BACHELORS WITH ZOOLOGY AS MAJOR (CT – II) 6^{th} SEMESTER

ZOL622J2 ZOOLOGY PRINCIPLES OF ANIMAL GENETICS

CREDITS: THEORY: 04; PRACTICAL: 02

COURSE OBJECTIVE:

The learner will understand the principles of genetics.

Learning Outcome:

The learner will get the knowledge of genomics, inheritance, mapping, genetic diseases & human genome project and will utilize the knowledge to elucidate disease mechanisms, gene cloning and the pedigree analysis.

THEORY (4 CREDITS)

UNIT I: INHERITANCE BIOLOGY

- 1.1 Mendelian and non-Mendelian inheritance
- 1.2 Concept of gene: allele, multiple alleles, pseudoalleles & lethal alleles
- 1.3 Sex determination and sex-linked characteristics; dosage compensation in mammals
- 1.4 Gene interactions: complementary and supplementary genes; Pleiotropy

UNIT II: GENOMICS AND MAPPING

- 2.1 Concept of genomics and human genomeproject
- 2.2 Genetic mutations: gene & chromosomal
- 2.3 Genetic disorders and pedigree analysis
- 2.4 Linkage & Linkage maps

UNIT III: POPULATION GENETICS

- 3.1 Ecological genetics & polymorphism phenotypic & genotypic polymorphisms
- 3.2 Genetic drift & genetic equilibrium
- 3.3 Hardy-Weinberg law& its applications
- 3.4 Inbreeding & outbreeding; causes & reasons of inbreeding: heterosis

UNIT IV: MOLECULAR GENETICS

- 4.1 Gene cloning: an overview
- 4.2 Restriction endonucleases: types & end modification enzymes
- 4.3 Extraction and purification of nucleic acids; PCR & gel electrophoresis
- 4.4 Vectors: plasmid & cosmid; gene library

PRACTICALS (2 CREDITS)

- 1. Study of Human Karyotypes (Normal/abnormal)
- 2. Study of Barr body through stained slides of squamous epithelial / neutrophil cells
- 3. Rearing of fruit fly and study of red and white character after crossing
- 4. Study of polytene chromosomes from chironomus larvae
- 5. Gel Electrophoresis
- 6. Demonstration of PCR via virtual mode
- 7. Demonstration of chromatography via virtual mode

SUGGESTED BOOKS / READING MATERIAL

- 1. Genes IX by Benjamin Lewin Jones and Bartlett Publishers
- 2. Genomes by Brown, T.A Garland Science Publishing, London, UK
- 3. Molecular Biology of Gene by Watson et al. Pearson Education, Delhi, India
- 4. Principle of Genome Analysis & Genomics by Primrose and Twyman R.M. Blackwell Publishing
- 5. Principles of Genetics by Gardner et al John Wiley
- 6. Science of Genetics by Atherlay
- 7. Fundamentals of Genetics by B. D. Singh
- 8. Biotechniques: Theory and Practice by S. V. S. Rana, Rastogi Publishers
- 9. Principles and techniques of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology by Wilson and Walker