

# Maharaja Ganga Singh University, Bikaner

## B. Sc. Microbiology Vocational

2024-2027

[Choice-Based Credit System]

3<sup>rd</sup> Sem to 6<sup>th</sup> Sem w.e.f. 2024



**SYLLABUS AND  
SCHEME OF EXAMINATION**

**B.SC. MICROBIOLOGY (VOCATIONAL)****w.e.f. Academic Year 2024****SEMESTER - III**

Paper Code	Paper Name	Code	L	T	P	Credit	Marks (External + Internal)	*Minimum Passing Marks (%)	Hours in a week
VMB 4.5DCCT- 33	Molecular Biology and Genetic Engineering	DCC	3	1	0	4	100 (80 + 20)	36	6
VMB 4.5DCCP- 33	Practical	DCC	0	0	2	2	50 (40 + 10)	36	4
Total						06	150		10 hrs.

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**Molecular Biology and Genetic Engineering****Paper Code:- VMB 4.5 DCCT- 33****Course learning outcomes:** By the conclusion of this course, the students have –

- Understood genome organization of model organisms namely *E.coli* and *Saccharomyces*, and the molecular mechanisms that underlie mutations.
- Developed a fairly good knowledge about the three well known mechanisms by which genetic material is transferred among the microorganisms namely transformation, transduction and conjugation.
- Has acquired a fairly good knowledge of the tools and the methods for genetic engineering.
- Has acquired a fairly good understanding of how these tools and methods are employed in the laboratory for manipulation of DNA so as to make it relevant for biotechnological uses.
- Students can perform isolation of DNA, amplification of any gene by PCR and its analysis by gel electrophoresis.

<b>Unit – 1</b>	History of Molecular Biology and Genetic engineering, Ethical issues, Structure and Properties of DNA, Salient features of double helix, Types of DNA. RNA Structure and types. Replication of DNA: Semi-conservative mechanism of DNA replication, Enzymes and proteins involved in DNA replication. Difference in Prokaryotic and eukaryotic replication.
<b>Unit – 2</b>	<b>Gene Expression:</b> Transcription, Translation, Genetic code, Reverse Transcription, Gene Regulation in Prokaryotes; lac operon and tryp operon.
<b>Unit – 3</b>	Gene mutation, types of mutations, physical and chemical mutagens; Uses of mutations, DNA damage and repair mechanisms. Restriction endonucleases: types, properties and uses. Cloning, PCR; types and functions. Taq polymerase, RFLP, RAPD.
<b>Unit – 4</b>	Methods of DNA sequencing, DNA finger and foot printing, Genomic libraries, Gene cloning and cloning vectors: Definition and properties plasmid vectors: pBR and pUC series, Cosmids, BACs, YACs cloning vectors. Applications of genetic engineering.
<b>Unit – 5</b>	Bacterial Genetics- Conjugation, transformation and transduction, Transposons, Lytic and Lysogenic development of T4 Phage and Phage $\lambda$ (lambda). Property and function of plasmids, Types of plasmids.

**Practical**  
**Paper Code:- VMB 4.5 DCCP- 33**

1. Preparation of Buffer solutions
2. Preparation of Agarose gel for DNA isolation.
3. Cytochemical staining of DNA–Feulgen
4. Demonstration of Isolation of genomic and plasmid DNA from *E.coli*
5. Visualization of DNA by Agarose Gel Electrophoresis.
6. Estimations of DNA and RNA using diphenylamine and orcinol reagent, and UV spectrophotometer (A260 measurement).

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**SCHEME OF PRACTICAL EXAMINATION**

**Practical Based on Theory Papers.**

**Time: - 4 hrs**

**Maximum Marks: 40**

**Minimum Marks: 13**

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3. Spots (Five)	[10]
4. Viva-voce	[05]
5. Practical Record	[07]

**Reference Books:**

1. Benjamin Lewin, Gene VII, Oxford University Press, (2000).
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### SEMESTER - IV

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VMB 4.5DCCT- 44	Soil, Agriculture and Environmental Microbiology	DCC	3	1	0	4	100 (80 + 20)	36	6
VMB 4.5DCCP- 44	Practical	DCC	0	0	2	2	50 (40 + 10)	36	4
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#### **Soil, Agriculture and Environmental Microbiology**

