

PLANT PATHOLOGY AND AGRIL. MICROBIOLOGY

Course No. : PATH- 111

Course Title : INTRODUCTORY PLANT PATHOLOGY

Course Credit : 1+1=2

Theory :

Introduction, History of Plant Pathology: History and development of Plant Pathology in ancient, dark, premodern, modern and present eras, Contribution made by different scientists, **Definitions and objectives of Plant Pathology:** Concepts of disease, Disease triangle, **Important plant pathogenic organisms:** Different groups like fungi, bacteria, fastidious vesicular bacteria and phytoplasma with examples of diseases caused by them, **Morphology and reproduction:** of spiroplasmas, viruses, viroids, algae, protozoa and phanerogamic parasites with examples of diseases caused by them, **Prokaryotes** - classification of prokaryotes according to Bergey's manual of Systematic bacteriology, **General characters of fungi:** mycelium (septate and non-septate), nutrition of fungi - saprophytes, parasites and symbiosis), definition of fungus, somatic structures, types of fungal thalli, fungus tissues, modification of thallus, reproduction in fungi (asexual and sexual) - spores (asexual and sexual), spore fruits (asexual and sexual), Asexual reproduction: fission, budding, and fragmentation; **Sexual reproduction:** plasmogamy, karyogamy and meiosis, **Method of reproduction:** planogametic copulation, gametangial contact, gametangial copulation, spermatization, dikaryotization; **Nomenclature:** binomial system of nomenclature, rules of nomenclature; **Classification of fungi-**upto genus

Practical:

Morphology of fungi (Vegetative), Reproductive structures and spore fruits in fungi, Symptoms produced by plant pathogens like fungi, bacteria, viruses and phytoplasmas, Acquaintance to Plant Pathology laboratory and equipments, Preparation of culture media for fungi and bacteria, Isolation techniques, Demonstration of Koch's postulates, Collection of disease specimen and preparation of mounts, Preservation of disease samples, Study of important

genera of plant pathogenic fungi like *Pythium*, *Phytophthora*, *Albugo Sclerospora*, *Perenosclerospora*, *Pseudoperenospora*, *Perenospora*, *Plasmopara*, and *Bremia* (Oomycota); *Mucor* and *Rhizopus* (Zygomycota); *Oidium*, *Oidiopsis*, *Ovulariopsis*, *Erysiphe*, *Phyllactinia*, *Uncinula* and *Podosphaera* (Ascomycota); *Puccinia* (Different stages), *Uromyces*, *Hemilia*, *Sphacelotheca* (*Soroporium*), *Ustilago*, *Tolyposporium Agaricus*, *Pleurotus* and *Ganoderma* (Basidiomycota); *Septoria*, *Colletotrichum*, *Pestalotiopsis*, *Pyricularia*, *Drechslera*, *Alternaria*, *Stemphyllium*, *Cercospora*, *Phaeoisariopsis*, *Rhizoctonia* and *Sclerotium* (Asexual Ascomycetes - Deuteromycota)

Text books Recommended :

1. Introduction to principles of plant pathology by R. S. Singh, Oxford and IBH Publ. Co., New Delhi (1996)
2. Essentials of plant pathology by V. N. Pathak, Prakash Publ., Jaipur (1972)
3. Plant pathology by G. N. Agrios 4th edition, Academ. Press, New york (1997)
4. Introductory Plant Pathology by M. N. Kamat, Prakash Publ, Jaipur (1967)
5. Plant diseases by R. S. Singh
6. Introductory Mycology by Alexopoulos, Mims and Blackwel (2004)
7. Introductory Plant Pathology by H.C. Dube

B) Teaching schedule

| Lecture No. | Topics to be covered |
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| 1 | Introduction |
| 2 | History, Definition and objectives of Plant Pathology |
| 3 | Concepts of disease, disease triangle |
| 4 | Definition of Plant Pathology |
| 5 | Important plant pathogenic organisms, different groups, Fungi, Bacteria, Fastidious and Vesicular bacteria and Phytoplasma with examples of diseases caused by them. |
| 6 | Spiroplasmas, Viruses, Viroids, Algae, Protozoa, and phanerogamic parasites with examples of diseases caused by them. |
| 7,8 | Prokaryotes, classification of prokaryotes according to Bergey's manual of Systematic bacteriology. |
| 9 | General characters of Fungi |

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| 10 | Definition of Fungus, somatic structures, types of fungal thalli, fungus tissues, modification of thallus |
| 11 | Reproduction in Fungi (Asexual) |
| 12 | Reproduction in Fungi (Sexual) |
| 13 | Nomenclature, Binomial system of nomenclature |
| 14 | Rules of nomenclature |
| 15 | Classification of Fungi-up to genus |

C) Lesson Plan

| Lesson No. | Topics to be covered |
|------------|---|
| 1 | Introduction |
| 2 | History, Definitions and objectives of Plant Pathology History of Plant Pathology- History and development of Plant Pathology in ancient, dark, premodern, modern and present eras. Contribution made by - Surpal, Theophrastus, Pliny, Iwanowski, Robert Hook, Anton van Leeuwenhoek, Needham, Linnaeus, Tillet, Prevost Robert Koch, Marshal Ward, Millardet, Jenson, Meyar, Burril, E.F. Smith, Erikson, Biffen, Iwanwasky, Stakman, Cragie, Luthra, Stanley, Bowden & Pierie, Doi & Asuyama, Butler, Mehta, Mundkur, Dastur, Kulkarni, Bhide, Uppal, Tirumalachar, Patel and Rangaswamy. |
| 3 | Concepts of disease, disease triangle |
| 4 | Definition of Plant Pathology |
| 5 | Important plant pathogenic organisms, different groups: Fungi, Bacteria, Fastidious Vesicular bacteria and Phytoplasma with examples of diseases caused by them. |
| 6 | Important plant pathogenic organisms, different groups: Morphology and reproduction -Spiroplasmas, Viruses, Viroids, algae, Protozoa, and phanerogamic parasites with examples of diseases caused by them. |
| 7,8 | Prokaryotes, classification of prokaryotes according to Bergey's manual of Systematic Bacteriology. |
| 9 | General characters of Fungi - mycelium (septate and non-septate), |

