regulation, malady diagnosis, analyses of quality attributes, visit to tropical and arid zone orchards, Project preparation for establishing commercial orchards.

Unit II: Breeding of fruit crops

Developing breeding programme for specific traits, visit to research stations working on tropical, subtropical and temperate fruit improvement.

Unit III: Essential breeding techniques

Characterization of germplasm, blossom biology, study of anthesis, estimating fertility status, practices in hybridization, ploidy breeding, mutation breeding, evaluation of biometrical traits and quality traits, screening for resistance.

Unit IV: Documentation

Documentation of germplasm—maintenance of passport data and other records of accessions. Detection of genetic constitution of germplasm, core sampling, germplasm characterization using molecular techniques.

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2. Chadha KL & Pareek OP. 1996. (Eds.). *Advances in Horticulture*. Vol. I. Malhotra Publ. House.
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6. Singh S, Shivankar VJ, Srivastava AK & Singh IP. (Eds.). 2004. *Advances in Citriculture*. Jagmander Book Agency.
7. Peter KV. 2008. *Biodiversity of Horticultural Crops*. Vol. II. Daya Publ. House.

HOR PG 505: Post Harvest Management and Biodiversity and Conservation of Fruits – Practical

Unit I: Physiology of fruit crops I

Analyzing maturity stages of commercially important horticultural crops, improved packing and storage of important horticultural commodities, physiological loss in weight of fruits.

Unit II: Physiology of fruit crops II

Estimation of transpiration, respiration rate, ethylene release and study of vase life extension in cut flower using chemicals, estimation of quality characteristics in stored fruits, cold chain management

Unit III: Post harvest management

Visit to cold storage and CA storage units, visit to fruit and vegetable processing units, project preparation, evaluation of processed horticultural products.

Unit IV: Documentation and conservation of germplasm

Documentation of germplasm—maintenance of passport data and other records of accessions; field exploration trips, exercise on *ex situ* conservation—cold storage, pollen/seed storage, cryopreservation. Visit to National GeneBank and other centers of PGR activities. Detection of genetic constitution of germplasm, core sampling, germplasm characterization using molecular techniques.

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1. Frankel OH & Hawkes JG. 1975. *Crop Genetic Resources for Today and Tomorrow*. Cambridge University Press.
2. Peter KV & Abraham Z. 2007. *Biodiversity in Horticultural Crops*. Vol. I. Daya Publ. House.
3. Peter KV. 2008. *Biodiversity of Horticultural Crops*. Vol. II. Daya Publ. House.
4. Haid NF & Salunkhe SK. 1997. *Post Harvest Physiology and Handling of Fruits and Vegetables*. Grenada Publ.
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6. Ranganna S. 1997. *Hand Book of Analysis and Quality Control for Fruit and Vegetable Products*. Tata McGraw-Hill.
7. Sudheer KP & Indira V. 2007. *Post Harvest Technology of for Introduction to the Physiology and Handling of Fruits, Vegetables and Ornamentals*. CABI.

VEGETABLE SCIENCE

HOR PG 511: Production Technology of Warm Season Vegetables and Underexploited Crops

Introduction, botany and taxonomy, climatic and soil requirements, commercial varieties/hybrids, sowing/planting times and methods, seed rate and seed treatment, nutritional and irrigation requirements, intercultural operations, weed control, mulching, physiological disorders, harvesting, post-harvest management, plant protection measures and economics of crop production.

Unit I: Solanaceous vegetables and Okra

Tomato, Eggplant, Chilli, Sweet Peppers and Okra

Unit II: Cucurbitaceous Vegetables

Cucumber, Gourds, Melons, Pumpkin & Squashes, and Chayote

Unit III: Beans, Tuber and Leafy Vegetables

French Bean, Cluster Bean, Indian Bean, Cowpea, Tapioca, Sweet Potato, Colocasia, Amaranthus, Basella, Moringa and Curry Leaf.

Unit IV: Summer Season Underexploited Vegetables

Elephant foot yam, lima bean, winged bean, vegetable pigeon pea, jackbean and sword bean, sweet gourd, spine gourd, pointed gourd, oriental pickling melon and little gourd (kundru).

Reading List:

1. BoseTK, KabirJ, MaityTK, ParthasarathyVA & SomMG. 2003. *Vegetable Crops*. Vols. I-III. Naya Udyog.
2. FageriaMS, ChoudharyBR & Dhaka RS. 2000. *Vegetable Crops: Production Technology*. Vol. II. Kalyani.
3. GopalakrishnanTR. 2007. *Vegetable Crops*. New India Publ. Agency.
4. RanaMK. 2008. *Olericulture in India*. Kalyani Publ.
5. SalunkheDK & KadamSS. (Ed.). 1998. *Handbook of Vegetable Science and Technology: Production, Composition, Storage and Processing*. Marcel Dekker.
6. SinghDK. 2007. *Modern Vegetable Varieties and Production Technology*. International Book Distributing Co.
7. ThamburajS & Singh N. (Eds.). 2004. *Vegetables, Tuber Crops and Spices*. ICAR.

HOR PG 512: Production Technology of Cool Season Vegetables and Underexploited Crops

Introduction, botany and taxonomy, climatic and soil requirements, commercial varieties/hybrids, sowing/planting times and methods, seed rate and seed treatment, nutritional and irrigation requirements, intercultural operations, weed control, mulching, physiological disorders, harvesting, post-harvest management, plant protection measures and economics of crop production.

Unit I: Potato and Cole Crops

Potato, Cole Crops: Cabbage, Cauliflower, Knol Kohl, Sprouting Broccoli, Brussel's Sprout

Unit II: Root and Bulb Vegetable Crops

Carrot, Radish, Turnip, Beet Root, Onion, Garlic and Leek

Unit III: Peas, Beans and Green Leafy Vegetable Crops

Garden Pea, Broad Bean, Spinach and Spinach Beet

Unit IV: Production Technology of Underexploited Winter Vegetable Crops

Asparagus, Artichoke, Chinese Cabbage, Kale, Celery, Parsley, Parsnip, Lettuce, Rhubarb, Bathua (Chenopods) and Chekurmanis.

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1. BoseTK, KabirJ, MaityTK, ParthasarathyVA & SomMG. 2003. *Vegetable Crops*. Vols. I-III. Naya Udyog.
2. FageriaMS, ChoudharyBR & Dhaka RS. 2000. *Vegetable Crops: Production Technology*. Vol. II. Kalyani.

3. GopalakrishananTR. 2007. *Vegetable Crops*. New India Publ. Agency.
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7. ThamburajS&Singh N. (Eds.). 2004. *Vegetables, Tuber Crops and Spices*.ICAR.

HOR PG 513: Breeding and Seed Production of Vegetable Crops

Unit I: Principles of Vegetable Breeding

Origin, botany, taxonomy, cytogenetics, genetics, breeding objectives, breeding methods (introduction, selection, hybridization, mutation), varieties and varietal characterization, resistance breeding for biotic and abiotic stress, quality improvement, molecular markers, genomics, marker assisted breeding and QTLs, biotechnology and their use in breeding in vegetable crops-Issue of patenting, PPVFR act.

Unit II: Breeding of Self, Cross and Clonally Propagated Crops

Potato, tomato, eggplant, hot pepper, sweet pepper, okra, Peas and beans, cucumber, gourds, melons, pumpkins and squashes, cabbage, cauliflower, carrot, beetroot, radish, onion, garlic, sweet potato and tapioca.

