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M.PHIL. / Ph.D. – (FT/PT) - ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

PART – I SYLLABUS

(effective from the academic year 2009–10 onwards)

Paper-I : Research Methodology

Paper-II : Principles of Environmental Science

Paper-III : Special Paper

1. Advanced Waste Management
 2. Environmental Biotechnology in the Management of Water
 3. Remote Sensing and Geographic Information System (GIS)
 4. Environmental Mutagenesis
 5. Water Pollution and Management
 6. Ecotoxicology and Risk Assessment
 7. Oxidation Techniques for Water Management
 8. Environmental Microbiology and Bioremediation
 9. Systematics, Biodiversity and Aquatic ecology
 10. Bioresource Technology
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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

M.Phil.- Part-I : Paper : I

PAPER – I : RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

UNIT – I

Fixative and Fixation, Dehydration, Embedding, Sectioning, Mounting and Staining procedures with reference to Carbohydrates, Lipids, Proteins, Nucleic acids, DNA extraction and amplification. Preparation of samples for electron microscopy.

Principles and applications of Autoradiography, Microscopy (TEM, SEM, Fluorescence and Stereomicroscopes), Ocular and Stage micrometer, Camera Lucida, Scintillation counter, Radioactive isotopes.

UNIT – II

Principles and Applications:

Centrifuges, pH meter, Conductivity meter, Ion meter and Ion selective electrodes, Spectrophotometer (UV-Visible double beam), Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometer (Flame, graphite furnace and ICP), Flame photometry and Fluorimetry, Ambient and Stack Monitoring, Noise meter.

UNIT – III

Principles and Applications:

Electrophoresis (SDS and PAGE, Isoelectro focusing, Immuno electrophoresis), Chromatography (TLC, HPLC and GC), Osmometry, Respirometer, Electrodes for measurement of partial pressure / concentration of gases, Aminoacid analyzer, ELISA. Estimation of Carbohydrates, Proteins, Lipids, Nucleic acids (RNA and DNA). PCR and gel documentation.

UNIT – IV

Estimation of animals and plant population of aquatic and terrestrial ecosystem, Primary production in lake ecosystem, Population ecology, Population dynamics, Toxicity testing.

Sampling methods and estimation of total viable heterotrophic bacteria in water, soil and animals. Faecal indicator bacteria in sewage.

UNIT – V

Introduction to Environmental System analysis- Basic elements and tools of statistical analysis – Probability, sampling measurement and distribution of attributes – Approaches to development of models – Test of significance – Analysis of variance – one way ANOVA – two way ANOVA – Regression and correlation – linear simple and multiple regression models.

Methods of literature collection, design, planning and execution of investigation – preparation of research articles, review papers for journals, research thesis writing.

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15. Research Methodology – Methods and Techniques. Kothari, C.R., (1989), Wiley Eastern, New Delhi.
16. Introduction to Research Methodology in Agricultural and Biological Sciences, V.Venkatasubramanian (1999), New Century Book House (P) Ltd., Chennai.

PAPER II – PRINCIPLES OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

UNIT – I

Natural Resources: Mineral resources – resources and reserves, minerals and population. Ocean as new areas for exploration of mineral resources. Ocean ore and recycling of resources. Environmental impact of exploitation. Processing and smelting of minerals.

Water Resources: global Water balance, Ice sheets and fluctuations of sea levels, Origin and composition of sea water. Hydrological cycle. Factors influencing the surface water, Types of water. Resource of Oceans. Ocean pollution by toxic wastes. Human use of surface and ground water. Ground water pollution – case studies.

Biodiversity: conservation, Intellectual Property Rights and Environment, Impact of genetically modified microbes, plants and animals.

UNIT II

Remote sensing and GIS: Principles of Remote sensing and its application to Environmental Sciences. Application of GIS in Environmental Management

UNIT III

Solid wastes; Sources and generation of solid wastes, their characteristics, classification. Different methods of disposal and management of solid wastes (Hospital and hazardous wastes). Recycling of waste material. Waste minimization technologies. Hazardous waste management and Handling rules 1989. Natural hazards and mitigation and Management - case studies.

