

### Seed Technology

The courses of seed technology will be initiated for three Years degree programmed in B.Sc. with specialization of seed technology. There shall be 10 courses in B.Sc. part I, II and III. During each year the final examination of theory and practical will be conducted based on courses outlines given in each paper. The examination will be conducted with three papers in B.Sc. part I, three papers in B.Sc. part II, and four papers in B.Sc. part III, the grading of marks will be done as per distribution of marks in both theory and practical examination during each year.

#### B.Sc. Part III 2004-2005

##### Theory Papers ;

Paper I	Seed quality control	50 marks
Paper II	Seed testing	50 marks
Paper III	Principles of seed protection methods	50 marks
Paper IV	Seed processing, storage and marketing	50 marks
	Theory	<u>200 marks.</u>

##### Practical Paper :

Paper I

Practical examination will be conducted with above four combined courses.

	<u>100 marks</u>
Total	<u>300 marks</u>

##### Paper : I Seed quality control

**Theory :** Seed quality its concept and parameters, physical purity, germeability and viability, physical appearance and health, genetic purity varietal variability, heritable and non heritable characters seed legislation, Indian seed act. Seed rules, New seed policy (1988) duties and responsibilities, seed certification its concept and history seed certification agency its organization, seed certification standard, Inspection at field level, harvesting, threshing and processing stage, sampling for seed quality evaluation, issue of certificates and tags. Sealing, function of central seed committee, central sub-committee central seed certification board, state seed committee, notification and release, future trends in seed certification, plant variety protective plant breeders rights.

##### Practical :

- (i) Filling of application forms for seed certification.
- (ii) Monitoring field for seed production and isolation.

- (iii) Identification and inspection of weed plants and other crops plant-roughing.
- (iv) Filling of inspection reports of field observations for both hybrid and varietal seed production.
- (v) Study of sampling procedure for fields crops.
- (vi) Study of varietal purity, through observations of seeds seedling and plants.
- (vii) Recording of field data and filling of forms.

### **Paper : II : Seed Testing**

**Theory :** Introduction, history and development, national and International organisation and seed testing linkage, seed sampling procedure and seed testing heterogeneity test, handling and testing of the samples, physical purity analysis, moisture, testing, germination testing, rapid test for seed quality determination, seed vigour testing, cultivar purity testing of pelleted seeds embryo testing, seed testing in relation to seed act & marketing.

### **Practical ;**

- (i) Sample registration and determination of the reactive efficacy of various mixing and dividing techniques.
- (ii) Identification of purity components and reporting results.
- (iii) Testing of seed germination, substrate and determination of moisture holding capacity of seed.
- (iv) Pre-treatments, Pre-drying, Pre-chilling, scarification, stratification, chemical treatments, hot water treatment.
- (v) Tetrazolium test for seed viability.
- (vi) Moisture testing by oven drying method.

### **Paper : III ; Principles of seed protection methods**

#### **Section A - Seed pathology**

**Theory :** Economic significance of seed borne disease, seed borne fungi bacteria, viruses and nematodes mechanisms of seed transmission, influence of environmental factors, seed borne diseases, seed treatment procedures and equipment, quarantine for seed ecological relationship of seed borne micro-organisms. national and international cooperation in seed pathology.

#### **Section - B Seed entomology**

Role of insects in seed production, classification of insects of



economic importance, stages of insect development ecological factors governing insect development and population buildup, important insect-pests of seed crops, their nature of damage and management in Rice, Wheat, chickpea, pigeonpea, peas mung, mustard and important vegetable crops, insect pollinators and their role in cross-pollination, control of insects by cultural mechanical, physical, quarantive, chemical preharvests sanitation, insect pests of storage and their nature of damage and losses, and methods of fumigation.

#### **Practical :**

- (i) Identification and symptoms of important seed borne, pathogens.
- (ii) Detection of important seed form of fungi, bacteria viruses.
- (iii) Formulation of fungicides and methods of spray.
- (iv) Identification of important storage insects, stage extent of damage.
- (v) Methods of funigation and principles.
- (vi) Formulations of pesticides and their application.
- (vii) Plant protection equipments and machines theres uses and handling.
- (viii) Visit of ware houses and godowns.