Unit III: Principles of Seed Production of Vegetable Crops

Definition of seed and its quality, new seed policies; DUS test, scope of vegetable seed industry in India, genetical and agronomical principles of seed production; methods of seed production; use of growth regulators and chemicals in vegetable seed production; floral biology, pollination, breeding behaviour, seed development and maturation; methods of hybrid seed production. Categories of seed; maintenance of nucleus, foundation and certified seed; seed certification, seed standards; seed act and law enforcement, plant quarantine and quality control

Unit IV: Seed Production Techniques in Vegetable Crops

Physiological maturity, seed harvesting, extraction, curing, drying, grading, seed processing, seed coating and pelleting, packaging (containers/packets), storage and cryopreservation of seeds, synthetic seed technology. Agro-techniques for seed production in Solanaceous Vegetables, Cucurbits, Leguminous Vegetables, Cole Crops, Bulb Crops, Leafy Vegetables, Okra, Vegetatively Propagated Vegetables.

Reading List:

1. DhillonBS, TyagiRK, SaxenaS. & RandhawaGJ. 2005. *Plant Genetic Resources: Horticultural Crops*. Narosa Publ. House.
2. FageriaMS, Arya PS & ChoudharyAK. 2000. *Vegetable Crops: Breeding and Seed Production*. Vol. I. Kalyani.
3. HayesHK, Immer FR & SmithDC. 1955. *Methods of Plant Breeding*. McGraw-Hill.
4. KallooG. 1998. *Vegetable Breeding*. Vols. I-III (Combined Ed.). Panima Edu. Book Agency.
5. PeterKV & PradeepkumarT. 2008. *Genetics and Breeding of Vegetables*. Revised, ICAR.
6. RaiN & RaiM. 2006. *Heterosis Breeding in Vegetable Crops*. New India Publ. Agency.

7. Singh PK, DasguptaSK &TripathiSK. 2004. *Hybrid Vegetable Development*. International Book Distributing Co.

HOR PG 514: Production Technology, Breeding and Seed Production of Warm Season Vegetable Crops- Practical

Unit I: Cultural Operations in Warm Season Vegetable Crops

Cultural operations (fertilizer application, sowing, mulching, irrigation, weed control) of summer vegetable crops and their economics; study of physiological disorders and deficiency of mineral elements, preparation of cropping schemes for commercial farms. Experiments to demonstrate the role of mineral elements. Plant growth substances and herbicides; identification of important pests and diseases and their control, maturity standards; economics of warm season vegetable crops

Unit II: Cultural Operations in Summer Underexploited Vegetable Crops

Identification of seeds; botanical description of plants; layout and planting; Cultural operations (fertilizer application, sowing, mulching, irrigation, weed control), short-term experiments of summer season underexploited vegetables

Unit III: Essential Breeding Techniques in Warm Season Vegetable Crops

Selection of desirable plants from breeding population observations and analysis of various qualitative and quantitative traits in germplasm, hybrids and segregating generations; induction of flowering, palanological studies, selfing and crossing techniques in warm season vegetable crops; Screening techniques for insect-pests, disease and environmental stress resistance warm season crops, demonstration of sib-mating and mixed population; molecular marker techniques to identify useful traits in the vegetable crops and special breeding techniques. Visit to breeding block.

Unit IV: Seed Production and Processing Techniques in Warm Season Vegetable Crops

Seed sampling, seed testing (genetic purity, seed viability, seedling vigour, physical purity) and seed health testing; testing, releasing and notification procedures of varieties; floral biology; rouging of off-type; methods of hybrid seed production in important warm season vegetable crops. Seed extraction techniques; handling of seed processing and seed testing equipments; seed sampling; testing of vegetable seeds for seed purity, germination, vigour and health; visit to seed processing units, seed testing laboratory and seed production farms.

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1. FageriaMS, ChoudharyBR &Dhaka RS. 2000. *Vegetable Crops: Production Technology*. Vol. II. Kalyani.
2. GopalakrishananTR. 2007. *Vegetable Crops*. New India Publ. Agency.
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5. HayesHK, ImmerFR&SmithDC. 1955. *Methods of Plant Breeding*. McGraw-Hill.
6. KallooG. 1998. *Vegetable Breeding*. Vols. I-III (Combined Ed.). Panima Edu. Book Agency.
7. Singh PK, DasguptaSK &TripathiSK. 2004. *Hybrid Vegetable*

HOR PG 515:Production Technology, Breeding and Seed Production of Cool Season Vegetable Crops- Practical

Unit I: Cultural Operations in Winter and Underexploited Vegetable Crops

Cultural operations (fertilizer application, sowing, mulching, irrigation, weed control) of winter vegetable crops and their economics; Experiments to demonstrate the role of mineral elements, plant growth substances and herbicides; study of physiological disorders; preparation of cropping scheme for commercial farms; visit to commercial greenhouse/polyhouse.

Unit II: Cultural Operations in Winter Underexploited Vegetable Crops

Identification of seeds; botanical description of plants; layout and planting; cultural operations (fertilizer application, sowing, mulching, irrigation, weed control), short-term experiments of winter season underexploited vegetables.

Unit III: Essential Breeding Techniques in Cool Season Vegetable Crops

Selection of desirable plants from breeding population observations and analysis of various qualitative and quantitative traits in germplasm, hybrids and segregating generations; induction of flowering, palanological studies, selfing and crossing techniques in cool season vegetable crops; Screening techniques for insect-pests, disease and environmental stress resistance warm season crops, demonstration of sib-mating and mixed population; molecular marker techniques to identify useful traits in the cool season vegetable crops and special breeding techniques.

Unit IV: Seed Production and Processing Techniques in Cool Season Vegetable Crops

Seed sampling, seed testing (genetic purity, seed viability, seedling vigour, physical purity) and seed health testing; testing, releasing and notification procedures of varieties; floral biology; rouging of off-type; methods of hybrid seed production in important cool season vegetable crops. Seed extraction techniques; handling of seed processing and seed testing equipments; seed sampling; testing of vegetable seeds for seed purity, germination, vigour and health; visit to seed processing units, seed testing laboratory and seed production farms.

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1. FageriaMS, ChoudharyBR &Dhaka RS. 2000. *Vegetable Crops: Production Technology*. Vol. II. Kalyani.
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5. HayesHK, ImmerFR&SmithDC.1955.*MethodsofPlantBreeding*. McGraw-Hill.
6. KallooG.1998.*VegetableBreeding*. Vols.I-III(CombinedEd.).Panima Edu.Book Agency.
7. Singh PK, DasguptaSK &TripathiSK. 2004. *Hybrid Vegetable Development*.International Book Distributing Co.

FLORICULTURE & LANDSCAPING

HOR PG 521: Breeding and Seed Production for Ornamental and Flower Crops

Unit I: Introduction

Principles, evolution of varieties, origin, distribution, genetic resources, genetic divergence, patents and plant variety protection in India. Genetic inheritance of flower colour, doubleness, flower size, fragrance, post harvest life. Breeding methods suitable for sexually and asexually propagated flower crops and ornamental plants-- introduction, selection, domestication, polyploidy and mutation breeding for varietal development, role of heterosis, production of hybrids, male sterility, incompatibility problems, seed production of flower crops.

