

B.Sc. BOTANY
II YEAR: Semester-IV

Paper IV: Cell Biology, Genetics and Plant Physiology

DSC-1D

Credits-4

Theory Syllabus

(60 hours)

UNIT I:

(15h)

1. Plant cell envelopes: Ultra structure of cell wall, Models of membrane structure, structure and functions of Semi permeable Plasma membrane.
2. Cell Organelles: Structure and semiautonomous nature of Mitochondria and Chloroplast.
3. Nucleus: Ultra structure, types and functions of DNA & RNA. Mitochondrial DNA & Plastid DNA and Plasmids.
4. Chromosomes: Morphology, organization of DNA in a chromosome, Euchromatin and Heterochromatin, Karyotype. Special types of chromosomes: Lampbrush and Polytene chromosomes.
5. Cell division: Cell and its regulation; mitosis, meiosis and their significance

UNIT – II:

(15 hours)

6. Mendelism: History, Principles of inheritance, Chromosome theory of inheritance, Autosomes and sex chromosomes, Incomplete dominance and Co-dominance. Multiple alleles, Lethal alleles, Epistasis, Recessive and Dominant traits, Polygenic inheritance.
7. Linkage and crossing over, Recombination frequency, two factor and three factor crosses; Interference and coincidence. Numericals based on gene mapping; Sex Linkage.
8. Variation in chromosome number and structure: Deletion, Duplication, Inversion, Translocation, Position effect, Euploidy and Aneuploidy
9. Gene mutations: Types of mutations; Molecular basis of Mutations; Mutagens-physical and chemical (Base analogs, deaminating, alkylating and intercalating agents);

Unit-III

(15h)

10. Plant -water Relations: Water potential, osmosis, osmotic and pressure potential, absorption and transport of water.
11. Mineral Nutrition: Essential micro & macro nutrients and symptoms of mineral deficiency.
12. Transpiration: Stomatal structure and movement.
13. Mechanism of phloem transport.
14. Enzymes: Nomenclature, properties, Classification and factors regulating enzyme activity.

UNIT- IV

(15h)

15. Photosynthesis: Photosynthetic pigments, Cyclic and Non-cyclic Photophosphorylation. Carbon assimilation pathways: C3, C4 and CAM.
16. Respiration: Aerobic and Anaerobic; Glycolysis, Krebs cycle and oxidative phosphorylation.
17. Nitrogen Metabolism: Biological nitrogen fixation.
18. Physiological role of Phytohormones: Auxins, gibberellins, cytokinins, ABA, ethylene and Brassinosteroids

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