Part -A: Physiology of Mulberry.

Unit -1

 Absorption of water and solutes by roots; effect of external conditions; root pressure; ion 	
exchange and active absorption.	4 Hrs.
Mineral nutrition- macro and micro nutrients; their physiological role.	3 Hrs
Unit -2	
Brief account of photosynthesis: Outline of the process; types of carbon fixation	
(C3 and C4); brief account of photorespiration and its significance.	5 Hrs.
4. Role of environmental factors on mulberry growth.	2 Hrs.
Unit-3	
5. Biochemical composition of mulberry leaf	2 Hrs.
Transpiration: Significance; stomata- mechanism of opening and closing; regulation of	
water loss by stomata; factors influencing the rate of transpiration.	2 Hrs.
Brief account of biological nitrogen fixation; types- importance in mulberry cultivation.	2 Hrs.
8. Plant growth regulators: Importance and application in mulberry, agriculture and horticulture.	2 Hrs.
Biofertilizers, types and its significance.	2 Hrs
Part-B: Developmental Biology and Physiology of Silkworm.	
Unit-4	
10. Morphology and structure of silkworm egg, fertilization, cleavage, blastoderm, germ	
band formation, blastokinesis, eye spot and blue egg; dispause development.	6Hrs.
11. Digestion: structure and function of digestive system; digestive enzyme;	orns.
process of digestion.	2 Hrs.
Unit-5	2 1113.
12. Respiration: tracheal systems- spiracles, mechanism of respiration, factors affecting	
respiration.	2 Hrs.
13. Excretion: structure and function of excretory system and cryptonephrial arrangement	
and its significance in water regulation.	2 Hrs.
14. Neuro -endocrine system: Nervous system; Structure and distribution of endocrine	
glands; role of nervous system in endocrine function.	4 Hrs
Unit-6	
15. Sense organs: Photoreceptors, Chemoreceptors and Mechanoreceptors.	2 Hrs.
16. Circulation; heart beat-role of alary muscles; accessory hearts; blood pressure in open	
circulatory system. Haemolymph.	2 Hrs.
17. Reproduction: Male and female reproductive systems in insects; role of accessory	
gland; oviposition.	2 Hrs.
18. Metamorphosis- types of insect metamorphosis, theories of metamorphosis.	2 Hrs.

Minor pests: girdlers, termites and mites-their preventive and control measures.

and control measures

Biological control of mulberry pests.

3 Hrs.

2 Hrs.

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Part B: Diseases and pests of silkworm.	
Unit-4	
Introduction; classification of silkworm diseases.	1 Hrs.
 Protozoan disease – symptomatology, structure of pebrine spore, life cycle of 	
Nosema bombycis, source, mode of infection and transmission, cross	
infectivity, prevention and control.	2 Hrs.
 Bacterial diseases - causative agents, symptoms, factors influencing flacherie, source, 	
mode of infection and transmission prevention and control.	3 Hrs.
Unit-5	
Viral diseases (grasserie, infectious flacherie, cytoplasmic polyhedrosis, densonucleosis	
and gattine)- causative agents- symptoms - sources, mode of infection and	
transmission- prevention and control.	4 Hrs.
17. Fungal diseases: white and green muscardine and aspergillosis - causative agents-	
symptoms - structure and life cycle of fungal pathogen- mode of infection and	2 11
transmission- prevention and control.	3 Hrs.
Integrated management of silkworm diseases.	2 Hrs.
Unit-6	
19. Life cycle of Indian uzifly; seasonal occurrence; oviposition and	
host-age preference; nature and extent of damage; prevention and control; integrated	
management of Indian uzifly.	3 Hrs.
20. Cocoon pests of silkworm: Dermestid beetle- life cycle; nature and extent of damage;	J 1113.
prevention and control measures.	1 Hrs.
21. Predators of silkworm: Cockroaches, ants, lizards and rodents; prevention and	
control measures.	2 Hrs.
22. Brief account of methods of pest control: Cultural, mechanical, physical, legislative	
(Quarantine), chemical, genetical / autocidal, biological and IPM.	3 Hrs.
PRACTICAL -4: MULBERRY AND SILKWORM CROP PROTECTION 15 Practicals -3 hrs en	ch
Diseases and pests of Mulberry;	
1. Study of powdery mildew, leaf spot and leaf rust through sectioning, staining and	
temporary mounting	3 Prct.
2. Study of root-knot nematode in mulberry	1 Prct.
Collection, mounting/preservation of insect pests of mulberry (field work).	1 Prct.
4. Identification of mulberry pests. Study of nature of damage of the following pests:	
Leaf roller, Bihar hairy caterpillar, scale insect, mealy bug, thrips, beetles, jassids	
and grasshoppers.	2 Prct.
Identification of fungicides, pesticides- their formulation. Study of various types of	
insecticide applicators (sprayers and dusters).	1 Prct.
Diseases and pests of silkworm;	
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6. Identification of different diseased silkworms based on external symptoms (grasserie, flacheri	C,
muscardine and pebrine). Identification of pathogens associated with silkworm	
diseases: Staining and preparation of temporary slides of bacteria, spores of pebrine,	4 Prct.
polyhedra of nuclear polyhedrosis virus and mycelial mat of muscardine. 7. Methods of application of silkworm bed disinfectants for management of silkworm	4 Pict.
diseases.	1 Pret.
Life cycle of Uzi fly; Identification of uzi-infested silkworms and cocoons.	1 Pret
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