Unit II: Breeding of Flower Crops

Breeding constraints and achievements made in commercial flowers-- Rose, Jasmine, Chrysanthemum, Marigold, Tuberose, Crossandra, Carnation, Dahlia, Gerbera, Gladioli, Orchids, Anthurium, Aster, Heliconia, Lilies, Nerium. Breeding Constraints and achievements made in ornamental plants – Petunia, Hibiscus, Bougainvillea, Flowering Annuals (Zinnia, Cosmos, Dianthus, Snapdragon, Pansy) and ornamental foliage. Introduction and selection of plants for water landscaping and xeriscaping.

Unit III: Seed Production of Flower Crops I

Definition of seed and its quality, new seed policies; DUS test, scope of flower and ornamental seed industry in India. Genetic and agronomical principles of seed production; methods of seed production; use of growth regulators and chemicals in seed production; floral biology, pollination, breeding behaviour, seed development and maturation; methods of hybrid seed production.

Unit IV: Seed Production of Flower Crops II

Categories of seed; maintenance of nucleus, foundation and certified seed; seed certification, seed standards; seed act and law enforcement, plant quarantine and quality control. Physiological maturity, seed harvesting, extraction, curing, drying, grading, seed processing, seed coating and pelleting, packaging (containers/packets), storage and cryopreservation of seeds, synthetic seed technology.

Reading List:

1. Bhattacharjee SK. 2006. *Advances in Ornamental Horticulture*. Vols. I-VI. Pointer Publ.
2. Bose TK & Yadav LP. 1989. *Commercial Flowers*. Naya Prokash.
3. Chadha KL & Choudhury B. 1992. *Ornamental Horticulture in India*. ICAR.
4. Chadha KL. 1995. *Advances in Horticulture*. Vol. XII. Malhotra Publ. House.
5. Chaudhary RC. 1993. *Introduction to Plant Breeding*. Oxford & IBH.
6. Singh BD. 1990. *Plant Breeding*. Kalyani.
7. Hayes HK, Immer FR & Smith DC. 1955. *Methods of Plant Breeding*. McGraw-Hill.

HOR PG 522–Production Technology of Cut and Loose Flower Crops

Unit I: Introduction

Scope of cut flowers in global trade, Global Scenario of cut flower production, Varietal wealth and

diversity, area under cut flowers and production problems in India- Patentrighs, nursery management, media for nursery, special nursery practices. Flower forcing and year round flowering through physiological interventions, chemical regulation, environmental manipulation. Special horticultural practices, use of growth regulators, physiological disorders and remedies, Cut flower standards and grades, harvesting indices, harvesting techniques, post-harvest handling, Methods of delaying flower opening, Pre-cooling, pulsing, packing, Storage and transportation, marketing, export potential, institutional support, Agri Export Zones.

Unit II: Production of Cut Flowers I

Growing environment, open cultivation, protected cultivation, soil requirements, artificial growing media, soil decontamination techniques, influence of environmental parameters, light, temperature, moisture, humidity and CO₂ on growth and flowering, water and nutrient management, fertigation, weed management, rationing, training and pruning, disbudding, IPM and IDM, post harvest handling, purposes of following crops:

Crops: Cut rose, Cut chrysanthemum, Carnation, Gerbera, Gladioli, Tuberose, Orchids, Anthurium, Aster, Lilioms.

Unit III: Production of Cut Flowers II

Growing environment, open cultivation, protected cultivation, soil requirements, artificial growing media, soil decontamination techniques, planting methods, influence of environmental parameters, light, temperature, moisture, humidity and CO₂ on growth and flowering, water and nutrient management, fertigation, weed management, rationing, training and pruning, disbudding, IPM and IDM, post harvest handling, of following crops:

Crops: Bird of paradise, alstroemeria, ornamental ginger, bromeliads, dahlia, gypsophilla, limonium, statice, stock, cut foliage and fillers.

Unit IV: Production of Loose Flowers

Soil and climate requirements, field preparation, systems of planting, precision farming techniques. Water and nutrient management, weed management, rationing, training and pruning, pinching and disbudding, special horticultural practices, use of growth regulators, physiological disorders and remedies, IPM and IDM. Flower forcing and year round flowering, production for special occasions through physiological interventions, chemical regulation. Harvest indices, harvesting techniques, post-harvest handling and grading, pre-cooling, packing and storage, value addition, concrete and essential oil extraction details for the following crops: Jasmine, Scented Rose, Chrysanthemum, Marigold, Tuberose, Crossandra, Nerium, Hibiscus, Barleria, Celosia, Gomphrena, Non-Traditional Flowers: Nyctanthes, Tabernaemontana, Ixora, Lotus, Lilies, Tecoma, Champaka, Pandanus.

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HOR PG 523: Ornamental Gardening and Landscape Design

Unit I: Introduction to Ornamental Gardening and Landscape Design

Landscapedesigns,typesofgardens,English,Mughal,Japanese,Persian, Spanish, Italian, Vanams, Buddha garden; Styles of garden, formal, informal and free style gardens.Gardenplantcomponents,arboretum,shrubbery,fernery,palmatum,arches and pergolas, edges and hedges, climbers and creepers, cacti and succulents,herbs,annuals,flowerbordersandbeds,ground covers,carpet beds, bamboo groves; Non-plantcomponents.

Unit II: Types of Garden and Landscaping of specific places

Specialtypesofgardens,vertical garden,roofgarden,boggarden,sunkengarden,rockgarden,clockgarden, colour wheels, temple garden, sacred groves.Urban landscaping,Landscaping for specific situations, institutions, industries,residents,hospitals,roadsides,trafficislands,damsites,ITparks, corporates.Bio-aesthetic planning, eco-tourism, theme parks, indoor gardening, therapeutic gardening,waterscaping,xeriscaping, hardscaping.

Unit III: Turf and turf management I

Prospects of turf industry; site selection, basic requirements, site evaluation, concepts of physical, chemical and biological properties of soil pertaining to turf grass establishment. Turfgrasses-Types,species,varieties,hybrids;Selectionofgrassesfor different locations; Grouping according to climaticrequirement- Adaptation; Turfing for roof gardens.

Unit IV: Turf and turf management II

Preparatory operations; Growing media used for turf grasses - Turf establishmentmethods, seeding, sprigging / dibbling, plugging, sodding/ turfing, turf plastering, hydro-seeding,astro-turfing.Turfmanagement-Irrigation,nutrition,specialpractices,aerating,rolling, soiltopdressing,useofturfgrowthregulators(TGRs)andmicronutrients, Turfmowing— mowingequipments,techniquetominimizewearand compaction, weed control, biotic and abiotic stress management in turfs. Establishmentandmaintenanceofturfsforplaygrounds,viz.golf,football, hockey, cricket, tennis, rugby, etc.

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2. Nambisan KMP.1992. *Design Elements of Landscape Gardening*. Oxford & IBH.
3. Randhawa GS & Mukhopadhyay A. 1986. *Floriculture in India*. Allied Publ.
4. Sabina GT & Peter KV. 2008. *Ornamental Plants for Gardens*. New India Publ. Agency.
5. Christians N E 2007. *Fundamentals of Turfgrass Managemen*. John Wiley & Sons, Inc
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7. Christine Wein-Ping Yu 1987. *Computer-aided Design: Application to Conceptual Thinking in Landscape Architecture*. Agrobios.

HOR PG 524: Production, Breeding and Seed production of Ornamental and Commercial Flower Crops - Practical

Unit I: Breeding of flower crops

Description of botanical features- Cataloguing of cultivars, varieties and species in flowers, floral biology, selfing and crossing, evaluation of hybrid progenies, Induction of mutants through physical and chemical mutagens, induction of polyploidy, screening of plants for biotic, abiotic stresses and environmental pollution, *in vitro* breeding in flower crops and ornamental plants.