Marine: Sources of marine pollution and control. Criteria employed for disposal of pollutants in marine systems – coastal management.

UNIT IV

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA): Introduction to environmental impact analysis. Environmental impact statement and environmental management plan. EIA guidelines 1994. Notification of Government of India. Impact Assessment Methodologies. Generalized approach to impact analysis. Procedure for receiving environmental impact analysis and statement. Guidelines for Environmental audit. Introduction to environmental planning. Base line information and predictions (land, water atmosphere, energy, etc). Restoration and rehabilitation technologies. Landuse policy for India. Resource management, Disaster Management, and natural risk analysis. Environmental Risk Assessment, Environmental Management systems - ISO 14001, Sustainable Managements - Green Technology, International Trade Agreements and Implications on Environment.

UNIT V

Regulations and Laws: Environmental Protection Acts in India, 1986 and Rules 1986 – Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, as amended up to 1988 and Rules 1975, Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, as amended by Amendment Act 1987 and Rule 1982, Motor Vehicle Act 1988. Wildlife Protection Act, 1972, amended 1991. Forest Conservation Act, 1980, Indian Forest Act 1982. Scheme of labeling of environmental friendly products (Ecomark). Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991 and Rules 1991. Green courts, International Treaties, International movements on Environment.

REFERENCE :

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2. Principles of Environmental Sciences and Technology. Jorgansen, S.E. and Johnson, I. (1981), Elsevier, Amsterdam.
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6. Ecology, Impact Assessment and Environmental Planning. Wastman, W.E. (1985), Wiley Interscience, New York.
7. Pollution Control Legislations – Environmental Laws, Vol.I and Vol.II. (1999) Tamilnadu Pollution Control Board, Chennai.

Paper-III

1. ADVANCED WASTE MANAGEMENT

(Adsorption, Catalysis & Oxidation Processes)

UNIT – 1

Removal and recovery of heavy metals (Cr, Cd, Ni, Cu, Hg, As, Zn, Pb) by conventional methods –hydroxide, carbonate and sulphide precipitations, chemical reduction, ferrite coprecipitation, cementation, xanthate process, solvent extraction, membrane process, electrodeposition, ion exchange - Adsorption methods – conventional and nonconventional adsorbents – Agricultural / industrial solid wastes, biosorbents –live and dead biomass.

UNIT – II

Removal and recovery of anions(CN^- , F^- , NO_3^- , PO_4^{3-}), dyes, phenols, pesticides, surfactants- chemical oxidation - adsorption processes by conventional and nonconventional adsorbents – Biosorbents –Live and dead biomass.

UNIT – III

Adsorptive removal of toxic gases (CO , NO_x , SO_x , H_2S and Hydrocarbons) - conventional and nonconventional adsorbents – catalytic decomposition; Desulphurization methods – Regenerative and nonregenerative alkaline processes – Adsorption by liquids.

UNIT –IV

Advanced oxidation processes for organics removal – Photocatalysis – Mineralization of pesticides, phenols, dyes and surfactants – Analysis of pollutants and adsorbants by advanced methods –HPLC, GC. –Mechanisms of mineralization, SEM,XRD, FT-IR.

UNIT-V

Preparation of adsorbents – activated carbon, modified biomass by physical and chemical methods and Characterization of adsorbents –surface area, pH_{zpc} , porosity, surface groups - Determination; Kinetics of adsorption– Adsorption rate equation, Isotherms - Langmuir, Freundlich, B.E.T, D.R- Factors affecting adsorption - pH, adsorbate concentration, adsorbent particle size, adsorbent concentration, temperature, presence of other species - Mechanisms of adsorption of metal ions, anions, organics- dyes, phenols, pesticides, and surfactants – Electrostatic attraction / repulsion model, ion exchange model, James-Healy model, Chemisorption

REFERENCE :

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3. Encyclopedia of Environmental Pollution and Control. Vol .1. Trivedi,R.K., Enviromedia, Karad, (1995); pages: 30-49; 119-131 and 297-336.
4. Advances in Environmental Sciences. Iyer,C.S.P., Educational Publishers, New Delhi, (1997) , pages: 347-437.
5. Surveys in Industrial Wastewater Treatment, Vol. 3 - Manufacturing and Chemical Industries. Chapter 1: Kiff,R.J - General Inorganic Effluents. Barnes,D., Forster,C.F., and Hruley,S.E., Longman Scientific & Technical, New York, (1987) , pages 1-20.