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| | Nutrition of fungi, saprophytes, parasites and symbiosis) |
| 10 | Definition of Fungus, somatic structures, types of fungal thalli, fungus tissues, modification of thallus |
| 11 | Reproduction in Fungi (asexual and sexual): Spores (asexual and sexual), spore fruits (asexual and sexual) |
| 12 | Reproduction in Fungi (Asexual and sexual): Asexual reproduction - Fission, budding, and fragmentation Sexual reproduction - Plasmogamy, karyogamy and meiosis Method of reproduction – Planogametic copulation, Gametangial contact, Gametangial copulation, spermatization, dikaryotization |
| 13 | Nomenclature, Binomial system of nomenclature |
| 14 | Rules of nomenclature |
| 15 | Classification of Fungi-upto genus |

D) Weightages

| Sr. No. | Name of Topic | Weightages |
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| 1 | Introduction | 6-7 |
| 2 | Important plant pathogenic organisms, different groups, Fungi, Bacteria, Fastidious vesicular bacteria and Phytoplasma, Spiroplasma, Viruses, Viroids, algae, Protozoa, and phanerogamic parasites with examples of diseases caused by them | 6-8 |
| 3 | Prokaryotes, classification of prokaryotes according to Bergy's manual of systematic bacteriology. | 6-7 |
| 4 | General characters of Fungi | 4-5 |
| 5 | Definition of Fungus, somatic structures, types of fungal thalli, fungus tissues, modification of thallus | 6-8 |
| 6 | Reproduction in Fungi (Asexual and sexual) | 4-5 |
| 7 | Nomenclature, Binomial system of nomenclature | 4-5 |
| 8 | Classification of Fungi – up to genus. | 4-5 |
| | Total | 40-50 |

E) Exercise schedule (practical)

| Exercise No. | Topics to be covered |
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| 1 | Morphology of fungi (Vegetative) |
| 2 | Reproductive structures and spore fruits in fungi |
| 3 | Symptoms produced by fungal plant pathogens |
| 4 | Symptoms produced by bacterial plant pathogens |
| 5 | Symptoms produced by viruses and phytoplasma |
| 6 | Acquaintance to Plant Pathology laboratory and equipments |
| 7 | Preparation of culture media for fungi and bacteria |
| 8 | Isolation techniques, demonstration of Koch's postulates, collection of disease specimen and preparation of mounts |
| 9 | Preservation of disease samples |
| 10 | Study of Pythium, Phytophthora and Albugo |
| 11 | Study of Sclerospora, Perenosclerospora, Pseudoperenospora, Perenospora, Plasmopara, and Bremia |
| 12 | Study of genera Mucor and Rhizopus |
| 13 | Study of Oidium, Oidiopsis, Ovulariopsis, Erysiphe, Phyllactinia, Uncinula and Podosphaera |
| 14 | Study of Puccinia (Different stages), Uromyces, Hemilia |
| 15 | Study of Sphacelotheca, Ustilago and Tolyposporium |
| 16 | Study of Agaricus, Pleurotus and Ganoderma |
| 17 | Study of Septoria, Colletotrichum, and Pestalotiopsis |
| 18 | Study of Pyricularia, Helminthosporium, Drechslera, Alternaria, Stemphyllium, Cercospora, Phaeoisariopsis, Rhizoctonia and Sclerotium |

Course No. : MIBO-121

Course Title : AGRICULTURAL MICROBIOLOGY

Course Credit : 2+1=3

Theory:

History of Microbiology: Spontaneous generation theory, Role of microbes in fermentation, Germ theory of disease, Prokaryotic and eucaryotic microorganisms. Morphology, cytology and other characters of bacteria, fungi, algae, actinomycetes and mycoplasma. Bacteriophages: structure and properties

of Bacterial viruses – Lytic and Lysogenic cycles: viroids, prions. Metabolism in bacteria: ATP generation, chemoautotrophy, photo autotrophy, respiration, and fermentation. Bacterial genetics; Gene expression; Genetic recombination: transformation, conjugation and transduction, genetic engineering, Plasmids, episomes, genetically modified Organisms. Protection against infections. Plant – Microbe interactions.

Applied areas of Microbiology. Soil Microbiology: Microbial groups in soil, microbial transformations of carbon, nitrogen, phosphorus and sulphur, Biological nitrogen fixation. Microflora of Rhizosphere and Phyllosphere microflora, microbes in composting. Microbiology of Water: potable, irrigation, sewage water and water purification systems. Microbiology of food: microbial spoilage of food and principles of food preservation. Beneficial microorganisms in Agriculture: Biofertilizer (Bacterial Cyanobacterial and Fungal). Methods of application and quality norms of biofertilizer. Microbial insecticides. Microbial agents for control of Plant diseases. Biodegradation, Biogas production,

Practical:

General instructions, Familiarization with instruments, materials, glassware etc. in a microbiology laboratory: Practice of Aseptic methods: I - Evaluation of aseptic technique with Nutrient broth tubes. II- Evaluation of aseptic technique with a Nutrient agar plate. Methods of Sterilization and Preparation of media I- Preparation of nutrient broth, nutrient agar plates, nutrient agar slant and nutrient agar stab; II- Sterilization of glassware by Dry heating; III - Sterilization of nutrient broth by Filtration. Plating methods for Isolation and Purification of bacteria I - Isolation of bacteria by Streak plate method. II - Isolation of aerobic spore forming bacteria by Enrichment using Streak plate method. III - Checking of purity of a bacterial culture by Streak plating method. Identification of bacteria by staining methods and Biochemical tests: I– Morphological examination of bacteria by Simple and Differential staining. II – Different biochemical tests for identification of bacterial culture; Enumeration of bacteria: I - Enumeration of bacteria by Stain slide method. II- Enumeration of bacteria by most probable number method. III - Enumeration of bacteria by Pour plate method and Spread plate method.

Books recommended:

1. Agricultural Microbiology. 1998. G. Rangaswani and D.J. Bagyraj. Prentice Hall of India., New Delhi.
2. An Introduction to Microbiology. 1996. P. Tauro, K.K. Kapoor and K.S. Yadav. Wiley Eastern Ltd., New Delhi.
3. Microbiology, 1986. M.J.Pelczar, E.C.S. Chan and N.L. Krieg. Mc Graw Hill 5th Edition, New York, USA.
4. Soil microorganisms and plant growth. 1977. N.S.. Subbarao Oxford & IBH Publ. Co. , New Delhi.