Unit II: Seed production of flower crops

Seed extraction techniques; handling of seed processing and seed testing equipments; seed sampling; testing of seeds for seed purity, germination, vigour and health; visit to seed processing units, seed testing laboratory and seed production farms.

Unit III: Production of flower crops

Botanical description of varieties, propagation techniques, mist chamber operation, training and pruning techniques, practices in manuring, drip and fertigation, foliar nutrition, growth regulator application, pinching, disbudding, staking, harvesting techniques,

Unit III: Management in flower Crops

Post-harvest handling, cold chain, project preparation for regionally important cut flowers/ loose flowers, visit to commercial floriculture units and case study. essential oil extraction units and markets.

Reading List:

1. Bhattacharjee SK. 2006. *Advances in Ornamental Horticulture*. Vols. I-VI. Pointer Publ.
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5. Chaudhary RC. 1993. *Introduction to Plant Breeding*. Oxford & IBH.
6. Singh BD. 1990. *Plant Breeding*. Kalyani.
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HOR PG 525: Ornamental Gardening and Landscape Design- Practical

Unit I: Ornamental Gardening I

Selection of ornamental plants, practices in preparing designs for home gardens, industrial gardens, institutional gardens, corporates, avenue planting,

Unit II: Ornamental Gardening II

Practices in planning and planting of special types of gardens, burlapping, lawn making, planting herbaceous and shrubby borders, project preparation on landscaping for different situations, visit to parks and

botanical gardens, case study on commercial landscape gardens.

Unit III: Turf and Turf Management I

Identification of turf grasses, Preparatory operations in turf making, Practices in turf establishment, Layout of macro and micro irrigation systems, Water and nutrient management; Special practices – mowing, raking, rolling, soil topdressing, weed management; Biotic and abiotic stress management;

Unit IV: Turf and Turf Management II

Project preparation for turf establishment, visit to IT parks, model cricket and golf grounds, airports, cooperates, Govt. organizations; Renovation of lawns; Turf economics.

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1. Lauria A & Victor HR. 2001. *Floriculture – Fundamentals and Practices* Agrobios.
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PLANTATION, SPICES, MEDICINAL & AROMATIC PLANTS

HOR PG 531: Production and Breeding Technology of Plantation Crops

Unit I: Principles of production

Role of plantation crops in national economy, area of production, export potential, IPR issues, clean development mechanism, classification and varietal wealth. Cost benefit analysis under organic farming, precision farming for plantation crops, systems of cultivation, multi-tier cropping, photosynthetic efficiencies of crops at different tiers, processing methods.

Unit II: Production technology I

Production including temperature, light, humidity and soil pH, high density planting, nutritional requirements, physiological disorders, role of growth regulators and macro and micronutrients, water requirements, fertigation, moisture conservation, shade regulation, weed management, training and pruning, crop regulation, maturity indices, harvesting for following Crops: Coffee and Tea, Cashew and Cocoa, Rubber

Unit III: Production technology II

Production including temperature, light, humidity and soil pH, high density planting, nutritional requirements, physiological disorders, role of growth regulators and macro and micronutrients, water requirements, fertigation, moisture conservation, shade regulation, weed management, training and pruning, crop

regulation, maturity indices, harvesting for following Crops: Palmyrah and Oil Palm, Coconut and Arecanut, Wattle and Betel Vine

Unit IV: Breeding techniques

Important species and cultivars, blossom biology, breeding objectives, approaches for crop improvement, breeding techniques and constraints for the following crops: Coffee and Tea, Cashew and Cocoa, Rubber, Palmyrah and Oil Palm, Coconut and Arecanut, Wattle and Betel Vine

Reading List:

1. Chopra VL & Peter KV. 2005. Handbook of Industrial Crops. Panima.
2. Harler CR. 1963. The Culture and Marketing of Tea. Oxford Univ. Press.
3. Kurian A & Peter KV. 2007. Commercial Crops Technology. New India Publ. Agency.
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5. Pradeep Kumar T, Suma B, Jyothibhaskar & Satheesan KN. 2008. Management of Horticultural Crops. Part I, II. New India Publ. Agency.
6. Rai PS & Vidyachandram B. 1981. Review of Work Done on Cashew. UAS, Research Series No.6, Bangalore.
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HOR PG 532: Production and Breeding of Spices Crops

Unit I: Introduction

Introduction, importance of spice crops - historical accent, present status - national and international, future prospects.

Unit II: Production technology I

Botany and taxonomy, climatic and soil requirements, commercial varieties/hybrids, site selection, layout, sowing/planting times and methods, seed rate and seed treatment, nutritional and irrigation requirements, intercropping, mixed cropping, intercultural operations, weed control, mulching, physiological disorders, harvesting, postharvest management, plant protection measures and seed planting material and micro-propagation, precision farming, organic resource management, organic certification, quality control, pharmaceutical significance and protected cultivation of following crops: Blackpepper, Cardamom, Clove, Cinnamon and Nutmeg, Allspice, Turmeric, Ginger and Garlic

Unit III: Production technology II

Botany and taxonomy, climatic and soil requirements, commercial varieties/hybrids, site selection, layout, sowing/planting times and methods, seed rate and seed treatment, nutritional and irrigation requirements, intercropping, mixed cropping, intercultural operations, weed control, mulching, physiological disorders, harvesting, postharvest management, plant protection measures and seed planting material and micro-propagation, precision farming, organic resource management, organic certification, quality control, pharmaceutical significance and protected cultivation of following crops: Coriander, Fenugreek, Cumin, Fennel, Ajowain, Dill, Celery, Tamarind, Garcinia and Vanilla

Unit IV: Breeding techniques

Important species and cultivars, blossom biology, breeding objectives, approaches for crop improvement, breeding techniques and constraints for the following crops: Blackpepper, Cardamom, Clove, Cinnamon and Nutmeg,

Allspice, Turmeric, Ginger And Garlic, Coriander, Fenugreek, Cumin, Fennel, Ajowain, Dill, Celery, Tamarind, Garcinia and Vanilla

Reading List:

1. Agarwal S, Sastry EVD & Sharma RK. 2001. Seed Spices: Production, Quality, Export. Pointer Publ.
2. Arya PS. 2003. Spice Crops of India. Kalyani.
3. Bhattacharjee SK. 2000. Hand Book of Aromatic Plants. Pointer Publ.
4. Kumar NA, Khader P, Rangaswami & Irulappan I. 2000. Introduction to Spices, Plantation Crops, Medicinal and Aromatic Plants. Oxford & IBH.
5. Nybe EV, Miniraj N & Peter KV. 2007. Spices. New India Publ. Agency.
6. Parthasarthy VA, Kandiannan V & Srinivasan V. 2008. Organic Spices. New India Publ. Agency.
7. Peter KV. 2001. Hand Book of Herbs and Spices. Vols. I-III. Woodhead Publ. Co. UK and CRC USA

HOR PG 533: Production and Breeding of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants

Unit I: Production technology of medicinal plants

Herbal industry, WTO scenario, Export and import status, Indian system of medicine, Indigenous Traditional Knowledge, IPR issues, Classification of medicinal crops, Systems of cultivation, Organic production, Role of institutions and NGO's in production, GAP in medicinal crop production. Production technology for Senna, Periwinkle, Coleus, Aswagandha, Glory lily, Sarpagandha, *Dioscorea* sp., *Aloevera*, *Phyllanthus amarus*, *Andrographis paniculata*. Production technology for Medicinal solanum, Isabgol, Poppy, Safed musli, *Stevia rebaudiana*, *Mucuna pruriens*, *Ocimum* sp. Postharvest handling – Drying, Processing, Grading, Packing and Storage, processing and value addition; GMP and Quality standards in herbal products. Influence of biotic and abiotic factors on the production of secondary metabolites, Regulations for herbal raw materials, Phytochemical extraction techniques.

