# 21HORT281 PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY FOR VEGETABLES AND SPICES

# Hours Per Week:

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1	1	2	2

# Total Hours:

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15	-	30

# **Course Description and Objectives:**

This course will provide students an exposure and hands on experience on production technology of vegetables and spices from nursery to harv esting and post-harvesting handling that includes grading, packaging, storage and seed production techniques

# **Course Outcomes:**

Upon completion of the course, the student will be able to achieve the following outcomes:

COs	Course Outcomes	
1	Knowledge on production technologies of vegetables and spices and capacity to empower farmers on the latest production technologies	
2	Practice and promote the production of vegetables and spices in his / her own and other farms	

# SKILLS:

- ✓ Design plan to establish nursery of vegetables and spices crops
- ✓ Practice propagation techniques in vegetables and spices crops
- ✓ Manage vegetables and spices crops under field conditions
- ✓ Participate in transplanting, weeding, irrigation and fertilizers application under field conditions



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#### **ACTIVITIES:**

- o Demonstrate nursery raising and direct seed sowing
- o Practice transplanting
- o Identify vegetables based on morphology
- o Calculate
  economics of
  vegetables and
  spices cultivation
- o Involved in harvesting, packing and processing activities

#### UNIT - 1

Introduction: Importance of vegetables and spices in human nutrition and national economy

#### **UNIT - 2**

**Cultivation practices:** Tomato- origin, area, production, improved varieties and cultivation practices such as time of sowing, sowing, transplanting techniques, planting distance

#### **UNIT - 3**

**Irrigation and harvesting management:** Fertilizer requirements, irrigation, weed management, harvesting, storage, physiological disorders, disease and pest control

# **UNIT - 4**

**Seed, leafy vegetables and gourd production:** Seed production brinjal and chilli, okra and leafy vegetables, cucurbits – cucumber and melons, gourds - ridge gourd, bitter gourd, bottlegourd snake gourd

# **UNIT - 5**

**Crops, peas, beans and perennial vegetable production:** Cole crops- cabbage and cauliflower, peas and beans (cluster bean, frenchbean, dolichos), root crops (carrot and radish), tapioca and sweet potato, perennial vegetables – drumstick and curry leaf, bulb crops – onion and garlic, black pepper, cardamom, ginger and turmeric, coriander, cumin and fenugreek

# LABORATORY EXPERIMENTS

#### LIST OF EXPERIMENTS

- 1. Identification of vegetables and their seeds
- 2. Identification of spices crops and their seeds
- 3. Nursery raising techniques of vegetable crops
- 4. Direct seed sowing and transplanting
- 5. Study of morphological characters of different vegetables
- 6. Study of morphological characters of different spices
- 7. Physiological disorders of vegetable crops
- 8. Intercultural operations in vegetable crops
- 9. Fertilizers application methods
- 10. Seed extraction methods in vegetables and spices
- 11. Harvest indices and maturity standards of vegetable crops
- 12. Harvesting and preparation for market
- 13. Economics of vegetables and spices cultivation
- 14. Visit to vegetable farmer fields
- 15. Visit to vegetable markets to study marketing problems

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