2. ENVIRONMENTAL BIOTECHNOLOGY IN THE MANAGEMENT OF WATER

UNIT I:

Physiochemical Characteristics of Soils - Soil Biology - Classification of Soils - Soil Structure - Soil Pollutants and their Sources.

UNIT II:

Remediation Technologies – Physical - Chemical and Biological. Bioremediation – Factors affecting Bioremediation in Soil Systems - Optimization of Bioremediation, Biological Enhancement in Bioremediation. Phytoremediation - Mechanisms of Phytoremediation – Phytoextraction – Phytostabilization – Phytovolatilization – Phytodegradation - Rhizofiltration and Phytofiltration.

UNIT III:

Phytoremediation of Organics: Organics that can be Phytoremediated - Plants Exudates in Organic Phytoremediation. Uptake Rates for Organics in Phytoremediation - Phytodegradation of Organics, Phytovolatilization of Light Organics, Microbes and Phytoremediation, Rhizodegradation of Heavy Organics - Phytostabilization of Heavy Organics.

UNIT IV:

Phytoremediation of Metals: Metals in the Soil Environment - Fate of Metals in Soils, Phytoavailability and Bioavailability of Metal - Methods to Assess and Measure Bioavailability - Natural Hyperaccumulators - Mechanisms of Hyperaccumulation - induced Hyperaccumulation - Mechanisms of Metal Resistance – Phytochelators – Metallothionins - The Genetics of Metal Tolerance - Phytovolatilization of Metals - Phytoextraction of Metals - Phytostabilization of Metals - Phytofiltration of Metals - The Role of Bacteria in the Phytoremediation of Heavy Metals - Use of Bioactivation and Bioaugmentation Technologies for Treating Acidic Metal Rich Drainage.

UNIT V:

Phytofiltration Methods - Biofilms and Phytofiltration – Rhizofiltration - Land Wastewater Treatment and Phytofiltration - Phytoremediation Rafts - Phytoremediation Barriers - Phytofiltration Using Constructed Wetlands - Phytofiltration Using Engineered Wetlands - The Treatment of Acid Mine Drainage Using Engineered Wetlands.

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2. Phytoremediation of Contaminated Soil and Water. Norman Terry, (1999) Lewis Publishers Inc.
3. Phytoremediation of Toxic Metals : Using Plants to Clean up the Environment. Ilya Raskin and Burt D. Ensley, (1999) Wiley Interscience.
4. Phytoremediation and Innovative Strategies for Specialized Remedial Applications. Andrea Leeson and Bruce C. Alleman ,(1999) Batelle Pr.
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3. REMOTE SENSING AND GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SYSTEM(GIS)

UNIT I:

REMOTE SENSING: Concepts and Fundamentals of Remote Sensing. Energy – Sources, Radiation, Interaction with Atmosphere and Earth Surface. Data Acquisition, Interpretation and Reference Data. Sensors, Radar Development and Side Looking Radar System. Remote Sensing Data Sources and Periodicals.

UNIT II:

IMAGE PROCESSING: Image, Rectification, Restoration, Enhancement and Manipulation Technics. Digital Image Classification (Supervised and Unsupervised). Post Classification – Smoothing – Hardware and Software for Image Processing.

UNIT III:

GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM: GIS – Introduction – Definition – Terminology – Essential Components and Fundamental Operations of GIS. Data Structure – Data Management – Data Manipulation and Analysis. Mapping Concept and Projection System.

UNIT IV:

DATA ANALYSIS AND SPATIAL MODELLING: Database definition, data retrieval, Map overlay operations, Cartographic modelling – using natural language commands. Linking command sequences into cartographic models. Advantages and Disadvantages; Errors, classification – Multivariate analysis and classification; Spatial Interpolation.

UNIT V:

ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATION OF GIS: Land Resources, Municipal GIS, Water Resources and Hazardous Management. Global Positioning System (GPS).