Unit II: Production technology of aromatic plants

Aromatic industry, WTO scenario, Export and import status, Indian perfumery industry, History, Advancements in perfume industry. Production technology for palmarosa, lemongrass, citronella, vetiver, geranium, artemisia, mentha, ocimum, eucalyptus, rosemary, thyme, patchouli, lavender, marjoram, oreganum. Post-harvest handling, Distillation methods, advanced methods, Solvent extraction process, steam distillation, Perfumes from non-traditional plants, Quality analysis, Value addition, Aromachemicals, quality standards and regulations. Institutional support and international promotion of essential oil and perfumery products.

Unit III: Fundamentals of breeding in MAP

Plant bio-diversity, conservation of germplasm, IPR issues, Major objectives of breeding of Medicinal and Aromatic Crops, Scope for introduction; cytogenetic background of important Medicinal and Aromatic Crops; Scope for improvement of Medicinal and Aromatic Crops through selection, intra and interspecific hybridization, induced autotetraploidy, mutation breeding and biotechnological approaches. Breeding for yield and quality improvement in medicinal plants, Breeding for essential oil and quality components, secondary

metabolites in medicinal and aromatic crops; Genetics of active principles and assay techniques useful in evaluation of breeder's material.

Unit IV: Breeding methods and achievements in MAP

Achievements and prospects in breeding of medicinal crops, viz. *Cassia angustifolia*, *Catharanthus roseus*, *Gloriosa superba*, *Coleus forskohlii*, *Stevia*, *Withania somnifera*, *Papaver somniferum*, *Plantago ovata*, *Dioscorea* sp., *Chlorophytum* sp., *Rauwolfia serpentina*, *Aloe vera*, *Ocimum* sp., *Phyllanthus amarus*, *Solanum* sp., Geranium, vetiver, Lemongrass, Palmarosa, citronella, Rosemary, Patchouli, Eucalyptus, Artemisia and Mint.

Reading List:

1. Atal CK & Kapur BM. 1982. Cultivation and Utilization of Aromatic Plants. RRL, CSIR, Jammu.
2. Atal CK & Kapur BM. 1982. Cultivation and Utilization of Medicinal Plants. RRL, CSIR, Jammu.
3. Farooqi AA, Khan MM & Vasundhara M. 2001. Production Technology of Medicinal and Aromatic Crops. Natural Remedies Pvt. Ltd.
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6. Panda H. 2002. Medicinal Plants Cultivation and their Uses. Asia Pacific Business Press.
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HOR PG 534: Production and Breeding of Plantation and Spice Crops- Practical

Unit I: Production technology of plantation crops

Description of botanical and varietal features, selection of mother palms and seedlings in coconut and arecanut, soil test crop response studies and manuring practices, pruning and training, maturity standards, harvesting, Project preparation for establishing plantations, Visit to plantations.

Unit II: Production technology of spice crops

Identification of seeds and plants, botanical description of plant; preparation of herbarium, propagation, nursery raising, field layout and method of planting, cultural practices, harvesting, drying, storage, packaging and processing, value addition; short term experiments on spice crops.

Unit III: Breeding of plantation crops

Important Plantation Crops- Description and cataloguing of germplasm, pollen viability tests, pollen germination, survey and clonal selection, screening techniques for abiotic stresses, screening and rating for pest, disease and stress resistance in inbreds and hybrids, estimation of quality and processing characters for quality improvement, use of mutagens and colchicine for inducing mutation and ploidy changes, practices in different methods of breeding and *in vitro* breeding techniques.

Unit IV: Breeding of spice crops

Important Spices Crops- Description and cataloguing of germplasm, pollen viability tests, pollen germination, survey and clonal selection, screening techniques for abiotic stresses, screening and rating for pest, disease and stress resistance in inbreds and hybrids, estimation of quality and processing characters for quality improvement, use of mutagens and colchicine for inducing mutation and ploidy changes, practices in different methods of breeding and *in vitro* breeding techniques.

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1. Chadha KL & Rethinam P. (Eds.).1993. Advances in Horticulture. Vol. IX. Plantation Crops and Spices. Part-I. Malhotra Publ. House.
2. Chadha KL, Ravindran PN & Sahijram L. 2000. Biotechnology in Horticultural and Plantation Crops. Malhotra Publ. House.
3. Chadha KL. 1998. Advances in Horticulture. Vol. IX. Plantation and Spices Crops. Malhotra Publishing House, New Delhi.
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5. Damodaran VK, Vilaschandran T & Valsalakumari PK. 1979. Research on Cashew in India. KAU, Trichur.
6. Ferwerden FP & Wit F. (Ed.). 1969. Outlines of Perennial Crop Breeding in the Tropics. H. Veenman & Zonen.
7. Harver AE. 1962. Modern Coffee Production. Leonard Hoff.

HOR PG 535: Production and Breeding of Medicinal and Aromatic plants- Practical**Unit I: Production technology of MAP I**

Botanical description, Propagation techniques, Maturity standards, Digital documentation, Extraction of secondary metabolites, Project preparation for commercially important medicinal crops, Visit to medicinal crop fields, Visit to herbal extraction units.

Unit II: Production technology of MAP II

Harvesting and Extraction of Essential oils for important crops, Project preparation for commercially important Aromatic crops, Visit to distillation and value addition units – Visit to CIMAP.

Unit III: Breeding of MAP I

Characterization and evaluation of germplasm accessions, Blossom biology, studies on pollen behaviour, practices in hybridization, evaluation of biometrical traits and quality traits, screening for biotic and abiotic stresses, haploid culture, protoplast culture and fusion-induction of somaclonal variation and screening the variants. Identification and familiarization of spices; floral biology anthesis; fruit set; selfing and crossing techniques; description of varieties.

Unit IV: Breeding of MAP II

Salient features of improved varieties and cultivars from public and private sector, bioinformatics, visit to radiotracer laboratory, genetic transformation in plantation crops for resistance to biotic stress/quality improvement etc.

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1. Atal CK & Kapur BM. 1982. Cultivation and Utilization of Medicinal Plants. RRL, CSIR, Jammu.
2. Chadha KL & Gupta R. 1995. Advances in Horticulture. Vol. XI. Malhotra Publ. House.
3. Farooqi AA, Khan MM & Vasundhara M. 2001. Production Technology of Medicinal and Aromatic Crops. Natural Remedies Pvt. Ltd.
4. Jain SK. 2000. Medicinal Plants. National Book Trust.
5. Julia F & Charters MC. 1997. Major Medicinal Plants – Botany, Cultures and Uses. Thomas Publ.

6. Kurian A & Asha Sankar, M. 2007. Medicinal Plants. Horticulture Science Series, New India Publ. Agency.
7. Prajapati ND, Paero Hit SS, Sharma AK, Kumar T. 2006. A Hand book of Medicinal Plants. Agro Bios (India).

