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SYLLABUS FOR PHD ENTRANCE

BIOTECHNOLOGY

Research Methodology (Compulsory)

- **1. Basic concept of research problem •** Rationale of research Identification of research problem Research objective Types of research- fundamental/ applied/ action/ quantitative/ qualitative etc and research process.
- **2. Review of literatures** Primary source Secondary source Searching e- resources, using search engines Searching data base Writing literature review
- **3. Methods of research** Concept and formulation of hypothesis Survey method Experimental method (variable, designs) Historical methods.
- **4. Sampling of data** Concept of sampling Probability sampling techniques Non probability sampling techniques Sampling error.
- **5.** Collection of data Primary data generation Secondary data collection Methods of data generation/ collection- by experiments, questionnaire, interview schedule & focus groups.
- **6. Analysis of data** Statistical analysis techniques Qualitative analysis techniques Application of computer in research data analysis.
- 7. **Report preparation** Structure and component of research report Organization of data Indexing of journal and research output Citation, references, bibliography Copyright, plagiarism, originality of research work and basic of statistics / Statistical Inferences.

Biotechnology (core)

- I. **Biochemistry, Molecular & Cell Biology Genomics** Biomolecules, Metabolism, Membrane transport, Structure and regulation of prokaryotes and eukaryotes genes, Transcription, Translation, Post-transcriptional and Translational modifications, Molecular interaction, Phyllogenetics, Molecular markers,
- II. Genetic and physical mapping, Gene interaction; Population genetics, Genetic engineering; Cloning and expression vectors, rDNA technology, Gene cloning approaches, Whole genome sequencing & annotation, High throughput gene expression and Function elucidation technologies, PCR, Blotting techniques, Gene transfer technologies, Protein-protein interactions, Mass spectrophotometry, Signal transduction pathways and their elucidation, Primary and secondary metabolic pathways, Systems biology frameworks for metabolic engineering, Nanobiotechnology, Genomics and proteomics.
- III. **Microbial & Plant Biotechnology:** Microbial taxonomy and diversity (bacteria, fungi, virus); Microbial nutrition, growth and control; Microbial metabolism; Microbial genetics; Microbial production and purification of fermented food and food products, recombinant proteins, industrial enzymes; Free and immobilized enzyme kinetics; Types of bioreactors; Bioseparation techniques; Concept of plant cellular totipotency; Clonal propagation; Organogenesis and somatic embryogenesis, artificial seed, somaclonal variation, embryo culture, in vitro fertilization; Plant products of industrial importance; Plant-microbe interactions.
- IV. **Medical Biotechnology Infectious diseases**: Microbial (viral, bacterial, fungal), Life style diseases, Cell & developmental biology, Cancer biology, Immunotechnology, Antigen antibody interactions, Antibody engineering, vaccines and the associated manufacturing processes, molecular and immuno diagnostics methods and their applications, Cell culture technologies, Regenerative medicine & transplantation technology, Hypersensitivity and autoimmune diseases, tolerance, animal biotechnology, Animal cell preservation, Stem cells and healthcare, Clinical trials
- V. Environmental Biotechnology Biotransformation and biodegradation;

Biofertilizers; Biosensors – living biosensors for the management and manipulation of microbial consortia; Role of biotechnology in energy production.

VI. **Bioinformatics/Statistics:** Major bioinformatics resources (NCBI, EBI, ExPASy); Sequence and structure databases and analysis, Sequence analysis, Phylogeny, Comparative genomics; Molecular modeling and simulations. Overview and functions of a computer system; Basics of database management system- Conceptual Schema, ER diagrams, normalisation and SQL. Basics of programming; Statistics: Descriptive statistics, Correlation and regression, Hypothesis Testing, Probability theory.