##### **Paper Code:- VMB 4.5 DCCT- 44**

- **Course learning outcomes:** By the completion of this course, the students –
- Have developed a fairly good knowledge and understanding of different types of environments and habitats where microorganisms grow including the microbiomes of the human gut and animal gut.
- Are able to identify the important role microorganisms play in maintaining healthy environment by degradation of solid/liquid wastes; how these activities of microorganisms are used in sewage treatment plants, production of activated sludge and functioning of septic tanks Have understood the significance of BOD/COD and various tests involving use of enumerating fecal *E.coli* for assessing quality of water.
- Have developed the practical skills for conducting experiments to assess the BOD/COD of wastewaters and their interpretation; practically assess the portability of drinking water by the use of standard microbiological tests.

#### **Unit – 1**

Physical and chemical characteristics of soil, Microflora of soil, Rhizosphere, Phyllosphere, Microflora of fresh water and marine habitats, Aeromicroflora. Microbial interactions- Symbiosis, Mutualism, Commensalism, Competition, Amensalism, Synergism, Parasitism, Predation.

#### **Unit – 2**

Biological nitrogen fixation, Nitrogen fixing organism, symbiotic and non -symbiotic nitrogen fixation, Bio-fertilizers, Mycorrhiza. Rumen Microbiology. Organic matter decomposition, Microbial decomposition of plant material: Cellulose and lignin.

<b>Unit – 3</b>	Major biogeochemical cycles and microorganism involved - Carbon, Nitrogen, Phosphorus and Sulphur. A brief account of Biodegradation, Xenobiotics, Bioaccumulation, Bio -deterioration, Bioremediation and Biomagnification.
<b>Unit – 4</b>	Solid Waste management: Sources and types of solid waste, Methods of solid waste disposal (composting and Biogas production). Liquid waste management: BOD and COD, Primary, secondary (oxidation ponds, trickling filter, activated sludge process) and tertiary sewage treatment.
<b>Unit – 5</b>	Plant disease management: Casual agent, Symptoms and control measures of the diseases. TMV, Citrus canker, Green ear, Tikka and mycoplasmal diseases. Microorganisms as biocontrol agents. Microbial pesticides herbicides and weedicides, GM crops: Bt crops, golden rice.

<b>Practical</b> <b>Paper Code:- VMB 4.5 DCCP- 44</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Analysis of soil pH, moisture content, water holding capacity.</li> <li>2. Isolation of Microorganisms from soil.</li> <li>3. Enumeration of microorganisms in soil by serial dilution method.</li> <li>4. Isolation of Rhizosphere microflora.</li> <li>5. Study of Phylloplane microflora (leaf impression method).</li> <li>6. Preparation of slides of N-fixing bacteria from root nodules.</li> <li>7. Assessment of microbiological quality of water.</li> <li>8. Determination of BOD of wastewater sample.</li> </ol>	

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**SEMESTER - V**

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VMB 4.5DCCT- 55	Industrial and Applied Microbiology	DCC	3	1	0	4	100 (80 + 20)	36	6
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**Industrial and Applied Microbiology****Paper Code:- VMB 4.5 DCCT- 55**

**Course learning outcomes:** By the conclusion of this course, the students –

- Will be capable to understand the industrial fermentation processes.
- Would have developed an understanding of different types of reactors or fermenters which are used for laboratory, pilot and industrial scale fermentations and their processes parameters.
- Would have acquired a fairly good knowledge of how microbes are used in the fermentative production of organic acids, alcohols, enzymes, antibiotics and various foods in the industry.
- Would have acquired knowledge of various physical parameters which affect production of industrial products by the microorganisms and the safety aspects of the production and use of these products.
- Would have developed laboratory skills in producing alcohol and enzymes by fermentative process using bacteria/yeast; Laboratory skills of testing microbial load in milk.

**Unit – 1**

Brief history and developments in industrial microbiology. Industrial strains, their sources, strategies for selection, improvement, preservation and maintenance, types of fermentation: Solid-state and submerged; batch, fed-batch , and continuous fermentations. Fermentation media.