MINOR COURSES

HOR PG 541: PRINCIPLES OF PLANT PHYSIOLOGY

Unit I: Soil-water relationship

Soil and plant water relations, water and its role in plants, properties and functions of water in the cell water relations-cell water terminology, water potential of plant cells. Mechanism of water uptake by roots-transport in roots, aquaporins, movement of water in plants – Mycorrhizal association on water uptake. Water loss from plants-Energy balance-Solar energy input-energy dissipation at crop canopy level- evapotranspiration transpiration –Driving force for transpiration, plant factors influencing transpiration rate. Stomata structure and function – mechanism of stomatal movement, antitranspirants.

Unit II: Mineral nutrition

The role of mineral nutrients in plant metabolism: Essential elements, classification based on function of elements in plants. Uptake of mineral elements in plants –Mechanisms of uptake-translocation of minerals in plants. Physiological and metabolic functions of mineral elements, critical levels, deficiency symptoms, nutrient deficiency and toxicity. Foliar nutrition.

Unit III: Photosynthesis

Photosynthesis and its importance in bio productivity. Photochemical process, photochemical reactions, CO₂ reduction in Calvin cycle, supplementary pathway of C fixation in C₄ and CAM plants and its significance. Photorespiration and its relevance. Translocation of photosynthates and its importance in sink growth. Mitochondrial respiration, growth and maintenance respiration, cyanide resistant respiration and its significance. Nitrogen metabolism: Inorganic nitrogen species (N₂, NO₃ and NH₃) and their reduction to aminoacids, protein synthesis and nucleic acids.Lipid metabolism- Storage, protective and structural lipids. Biosynthesis of fatty acids, diacyl and triacyl glycerol, fatty acids of storage lipids. Secondary metabolites and their significance in plant defence mechanism.

Unit IV: Growth regulation

Growth and differentiation. Hormonal concept of growth and differentiation, plant growth hormones and their physiological role synthetic growth regulators, growth retardants., Apical dominance, senescence, fruit growth, abscission. Photo morphogenesis: Photo receptors, phytochrome, cryptochrome, physiology of flowering- Photoperiodism and Vernalisation.

Reading List:

1. Hopkins WG & Huner NPA. 2004. *Introduction to Plant Physiology*. John Wiley & Sons.
2. Salisbury FB & Ross C. 1992. *Plant Physiology*. 4th Ed. Wadsworth Publ.
3. Taiz L & Zeiger E. 2006. *Plant Physiology*. 4th Ed. Sinauer Associates.
4. Srivastava L.M. 2002. *Plant Growth and Development: Hormones and Environment*. Academic Press.

5. Hunt R. *Plant Growth Curve - The Fundamental Approach to Plant Growth Analysis*. Edward Arnold.
6. John H, Thornley M & Johnson IR. *Plant and Crop Modeling: A Mathematical Approach to Plant and Crop Physiology*. Blackburn Press.
7. Vos J, Marcelis LFM, Visser PHBD, Struik PC & Evers JB. (Eds.). 2007. *Functional-Structural Plant Modelling in Crop Production*. Vol. XXII. Springer.

HOR PG 542: PLANT PROTECTION FOR HORTICULTURAL CROPS

Unit I: Diseases of Horticulture Crops

Economic Importance, symptoms, cause, disease cycle and integrated management of diseases of: citrus (canker, gummosis, citrus decline) mango (malformation, anthracnose powdery mildew), banana (bunchy top, panama wilt, moko disease), grapevine (powdery mildew, downy mildew), papaya (leaf curl, mosaic, stem rot), guava (wilt), apple (scab, fire blight), chilli (anthracnose, leaf curl), brinjal (blight, wilt, little leaf), zinger (rhizome rot), colocasia (phytophthora blight), bhendi (yellow vein mosaic, leaf spot), coriander (stem gall), potato (early blight, late blight, mosaic) crucifers, (club root, black rot), cucurbits(powdery mildew, downy mildew), tomato (early blight, late blight, leaf curl, wilts), beans (yellow mosaic, anthracnose), (onion purple blotch), coconut (bud rot, stem bleeding), betelvine (phytophthora blight), coffee (rust), tea (blister blight), rose (die back, podery mildew), chrysanthemum (root rot , bacterial blight)

Unit II: Management Strategies for Vegetable Crops

Distribution, biology, nature and symptoms of damage and management strategies of following pests:

Vegetables:

Cruciferous : Cabbage semi looper, Diamond back moth, Leaf webber, Cabbage borer
 Tomato : Fruit borer, Leaf miner, Stem borer
 Onion & Garlic: Thrips, Tobacco caterpillar, Onion fly.
 Coriander : Aphid, White fly, Flower stink bug.

Unit III: Management Strategies for Fruits

Distribution, biology, nature and symptoms of damage and management strategies of following pests:

Fruit:

Mango: Inflorescence midge, Mango shoot gall psylla, Mango hopper, Mealy bug, Stone weevil, Stem borer
 Citrus: Lemon butter fly Citrus psylla, Fruit sucking moth, Whitefly, Leaf miner.
 Papaya: Fruit fly, Aphid, White fly, Mite,
 Ber : Ber fruit fly,
 Litchi: Litchi bug, Leaf roller, White fly, Black hussain fly, Mite

Unit IV: IDM and IPM

Principles of plant disease and pest management by cultural, physical, biological, chemical, organic amendments and botanicals methods of plant disease and pest control, integrated control measures of plant diseases and pests. Role of stickers, spreaders and other adjuvants, health vis-a-vis environmental hazards, residual effects and safety measures.

Reading List:

1. Alexopoulos, C.J. Mims, C.W. and Blackwell, M. 1996. Introduction to Mycology

Wiley Eastern Ltd., New York.

2. Mandahar, C.L. 1987. Introduction to Plant Viruses. Chand and Co. Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi.

3. Agrios, G.N. 2006. Plant Pathology. Elsevier Academic press, London.

4. L.R. Verma and R.C. Sharma. *Diseases of horticultural Crops-*, Indus Publishers

5. Srikant Kulkarni, Yashoda R. Hedge, *Diseases of Plantation crops and their management-* Agrotech publication Academy.

6. S.L. Godara, BBS Kapoor, B.S. Rathore *Disease management of spice crops-*, Madhu Publications.

7. Anna L *A colour atlas of Post Harvest Diseases and Disorders of fruits and vegetables* -. Snowdon, CRC Press.

HOR PG 543: PRINCIPLES OF PLANT PHYSIOLOGY- Practical

Unit I: Soil-Water Relationship

Measurement of soil water status, Measurement of plant water status, Measurement of transpiration rate, Measurement of Vapour pressure deficits, Stomatal physiology, influence of ABA on stomatal closing.

Unit II: Mineral Nutrition

Mineral nutrients: Demonstration of energy requirement for ion uptake. Deficiency symptoms of nutrients, Radiant energy measurements, separation and quantification of chlorophylls, O₂ evolution during photosynthesis,

Unit III: Photosynthesis

Measurement of gas exchange parameters, conductance, photosynthetic rate, photorespiration, Respiration rates, Estimation of reducing sugars, starch. Estimation of NO₃, free aminoacids in the xylem exudates, quantification of soluble proteins.

Unit IV: Growth Regulation

Bioassays for different growth hormones- Auxins, Gibberellins, Cytokinins, ABA and ethylene. Demonstration of photoperiodic response of plants in terms of flowering.

