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**S.P. Mandali's**  
**RAMNARAIN RUIA AUTONOMOUS COLLEGE**  
*(Affiliated to University of Mumbai)*



**Syllabus for: UG**

**Program: B. Sc.**

**Program Code: BOTANY(RUSBOT)**

(Choice Based Credit System for the academic year 2024–2025)

S. P. Mandali's Ramnarain Ruia Autonomous College has adopted the Outcome Based Education model to make its science graduates globally competent and capable of advancing in their careers. The Bachelors Program in Science also encourages students to reflect on the broader purpose of their education.

## GRADUATE ATTRIBUTES

GA	Description
	<b>A student completing Bachelor's Degree in Science program will be able to:</b>
<b>GA 1</b>	Recall and explain acquired scientific knowledge in a comprehensive manner and apply the skills acquired in their chosen discipline. Interpret scientific ideas and relate its interconnectedness to various fields in science.
<b>GA 2</b>	Evaluate scientific ideas critically, analyse problems, explore options for practical demonstrations, illustrate work plans and execute them, organise data and draw inferences
<b>GA 3</b>	Explore and evaluate digital information and use it for knowledge upgradation. Apply relevant information so gathered for analysis and communication using appropriate digital tools
<b>GA 4</b>	Ask relevant questions, understand scientific relevance, hypothesize a scientific problem, construct and execute a project plan and analyse results.
<b>GA 5</b>	Take complex challenges, work responsibly and independently, as well as in cohesion with a team for completion of a task. Communicate effectively, convincingly and in an articulate manner.
<b>GA 6</b>	Apply scientific information with sensitivity to values of different cultural groups. Disseminate scientific knowledge effectively for upliftment of the society.
<b>GA7</b>	Follow ethical practices at work place and be unbiased and critical in interpretation of scientific data. Understand the environmental issues and explore sustainable solutions for it.
<b>GA 8</b>	Keep abreast with current scientific developments in the specific discipline and adapt to technological advancements for better application of scientific knowledge as a lifelong learner

## PROGRAM OUTCOMES

PO	PO Description
	<b>A student completing Bachelor's Degree in Science program in the subject of Botany will be able to:</b>
<b>PO 1</b>	Understand the basic concepts of lower & higher plants their life cycle, economic and ecological importance, also evolution from algae to angiosperms and their industrial applications
<b>PO 2</b>	Develop an understanding of the principles underlying nomenclature and classification of Angiosperms, identify plants belonging to various families according to Bentham and Hooker's system.
<b>PO 3</b>	Elucidate ecological interconnectedness of life by energy and nutrient flow, relate the physical features of the environment to the structure of populations, communities, ecosystems, pollution, bioremediation, natural resources, sustainability and importance of conservation.
<b>PO 4</b>	Understand and relate priority areas such as genetics, cell and molecular biology, plant biotechnology and application of genetic engineering for the improvements of plants.
<b>PO 5</b>	Gain knowledge about laws of inheritance, various genetic interactions, chromosomal aberrations, multiple alleles and mutations.
<b>PO 6</b>	Analyze morphological and anatomical plant structures in the context of metabolic /physiological functions of plants, including embryological and palynological aspects
<b>PO 7</b>	Apply ethnobotanical aspects and medicinal, dietary and cosmetic uses of plants with special reference to phytochemistry and usage as mentioned in different Pharmacopoeia
<b>PO 8</b>	Acquire the skills in handling scientific instruments, planning and performing laboratory experiments and application of suitable statistical tools.
<b>PO 9</b>	Understand the finer aspects of emerging areas such as Molecular biology and Bioinformatics.
<b>PO 10</b>	Develop practical skills in laboratory techniques in various fields of botany along with collection and interpretation of biological materials
<b>PO 11</b>	Apply research based knowledge and research methods including design of experiments, analysis and interpretation of data and synthesis of the information to provide valid conclusions.