B) Teaching Schedule

| Lecture No. | Topics to be covered |
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| 1. | Microbiology: Introduction, Scope in Agriculture and allied fields |
| 2. | History of Microbiology. |
| 3. | Spontaneous generation. |
| 4. | Role of microbes in fermentation and germ theory of disease |
| 5. | Microbial world: Prokaryotic and eukaryotic microorganisms |
| 6 & 7. | Morphology, cytology and other characters of bacteria. |
| 8. | Morphology, cytology and other characters of fungi |
| 9. | Morphology, cytology and other characters of algae |
| 10. | Morphology, cytology and other characters of actinomycetes |
| 11. | Metabolism in bacteria: ATP generation, chemoautotrophy. photo autotrophy |
| 12. | Metabolism in bacteria; respiration and fermentation. |
| 13. | Bacterial genetics. Gene expression, genetic recombination. |
| 14. | Bacterial transformations |
| 15. | Transduction, genetic engineering, plasmids, episomes, genetically modified organisms |
| 16. | Bacterial viruses- Lytic and lysogenic cycles, viroids, prions. |
| 17. | Protections against infections and plant microbe interactions |
| 18 | Applied areas of microbiology. |
| 19. | Soil Microbiology. Microbial groups in soil. |
| 20. | Microbial transformations of carbon. |

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| 21. | Microbial transformations of nitrogen. |
| 22. | Biological Nitrogen Fixation. . |
| 23. | Microbial transformations of phosphorus.. |
| 24. | Microbial transformations of sulphur and iron. |
| 25. | Microflora of rhizosphere, phyllosphere and microbes in composting. |
| 26 & 27 | Microbiology of water: potable/irrigation / sewage water and water purification system |
| 28 & 29 | Microbial spoilage and principles of food preservation |
| 30 & 31 | Beneficial microorganisms in Agriculture: Biofertilizers. Bacterial, Cyanobacterial and fungal biofertilizers. |
| 31 & 32 | Methods of application of biofertilizers and Quality control of biofertilizers. |
| 33 | Microbial insecticides. Microbial agents for plant disease control. |
| 34 | Biodegradation and Biogas production. |

C) Lesson Plan

| Lecture No. | Topics to be covered |
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| 1. | Microbiology: Introduction, Scope in Agriculture and allied fields |
| 2. | History of Microbiology, Origin of life. Discovery of microorganisms, Invention of microscope. |
| 3. | Spontaneous generation, Settlement of spontaneous generation conflict, Era of germ theory of disease. Immunization research. Development of Agricultural Microbiology. |
| 4. | Role of microbes in fermentation and germ theory of diseases. Contributions of Robert Koch and Louis Pasteur. Koch's Postulates. |
| 5. | Microbial world: Prokaryotic and eukaryotic microorganisms. Microorganisms. Groups of Microorganisms.. Microflora and microfauna. Characters and importance of bacteria, fungi, actinomycetes, algae, viruses, mycoplasma, nematodes and earthworms. |
| 6. | Bacteria: Morphology, cytology and other characters. Bacterial cell structure and functions of external and internal parts. Morphology of bacteria: size, shape, cell grouping, endospore formation, and capsule |

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| | formation. |
| 7. | Bacteria: Nutrients required for growth of bacteria. Nutritional types of bacteria. Bacterial growth. Growth curve. Growth phases. Reproduction of bacteria. Methods of reproduction |
| 8. | Morphology, cytology and other characters of fungi: Fungal hyphae, mycelium, types of mycelia, reproduction methods of fungi, nutritional mode of fungi. Agriculturally important fungi. |
| 9. | Morphology, cytology and other characters of algae. Algae, distribution and growth requirements. Morphology and cytology of algae. Major groups of algae and their importance. |
| 10. | Morphology, cytology and other characters of actinomycetes. Actinomycetes, similarities with bacteria and fungi, habitat, general characters, reproduction, important actinomycetes and their importance in agriculture and allied fields. |
| 11. | Bacterial metabolism: Catabolism and anabolism. ATP generation Chemoautotrophy. Photo autotrophy |
| 12. | Metabolism in bacteria: Respiration and Fermentation. |
| 13. | Bacterial genetics. Bacterial genome. Arrangement of genes. Mutation in bacteria. Genetic variability. Bacterial conjugation. Properties of plasmids. Properties of clones Genetic exchange by conjugation. |
| 14. | Bacterial Transformations. |
| 15 | Transduction. Generalized and Specialized transduction. Genetic Engineering. Cutting and joining of DNA. Genetic recombination. Genetically modified organisms |
| 16. | Bacterial viruses- Bacteriophages. Structure of bacteriophages. Properties of bacteriophages. Lytic and lysogenic cycles. |
| 17. | Protection against infections and plant microbe interactions. Immunity, types of immunity. Parasitism, Predation, Symbiosis, Commensalisms. |
| 18. | Applied areas of Microbiology. Scope of Agricultural Microbiology in other fields. Beneficial and harmful activities of microbes in agriculture and allied branches of Microbiology. |
| 19. | Soil Microbiology. Introduction and importance. Microorganisms present in soil. Bacteria, fungi, actinomycetes, algae in soil. Protozoa |

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| | and earthworms, nematodes in soil. |
| 20. | Microbial transformations of carbon. Carbon cycle. Decomposition of organic matter. |
| 21. | Microbial transformations of nitrogen. Nitrogen cycle. Steps of N cycles and microbes involved. |
| 22. | Biological Nitrogen Fixation. Symbiotic and asymbiotic N fixation <i>Rhizobium</i> légume symbiosis. Associative dinitrogen fixation. |
| 23. | Transformation of phosphorus in soil. P cycle, steps and microbes involved. Phosphate solubilization, mechanism and organisms involved. |
| 24. | Microbial transformation of sulphur. Sulphur cycle, steps and microbes involved. Sulphur compound in soil. Oxidation of Sulphur Iron transformations in soil. Iron cycle, steps and Microbes involved |
| 25 | Microflora of Rhizosphere, Phyllosphere and microbes in composting. Rhizosphere. Rhizosphere concept. Microflora of rhizosphere . Effect of rhizospheric microflora on crop plants. Factors affecting rhizospheric microfloral population. Phyllosphere: Phyllosphere microflora and their effect on crop plants.. Microbes in composting. Cellulolytic microbes. Microbes in prevailing in different phases of composting. |
| 26. | Microbiology of water: Sanitary quality of water. Polluted water. BOD and water purification methods |
| 27. | Microbiology of water: Waste water. Sewage and microbial flora in sewage, Effects of waste water on plants and microorganisms. Purification methods |
| 28. | Microbiology of Food: Food microflora. Food intoxication, Food infections, Food poisoning. Microbial spoilage of important foods. Methods of food preservation. |
| 29. | Microbiology of Food: Spoilage and preservation of f agricultural produce. Preservation of fruits, vegetables, milk, and other food products. |
| 30 | Beneficial microorganisms in agriculture: Biofertilizers. Definition, Types of biofertilizers. Types based on the basis of microbial group involved, activity performed by microbial agent used to prepare biofertilizer, physical consistency and relation with the host crop. Role |

