**FIFTH SEMESTER B. Sc. BOTANY DEGREE PROGRAMME**

**OPEN COURSE : Choice 2: APPLIED BOTANY**

**Code: BOT5D02**

**COURSE OUTCOME (CO)**

By the end of the course, students are expected to:

1. Develop general awareness on applied aspects of Plant science.
2. Realize the role of plants in everyday life.
3. Apply vegetative propagation methods in everyday life.
4. Realize the economic importance of plants

**DISTRIBUTION OF TEACHING HOURS (18 hrs/Semester = 1hr/week)**

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| **Sl no** | **Subject** | **Total** |
| 1 | Module –I Plant Propagation | 12 |
| 2 | Module – II Steps of growing plants | 12 |
| 3 | Module – III. Botany in Everyday life | 24 |
| 4 | Module – IV. Economic Botany | 6 |
| **Total** | **54** |

**QUESTION PAPER PATTERN**

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| **Type of questions** | **No of questions** | **Total** |
| 2 marks | 12 | Ceiling 20 |
| 5 marks | 7 | Ceiling 30 |
| 10 marks | 2 | 1x10 = 10 |
| **Total** | **60** |

**Module I - Plant Propagation**

1. Seed propagation – Seed dormancy, seed treatment, conditions for successful propagation, rising of seed beds, care of seedling, transplanting techniques.
2. Vegetative propagation:
3. Cutting (stem, roots)
4. Grafting (approach, cleft)
5. Budding (T-budding, patch)
6. Layering (simple, air)
7. Micro propagation - General account

**Module II - Steps of Growing Plants**

1. Soil- Composition, Types, Texture, Soil pH, Correcting pH, Humus
2. Pots & Potting – Earthen, Fibre, Polythene bags, Potting mixture, Potting, Depotting, Repotting.
3. Chemical fertilizers: types, application, merits and demerits
4. Organic manure; types, application, merits and demerits
5. Need of water: Irrigation – Surface, spray, drip irrigation, sprinklers.
6. Plant protection: Biological, Physical and mechanical, Chemical, biopestcide

**Module III - Botany in Everyday life**

1. Vegetable gardening
2. Mushroom cultivation
3. Vermi composting- technique
4. Biofertlizer Technology
5. Orchid and Anthurium cultivation
6. Creating Bonsai

**Module IV - Economic Botany**

1. General account on various plants of economic importance
2. Study the Binomial, Family, Morphology of the useful part of the following plants.

Cereals and Millets – Rice, Wheat

Pulses -Greengram, Bengalgram, Blackgram

Beverages – Coffee, Tea, Cocoa.

Fibre – Coir, Cotton

Timber – Teak, Rose wood, Jack

Spices – Pepper, Ginger, Cardamom

Medicinal – Adhatoda, Phyllanthus, Rauvolfia

Oil- coconut, Gingelly

Ornamental pants of economic importance – Rose, jasmine

Fruit – Mango, Banana

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