## Credit Structure for SYBSc

Semester	Subject 1 (Major)		Subject 2 (Minor)	GE/ OE course	Vocational and Skill Enhancement Course (VSC) & SEC	Ability Enhancement Course/ VEC/IKS	OJT/FP/CEPCC, RP	Total Credits
	DSC	DSE						
3	Major 8		Minor 4	2	VSC-2-Major	AEC-2 MIL (Marathi/Hindi)	FP -2, CC-2	22
4	Major 8		Minor 4	2	SEC-2	AEC-2 MIL (Marathi/Hindi)	CEP-2, CC-2	22
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>		<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>44</b>
Exit option: award of UG Diploma in Major with 88 credits and an additional 4 credit Core NSQF course/ Internship or Continue with Major and Minor								

**SEMESTER III**

Course Code	UNIT	TOPICS	Credits
<b>RUSMJBOT O201</b>	<b>PLANT SCIENCE III (MAJOR)</b>		
	<b>I</b>	<b>Soil microbial interactions</b>	<b>03</b>
	<b>II</b>	<b>Cryptogamic Botany: Algae, Fungi and Bryophyta</b>	
	<b>III</b>	<b>Cytogenetics II</b>	
<b>RUSMJBOT O202</b>	<b>PLANT SCIENCE - IV (MAJOR + MINOR)</b>		
	<b>I</b>	<b>Anatomy II</b>	<b>03</b>
	<b>II</b>	<b>Developmental Botany I</b>	
	<b>III</b>	<b>Physiology I</b>	
<b>RUSMJBOTP O201</b>	<b>Practicals</b>	<b>Practical based on RUSMJBOTO201</b>	<b>01</b>
<b>RUSMJBOTP O202</b>	<b>Practicals</b>	<b>Practical based on RUSMJBOTO202</b>	<b>01</b>
			<b>08</b>

**SEMESTER IV**

Course Code	UNIT	TOPICS	Credits
<b>RUSMJBOT E211</b>	<b>INDIAN MEDICINAL SYSTEMS (MAJOR)</b>		
	<b>I</b>	<b>Indian System of medicine -I</b>	<b>03</b>
	<b>II</b>	<b>Indian system of medicine -II</b>	
	<b>III</b>	<b>Functional foods</b>	
<b>RUSMJBOT E212</b>	<b>PLANT SCIENCE V (MAJOR+MINOR)</b>		
	<b>I</b>	<b>Plant systematics II</b>	<b>03</b>
	<b>II</b>	<b>Environmental Botany- II</b>	
	<b>III</b>	<b>Pharmacognosy I</b>	
<b>RUSMJBOTP E211</b>	<b>Practicals</b>	<b>Practical based on RUSMJBOTE211</b>	<b>01</b>
<b>RUSMJBOTP E212</b>	<b>Practicals</b>	<b>Practical based on RUSMJBOTE212</b>	<b>01</b>
			<b>08</b>

**SEMESTER - III**  
**Course Code: RUSMJBOTO201**  
**(Core Course)**  
**Course Title: Plant Diversity III**  
**Academic year 2024 – 2025**

**COURSE OUTCOMES:**

Upon successful completion of this course, learners will be able to;

COURSE OUTCOME	CO DESCRIPTION
CO 1	Describe the characteristics of bacteria, their growth and reproduction
CO 2	Demonstrate various bacterial culture techniques
CO 3	Explore Plant- Microbe interactions and sea weeds in the field of Agriculture.
CO 4	Outline the classification and life cycles of algae, fungi and bryophytes
CO 5	Evaluate the Cytological and Genetic effects of Deletions, Duplications, Inversions and Translocations and extra nuclear genetics
CO6	Apply the variations in chromosome number in crop improvement and evolution of aneuploids and euploids.
CO7	Perform experiments to analyze some parameters, record observations and derive inference of the topics mentioned above.