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| | of biofertilizers. |
| 31& 32. | Methods and rate of application of biofertilizer. Seed treatment method with precautions while treating seeds with biofertilizer, Application through soil, irrigation water and other methods. Quality control of biofertilizers. Specified quality control norms for biofertilizers |
| 33 | Microbial insecticides. Microbial agents for plant disease control. Bioinsecticides and biopesticides. <i>Trichoderma</i> , <i>Pseudomonas</i> . |
| 34 | Biodegradation and Biogas production. |

D) Weightages

| Group | Topics | Weightages |
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| I | Microbiology. History of Microbiology. Spontaneous Generation. Role of microbes in fermentation and germ theory of diseases. Microbial world. Prokaryotes and eucalypts. General characters of microbes | 8 to 9 |
| II | Bacteria, Cytology, Morphology, nutrition, growth curve, reproduction | 10 to 11 |
| III | Morphology, cytology and other characteristics of fungi, algae, actinomycetes, mycoplasma. | 10 to 11 |
| IV | Metabolism in bacteria and Bacterial Genetics | 10 to 11 |
| V | Bacterial Viruses. Lytic and lysogenic cycle, viroids and prions. | 4 to 5 |
| VI | Applied areas of Microbiology, Soil Microbiology and microbial transformation of carbon | 4 to 5 |
| VII | N cycle, Biological N fixation | 10 to 11 |
| VIII | Sulphur and Iron transformations and S and Fe cycles. Microflora of rhizosphere, phyllosphere and microbes in composting. | 6 to 7 |
| X | Microbiology of food. Microbiology of water | 4 to 5 |
| XI | Biofertilizer, Types, Methods of application and quality control | 8 to 9 |
| XII | Microbial insecticides, biodegradation and biogas production | 6-7 |
| | Total | 80 to 92 |

E) Exercise schedule (Practical)

| Exercise No. | Title of exercise |
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| 1. | Acquaintance with microscope and other lab equipments. |
| 2. | Study of morphology of bacteria |
| 3. | Simple staining of bacteria |
| 4. | Gram staining of bacteria |
| 5. | Methods of sterilization |
| 6. | Preparation of culture media. |
| 7. | Preparation of nutrient broth, pour plate, slants and stabs |
| 8. | Isolation of bacteria by streak method. |
| 9. | Isolation of <i>Rhizobium</i> bacteria by pour plate technique |
| 10. | Purification methods of bacterial cultures |
| 11 | Estimation of soil microflora by dilution pour plate technique |
| 12. | Estimation of soil microflora by buried slide techniques |
| 13. | Enumeration of bacteria by direct microscopic count method. |
| 14. | Isolation of bacteria (<i>Azotobacter</i>) by enrichment culture technique |
| 15. | Isolation of phosphate solubilizing bacteria using specific medium. |
| 16. | Tests for Acid and gas production and liquefaction of gelatin by bacteria |
| 17. | Enumeration of bacteria (<i>Azospirillum</i>) by most probable method |

Course No. : PATH-232

Course Title : PRINCIPLES OF PLANT PATHOLOGY

Course Credit : 1+1=2

Theory :

Terms and concepts, **Survival and dispersal of plant pathogens:** Survival - mode of perpetuation of pathogen, facultatism by dormant mycelium and sclerotia; perpetuation on alternate and collateral hosts; heteroecism, autocism, polymorphism, physiological specialization, **Dispersal:** continuous dissemination - autonomous dissemination, Role of air, wind, water, animals, birds, insects, nematodes and mites in dissemination of plant pathogens, Discontinuous dissemination – man, seed, soil and agricultural operations, **Phenomenon of infection:** pre-penetration, penetration and post penetration, Mechanism of infection and avenues of penetration, direct and indirect penetration, Pathogenesis: role of enzymes, toxins, growth regulators and polysaccharides, **Defense mechanisms in plant:** structural and biochemical (pre and post infection), **Plant disease epidemiology and disease forecasting:** remote sensing, Epidemiology - definition, simple interest and compound interest diseases, essential conditions for epiphytotics, decline of epidemics, **Plant disease forecasting:** methods of disease forecasting, survey and surveillance, forecasting models, satellite imaginary forecasting; **General principles of plant disease management:** importance, principles – avoidance, exclusion, eradication, protection and resistance

Practical:

Study of different groups of fungicides and antibiotics, Preparation of fungicides: Bordeaux mixture, Bordeaux paste and chestnut compound, Methods of application of fungicides: seed, soil, and foliar, Bioassay of fungicides: poisoned food techniques; inhibition zone technique; slide germination technique, Biocontrol of plant pathogens: Dual culture technique, Detection of seed microflora, Seed treatment, Visit to quarantine station and remote sensing laboratory, Soil solarization, Handling of plant protection equipments.

Text books Recommended :

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3. Plant pathology by G. N. Agrios 4th edition, Academ. Press, New york (1997)
4. Introductory Plant Pathology by M. N. Kamat, Prakash Publ, Jaipur (1967)
5. Plant diseases by R. S. Singh
6. Introductory Plant Pathology by H.C. Dube

Theory : B) Teaching schedule

| Lecture No. | Topics to be covered |
|--------------------|---|
| 1 | Terms and concepts |
| 2 | Survival and dispersal of Plant Pathogens |
| 3 | Phenomenon of infection: Pre-penetration, penetration and post penetration |
| 4 | Pathogenesis: Role of enzymes, toxins, growth regulators and polysaccharides, Defense mechanism in plants: Structural and biochemical (pre and post infection) |
| 5 | Plant disease epidemiology and disease forecasting, Remote sensing |
| 6 | General principles of plant disease management - Importance General principles: Avoidance, exclusion, eradication, protection and resistance |
| 7 | Plant quarantine and inspection: Quarantine rules and regulations and pest risk analysis |
| 8 | Cultural methods: Rouging, eradication of alternate and collateral hosts, crop rotation, manure and fertilizer management, mixed cropping, sanitation, hot weather ploughing, soil amendmets, time of sowing, seed rate and plant density, irrigation and drainage. |
| 9 | Mechanism of biological control and PGPR |
| 10 | Physical methods: Use of heat, steam |
| 11 | Chemical methods: Methods of application of fungicides |
| 12 | Host plant resistance |
| 13 | Application of biotechnology in plant disease management (Development of disease resistant transgenic plants through gene |