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1. Remote Sensing and Image Interpretation, IV Ed, Thomas M Lillesand and Ralf W.Kiefer, John Wiley Sons, New York.
2. Introduction to Geographic Information Systems, Kang-tsung Chang, (2002) Tata McGraw Hill Publishing Company Limited, New Delhi.
3. Principles of Geographic Information Systems, Nitin Kumar Tripathi,
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9. Principles of Geographical Information System for Land Resources Assessment, Burrough,P.A, (1986) Oxford Science Publications.

4. ENVIRONMENTAL MUTAGENESIS

UNIT I

General Principles of Mutagenicity, Testing and Regulatory Control of Environmental Chemicals. Monitoring of Chemical Mutagens in the environment – genetic effects of environmental agents. Mutations – spontaneous and induced somatic and Germ Cell Mutations and their significance. Molecular basis of mutations induced by physical and chemical agents.

UNIT II

Methods of evaluation of mutagens – microbial test procedures to detect mutagens (*Salmonella*, *Neurospora* and Yeast). *Drosophila* – various assay procedures to determine genotoxicity. Mammalian system – Mice – Micronucleus test, dominant lethal test. Sperm abnormality assay, chromosomal aberrations in Meiotic cells. Mammalian cell cultures – lymphocytes, fibroblast, CHO cells. Sisterchromatid exchanges and chromosomal aberrations a comparison. The need for both *in vitro* and *in vivo* systems in mutagenicity screening. Site directed mutagenesis. DNA amplification and applications.

UNIT III

Biochemical approaches to detect gene mutations in human population – approaches for detecting germinal mutations. Biochemical markers – their use in assessing risk for genotoxic exposures. Interrelationship between mutagenesis, carcinogenesis and teratogenesis.

UNIT IV

Repair of DNA damage – importance and methods, Antimutagens – modification of the process of mutagenesis: Mutagenesis and plasmids – mechanism of plasmid mediated effects of mutagenesis.

UNIT V

Epidemiological approach to evaluate genetic hazards: Occupational Epidemiology and Reproduction – Monitoring for genetic disease in the new born: Transplacental genotoxic agents – Methods for their detection.

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02. Principles of Genetic Toxicology. Brusick.D (1980), Plenum Press.
03. Evaluation of Mutagenic and Carcinogenic Potential of Environmental Agents. (1982). Environmental Mutagen Society of India, Bombay.
04. Chemical Mutagens – Principles and Methods for their Detection. Hollaender. A, and Serres.F.J., Volume 1-10, Plenum Press.
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09. Chemical Mutagenesis in Mammals and Man. Voge, F and Rohroborn, G (1970), Springer – Verlag, Berlin.
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12. Environmental Health Criteria No.27 and 47. I.P.C.S, (1985) Published by WHO

5. WATER POLLUTION AND MANAGEMENT

UNIT I

Water quality standards – sampling, preservation techniques for water and waste water, Basic Principles and their significance with special reference to colour, turbidity alkalinity, acidity, chemical coagulation, hardness, water softening, BOD, COD, Nitrogen, Phosphate and Sulphate.

UNIT II

Source and classification of water pollution – water pollution: Organic, inorganic, sediments, radionuclides and heavy metals, biochemical effects of Arsenic, Cadmium, Lead, Chromium, Nickel, Mercury, Selenium, Cyanides and Pesticides.

UNIT III

Pre Primary methods of waste water treatment: Screening and communiting: flow equalization – coagulation – sedimentation – floatation, Granular medium filtration. Basic principles of biological treatment kinetics of biological growth – suspended culture system – sludge characteristics – sludge thickening, sludge digestion and disposal.

UNIT IV

Advance treatment methods - Removal of nitrogen, phosphate, Removal of dissolved inorganic by oxidation and adsorption. Removal of dissolved inorganic and heavy metals by adsorption, chemical precipitation, electro dialysis, and ion exchange and reverse osmosis. Removal of phenols. Flow diagram for sewage and industrial wastewater treatment.

