



SEMESTER – 1

BRANCH	Subject Title	Subject Code
B.Sc. (Botany – Minor/Generic elective course)	Basic Botany	BOM2/BO

Course Learning outcomes (CLO)

- This course will help the student to understand the diversity of plants and evolutionary process in plant kingdoms.
- It gives accounts of plant adaptations from aquatic condition to colonize terrestrial habitat.
- The changes in morphological, anatomical and reproductive structures that propel plant evolution can be investigated.
- The economic importance and significance of plants in nature will be understood.
- They will be acquainted with locally prevalent microbial diseases of plants and humans

Content

Unit - I

1.1 History of Botany and Indian Contributions.

1.2 Morphological Characteristics of lower and higher plants (Angiosperms).

1.3 Types of leaves, Inflorescence, Flowers and Fruits,

1.4 Structure of Plant cell and cell organelles, Prokaryotic and Eukaryotic Cells, types of Cell division.

1.5 Microscope structure and function of light microscope (magnification and resolving power),

1.6 Various types of Microscopes: Bright field, Phase Contrast, SEM and TEM.

Unit - II

1. Algae

1.1 General characteristics

1.2 Range of thallus organization, reproduction.



1.3 Types of life-cycles in algae

1.4 Role of algae in nature and its economic importance.

2 Bryophytes:

2.1 General characteristics, Ecology.

2.2 Range of thallus organization, morphology, anatomy (internal and external features) and reproduction of any one Bryophyte.

2.3 Economic importance of Bryophytes

Unit - 3

1 Pteridophytes

1.1 General characteristics and morphology.

1.2 Stelar organization and reproduction.

1.3 Heterospory and seed habit.

1.4 Economical importance

2. Gymnosperms

2.1 General description and their distribution.

2.2 Economical importance of Gymnosperms.

3. Paleobotany

3.1 Indian contribution in Paleobotany.

3.2 Brief knowledge of Fossils and Geological time scale.

Unit - 4

1 Fungi

1.1 General characteristics and cell wall composition.

1.2 Mode of nutrition



1.3 Types of reproduction

1.4 Economic importance

1.5 Parasexuality and Mycorrhiza

2. **Lichens:** Brief knowledge and their significance.

Unit - 5

Microbes

1.1 Brief outline of various types of Microbes

1.2 Archaeobacteria, Eubacteria, Cyanobacteria, Mycoplasma. Actinomycetes and Virus.

1.3 **Beneficial** and harmful roles.

Practicals

1. Study of various types of leaves, inflorescence, Flowers and fruits.

2. Understanding various parts of Microscope (simple and compound microscope)

3. Study of plant cells (e.g. Onion etc.)

4. Study of permanent slides of Mitosis and meiosis

5. Study of Electron Micrographs of Cell and organelles from Internet, You-Tube.

6. Identification of various algae from specimens, slides and temporary mounts of water from nearby areas like. Nostoc, Oscillatoria, Volvox, Spirogyra, Oedogonium, Chara, and specimens and pictographs of marine algae like Ectocarpus, Sargassum. Polysiphonia

7. Study and identification of some Bryophytes like Riccia Marchantia, Anthoceros, Funaria and Field visit.

8. Study of some fossils (specimens and slides)

9. Study of some Pteridophytes like Lycopodium. Sellaginella, Equisetum. Marselia and study of any one fern



10. Section cutting of Pteridophytes and Gymnosperms: Stem, root and leaves
11. Specimen study of Pteridophytes and Gymnosperms Cones
12. Study of fungal structures and preparation of temporary mounts of Mucor, Rhizopus, Asperigillus, Yeast, Pencillium, Alternaria, Albugo, Helimenthosporium.
13. Permanent slides of Puccinia on host.
14. Study of various fungal plant diseases
15. Observation of symptoms of virus and bacteria on plants.
16. Gram staining techniques