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#### **SYLLABUS OF**

## **PLANT NURSERY**

UNDER SKILL DEVELOPMENT COURSES UNDER CBCS FRAMEWORK WITH EFFECT FROM 2020-21

PROGRAMME: FOUR-YEAR UG HONOURS PROGRAMME

## A.P. STATE COUNCIL OF HIGHER EDUCATION B.A, B.Com & B.Sc. PROGRAMMES

## Revised CBCS w.e.f. 2020-21 SKILL DEVELOPMENT COURSES Science Stream

# Syllabus of **PLANT NURSERY**

Total 30 hrs (02h/wk),

02 Credits & Max Marks: 50

## **Learning Outcomes:**

On successful completion of this course students will be able to;

- 1. Understand the importance of a plant nursery and basic infrastructure toestablish it.
- 2. Explain the basic material, tools and techniques required for nursery.
- 3. Demonstrate expertise related to various practices in a nursery.
- 4. Comprehend knowledge and skills to get an employment or to become an entrepreneur in plant nursery sector.

#### **Syllabus:**

#### **Unit-1: Introduction to plant nursery**

**06 Hrs.** 

- 1. Plant nursery: Definition, importance.
- 2. Different types of nurseries –on the basis of duration, plants produced, structure used.
- 3. Basic facilities for a nursery; layout and components of a good nursery.
- 4. Plant propagation structures in brief.
- 5. Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS-2008) related to nursery.

#### **Unit- 2: Necessities for nursery**

09 Hrs.

- 1. Nursery beds types and precautions to be taken during preparation.
- 2. Growing media, nursery tools and implements, and containers for plant nursery, in brief.
- 3. Seeds and other vegetative material used to raise nursery.in brief.
- 4. Outlines of vegetative propagation techniques to produce planting material.
- 5. Sowing methods of seeds and planting material.

#### **Unit-3: Management of nursery**

09 Hrs.

- 1. Seasonal activities androutine operations in a nursery.
- 2. Nursery management watering, weeding and nutrients; pests and diseases.
- 3. Common possible errors in nursery activities.
- 4. Economics of nursery development, pricing and record maintenance.
- 5. Online nursery information and sales systems.

## **Suggested Co-curricular activities (6 Hrs.)**

- 1. Assignments/Group discussion/Quiz/Model Exam.
- 2. Demonstration of nursery bed making.
- 3. Demonstration of preparation of media for nursery.
- 4. Hands on training on vegetative propagation techniques.
- 5. Hands on training on sowing methods of seeds and other material.
- 6. Invited lecture cum demonstration by local expert.
- 7. Watching videos on routine practices in plant nurseries.
- 8. Visit to an agriculture/horticulture /forest nursery.
- 9. Case study on establishment and success of a plant nursery.

## Suggested text books/reference books:

- 1. Ratha Krishnan, M., et.al. (2014) *Plant nursery management : Principles and practices*, Central Arid Zone Research Institute (ICAR), Jodhpur, Rjasthan
- 2. Kumar, N., (1997) Introduction to Horticulture, Rajalakshmi Publications, Nagercoil.
- 3. KumarMishra, K., N.K. Mishra and Satish Chand (1994) *Plant Propagation*, John Wiley & Sons, New Jersey.

## **MODEL QUESTION PAPER**

Max. Marks: 50 Time: 1½ hrs (90 Minutes)

SECTION- A

(4x5M=20 Marks)

Answer any four questions. Each answer carries 5 marks (At least 1 question should be given from each Unit)

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SECTION B

(3x10M = 30 Marks)

Answer any three questions. Each answer carries 10 marks (At least 1 question should be given from each Unit)

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