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| | cloning). |
| 14 | Integrated plant disease management (IDM) concept, advantages and importance. |

C) Lesson plan

| Lesson No. | Topics to be covered |
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| 1 | Terms and concepts in Plant Pathology: Immunity, Immunization, Perpetuation, Incubation period, Polygenic resistance, Setae, Antherozoid, Blastospores, Parasite, Facultative parasite, Facultative saprophyte, Obligate parasite, Homothalium, Heterothalium, Holocarpism, Eucarpism, Dikaryosis, Entomochory, Plasmogamy, Spore, Karyogamy, Haustoria, Alternate Host, Collateral host, Heteroecism, Autoecism, Anamorph, Teleomorph, Chronic symptom, conjugation, Horizontal resistance, Vertical resistance, Host, Parasite, Pathogen, Hyperparasite, Hypersensitivity, Inoculum, Masked symptoms, Nonhost resistance, Paraphysis, Pathogenicity, Phytoalexin, Propogule, Resistance, Susceptibility, Symptomless carrier and Tolerance. |
| 2 | Survival and dispersal of plant pathogens: Survival: Mode of perpetuation of pathogen, facultatism by dormant mycelium and sclerotia; perpetuation on alternate and collateral hosts; heteroecism, autocism, polymorphism, physiological specialization. Dispersal: Continuous dissemination - Autonomous dissemination. Role of air, wind, water, animals, birds, insects, nematodes and mites in dissemination of plant pathogens . Discontinuous dissemination – Man, seed, soil and agricultural operations |
| 3 | Phenomenon of infection: Pre-penetration, penetration and post penetration Mechanism of infection and avenues of penetration, direct and indirect penetration |
| 4 | Pathogenesis: Role of enzymes, toxins, growth regulators and polysaccharides Defense mechanisms in plant: structural and biochemical (pre and post infection) |

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| 5 | <p>Plant disease epidemiology and disease forecasting: Remote sensing Epidemiology: A) Definition, B) Simple interest and compound interest diseases, C) Essential conditions for epiphytotics -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Distance of susceptible plants from the source of primary inoculum, 2. Abundance of distribution of susceptible host, 3. Disease proneness in the host, 4. Presence of suitable alternate and collateral host for survival, 5. Presence of aggressive isolate of pathogen, 6. High multiplication rate of pathogen, 7. Low death rate, 8. Easy and rapid disposal of the pathogen, 9. Adaptability of pathogen <p>D) Decline of epidemics: saturation of pathogen in host population, reduction the aggression of the pathogen</p> <p>E) Plant disease forecasting: a) Methods of disease forecasting, b) Survey and surveillance, c) Forecasting models, d) Satellite imaginary forecasting</p> |
| 6 | <p>General principles of plant disease management: Importance, General principles – Avoidance, exclusion, eradication, protection and resistance</p> |
| 7 | <p>Plant Quarantine and inspection: Quarantine rules and regulations and pest risk analysis,.</p> <p>A) Plant quarantine - domestic and international seed certification, B) PEQ, C) Eradication – 1. Removal of plant parts and sanitation, 2. Eradication of alternate hosts, 3. Destruction of collateral host, 4. Rouging, 5. Cultural practices</p> |
| 8 | <p>Cultural methods: Rouging, eradication of alternate and collateral hosts, crop rotation, manure and fertilizer management, mixed cropping, sanitation, hot weather ploughing, soil amendments, time of sowing, seed rate and plant density, irrigation and drainage.</p> |
| 9 | <p>Role of biological control and PGPR .</p> <p>Biological-cross protection, use of suppressive soil, introduction of newer antagonist, use of hypo-virulent strain, use of hyperparasites</p> |
| 10 | <p>Physical methods: heat, steam, hot water, solar heat</p> |
| 11 | <p>Chemical methods: methods of application of fungicides, seed</p> |

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| | treatment, soil application and spray/dust application |
| 12 | Host plant resistance |
| 13 | Application of biotechnology in plant disease management (Development of disease resistance transgenic plant through gene cloning) |
| 14 | Integrated plant disease management (IDM) concept, advantages and importance |

D) Weightages

| Lesson No. | Topics to be covered | Weight -ages |
|-------------------|--|---------------------|
| 1 | Terms and concepts | 4-6 |
| 2 | Survival and dispersal of plant pathogens, Phenomenon of infection-pre-penetration, penetration and post penetration | 4-4 |
| 3 | Pathogenesis-Role of enzymes, toxins, growth regulators and polysaccharides, defense mechanisms in plant structural and biochemical (pre and post infection) Plant disease epidemiology and disease forecasting - Remote sensing | 7-8 |
| 4 | General principles of plant disease management – Importance, General principles – Avoidance, exclusion, eradication, protection and resistance | 5-6 |
| 5 | Plant quarantine and inspection- Quarantine rules and regulations | 4-6 |
| 6 | Cultural methods - Rouging, eradication of alternate and collateral hosts, crop rotation, manure and fertilizer management, mixed cropping, sanitation, hot weather | 4-6 |

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| | ploughing, soil amendments, time of sowing, seed rate and plant density, irrigation and drainage. | |
| 7 | Role of Mechanism of biological control and PGPR | 4-6 |
| 8 | Physical methods: heat, steam, hot water, solar heat Chemical methods: methods of application of fungicides - seed treatment, soil application and spray/dust application | 4-6 |
| 9 | Host plant resistance: Application of biotechnology in plant disease management (Development of disease resistance transgenic plant through gene cloning) | 4-6 |
| 10 | Integrated plant disease management (IDM): concept, advantages and importance | 4-6 |
| Total | | 40-50 |

E) Exercise schedule (Practical)

| Exercise No | Topics to be covered |
|-------------|---|
| 1 | Study of different groups of fungicides and antibiotics |
| 2,3 | Preparation of fungicides: Bordeaux mixture, Bordeaux paste and chestnut compound |
| 4 | Methods of application of fungicides: seed ,soil, and foliar |
| 5 | Bioassay of fungicides: poisoned food techniques |
| 6 | Inhibition zone technique |
| 7 | Slide germination technique |
| 8 | Biocontrol of plant pathogens |
| 9 | Dual culture technique |
| 10 | Detection of seed microflora |
| 11 | Seed treatment |
| 12 | Visit to quarantine station and remote sensing laboratory |
| 13 | Soil solarization |
| 14 | Handling of plant protection equipments |

Course No. : PATH-243

**Course Title : DISEASES OF FIELD CROPS AND THEIR
MANAGEMENT**

Course Credit : 2+1=3

Theory:

Economic importance, symptoms, cause, epidemiology and disease cycle and integrated management of diseases of rice, sorghum, bajra, maize, wheat, sugarcane, *ragi*, finger millet, turmeric, ginger, tobacco, groundnut, sesamum, sunflower, safflower, linseed, castor, cotton, red gram, Bengal gram, black gram, green gram, tea, soybean.