**Detailed Syllabus**

Course Code/Unit	Course/ Unit Title	Credits
RUSMJBOT O201	Title: Plant Diversity III	Credits – 3
UNIT I	<b>Soil microbial interactions</b>	
	Reproduction and Growth in Bacteria Nutritional types, Physical conditions for growth	
	Cultivation of Bacteria- Bacteriological Media, Sterilization Pure culture techniques, Cultural Characteristics of bacteria.	
	Plant- Microbe interactions- Rhizosphere and Phyllosphere microorganisms Plant growth promoting bacteria (PGPB) Root nodule associated bacteria- <i>Rhizobium</i> - infection process and the mutualist association, Actinorrhizae Mycorrhiza	
UNIT II	<b>Cryptogamic Botany: Algae, Fungi and Bryophyta</b>	
	Structure, life cycle and systematic position of <i>Vaucheria</i> and <i>Sargassum</i>	
	Structure, life cycle and systematic position of <i>Aspergillus</i>	
	Plant Pathology - symptoms, causative organism, disease cycle and control measures of Powdery mildew and Late blight of Potato	
	Structure, life cycle and systematic position of <i>Anthoceros</i>	
UNIT III	<b>Cytogenetics II</b>	
	Variation in Chromosome structure (Chromosomal aberrations) Definition, Origin, Cytological and Genetic effects of the following:	

	Deletions, Duplications, Inversions and Translocations.	
	Variation in Chromosome number: Origin and production, morphological and cytological features, applications in crop improvement and evolution of aneuploids and euploids (monoploids, autopolyploids and allopolyploids)	
	Extra nuclear Genetics -Organelle heredity- Chloroplast determines heredity - Plastid transmission in plants, Streptomycin resistance in <i>Chlamydomonas</i> . Male sterility in maize	

### PRACTICALS

RUSMJBOTP O201	Plant Diversity III	Credit – 1
1	Sterilization of glassware, preparation of media, slants and plates.	
2	Serial dilution of soil sample and plating.	
3	Slide burial technique for rhizoplane fungi.	
4	Cultivation and staining of <i>Rhizobium</i>	
5	Study of stages in the life cycle of <i>Vaucheria</i> and <i>Sargassum</i> from fresh/ preserved material and permanent slides	
6	Study of stages in the life cycle of <i>Aspergillus</i> and <i>Xylaria</i> from fresh/ preserved material and permanent slides.	
7	Study of stages in the life cycle of and <i>Anthoceros</i> from fresh/ preserved material and permanent slides.	
8	Study of chromosomal aberrations in tobacco water/ plant extract pretreated onion root tips.	
Assignments	Culturing of microalgae Extraction of phytochemicals from Seaweeds	

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**SEMESTER – III**

**Course Code: RUSMJBOTO202**  
**(Core Course)**  
**Course Title: PLANT SCIENCE - IV**  
**Academic year 2024 – 2025**

**COURSE OUTCOMES:**

Upon successful completion of this course, learners will be able to;

<b>COURSE OUTCOME</b>	<b>CO DESCRIPTION</b> Students will be able to -
<b>CO 1</b>	Integrate the concepts of plant anatomy with respect to secondary growth, mechanical and conducting tissue systems and their role in adaptations.
<b>CO 2</b>	Apply the fundamentals of palynology in various areas of science.
<b>CO 3</b>	Express fundamental concepts of plant embryology
<b>CO 4</b>	Comprehend the photosynthetic process, the conversion of radiant energy and the diverse carbon fixation pathways.
<b>CO 5</b>	Explain the role of nutrients and nutritional deficiencies in plants.
<b>CO 6</b>	Perform experiments to analyze some parameters, record observations and derive inference of the topics mentioned above.

