FOUR YEAR UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM (2024 – 28)
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY
COURSE CURRICULUM

PART- A: Introduction

Program: Bachelor in Life Sciences *(Certificate / Diploma / Degree/Honors)*			**Semester - II**	**Session: 2024-2025**
1	**Course Code**	**BOSC -02 T**		
2	**Course Title**	**Microbes and Thallophyta**		
3	**Course Type**	**Discipline Specific course (DSC)**		
4	**Pre-requisite** (if, any)	***As per program***		
5	**Course Learning. Outcomes (CLO)**	At the end of this course, the students will be able to 1. Understand about the Microbes and their Importance. 2. Identify edible mushrooms and learn cultivation techniques. 3. Learn about bio-fertilizers and their uses. 4. Understand life cycles of different algae and fungi.		
6	**Credit Value**	**3 Credits**	***Credit = 15 Hours - learning & Observation***	
7	**Total Marks**	**Max. Marks: 100**		**Min Passing Marks: 40**

PART -B: Content of the Course

Total No. of Teaching–learning Periods (01 Hr. per period) - 45 Periods (45 Hours)

Unit	Topics (Course contents)	No. of Period
I	**Viruses:** - general characteristics,nature , structure and nomenclature, Bacteriophages and TMV; Lytic and Lysogenic cycles, transmission and replication of viruses, Symptoms of viral diseases on plants , important plant diseases, viroid, prions.Actinomycetes: general characteristics ,Structure, reproduction and economic importance. Mycoplasma, Phytoplasma,: general characteristics , structure, reproduction and their economic uses.	12
II	**Bacteria:** History, general character, classification and morphology, Gram positive and Gram-negative bacteria, structure of bacteria shape, size flagella and ultra structure of bacterial cell; Bacterial Growth curve, factors affecting growth of microbes; sporulation, reproduction, recombination in bacteria- Transformation Conjugation and Transduction, and Economic importance. Cyanobacteria : General characteristics, morphology,Heterocyst, cell structure of Cyanobacteria, reproduction and economic importance of Bacteria.	11
III	**Phycology:** General characteristic features of Algae. Algae in diversified habitat, Salient features, occurrence, classification and range of thallus organization.Prominent pigments found in Algae. Reproduction classification, general character and life cycle of –*Volvox, Oedogonium, Chara, Vaucheria,Ectocarpus*and*Polysiphonia*. Economic importance of algae - Role of algae in soil fertility, algae as biofertilizer , blue green algae and nitrogen fixation. Symbiosis ; algal products - Agar, biofuel	11
IV	**Mycology, Mushroom Cultivation, Lichenology &Mycorrhiza:** General characteristic features of Fungi, Economic importance and Classification of Fungi, Nutrition, Heterothallism, Physiological specialization, Heterokaryosis &Parasexuality in Fungi. Fungi as biocontrol agent. Classification, general character and life cycle of -*Mucor*, Phytophthora*Penicillium, Peziza. Ustilago, Puccinia, Agaricus*; *Colletotrichum, Alternaria*. Edible Mushroom- Button and Oyster mushroom and their cultivation. General account of lichens. General account of Myccorrhiza.	11
Keywords	***Mycoplasma, Transduction, Biofertilizer, Parasexuality.***	

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