<b>Unit – 2</b>	Design and Components of a typical bio-reactor, Operation and control of fermentation parameters - pH, temperature, dissolved oxygen, foaming and aeration Types of bioreactors- constantly stirred tank and air-lift fermenters. Down-stream processing; Cell disruption, filtration, centrifugation, solvent extraction, precipitation, lyophilization and spray drying.
<b>Unit – 3</b>	Industrial production of organic acid (Succinic, Lactic acid), Enzymes (Amylase, Protease, Cellulase), Alcohol (Ethanol, Butanol), Antibiotics (Penicillin, Streptomycin), Microbial production of vitamins-Riboflavin, Niacin and Vitamin-C. Microbiology of milk, Preservation of milk and milk products, Production of fermented dairy Products-Acidophilus milk, cheese, yogurt.
<b>Unit – 4</b>	Food microbiology-, Preservation of food, Sources of food spoilage, Food infection and intoxication, control of food borne microorganism, Role of microbes in preparation of Sauerkraut, bread and pickles, Single cell protein, Mushroom production. Alcoholic beverages (beer and wine).
<b>Unit – 5</b>	Microbes in production of Vaccines: genetic and recombinant vaccines, Bio-gums, Bio-chips and Bio-plastics. Bioinformatics: Introduction, Primary and Secondary databases, Sequence elucidation for proteins and DNA by software. BLAST AND FASTA.

### Practical

**Paper Code:- VMB 4.5 DCCP- 55**

1. Study different parts of fermenter.
2. Isolation of common microorganisms their standard plate count from milk.
3. MBRT of milk samples.
4. Alkaline phosphatase test to check the efficiency of pasteurization of milk.
5. Isolation of any foodborne bacteria from food products.
6. Isolation of spoilage microorganisms from spoiled vegetables/fruits.
7. Isolation of spoilage microorganisms from bread.
8. Preparation of Yogurt.

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## SEMESTER - VI

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VMB 4.5DCCT- 66	Virology and Immunology	DCC	3	1	0	4	100 (80 + 20)	36	6
VMB 4.5DCCP - 66	Practical	DCC	0	0	2	2	50 (40 + 10)	36	4
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### **Virology and Immunology** **Paper Code:- VMB 4.5 DCCT- 66**

**Course learning outcomes:** By the completion of this course, the students would –

- Understood what are viruses and the chemical nature of viruses, different types of viruses infecting animals, plants and bacteria (bacteriophages).
- Gain knowledge of a variety of plant viruses and animal viruses.
- Acquire a fairly good understanding of normal microflora of human body, common diseases caused by bacteria, viruses and other microbes.
- Understood the basic components of the immune system and how this system serve to protect the host against disease-causing microbes.



<b>Unit – 1</b>	Virology: general properties and discovery of viruses, concept of viroids, virusoids and Prions. Structure and chemical nature of Viruses. Classification and nomenclature of different groups of viruses. Replication of viruses, T4 phage, lytic and lysogenic phages (lambda phage.)
<b>Unit – 2</b>	Cultivation of viruses, Haemagglutination and plaque assay. Viral transmission. Salient features of Influenza and Hepatitis B virus, HIV, polio virus, retro-viruses, TMV, Cauliflower Mosaic Virus. Oncogenic viruses.
<b>Unit – 3</b>	Historical background of immunology, innate and acquired immunity, humoral and cell mediated immunity, Lymphoid Organs, cells of immune system. Immune response (primary and secondary), Cytokines.
<b>Unit – 4</b>	MHC, Antigens- Types and characteristics. Immunoglobulin structure and properties, Monoclonal antibodies, antigen-antibody reactions, complement fixation, complement system.
<b>Unit – 5</b>	Immunofluorescence methods, ELISA and radioimmunoassay, Hypersensitivity and its types, mechanism. Autoimmune diseases. Immunodeficiency diseases.

<b>Practical</b> <b>Paper Code:- VMB 4.5 DCCP- 66</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Study of the structure of important viruses (influenza, retroviruses, caulimosac, tobacco, <math>\phi</math>X174) using electron micrographs.</li> <li>2. Isolation and enumeration of bacteriophages (PFU) from water/sewage sample. using double agar layer technique.</li> <li>3. Study of cytopathic effects of viruses using photographs.</li> <li>4. Determination of antibiotic sensitivity test of bacteria.</li> <li>5. Blood cell counting by Haemocytometer.</li> <li>6. Determine the blood group of Human blood sample.</li> <li>7. Demonstration of antigen-antibody interactions.</li> <li>8. Demonstration of Enzyme linked immunoassay.</li> </ol>	

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