UNIT V

Wastewater reuse and disinfection process: Need for Water reuse- Public health and environmental issues in water reuse – Risk assessment for water reuse – issues involved with storage of reclaimed water – Planning for waste water reclamation. Waste water disinfection – disinfectants – disinfection methods – mechanism – Factors influencing the action of disinfectants – chlorine – chlorine demand – ozone – other chemical disinfectants – UV radiation – Byproduct formation - Environmental impacts.

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02. Aquatic Chemistry. W.Sium and Morgan, J.J., (1972). Wiley Interscience.
03. Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Waste Water. APHA, New York (1968).

04. Basic Environmental Toxicology. Nathanson, A (1984). John Wiley and Son. Inc. New York.
05. Environmental Engineering. Aveavy et al. (1983). Mc Graw Hill, New York.
06. Water Pollution Management. Varsheney, K.V (1982). Wiley Eastern.
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10. Waste Water Engineering, Treatment and Disposal. Met Calf & Eddy Inc. (1987). Mc Graw Hill.
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6. ECOTOXICOLOGY AND RISK ASSESSMENT

UNIT I

Introduction and Scope of Toxicology: History – Disciplines of toxicology, Importance and significance. General classification of environmental contaminants – air, water and soil. Common Terminologies; Contaminant, Pollutant, Risk, Cumulative and Additive toxicity. Synergism, Antagonism, Fate, Half-life, Depuration. Metabolites, Threshold concentration. Dose, Response, Acute, Chronic, Lethal Dose and Lethal Concentration.

UNIT II:

Factors Affecting Toxicity of Environmental Contaminant: Dose – response relationship, curves, routes of exposure – physical and chemical factors.

Study of Specific Environmental Contaminants: Heavy metals – Pesticides – organochlorine, Organophosphate and Carbamates . PAH, PCBs, PBDEs, PBDFs, Dioxins and Furans. Classification, source, routes of exposure, effects and fate with special reference to fish and birds.

UNIT III:

Toxicity Mechanism and Detoxification: Biotransformation of contaminants – conjugation and hydrolysis, transformation reactions. Translocation of contaminants- absorption, distribution and excretion. Detoxification mechanisms – Metallothionein, Glutathione, MFO.

UNIT IV:

Bioconcentration, Bioaccumulation and Biomagnification of Toxicants, Biomarkers and Bioindicators – Terminology, Criteria and Processes.

UNIT V:

Hazard and safety evaluation: Usage pattern, Environmental and health effects, Decision making, Monitoring, Surveillance and follow-up. Restrictions on use. Teratogenicity, Carcinogenicity, Genotoxicity and Mutagenicity. Environmental guidelines – FAO/WHO, ISI for aquatic wildlife toxicology.

REFERENCE:

1. Fundamentals of Aquatic Toxicology. Rand G M (1995) Taylor and Francis, London.
2. Ecotoxicology – Ecological Fundamentals; Chemicals exposure and Biological Effects. (1998) Gerrit Schuurmann and Bernd Markert – Wiley, New York.
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7 . OXIDATION TECHNIQUES FOR WATER MANAGEMENT

UNIT I

Fundamental aspects of Ozone – Chemistry – Molecular Ozone Reactivity – Decomposition of Ozone- Oxidation of Synthetic Organic Chemicals – Reactions with Aquatic Humic Substances - Toxicity – Principles and Limitations of Toxicological Testing – Short-Term Bioassay for Carcinogenic/Mutagenic By-products - Theoretical aspects of Ozone Analysis – Interferences affecting Dissolved Ozone Measurements – Ozone Measurements in the Aqueous Phase (Ozone Residual) – Gas-phase Measurements - Ozone Generation – By Corona Discharge – Alternative Methods - Ozone Gas Transfer – Solubility of Ozone in Water – Contacting of Ozone with water.

UNIT II

Engineering Aspects – Treatability Studies – Feed Gas Preparation – Ozone Generation – Design of Contact Chamber and Diffusion Systems – Instrumentation and Control Systems – Ozone Destruction Systems – Corrosion considerations and Ozone Resistant Materials – Performance Evaluation.

UNIT III

Advanced Oxidation Process; Ultra-Violet Radiation, Hydrogen Peroxide – Titanium Oxides - Photo catalysis - Chlorination – Analysis of the products by UV-Visible Spectroscopy, FTIR, AAS, HPLC, GC-MS – Mechanisms of Mineralization.