**Detailed Syllabus**

<b>Course Code/Unit</b>	<b>Course/ Unit Title</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<b>RUSMJBOT O202</b>	<b>PLANT SCIENCE IV</b>	<b>Credits – 3</b>
<b>UNIT I</b>	<b>ANATOMY II</b>	
	Normal secondary growth in dicotyledonous stem and root.	
	Growth rings, periderm, lenticels, tyloses	
	Mechanical tissue system and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tissues providing mechanical strength and support and their disposition</li> <li>• I-girders in aerial and underground organs conducting tissue system</li> </ul>	
	Study of ecological adaptations: Xerophytes and halophytes	
<b>UNIT II</b>	<b>DEVELOPMENTAL BOTANY I</b>	
	<b>Palynology I:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pollen morphology</li> </ul>	
	<b>Plant Embryology I:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Microsporogenesis– Structure of microsporangium, microsporogenesis and development of male gametophyte.</li> <li>• Megasporogenesis– Structure of megasporangium, megasporogenesis and development of female gametophyte</li> </ul>	
<b>UNIT III</b>	<b>PHYSIOLOGY I</b>	

	Structures of carbohydrates: monosaccharides, oligosaccharides and polysaccharides.	
	Photosynthesis: Plant pigments and their interaction with light, Light reactions, photolysis of water, cyclic and non-cyclic photophosphorylation, carbon fixation phase (C <sub>3</sub> , C <sub>4</sub> and CAM pathways), Photorespiration	
	Role of macronutrients and micronutrients in plants.	
PRACTICALS		
RUSMJBOTP O202		Credit – 1
1	Study of normal secondary growth in the stem and root of a Dicotyledonous plant (Sunflower, stem and root)	
2	Study of mechanical tissues in <i>Typha leaf</i> , <i>Salvia stem</i> and <i>Cyperus leaf</i> .	
3	Study of conducting tissues, Growth rings, periderm, lenticels, tyloses.	
4	Study of pollen morphology (NPC Analysis) of the following by Chitley's Method <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Hibiscus</i></li> <li>• <i>Datura</i></li> <li>• <i>Ocimum</i></li> <li>• <i>Panocratium</i></li> </ul>	
5	Study of various stages of microsporogenesis, megasporogenesis with the help of permanent slides / photomicrographs	
6	Estimation of carbohydrates	
7	Study of Hill's reaction	
8	Separation of photosynthetic pigments using TLC.	
Assignments	Pollen study of different flowers other than mentioned above.	
	Study of ecological adaptations: Xerophytes and halophytes	
	Plant nutrient deficiency symptoms in crop plants.	

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## MODALITY OF ASSESSMENT

### Discipline Specific Core Course (3 credits)

#### A) Internal Assessment( Theory)- 40%- 30 Marks

Sr No	Evaluation type	Marks
1	Class Test	20
2	Project / Assignment / Presentation/ Case study	10
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>30</b>

#### B) External Examination (Semester End)- 60%- 45 Marks

##### Semester End Theory Examination:

1. Duration – The duration for these examinations shall be of **1 hr 30min**
2. Theory question paper pattern:

##### Paper Pattern:

Question	Options	Marks	Questions Based on
Q.1	Attempt ANY 3 out of 4	15	Unit I
Q.2	Attempt ANY 3 out of 4	15	Unit II
Q.3	Attempt ANY 3 out of 4	15	Unit III
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>45</b>	

#### Practical Examination Pattern: Total Marks -25

SEMESTER END EXAMINATION	
Laboratory work	15
Field study	5
Journal	2
Practical participation	3
Total marks	<b>25</b>

## PRACTICAL JOURNAL

The students are required to present a **duly certified journal** and a field notebook (applicable to the semester) for appearing at the practical examination, failing which they will not be allowed to

In case of loss of Journal and/ or Report, a Lost Certificate should be obtained from Head/ Co-ordinator / Incharge of the department; failing which the student will not be allowed to appear for the practical examination.