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HOR PG 544: PLANT PROTECTION FOR HORTICULTURAL CROPS -Practical

Unit I: Diseases of vegetables and flowers

Diseases of chilli, brinjal & bhendi;
Diseases of potato, tomato & crucifers;
Diseases of cucurbits, onion & betelvine;
Diseases of rose, chrysanthemum.
Field visits at appropriate time during the semester.

Unit II: Diseases of fruits

Diseases of citrus, guava, & sapota; Diseases of papaya, banana, pomegranate & ber; Diseases of mango, grapes & apple; Diseases of oil palm, coconut, tea, coffee; Field visits at appropriate time during the semester.

Unit III: IDM

Application of biological, cultural, chemical and bio control agents, their compatibility and integration in IDM.
Study of structural details of sprayers and dusters

Unit IV: IPM

Identification of pests, their damage symptoms and management of the crops mentioned under theory. Collection and preservation of pests and their damaged materials.

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1. Alexopoulos, C.J. Mims, C.W. and Blackwell, M. 1996. Introduction to Mycology Wiley Eastern Ltd., New York.
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COMPULSORY COURSE

HOR PG 551: Growth and Development Studies and Biotechnological Application

Unit I: Growth and Development in Horticultural crops

Growth and development- definition, parameters of growth and development, growth dynamics, morphogenesis. Annual, semi-perennial and perennial horticultural crops, environmental impact on growth and development, effect of light, photosynthesis and photo-periodism, vernalisation, effect of temperature, heat units, thermo-

periodism. Assimilate partitioning during growth and development, influence of water and mineral nutrition during growth and development, biosynthesis of auxins, gibberellins, cytokinins, abscisic acid, ethylene, brassinosteroids, growth inhibitors, morphactins, role of plant growth promoters and inhibitors. Developmental physiology and biochemistry during dormancy, bud break, juvenility, vegetative to reproductive inter-phase, flowering, pollination, fertilization and fruit set, fruit drop, fruit growth, ripening and seed development. Growth and developmental process during stress-manipulation of growth and development, impact of pruning and training, chemical manipulations in horticultural crops, molecular and genetic approaches in plant growth development.

Unit II: Tissue Culture and Molecular Markers

Biotechnology and its relevance in agriculture; Definitions, terminologies and scope in plant breeding. Tissue culture- History, callus, suspension cultures, cloning; Regeneration; Somatic embryogenesis; Anther culture; somatic hybridization techniques; Meristem, ovary and embryo culture; cryopreservation. Techniques of DNA isolation, quantification and analysis; Genotyping; Sequencing techniques; Vectors, vector preparation and cloning, Biochemical and Molecular markers: morphological, biochemical and DNA-based markers (RFLP, RAPD, AFLP, SSR, SNPs, ESTs etc.).

Unit III: Molecular Mapping and genomics

Mapping populations (F₂s, back crosses, RILs, NILs and DH). Molecular mapping and tagging of agronomically important traits. Statistical tools in marker analysis, Robotics; Marker-assisted selection for qualitative and quantitative traits; QTLs analysis in crop plants, Gene pyramiding. Marker assisted selection and molecular breeding; Genomics and genoinformatics for crop improvement; Integrating functional genomics information on agronomically/economically important traits in plant breeding; Marker-assisted backcross breeding for rapid introgression, Generation of EDVs.

Unit IV: r- DNA Technology

Recombinant DNA technology, transgenes, method of transformation, selectable markers and clean transformation techniques, vector-mediated gene transfer, physical methods of gene transfer. Production of transgenic plants in various horticultural crops and Commercial releases. Biotechnology applications in male sterility/hybrid breeding, molecular farming. MOs and related issues (risk and regulations); GMO; International regulations, biosafety issues of GMOs; Regulatory procedures in major countries including India, ethical, legal and social issues; Intellectual property rights. Bioinformatics & Bioinformatics tools. Nanotechnology and its applications in crop improvement programmes.

Reading List:

1. Buchanan B, Gruissem W & Jones R. 2002. *Biochemistry & Molecular Biology of Plants*. John Wiley & Sons.
2. Fosket DE. 1994. *Plant Growth and Development: A Molecular Approach*. Academic Press.
3. Leopold AC & Kriedemann PE. 1985. *Plant Growth and Development*. 3rd Ed. McGraw-Hill.
4. Chadha KL, Ravindran PN & Sahijram L. (Eds.). 2000. *Biotechnology of Horticulture and Plantation Crops*. Malhotra Publ. House.
5. Debnath M. 2005. *Tools and Techniques of Biotechnology*. Pointer Publ.
6. Keshavachandran R & Peter KV. 2008. *Plant Biotechnology: Tissue Culture and Gene*

Transfer. Orient & Longman, Universal Press.

7. Parthasarathy VA, Bose TK, Deka PC, Das P, Mitra SK & Mohanadas S. 2001. *Biotechnology of Horticultural Crops*. Vols. I-III. Naya Prokash.

HOR PG- 552: Protected cultivation and Post-Harvest Technology

Unit I: Introduction to protected cultivation and protected structure

Greenhouse – World scenario, Indian situation: present and future, Different agro-climatic zones in India, Environmental factors and their effects on plant growth. Basics of greenhouse design, different types of structures – glasshouse, shadenet, polytunnels- Design and development of low cost greenhouse structures.

Unit II: Regulation of environmental parameters in Greenhouse

Interaction of light, temperature, humidity, CO₂ water on crop regulation- Greenhouse heating, cooling, ventilation and shading. Types of ventilation- Forced cooling techniques- Glazing materials -Micro irrigation and Fertigation. Automated greenhouses, microcontrollers, waste water recycling, Management of pest and diseases – IPM.

Unit III: Post harvest physiology of horticultural crops

Maturity indices, harvesting practices for specific market requirements, influence of pre-harvest practices, enzymatic and textural changes, respiration, transpiration. Physiology and biochemistry of fruit ripening, ethylene evolution and ethylene management, factors leading to post-harvest loss, pre-cooling.

Unit IV: Post Harvest handling and processing

Treatments prior to shipment, viz., chlorination, waxing, chemicals, biocontrol agents and natural plant products. Methods of storage-ventilated, refrigerated, MAS, CA storage, physical injuries and disorders. Packing methods and transport, principles and methods of preservation, food processing, canning, fruit juices, beverages, pickles, jam, jellies, candies. Dried and dehydrated products, nutritionally enriched products, fermented fruit beverages, packaging technology, processing waste management, food safety standards.

Reading List:

1. Haid NF & Salunkhe SK. 1997. *Post Harvest Physiology and Handling of Fruits and Vegetables*. Grenada Publ.
2. Mitra SK. 1997. *Post Harvest Physiology and Storage of Tropical and Sub-tropical Fruits*. CABI.
3. Ranganna S. 1997. *Hand Book of Analysis and Quality Control for Fruit and Vegetable Products*. Tata McGraw-Hill.
4. Sudheer KP & Indira V. 2007. *Post Harvest Technology of Horticultural Crops*. New India Publ. Agency.
5. Pant V Nelson. 1991. *Green House Operation and Management*. Bali Publ.
6. Pradeep kumar T, Suma B, Jyothibhaskar & Satheesan KN. 2007. *Management of Horticultural Crops*. Parts I, II. New India Publ. Agency.
7. Aldrich RA & Bartok JW. 1994. *Green House Engineering*. NRAES, Riley, Robb Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York.