Practical:

Study of symptoms, etiology, host-parasite relationship and specific control measures of diseases of rice, sorghum, wheat, bajra, maize, *ragi*, finger millet, sugarcane, turmeric, ginger, tobacco, groundnut, castor, sunflower, safflower, sesamum, linseed, cotton, red gram, green gram, black gram, Bengal gram, soybean. Field visits at appropriate time during the semester. Survey and collection of disease samples of above crops and their preservation.

| Sr. No. | Lecture No. | Topic to be covered | Sr. No. | Lecture No. | Topic to be covered |
|--|-------------|-----------------------------------|---------|-------------|---------------------|
| Economic importance, symptoms, cause, epidemiology, disease cycle and integrated management of diseases of : | | | | | |
| 1 | 1, 2 | Rice | 13 | 19 | Linseed |
| 2 | 3, 4 | Sorghum | 14 | 20 | Cotton |
| 3 | 5, 6 | Bajra | 15 | 21, 22 | Red gram |
| 4 | 7 | Maize | 16 | 23 | Bengal gram |
| 5 | 8 | Ragi and Nagli (Finger millet) | 17 | 24 | Black gram |
| 6 | 9, 10 | Wheat | 18 | 25 | Green gram |
| 7 | 11, 12 | Sugarcane | 19 | 26 | Soybean |
| 8 | 13 | Tobacco | 20 | 27, 28 | Turmeric |

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| 9 | 14 | Groundnut | 21 | 29 | Ginger |
| 10 | 15 | Sesamum | 22 | 30 | Onion |
| 11 | 16 | Sunflower | 23 | 31 | Garlic |
| 12 | 17, 18 | Safflower | 24 | 32 | Castor |

Note: Students should submit 50 pressed, well mounted diseased specimens in three installments during the semester. Books recommended

Teaching schedule (Lesson plan)

| Lesson No. | Lesson | Topic to be covered |
|------------|----------------------|---|
| 1, 2 | Rice diseases | Blast, bacterial blight, false smut, udbatta, sheath blight, leaf scald and rice tungro virus |
| 3, 4 | Sorghum diseases | Smuts, charcoal rot, grain mold, leaf spots, rust |
| 5, 6 | Bajra diseases | Rust, smut, downy mildew, ergot, rust |
| 7 | Maize diseases | Downy mildew, smut |
| 8 | Ragi & finger millet | Leaf spots, blast |
| 9, 10 | Wheat diseases | Stem rust, brown rust, yellow rust, blights, loose smut, bunt of wheat |
| 11, 12 | Sugarcane diseases | Smut, mosaic, grassy shoot, rust, red rot |
| 13 | Turmeric diseases | Leaf spots, rhizome rot |
| 14 | Ginger diseases | Leaf spots, rhizome rot |
| 15 | Tobacco diseases | TMV, leaf curl, broom rape |
| 16, 17 | Groundnut diseases | Leaf spots (Tikka), rust, bud necrosis, stem rot |
| 18 | Sesamum diseases | Leaf spots, wilt, powdery mildew, phyllody |
| 19, 20 | Sunflower diseases | Downy mildew, leaf spot, rust, necrosis virus |

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| 21 | Safflower diseases | Wilt, leaf spot, mosaic, root rot |
| 22 | Linseed diseases | Wilt, rust |
| 23, 24 | Cotton diseases | Angular leaf spot, grey mildew, anthracnose, leaf spots, boll rot, wilt, and reddening |
| 25 | Red gram diseases | Wilt, sterility mosaic, leaf spot |
| 26 | Bengal gram diseases | Wilt, stunt, stem rot, root rot and blight |
| 27 | Black gram diseases | Powdery mildew, leaf spot, virus |
| 28 | Green gram diseases | Powdery mildew, leaf spots, blight, yellow mosaic |
| 29 | Soybean diseases | Rust, anthracnose, bacterial blight, viruses |
| 30 | Onion diseases | Smudge, <i>Alternaria</i> blight, blast, downy mildew, storage rots |
| 31 | Garlic diseases | Leaf spots, blight |
| 32 | Caster diseases | Rust, leaf spots |
| | Total lessons | 32 |

Reference Books :

1. Diseases of tropical and subtropical field, fibre and oil plants by Cook, A. A. 1981, Mac Millan Pub NewYork
2. Diseases of crop plants in India by Rangaswamy G. 1988, Pub New Delhi
3. Plant Diseases by Singh, R. S. 1996, Oxford & IBM Ltd New Delhi.
4. Plant Pathology by G. N. Agreose 5th Edition.

D) Weightages :

| Sr. No. | Topic | Weightages/ Marks | Sr. No. | Topic | Weightages/ Marks |
|---|---------|-------------------|---------|----------|-------------------|
| Economic importance, symptoms, cause, epidemiology, disease cycle and integratemanagement of diseases of : | | | | | |
| 1 | Rice | 5-6 | 13 | Linseed | 2-3 |
| 2 | Sorghum | 5-6 | 14 | Cotton | 6-7 |
| 3 | Bajra | 4-5 | 15 | Red gram | 3-4 |

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| 4 | Maize | 3-4 | 16 | Bengal gram | 4-5 |
| 5 | Ragi and Nagli (Finger millet) | 2-3 | 17 | Black gram | 2-3 |
| 6 | Wheat | 6-7 | 18 | Green gram | 2-3 |
| 7 | Sugarcane | 4-5 | 19 | Soybean | 4-4 |
| 8 | Tobacco | 2-3 | 20 | Turmeric | 3-3 |
| 9 | Groundnut | 5-6 | 21 | Ginger | 2-3 |
| 10 | Sesamum | 2-3 | 22 | Onion | 3-4 |
| 11 | Sunflower | 5-6 | 23 | Garlic | 1-1 |
| 12 | Safflower | 4-5 | 24 | Castor | 1-1 |
| | | | | Total | 80-100 |

Practical :