UNIT IV

Fundamentals of Electrochemistry; Basic concepts - Galvanic Cells - Standard Potentials - The Nernst Equation - Reference Electrodes - Indicator Electrodes - Ion selective Electrodes - Polarography in Chemical Analysis - Cyclic Voltammetry.

UNIT V

Electrochemical Techniques; Types of Electrodes, Preparation of Electrodes - Electro Oxidation – Titanium Electrodes – Graphite Electrodes – Triple Oxide coated Electrodes – Boron Doped Diamond Electrodes – Evolution of chlorine, oxygen and ozone during electrolysis, Mechanisms of oxidation of organic compounds by chlorine, oxygen and ozone. Electro Coagulation – Iron Electrodes – Aluminum Electrodes – Kinetics and Mechanisms of the Reactions.

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1. Ozone in Water Treatment Application and Engineering. Bruno Langlias, D.A. Reckhow and D.R. Brink, (1997) Lewis Publishers, USA.
2. Ozone and its Reactions with Organic Compounds. S.D. Razumovskii and G.E. Zaikov,(1984) Elsevier science publishers, The Netherlands.
3. Quantitative Chemical Analysis. Daniel C. Harris, W.H. (1995) Freeman and Company, New York.
4. Handbook of Analytical Instruments. R.S. Khandpur, (2000) Tata McGraw-Hill Publishing Company Limited, New Delhi.

8. ENVIRONMENTAL MICROBIOLOGY AND BIOREMEDIATION

UNIT I

Structure, Function and Classification of bacteria, fungi, and virus. Distribution and composition of microorganisms in soil, water and air. Nutrition of bacteria, Influence of environmental factors on the growth and activity of bacteria – Microbial interactions with plants, animals – Beneficial and pathogenic microbes.

UNIT II

Microbial enzymes – uses enzyme immobilization techniques – Microbial toxins – Microbial antibiotics – Biofertilizers – Biopesticides – Significance of Bioindicator – Faecal indicator bacteria – Sewage and drinking water treatment – process and steps – Water borne diseases, detection and control – Spoilage of vegetables, dairy products and meat, control of spoilage.

UNIT III

Bacterial genome, Arrangement of genes on the chromosomes, Mutations, Mutagens, Isolation of mutants - Bacterial transformation - Conjugation, transduction – Plasmids - Recombinant DNA technology, Genetically Engineered Microorganisms – Drug resistance.

UNIT IV

Principles of bioremediation – Bioremediation techniques – Factors affecting bioremediation - Bioremediation of pesticide and organic contaminant in soil and water – Microbially induced corrosion – Biofouling – Microbes in mineral recovery – Microbial site characterization – Biodegradation potential of microbes – Bioprocess design and optimization.

UNIT V

Aerobic bioremediation – Bioremediation of surface soil – biodegradation in soil ecosystems – Bioreactors – *in situ* bioremediation – Biostimulation – Bioaugmentation – Bioventing – Bioremediation in fresh water and marine ecosystems – Bench scale and Pilot studies – *in situ* bioreactor treatment of sediments and sludge – Anaerobic bioremediation – Factors influencing aerobic and anaerobic bio remediation.

REFERENCE :

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2. Techniques in Microbial Ecology. Burlage, R.S., R. Atlas, D. Stahl, G. Geesey and G. Sayler, (1998). Oxford University Press.
3. Biology of Microorganisms. 6th ed., VII Ed., Brock, T.D. and Madigan, M. T Martinko, J.M and Parker, J (1994), Prentice Hall, New Jersey.

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5. Bioremediation–Principles. Eweis, J.B., Ergas,S.J, Change, D.P.Y and Schroeder, E.D (1998) Mc Graw Hill Inc.
6. Microbial Degradation of Xenobiotics and Recalcitrant Compounds. Leisinger,T., Cook, A.M Hutter, R and Nuesch,J (1981) Academic Press, London.

