PRECISION FARMING TE	ECHNIQUES FOR PROTECTE	ED CULTIVATION (PEC-I)	
Course Code	21AG641	CIE Marks	50
Teaching Hours/Week (L:T:P: S)	(3:0:0:0)	SEE Marks	50
Total Hours of Pedagogy	40	Total Marks	100
Credits	03	Exam Hours	03

Course Objectives:

- To familiarize the students with the relevance and scope of precision farming and protected cultivation.
- To impart knowledge about the various modern precision farming techniques and their application in protected cultivation.

Teaching-Learning Process (General Instructions)

These are sample Strategies, which teachers can use to accelerate the attainment of the various course outcomes.

- 1. Adopt different types of teaching methods to develop the outcomes through PowerPoint presentations and Video demonstrations or Simulations.
- 2. Chalk and Talk method for Problem Solving.
- 3. Arrange visits to show the live working models other than laboratory topics.
- 4. Adopt collaborative (Group Learning) Learning in the class.
- 5. Adopt Problem Based Learning (PBL), which fosters students Analytical skills and develops thinking skills such as evaluating, generalizing and analyzing information.

Module-1

Protected cultivation: Introduction, History, origin, development, National and International Scenario, components of green house, perspective, Types of green houses, polyhouses / shed nets, Cladding materials, Plant environment interactions – principles of limiting factors, solar radiation and transpiration, greenhouse effect, light, temperature, relative humidity, carbon dioxide enrichment, Design and construction of green houses – site selection, orientation, design, construction, design for ventilation requirement using exhaust fan system, selection of equipment, Greenhouse cooling system – necessity, methods – ventilation with roof and side ventilators, evaporative cooling, different shading material fogging, combined fogging and fan-pad cooling system, design of cooling system, maintenance of cooling and ventilation systems, pad care etc.

Teaching	1. PowerPoint Presentation
Learning	2. Chalk and Talk are used for Problem Solving (In-general)
Process	3. Video demonstration or Simulations

Module-2

Greenhouse heating – necessity, components, methods, design of heating system. Root media – types – soil and soil less media, composition, estimation, preparation and disinfection, bed preparation. Planting techniques in green house cultivation. Irrigation in greenhouse and net house – Water quality, types of irrigation system, components, design, installation and material requirement. Fogging system for greenhouses and net houses – introduction, benefits, design, installation and material requirement. Maintenance of irrigation and fogging systems.

Teaching-

1. PowerPoint Presentation

Learning Process

- 2. Chalk and Talk are used for Problem Solving (In-general)
- 3. Video demonstration or Simulations

Module-3

Fertilization – nutrient deficiency symptoms and functions of essential nutrient elements, principles of selection of proper application of fertilizers, fertilizer scheduling, rate of application of fertilizers, methods, automated fertilizer application. Greenhouse climate measurement, control and management.

Teaching-

1. PowerPoint Presentation

Learning

- 2. Chalk and Talk are used for Problem Solving (In-general)
- **Process** 3. Video demonstration or Simulations

Module-4

Insect and disease management in greenhouse and net houses Selection of crops for greenhouse cultivation, major crops in greenhouse – irrigation requirement, fertilizer management, cultivation, harvesting and post-harvest techniques; Economic analysis.

Teaching-

- 1. PowerPoint Presentation
- Learning Process
- 2. Chalk and Talk are used for Problem Solving (In-general)
- 3. Video demonstration or Simulations

Module-5

Estimation of material requirement for construction of greenhouse; Determination of fertilization schedule and rate of application for various crops; Estimation of material requirement for preparation of root media; Root media preparation, bed preparation and disinfections; Study of different planting techniques; Design and installation of irrigation system; Design and installation of fogging system; Greenhouse heating; Study of different greenhouse environment control instruments; Study of operation maintenance and fault detection in irrigation system; Study of operation maintenance and fault detection in fogging system; Economic analysis of greenhouses and net houses; Visit to greenhouses.

Teaching-

1. PowerPoint Presentation

Learning

- 2. Chalk and Talk are used for Problem Solving (In-general)
- **Process**
- 3. Video demonstration or Simulations

Course outcome (Course Skill Set)

At the end of the course the student will be able to:

- 1. Understand the importance of protected cultivation in precision farming
- 2. Know about various components, shape, types of green houses
- 3. Know about design and construction of green houses in different agro-climatic zones
- 4. Know about greenhouse cooling and heating systems, environmental parameter and control, ventilation systems
- 5. To assess different root media, micro-irrigation, fustigation, planting techniques in green house cultivation
- 6. Hydroponics, post-harvest management, pest management and economic aspects of a green house.

Assessment Details (both CIE and SEE)

The weightage of Continuous Internal Evaluation (CIE) is 50% and for Semester End Exam (SEE) is 50%. The minimum passing mark for the CIE is 40% of the maximum marks (20 marks out of 50). A student shall be deemed to have satisfied the academic requirements and earned the credits allotted to each subject/ course if the student secures not less than 35% (18 Marks out of 50)in the semester-end examination(SEE), and a minimum of 40% (40 marks out of 100) in the sum total of the CIE (Continuous Internal Evaluation) and SEE (Semester End Examination) taken together

Continuous Internal Evaluation:

Three Unit Tests each of 20 Marks (duration 01 hour)

- 1. First test at the end of 5th week of the semester
- 2. Second test at the end of the 10th week of the semester
- 3. Third test at the end of the 15th week of the semester

Two assignments each of 10 Marks

- 4. First assignment at the end of 4th week of the semester
- 5. Second assignment at the end of 9th week of the semester

Group discussion/Seminar/quiz any one of three suitably planned to attain the COs and POs for 20 Marks (duration 01 hours)

6. At the end of the 13th week of the semester

The sum of three tests, two assignments, and quiz/seminar/group discussion will be out of 100 marks and will be scaled down to 50 marks

(to have less stressed CIE, the portion of the syllabus should not be common /repeated for any of the methods of the CIE. Each method of CIE should have a different syllabus portion of the course).

CIE methods /question paper is designed to attain the different levels of Bloom's taxonomy as per the outcome defined for the course.

Semester End Examination:

Theory SEE will be conducted by University as per the scheduled timetable, with common question papers for the subject (duration 03 hours)

- 1. The question paper will have ten questions. Each question is set for 20 marks.
- 2. There will be 2 questions from each module. Each of the two questions under a module (with a maximum of 3 sub-questions), **should have a mix of topics** under that module.

The students have to answer 5 full questions, selecting one full question from each module

Suggested Learning Resources:

Books

- 1. Protected Cultivation Ernst van Heurn and Kees Van der Post Digigrafi, Wageningan, The Netherlands 2004
- 2. Protected Cultivation of Horticulture Crops Peter, K.V. and Sing D.K. New India Publishing Company. 2013
- 3. Sustainable Crop Protection under Protected Cultivation Reddy P.P Springer Singapore 2016
- 4. Precision Farming Sharma P. Daya Publishing House New Delhi.

Web links and Video Lectures (e-Resources):

Activity Based Learning (Suggested Activities in Class)/ Practical Based learning

- Quizzes
- Assignments
- Seminars
- Mini Projects

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