

SRI VENKATESWARA UNIVERSITY
B.Sc. DEGREE COURSE IN SERI CULTURE TECHNOLOGY
(Syllabus under CBCS w.e.f. 2020-21)

SERI CULTURE



*(With Learning Outcomes, Unit-wise Syllabus, References, Co-curricular Activities
& Model Q.P.)*

(To be Implemented from 2020-21 Academic Year)

Domain Subject: MARKET ORIENTED COURSE SERICULTURE

Activities, References & Model Q.P For Five Courses of 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 Semesters)

“The domain subject “SERICULTURE ”, embracing the fields of botany of mulberry plants, cultivation of mulberry, biology of silk worm, lifecycle of the silkworm, diseases of the silk work, chawki rearing technology , cocoon pests biology are the different curricular aspects for this subject

GENERAL CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Lecturer-based:

- 1) **Class-room activities:** Organization of Group discussions, question-answer sessions, scientific observations, use of audio-visual aids, guidance programmes, examination and evaluation work (scheduled and surprise tests), quizzes, preparation of question banks, student study material, material for PG entrance examinations etc.
- 2) **Library activities:** Reading books and magazines taking notes from prescribed and reference books and preparation of notes on lessons as per the syllabus; Reading journals and periodicals pertaining to different subjects of study; Making files of news-paper cuttings etc.
- 3) **Lab activities:** Organization of practicals, maintenance of lab attendance registers/log registers, maintenance of glassware and chemicals
- 4) **Activities in the Seminars, workshops and conferences:** Organization of at least one seminar/workshop/conference per academic year either on academic/research aspects and inculcate research spirit among students
- 5) **Research activities:** Student study projects (General / RBPT model), Minor or Major research projects, Research guidance to research scholars, Publication of research articles/papers (at least one in 2 years) in UGC-recognized journals, Registration in Vidwan/Orcid/Scopus/Web of Science
- 6) **Smart Classroom Activities:** Organization of Departmental WhatsApp groups, Ed Modo groups/Google Class Rooms/Adobe Spark groups for quick delivery of the subject; Preparation of Moocs content & presentation tube lessons by trained lecturers; Using smart/digital/e- class rooms (mandatory) wherever present; Utilization of youtube videos (subject to copy rights) etc.

Student-based:

- 1) **Class-room activities:** Power point presentations, seminars, assignments
- 2) **Library activities:** Visit to library during library hour and preparation of notes
- 3) **Lab activities:** Maintenance of observation note book and record, keeping lab clean and tidy
- 4) **Activities in the Seminars, workshops and conferences:** Participation/presentation in seminar/workshop/conference

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

OBJECTIVES:

The co-curricular activities are aimed at strengthening the theoretical knowledge with an activity related to the content taught in the class room. The aesthetic development, character building, spiritual growth, physical growth, moral values, creativity of the student.

The different types of co-curricular activities relevant to Sericulture domain are listed below:

Academic - based

- Preparation of Charts/Clay or Thermocol Models
- Debates, Essay Writing Competitions
- Group Discussions
- Departmental (Sericulture) magazine
- Formation of Book clubs
- Animal album-making
- Viva-Voce

Lab/Research –based

- Documentaries
- Field Visit/Excursions/to sericulture research stations- sericulture units
- Training at research centres (sericulture etc.)
- Exposure to scientific instruments and hands-on experience

Value - based

- Organization of awareness camp on mulberry plantation, Chawki garden

➤ Observation of Days of National/International Importance

World Cancer Day (February 4th)	International Biological Diversity Day (May 22 nd)
Darwin Day (February 12 th)	World Turtle Day (May 23 rd)
National Science Day (Feb 28 th)	World blood Donor Day (June 14 th)
World Wildlife day (March 3 rd)	World Zoonoses Day (July 6 th)
National Vaccination Day (March 16 th)	World Mosquito Day (August 20 th)
World Health Day (April 7 th)	World Turtle Day (May 23 rd)
Earth Day (April 22 nd)	World Mosquito Day (August 20 th)
Malaria Day (April 25 th)	World Animal day (October 4 th)
World Hepatitis Day (May 19 th)	World Immunization Day (November

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Core Course Paper-II: MULBERRY CULTIVATION & PHYSIOLOGY

Course Outcomes: By the completion of the course the graduate should able to –

CO1 :Explain the different type of soils and the process of mulberry cultivation

CO2 :Describe the establishment of mulberry garden

CO3 :Describe the cultivation and management of mulberry

CO4:Explain the physiology of mulberry plant

CO5:Describe biochemical composition of mulberry leaf and biofertilizers

Learning objectives

1. To understand the different type of soils and the process of mulberry cultivation.
2. To understand the establishment of mulberry garden.
3. To understand the cultivation and management of mulberry.
4. To understand the physiology of mulberry plant
5. To understand the biochemical composition of mulberry leaf and biofertilizers

SYLLABUS

UNIT- I

1.1 Definition of soil, different types of soils in india

1.2 Importance of soils with reference to mulberry cultivation;soil analysis- soil sampling, soil pH, organic carbon and NPKlevel.