HOR PG 553: Experimental Design

Unit I: Basic Principles of Experimental Design

Need for designing of experiments, characteristics of a good design. Basic principles of designs- randomization, replication and local control. Uniformity trials, size and shape of plots and blocks; Analysis of variance; Completely randomized design, randomized block design and Latin square design.

Unit II: Types of Design

Split plot and strip plot designs; Analysis of covariance and missing plot techniques in randomized block and Latin square designs; Transformations, crossover designs, balanced incomplete block design, resolvable designs and their applications ~ Lattice design, alpha design - concepts, randomization procedure, analysis and interpretation of results. Response surface Methodology. Experiments with mixtures.

Unit III: Factorial design and confounding

Factorial experiments, (symmetrical as well as asymmetrical). Orthogonality and partitioning of degrees of freedom, Confounding in symmetrical factorial experiments, Factorial experiments with control treatment.

Unit IV: Bioassay

Bioassays- direct and indirect, indirect assays based on quantal dose response, parallel line and slope ratio assays potency estimation.

Reading List:

1. Chandel S.R.S., 1990. A Handbook of Agricultural Statistics, Achal Prakashan Mandir, Kanpur
2. Gomez K.A. and Gomez A.A., 1984. Statistical Procedures for Agricultural Research, Wiley Publications
3. Panse V.G. and Sukhatme P.V. , Statistical Methods for Agricultural Workers, ICAR, New Delhi
4. Goon, A.M, Gupta, M.K & Dasgupta, B. *Basic Statistics*, World Press Pvt. Ltd.
5. Gupta, S. C. and Kapoor, V. K. 2014. Fundamentals of Mathematical Statistics. Sultan chand and sons. New Delhi
6. NageswaraRao, G. 2007. *Statistics for Agricultural Sciences*. BS Publications, Hyderabad.
7. Rangaswamy, R. 1995. *A Text Book of Agricultural Statistics*. New Age International Publishing Limited, Hyderabad.

HOR PG 554: IPR, Research Ethics and Disaster Management

Unit I: Intellectual Property Rights

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), benefits 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 bio-diversity 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.

Unit II: National Agriculture Research System

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 III: Research Ethics

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

Unit IV: Disaster Management

Natural Disasters- Meaning and nature of natural disasters, their types and effects. Floods, Drought, Cyclone, Earthquakes, Landslides, Avalanches, Volcanic eruptions, Heat and cold Waves, Climatic Change: Global warming, Sea Level rise, Ozone Depletion

Man Made Disasters- Nuclear disasters, chemical disasters, biological disasters, building fire, coal fire, forest fire. Oil fire, air pollution, water pollution, deforestation, Industrial waste water pollution, road accidents, rail accidents, air accidents, sea accidents.

Disaster Management- Efforts to mitigate natural disasters at national and global levels. International Strategy for Disaster reduction. Concept of disaster management, national disaster management framework; financial arrangements; role of NGOs, Community-based organizations, and media. Central, State, District and local Administration; Armed forces in Disaster response; Disaster response: Police and other organizations.

Reading List:

1. Ganguli P. 2001. *Intellectual Property Rights: Unleashing Knowledge Economy*. McGraw-Hill.
2. Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India. 2004. *State of Indian Farmer*. Vol. V. *Technology Generation and IPR Issues*. Academic Foundation.
3. Punia MS. *Manual on International Research and Research Ethics*. CCS, Haryana Agricultural University, Hisar.
4. Rao BSV. 2007. *Rural Development Strategies and Role of Institutions - Issues, Innovations and Initiatives*. Mittal Publ.
5. Singh K.. 1998. *Rural Development - Principles, Policies and Management*. Sage Publ.

6. Gupta HK. 2003. *Disaster Management*. Indian National Science Academy. Orient Blackswan.
7. Sharma VK. 2001. *Disaster Management*. National Centre for Disaster Management, India.

HOR PG 555: Growth & Development, Biotechnology, PHT and Protected cultivation-Practical

Unit I: Growth and Development

Understanding dormancy mechanisms in seeds, tubers and bulbs and stratification of seeds, tubers and bulbs, visit to arid, subtropical and temperate horticultural zones to identify growth and development patterns, techniques of growth analysis, evaluation of photosynthetic efficiency under different environments, study of growth regulator functions, hormone assays, understanding ripening phenomenon in fruits and vegetables, study of impact of physical manipulations on growth and development, study of chemical manipulations on growth and development, understanding stress impact on growth and development.

Unit II: Tissue Culture and Molecular Markers

Requirements for plant tissue culture laboratory-Techniques in plant tissue culture - Media components and media preparation -Aseptic manipulation of various explants ; observations on the contaminants occurring in media – interpretations - Inoculation of explants; Callus induction and plant regeneration - Plant regeneration; Standardizing the protocols for regeneration; Hardening of regenerated plants; Establishing a greenhouse and hardening procedures - Visit to commercial micropropagation unit. Transformation using *Agrobacterium* strains, GUS assay in transformed cells / tissues. DNA isolation, DNA purity and quantification tests, gel electrophoresis of proteins and isozymes, PCR-based DNA markers, gel scoring and data analysis for tagging and phylogenetic relationship, construction of genetic linkage maps using computer software.

Unit III: Protected Cultivation

Design of greenhouse, low cost polytunnels, net house-Regulation of light, temperature, humidity in greenhouses, media, greenhouse cooling systems, ventilation systems, fertigation systems, special management practices, project preparation for greenhouses, visit to greenhouses.

Unit IV: Post Harvest Technology of Horticultural crops

Analyzing maturity stages of commercially important horticultural crops, improved packing and storage of important horticultural commodities, physiological loss in weight of fruits and vegetables, estimation of transpiration, respiration rate, ethylene release and study of vase life extension in cut flower using chemicals, estimation of quality characteristics in stored fruits and vegetables, cold chain management -visit to cold storage and CA storage units, visit to fruit and vegetable processing units, project preparation, evaluation of processed horticultural products.

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1. Leopold AC & Kriedemann PE. 1985. *Plant Growth and Development*. 3rd Ed. McGraw-Hill.
2. Debnath M. 2005. *Tools and Techniques of Biotechnology*. Pointer Publ.
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7. Pradeep kumar T, Suma B, Jyothibhaskar & Satheesan KN. 2007. *Management of Horticultural Crops*. Parts I, II. New India Publ. Agency.

HOR PG 556: Library Sciences, Technical Writing and Seminar- Practical

Unit I: Library Science

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, CABI 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.

Unit II: 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 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.

Unit III: Essential Laboratory Techniques

Safety measures while in Lab; Handling of chemical substances; Use of burettes, pipettes, measuring cylinders, flasks, separatory funnel, condensers, micro pipettes and vacuumpettes; 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, and 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 lowering plants in botanical terms in relation to taxonomy

Unit IV: Masters Seminar

Student will present one open seminar on recent advances in the horticultural technology.

Reading List:

1. *Chicago Manual of Style*. 14th Ed. 1996. Prentice Hall of India.
2. Gordon HM & Walter JA. 1970. *Technical Writing*. 3rd Ed. Holt, Rinehart & Winston.

3. James HS. 1994. *Handbook for Technical Writing*. NTC Business Books.
4. Joseph G. 2000. *MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers*. 5th Ed. Affiliated East-West Press.
5. Richard WS. 1969. *Technical Writing*. Barnes & Noble.
6. Furr AK. 2000. *CRC Hand Book of Laboratory Safety*. CRC Press.
7. Gabb MH & Latchem WE. 1968. *A Handbook of Laboratory Solutions*. Chemical Publ. Co.