9. SYSTEMATICS, BIODIVERSITY AND AQUATIC ECOLOGY

Unit I: Fish Habitat

Aquatic habitat inventory: Stream order – Classification, Habitat profile Habitat structure – Macro habitat - micro habitat – Substrate type – Habitat type – Velocity – Instream cover, Riparian Profile: Riparian zone, bank vegetation, land use, agricultural practices - forestry operations,

Unit II: Ecology and Biology of Fishes

Ecology: Fish profile – Type, size, community structure, Distribution – Distribution of fishes – distribution pattern - endemism – Habitat preference – Food and feeding ecology, breeding ecology

Unit III: Systematics and Evolution

Biogeography of Indian fresh water Fishes, Taxonomy - Collection – preservation – identification – cataloging, Classification of fishes – World classification – Indian Classification, Evolution and phylogeny of fishes.

Unit IV: Fish Genetics

Genetic Variations: Morphological, Genetic variation in natural Population Fish genomics –Gene mapping –Physical maps –Genetic maps –Genetic distance - Basics of DNA finger printing –Molecular markers – RFLP, RAPD-AFLP- Fish phylogeny using molecular data - Profiling methods in fisheries science-*Danio rerio* - Model organism of genomic studies

Unit V: Fish conservation

Conservation: In situ conservation – ex situ conservation, Conservation status - IUCN, Habitat restoration - Managing Riparian Land – Stream bank Stability - Riparian Widths -Water Quality - In-Stream Life - Riparian Habitat for Wildlife - Managing Stock - Managing Woody Debris in Rivers - Planning for River Restoration - River Flows and Blue-green Algae.

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10. BIORESOURCE TECHNOLOGY

Unit -I

Importance of Bioresources and Biodiversity: Focal components and problems. Biodiversity: Genetic diversity, species diversity and ecosystem diversity. Value of Bioresources: Direct and indirect values, ethical values. Agrobiodiversity: Biodiversity in farming. Natural and wild resources of economically/industrially important plants. Difference between crop plants and wild species. Biodiversity and food security. Plant species richness and diversity. Wetlands-importance, productivity, habitats, nutrient cycling. Ecologically relevant resource: Keystone species, pollinators, natural predators.

Unit-II

Threats to Bioresources: Habitat loss and fragmentation, disturbance and pollution. Introduction to exotic species. IUCN categorized endangered, threatened and vulnerable species. Biodiversity hot spots – Eastern, Western Ghats, Himalayas. Biodiversity in tropical region. Global environmental changes. Red data book and related documentation. Biodiversity Bill Act 2002. Intellectual property rights and bioresources. Bioresources genetically modified organisms-promise and danger. Emerging avenues and careers in the field of biodiversity, Bioresources and Biotechnology.

Unit-III

Conservation Strategies: Conservation: Ecological and evolutionary perspective. Conservation of biodiversity. Conservation and sustainable use of Bioresources – In-situ, Ex-situ, seed bank, tissue culture repositories, centers of diversity of crop plants. Bioresources conservation through genetic resources and biological approaches. Conservation of cultivated plants: Static conservation, Germplasm collections. Conservation of biodiversity in Indian scenario and future strategies. Energy sources: conventional and non-conventional energy sources. Conservation and management of non-renewable resources and renewable resources, Biofuel crops -Introduction, bioresources and bioenergy prospectus.

Unit -IV

Biomolecules of Edible Plant Sources: Sources and functional properties of nutrient molecules – Carbohydrates, proteins, lipids, vitamins and minerals. Antinutritional factors: Enzyme inhibitors, lectins, saponins, tannins, phytate, cyanogenic glucosides/cyanogens, toxic non-protein amino acids, glucosinolates, antivitamin, allergens, oxalic acid, gossypol, nitrate and nitrite.

Unit- V

Plant Bioresources and Utility Prospectus: Introduction to underutilized and new crops: legumes, grains, fruits and vegetables; processing, preservation and products; Biofunctional and health effects of functional ingredients: Resistant starch, Dietary fiber, Natural food antioxidants in vegetables, grains, fruits, non-alcoholic beverages. Probiotics and prebiotics. Nutraceuticals: Historical and technological aspects, sources and potentiality in health and disease prevention. Role of natural and synthetic bioactive molecules. Climate changes and food security-Global perspectives.

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