1. Study of symptoms, etiology, host-parasite relationship and specific control measures of the following crop diseases.
2. Survey, collection and preservation of disease samples of rice, sorghum, *bajra*, wheat, maize, sugarcane, turmeric, tobacco, groundnut, castor, sunflower; sesamum, cotton, redgram, green gram, black gram, Bengal gram and beans.
3. Field visits at appropriate time during the semester

| Crops to be covered | Diseases to be covered | Exercise No. |
|---|---|---------------------|
| Study of symptoms, etiology, host-parasite relationship and specific control measures of the following diseases of: | | |
| Rice | Blast, bacterial blight, false smut, leaf scald and rice tungro virus | 1 |

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|---|---|-----------|
| Sorghum | Smuts, charcoal rot, grain mold, leaf spots | 2 |
| Bajra | Rust, smut, downy mildew | 3 |
| Maize | Downy mildew, smut | 3 |
| a) <i>Ragi</i> | Leaf spots | 4 |
| b) Finger-millet | Leaf spots | 4 |
| Wheat | Stem rust, brown rust, yellow rust, loose smut, bunt of wheat | 5 |
| Sugarcane | Smut, mosaic, grassy shoot, downy mildew | 6 |
| Groundnut | Leaf spots, rust, bud necrosis, stem rot | 7 |
| Sunflower | Downy mildew, leaf spot, rust, necrosis virus | 8 |
| Safflower | Wilt, leaf spot, mosaic, root rot | 8 |
| Turmeric | Leaf spots | 9 |
| Garlic | Leaf spots, blight | 9 |
| Cotton | Angular leaf spot, grey mildew, anthracnose leaf spots, boll rot, wilt, and reddening | 10 |
| Red gram | Wilt, sterility mosaic | 11 |
| Bengal gram | Wilt, stunt, stem rot, root rot and blight | 11 |
| Green gram | Powdery mildew, leaf spots and blight, yellow mosaic | 12 |
| Black gram | Powdery mildew leaf spot, virus diseases | 12 |
| Soybean | Rust, anthracnose, bacterial blight, viruses | 12 |
| Tobacco | TMV, leaf curl, broom rape | 13 |
| Linseed | Wilt, rust | 13 |
| Castor | Rust, leaf spots, | 14 |
| Sesamum | leaf spots, wilt, powdery mildew, phyllody | 14 |
| | Total | 14 |
| Note: Students should submit 50 pressed, well mounted diseased specimens in three installments during the semester | | |

Course No. : PATH-354

**Course Title : DISEASES OF HORTICULTURAL CROPS AND THEIR
MANAGEMENT**

Course Credit : 2+1=3

Theory:

Economic importance symptoms cause disease cycle and integrated management of diseases of citrus, mango, banana, grapevine, pomegranate, papaya, guava, sapota, custard, apple, ber, fig, strawberry, cashew, aonla, jamun, cocum, arecant, coconut, apple, chili, brinjal, lady finger, potato crucifers, cucurbits, tomato, beans, onion, garlic, leafy vegetables, betelvine, mulberry, coffee, tea, oil, palm, rose, chrysanthemum and jasmine, aster, marigold, gladiolus, carnation, tuberose, gerbera .

Practical:

Study of symptoms, etiology, host-parasite relationship and specific control measures of diseases of citrus, mango, banana, grapevine, pomegranate, papaya, guava, sapota, custard apple, ber, fig, strawberry, cashew, aonla, jamun, cocum, arecanut, coconut, apple, chili, brinjal, ladies finger, potato, crucifers, cucurbits, tomato, beans, onion, garlic, leafy vegetables, betelvine, mulberry, coffee, tea, oil, plam, rose, chrysanthemum and jasmine, aster, marigold, gladiolus, carnation, tuberose, gerbera. Field visits at appropriate time during the semester. Survery and collection of disease samples of above crops and their preservation.

Note: students should submit 50 pressed well mounted diseased specimens in three installments during the semester.

Books recommended :

1. Diseases of fruit crops by Pathak, V.N. 1980 Oxford & BH Pub
2. Diseases of tropical and subtropical field fibre and oil plants by Cook A.A. 1981, Mac Millan Pub NewYork
3. Diseases of crop plants in India by Rangaswamy G 1988, Pub New Delhi
4. Diseases of ornamental plants in India by Sohi H.S. 1992 ICAR, New Delhi.
5. Diseases of vegetable crops. Singh, R.S 1994 Oxford & IBM, New Delhi
6. Plant Diseases by Singh, R.S. 1996, Oxford & IBM Ltd New Delhi
7. Plant Pathology by G.N. Agreose 5th Edition.

Teaching schedule

| Lecture No. | Topic to be covered |
|-------------|--|
| 1 & 2 | Diseases of citrus : Gummosis, anthracnose, bacterial canker tristeza greening mottle leaf sooty mould die-back exocortis |
| 3 & 4 | Diseases of mango : Anthracnose powdery mildew stone graft mortality pink disease dieback sooty mould red rust loran thus malformation bacterial leaf soot |
| 5 & 6 | Diseases of Banana : Wilt (Panama) sigatoka cigar end rot Moko wilt, bunchy top, infectious chlorosis |
| 7 & 8 | Diseases of grapevine : Downy mildew powdery mildew anthracnose, rust, bacterial leaf sopts and blight crown gall viral diseases |
| 9 | Diseases of pomegranate : Leaf and fruit spots anthracnose fruit rot wilt complex oily spot |
| 10 | Diseases of Papaya : Anthracnose root and stem rot leaf blight leaf curl ring spot and mosaic |
| 11 | Diseases of guava : Wilt anthracnose fruit canker leaf reddening |
| 12 | Diseases of sapota ; Leaf spots leaf blight fruit rot and flat limb |
| 13 | Diseases of strawberry : wilt leaf spots blights Diseases of apple : Scab fire blight crown gall blight mosaic |
| 14 | Diseases of Chili : Anthracnose and dieback wilt powdery mildew leaf spots leaf curl mosaic |
| 15 | Diseases of Brinjal ; Damping off Verticillium and other wits Phomopsis blight and fruit rot bacteria wilt life |
| 16 | Diseases of ladies finger : Powdery mildew wilt and yellow vein mosaic |
| 17 | Diseases of Crucifer : Downy mildew white rust, Alter aria leaf spots, and black root. |
| 18 | Diseases of cucurbits : Downy mildew powdery mildew wilt angular leaf spots and mosaics |
| 19 | Diseases of potato : Early and late blights scab black heart brown rot, potato virus X and Y |
| 20 & 21 | Diseases of tomato : Damping off of seedling, early and late blights |