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## SEMESTER IV

**Course Code: RUSMJBOTE211**  
**( Core Course)**  
**Course Title:INDIAN MEDICINAL SYSTEMS**  
**Academic year 2024 - 2025**

### COURSE OUTCOMES :

Upon successful completion of this course, learners will be able to;

COURSE OUTCOME	CO DESCRIPTION Students will be able to -
CO 1	Explore the Pharmacopeias in relation to Ayush and the Philosophy of Ayurvedic principles - an ancient Indian Science.
CO 2	Comprehend the importance of various alternative systems of medicine and their significance in the current scenario.
CO 3	Evaluate the role and functional food in prevention and cure of human diseases.
CO4	Perform experiments to realise the nutritional properties of functional foods.

### Detailed syllabus

Course Code/Unit	Course/ Unit Title	Credits -3
RUSMJBOT E211	Title: INDIAN MEDICINAL SYSTEMS	
UNIT I	INDIAN SYSTEM OF MEDICINE – I	
	AYUSH, Pharmacopeia, Principles of Ayurveda - Historical background: Ayurveda -a way of life	
	Philosophical background of Ayurveda Three Doshas, Dhatu, Agni, Rasa, Ahar, Ama, Prakruti and its types	
	Methods of drug preparation.	
UNIT II	INDIAN SYSTEM OF MEDICINE – II	
	Alternative systems of medicine: Principles and methods of drug preparation in Siddha Unani Homeopathy Aromatherapy Naturopathy Yoga	
UNIT III	FUNCTIONAL FOOD	
	Definition according to FDA, concept, categories and scientific basis of	

	functional food.	
	Role of functional food in health and disease.	
	Garlic, Carrot, Citrus, Jackfruit, <i>Moringa</i> (Drumstick), Turmeric, Dill, Cucurbits as functional food.	

### PRACTICALS

RUSMJBOTP E211		Credit – 1
1	Powder analysis of amla, harda and beheda with reference to Indian Pharmacopeia	
2	Identification of Prakruti	
3	Study of functional food - Garlic, Carrot, Citrus (lemon/orange), Jackfruit, Drumstick, Turmeric, Dill, Cucurbits (cucumber, ash gourd).	
4	Estimation of Vitamin C from lemon.	
5	Chromatographic separation of carotenoids from carrot.	
6	Estimation of Fibre and Calcium content of <i>Moringa</i> leaf/ fruit powder	
7	Coefficient of correlation	
8	Visit to Ayurvedic College / Yoga Institute / Spirulina Farm	
Assignments	Estimation of Vitamin C from functional food other than mentioned above.	
	Chromatographic separation of carotenoids other than mentioned above.	
	Fibre and Calcium content of functional food other than mentioned above	

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**SEMESTER - IV**  
**Course Code: RUSMJBOTE212**  
**(Core Course)**  
**Course Title: PLANT SCIENCE - V**  
**Academic year 2024 – 2025**

**COURSE OUTCOMES:**

COURSE OUTCOME	CO DESCRIPTION
CO 1	Apply the principles underlying Bentham and Hooker's classification and identify plants from the prescribed families.
CO 2	Associate the principles governing ecology and environmental biology with respect to biogeochemical cycles, edaphic factors, and community ecology.
CO 3	Explain the fundamental concepts of phytochemistry in relation to secondary metabolites.
CO 4	Identify adulterants in crude drugs.
CO 5	Identify plants from prescribed families, conduct experiments in ecological studies and isolate few secondary metabolites.

Upon successful completion of this course, learners will be able to;

Course Code/Unit	Course/ Unit Title	Credits -3
RUSMJBOT E212	Title: PLANT SCIENCE V	
UNIT I	PLANT SYSTEMATICS - II	
	Systematics: Categories and taxonomic hierarchy; Plant Nomenclature, John Hutchinsons system of classification	
	With the help of Bentham and Hooker's system of Classification for flowering plants study the vegetative, floral characters and economic importance of the following families: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brassicaceae</li> <li>• Capparidaceae</li> <li>• Myrtaceae</li> <li>• Combretaceae</li> <li>• Solanaceae</li> <li>• Convolvulaceae</li> <li>• Euphorbiaceae</li> <li>• Palmae</li> </ul>	
UNIT II	ENVIRONMENTAL BOTANY – II	
	<b>Edaphic factors:</b> Soil as an edaphic factor, Soil composition, types of soil, soil formation, soil profile.	
	<b>Community ecology</b> - Characters of community - Quantitative characters and Qualitative characters	
	Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA)	