1.3 Propagation of mulberry- seedling, sapling , grafting and layering.

1.4 Raising of commercialnursery.

1.5 Application of root inducinghormones.

UNIT –II

2.1 Establishment of mulberry garden under rain-fed and irrigatedconditions:

(a) Plantingseason.

(b) Selection and preparation ofland.

(c) Plantingsystems

(d) Selection and preparation of plantingmaterial

(e) Manuring, intercultivation andirrigation.

(f) Initialharvesting.

(g) Chawki garden; importance and maintenance.

2.2 Manures and fertilizers: Types, dosage, application and schedule;biofertilizers and foliar nutrition; micro nutrients; composting and vermicomposting.

2.3 Inter cultivation practices: Purpose, methods, time and frequency; mulching; Weeding.

UNIT-III

- 3.1 Irrigation: Importance, Source, methods, periodicity and quantity of irrigation, over-irrigation and its effects.
- 3.2 Leaf harvesting: harvesting methods (leaf and shoot harvests); transportation and preservation of harvested leaf.
- 3.3 Estimation of leaf yield in rainfed and irrigated conditions: Importance of leaf quality
- 3.4 Integrated weed management

UNIT-IV: Physiology of Mulberry

- 4.1 Absorption of water and solutes by roots; effect of external conditions; root pressure; ion exchange and active absorption.
- 4.2 Mineral nutrition- macro and micro nutrients; their physiological role.
- 4.3 Brief account of photosynthesis: Outline of the process; types of carbon fixation (C3 and C4); brief account of photorespiration and its significance.
- 4.4 Role of environmental factors on mulberry growth.

Unit-5

- 5.1 Biochemical composition of mulberry leaf.
- 5.2 Transpiration: Significance; stomata- mechanism of opening and closing; regulation of water loss by stomata; factors influencing the rate of transpiration. Brief account of biological nitrogen fixation; types- importance in mulberry cultivation.
- 5.3 Plant growth regulators: Importance and application in mulberry, agriculture and horticulture.
- 5.4 Biofertilizers, types and its significance.

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Core Course Paper-II: MULBERRY CULTIVATION & PHYSIOLOGY
MODEL QUESTION PAPER

Time : 3 Hrs

Max Marks : 75

SECTION –I

Answer any FIVE of the following

5x5 = 25 Marks

(Draw labelled diagrams wherever necessary)

1. Soil Sampling
2. Grafting
3. Manuring
4. Harvesting
5. Weed management
6. Micro nutrients
7. Growth regulators
8. Horticulture

SECTION –II

Answer ALL the questions each question carries 10 marks

5x10=50 Marks

(Draw diagrams wherever necessary)

9. (a) Write about different soils in India (or)
(b) Explain about Importance of soils with reference to mulberry cultivation
10. (a) Describe about selection and preparation of land(or)
(b) Write an account on inter cultivation and irrigation
11. (a) Explain about leaf harvesting (or)
(b) Describe about periodicity and quantity of irrigation
12. (a) Explain about physiological role of micro nutrients (or)
(b) Write a brief account on photosynthesis
13. (a) Write about transpiration (or)
(b) Explain the biofertilizers

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Practical Paper-II: MULBERRY CULTIVATION & PHYSIOLOGY

Mulberry cultivation;

1. Determination of soil pH and water holding capacity.
2. Farm implements.
3. Preparation of land, pits and rows; preparation of rooting media (fieldwork).
4. Raising of sapling and seedling (fieldwork).
5. Intercultivation, mulching, irrigation, pruning and estimation of leaf yield. (demonstration and exercise).
6. Grafting and layering in mulberry.
7. Harvesting and preservation techniques; leaf selection for different instars.

Physiology of mulberry;

1. Estimation of stomatal index
2. Estimation of leaf protein
3. Separation of leaf photosynthetic pigments of mulberry through paper chromatography.
4. Extraction of photosynthetic pigments by solvent wash method.
5. Determination of water potential of potato tubers.
6. Estimation of moisture percentage and moisture retention capacity of mulberry leaf.

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