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| | powdery mildew wilts, buck eye rot, leaf curl mosaic big bus blossom end rot |
| 22 | Diseases of beans and means : Anthracnose, rust, powdery mildew wilt/root rot, bacterial blight mosaic |
| 23 & 24 | Diseases of Onion and garlic : Smut, purple blotch / blight, smudge, downy mildew neck and bulb rot, white rot, aspergillus blackening |
| 25 & 26 | Diseases of coconut and areca nut : wilt, stem bleeding cadang-cadang lethal yellow Ganoderma root rot Koleroga of areca nut |
| 27 | Diseases of betelving : Foot rot and wilt anthracnose powdery mildew bacterial leaf spot |
| 28 | Diseases of coffee, tea and fig : Rust Diseases of custard apple : fruit rot leaf spots and blight |
| 29 | Diseases of cashew : Anthracnose die-back blight wilt rust |
| 30 | Diseases of rose : Powdery mildew, black spots, die-back, wilt crown galls, mosaic |
| 31 | Diseases of carnation gladiolus gerbera : Root and foot rot / wilt, leaf spot / blight, powdery mildew of carnation and gerbera |
| 32 | Chrysanthemum Leaf blight wilt/root rot Aster, Marigold : leaf spots Jasmin : Rust |

Lesson Plan and Weightage :

| Lesson No | Crop | Topic to be covered | Weightage |
|-----------|-----------|---|-----------|
| 1 & 2 | Citrus | Gummosis anthracnose bacterial canker tristeza greenig mottle leaf sooty mould | 5 |
| 3 & 4 | Mango | Anthracnose powdery mildew stone graft mortality pink disease disease dieback sooty mould red rust loranthus malformation | 5 |
| 5 & 6 | Banana | Wilt (Panama) sigatoka cigar end rot Moko wilt bunchy top infectious chlorosis | 5 |
| 7 & 8 | Grapevine | Downy mildew powdery mildew | 5 |

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| | | anthracnose rust bacteria blight crown gall virus diseases | |
| 9 | Pomegranate | Leaf and fruit spots anthracnose fruit rot wilt complex oily spot | 3 |
| 10 | Papaya | Anthracnose stem rot leaf blight leaf blight leaf curl ring spot mosaic | 3 |
| 11 | Guave | Wilt anthracnose fruit canker leaf reddening | 3 |
| 12 | Sapota | Leaf spots leaf blight fruit rot and flat limb | 3 |
| 13 | Strawberry, Apple | Wilt leaf spots blights scab fire blight crown gall blight mosaic | 3 |
| 14 | Chili | Anthracnose and dieback wilt powdery mildew leaf spots leaf curl mosaic | 5 |
| 15 | Brinjal | Damping off, Verticillium and other wilts Phomopsis blight and fruit rot bacterial wilt little leaf | 5 |
| 16 | Ladies Finger | Powdery mildew wilt and yellow vein mosaic | 5 |
| 17 | Crucifers | Downy mildew white rust Alternaria leaf spots and black rot | 4 |
| 18 | Cucurbits | Downy mildew powdery mildew wilt angular leaf spots and mosaics | 4 |
| 19 | Potato | Late and early blight scab black heart brown | 4 |
| 20 -21 | Tomato | Damping off of seeding late and early blight powdery mildew wilts buck eye rot leaf curl mosaic big bud blossom end rot | 5 |
| 22 | Beans and peas | Anthracnose rust powdery mildew with/root rot bacterial blight mosaic | 4 |
| 23 & 24 | Onion and Garlic | Smut purple blotch/blight smudge downy mildew neck and bulb rot white | 5 |

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| | | rot Aspergillus blackening | |
| 25 & 26 | Coconut and areca nut | Wilt, stem bleeding candang-cadang lethal yellow Ganoderma root rot koleroga o areca nut | 4 |
| 27 | Betelvine | Foot rot and wilt anthracnose powdery mildew bacterial leaf spot | 3 |
| 28 | Coffee, tea fig & custard apple | Rust Fruit rot leaf spots and blight | 4 |
| 29 | Ber Cashew | Powdery mildew leaf spots Anthracnose die-back blight wilt rust | 4 |
| 30 | Rose | Powdery mildew black spot, die back, wilt, crown galls, mosaic | 3 |
| 31 | Carnation gladiolus & gerera | Root and foot rot/wilt, leaf spots/blight, powdery mildew of carnation and gerbera | 4 |
| 32 | Chrysanthemum Aster Marigold Jasmin | Leaf blight, wilt/root rot Leaf spots Rust | 3 |
| | | Total | 100 |

D) Exercise Schedule (Practical)

1. Study of symptoms, etiology, host-parasite relationship and specific control measures of the following crop diseases.
2. Survey collection and preservation of diseases sample of citrus, mango, banana, grapevine, pomegranate, papaya, guava, sapota, custard apple, ber fig, strawberry, cashew, aonla, jamun, cocum, arecanut, coconut, apple, chili, brinjal, bhendi, potato, crucifers, cucurbits, tomato, beans, onions, garlic, leafy vegetables, betel vine, mulberry, coffee, tea, oil plam, rose, chrysanthemum and jasmine, aster, marigold, gladiolus, carnation, tuberose, gerbera.
3. Field visits at appropriate time during the semester.

| Sr.No | Exercise No | Topic to be covered |
|--------------|--------------------|---|
| | | Study of symptoms, etiology, host-parasite relationship and specific control measures of the following diseases |
| 1 | 1 | Diseases of citrus and mango |
| 2 | 2 | Diseases of banana and grapevine |
| 3 | 3 | Diseases of pomegranate and papaya |
| 4 | 4 | Diseases of guava, sapota, strawberry and apple |
| 5 | 5 | Diseases of chili, binjal & ladies finger |
| 6 | 6 | Diseases of crucifer & cucurbits |
| 7 | 7 | Diseases of potato & tomato |
| 8 | 8 | Diseases of beans peas, onion & garlic |
| 9 | 9 | Diseases of coconut & areca nut |
| 10 | 10 | Diseases of betelvine & cashew |
| 11 | 11 | Diseases of coffee, tea |
| 12 | 12 | Diseases of ber, fig & custard apple |
| 13 | 13 | Diseases of rose, chrysanthemum & jasmine |
| 14 | 14 | Diseases of carnation , Gladiolus |
| 15 | 15 | Diseases of gerbera, aster, marigold |
| 16 | 16 | Field visit at appropriate time during the semester |