UNIT III	PHARMACOGNOSY – I	
	Concept of primary and secondary metabolites	
	Study of secondary metabolites: Sources, properties, extraction, active constituents and therapeutic uses of alkaloids, glycosides, phenolic compounds (tannins, flavonoids), saponins and terpenoids (volatile oils).	
	Classification of crude drugs, drug adulteration.	

PRACTICALS		
RUSMJBOTP E212		Credit – 1
1	Study of one plant from each family prescribed for theory: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brassicaceae</li> <li>• Capparidaceae</li> <li>• Myrtaceae</li> <li>• Combretaceae</li> <li>• Solanaceae</li> <li>• Convolvulaceae</li> <li>• Euphorbiaceae</li> <li>• Palmae</li> </ul>	
2	Study of the working of the following Ecological Instruments- Soil thermometer, Wind anemometer.	
3	Mechanical analysis of soil by the sieve method and pH of soil.	
4	Quantitative estimation of organic matter of the soil by soil testing kit.	
5	Study of vegetation by the list quadrat method.-on field – Assignment	
6	Tests for secondary metabolites: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tests for alkaloids from <i>Strychnos</i> (seeds) / <i>Holarrhoena</i> (bark)</li> <li>• Tests for glycosides from <i>Glycyrrhiza</i> rhizome/<i>Aloe</i> leaf</li> <li>• Tests for tannins from <i>Terminalia arjuna</i> bark / <i>Acacia catechu</i>.</li> <li>• Tests for flavonoids from <i>Momordica charantia</i>/ <i>Clitorea</i> flowers</li> <li>• Tests for saponins from <i>Sapindus laurifolius</i>/ <i>Trigonella foenum- graecum</i></li> </ul>	
7	Study of Stomatal index (use of micrometer for measurement of size of stoma )	
8	Study of vein islet number	
9	Study of drug adulterants in black pepper seeds, cinnamon bark, turmeric powder, chilli powder)	
Assignments	Preparation of herbarium and wet preservation technique.	
	Quadrat/ Transect study.	
	Tests for secondary metabolites / adulterants from plants other than mentioned above.	

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## MODALITY OF ASSESSMENT

### Discipline Specific Core Course (3 credits)

#### C) Internal Assessment( Theory)- 40%- 30 Marks

Sr No	Evaluation type	Marks
1	Class Test	20
2	Project / Assignment / Presentation/ Case study	10
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>30</b>

#### D) External Examination (Semester End)- 60%- 45 Marks

##### Semester End Theory Examination:

- Duration – The duration for these examinations shall be of 1 hr 30min
- Theory question paper pattern:

##### Paper Pattern:

Question	Options	Marks	Questions Based on
Q.1	Attempt ANY 3 out of 4	15	Unit I
Q.2	Attempt ANY 3 out of 4	15	Unit II
Q.3	Attempt ANY 3 out of 4	15	Unit III
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>45</b>	

#### Practical Examination Pattern: Total Marks -25

SEMESTER END EXAMINATION	
Laboratory work	15
Field study	5
Journal	2
Practical participation	3
Total marks	<b>25</b>

#### PRACTICAL JOURNAL

The students are required to present **duly certified journal** and a field notebook (applicable to the semester) for appearing at the practical examination, failing which they will not be allowed to appear for the examination.

In case of loss of Journal and/ or Report, a Lost Certificate should be obtained from Head/ Co-ordinator / Incharge of the department; failing which the student will not be allowed to appear for the practical examination.

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