#### **Paper : IV Seed processing Storage and marketing**

**Theory :** Concept and objectives of seed processing, principles and operation of seed processing plants, preparing seed for processing, scalper, debearder, scarifier, sheller, seed drying importance and methods of moisture measurement. methods of seed drying, wet and dry seeds, advantages of mechanical drying, wet and dry seeds, advantages of mechanical drying over sundrying, air screen cleaner cum grader and operations, separator types, and operations, separator types, and their operations, seed treatment equipment, storage of treated seeds, principles of seed storage and conditions, gene bank storage.

Basic concepts of marketing, seed transportation storage cost, cost of processing and packaging, marketing organization for seed, seed market in India. Seed pricing breeder, foundation/certified seeds.

#### **Practical ;**

- (i) Visit of seed processing and storage complex.
- (ii) Study of principles of operations of different machines.
- (iii) Measurement of seed moisture content by direct and indirect methods.

- (iv) Study of seed cleaner, sheller, dehusker, grader, separator seed treatment and seed packaging machines/equipments.
- (v) Cost analysis of seed processing.
- (vi) Survey of marketing seed production agencies, and merchants and Govt. seed production agencies.
- (vii) Records keeping.

### B.Sc. Part III

#### Practical Paper : I

M.M. 100

The practical examination will be conducted comprising of four papers of B.Sc. Part III and marks will be distributed as per detail below:

1. Prepare a field data sheet for certification of seeds. 10
2. Study of moisture per centage and viability of seeds. 10
3. Study of purity of varieties with sampled seeds and seedlings. 10
4. Identification of important seed borne diseases and insect-pests (spotting - 20 specimens). 20
5. Preparation of slides of disease causing pathogen in pulses, cereals, vegetable crops. 20
6. Methods of formulation of different concentration of fungicides/pesticides. 10

OR

Describe the precautions during spraying of fungicides and pesticides.

7. Estimates the cost of seed processing of 5 quintal seeds of cereals/pulses/oil seed. 05
8. Practical records and disease - platorium 10
9. Viva-Voce 05

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Total = 100

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#### List of Text - Book

1. The embryology of angiosperms By Bhojwani, S.S. and Bhatanagar, S.P.
2. Physiology of seeds By Croker, W and Barton L. V.
3. Principles of seed Science & Technology. By O. Copeland
4. Viability of seeds By E.H. Roberts.
5. Germination of seeds By Mayer and Mayber

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| 6. Principles of plant Breeding                                       | By Allard R. W.                                       |
| 7. Elementary principles of plant Breeding.                           | By Chaudhary, H.K.                                    |
| 8. Introduction of plant Breeding                                     | By Chaudhary, R.C.                                    |
| 9. Plant Breeding - theory and practices                              | By Chopra, V.L.                                       |
| 10. Plant breeding - principles and                                   | By B.D. Singh   |
| 11. Genetics  | By Strickberger                                       |
| 12. Seed Technology   | By Agrawal, R.L.                                      |
| 13. Pollination mechanism, Reproduction and<br>plant breeding         | By Frankes, R.  |
| 14. Techniques in seed science and Technology                         | By Agrawal, P.K. And<br>Dadlant. M.                   |
| 15. Cytogenetics and plant breeding                                   | By Chandra shekhar<br>and Parthasarthy.               |
| 16. Male sterility in higher plants                                   | By Kaul, M.L.H.                                       |
| 17. Heterosis reapraisal theory and Practices.                        | By Frankes R.   |
| 18. Insect pollination of crops                                       | By Frec, J.B.   |
| 19. Seed production manual  | NSC and Rockefeller<br>Foundation Pub.                |
| 20. A hand book of seed inspections                                   | Central seed<br>Committee Ministry of<br>Agriculture. |
| 21. Principles of seed certification                                  | By N.P. Neng.   |
| 22. An Introduction to seed Technology                                | By Johnson, T.R.                                      |
| 23. Breeding procedures for crosspollinated<br>crops vegetable crops. | By Swarup V.  |
| 24. Vegetable breeding  | By Kalloo RPG Pub.                                    |
| 25. Seed pathology - Vol I & II                                       | By Naeer gaard p.                                     |
| 26. Principles of seed pathology Vol I & II                           | By Agrawal V.K. and<br>Sinclair J.B.                  |
| 27. Fungicides in plant diseases control                              | By Y.L. Nene and P.<br>Thapliyal                      |
| 28. Agricultural Entomology   | By A.S. Atwal   |
| 29. Seed processing   | By Billy, R, NSC Pub                                  |
| 30. Agricultural Marketing in India                                   | By Acharya S.S. IBH                                   |