SYLLABUS

PANJAB UNIVERSITY, CHANDIGARH

B.Sc. (General) – IIIrd year Examination

SEMESTER-VI

Paper - I: Genetics (Code — ZOO-601)

UNIT-I

- Mendelism and Mendeliar Ratios.
- Modifications of Mendelian Ratios:
 Non-allelic genic interactions, modified F₂ ratios (9:7; 9:3:4; 9(3:3:1; 12:3:1; 13:3; 15:1 and 9:6:1).
- Gene modifications due to Incomplete dominance. Lethal factors (2 : 1) and Pleiotropic genes.
- Multiple alleles: Blood group inheritance; eye-colour in *Drosophila* and Pseudo-allelism.
- **Multiple factors**: Qualitative and quantitative characters; inheritance of quantitative traits (*e.g.* skin colour in man).

UNIT-II

- Linkage, Crossing over and Recombination: Linkage; sex-linked characters
 crossing over, frequency of crossing over, cytological basis of crossing over;
 synaptonemal complex; Recombination in fungi (Tetrad Analysis).
- Gene and Genetic Code: Structure of nucleic acids (DNA and RNA);
 Replication of DNA and transcription; Expression of gene (Protein synthesis in Prokaryotes and Eukaryotes). Properties of Genetic code; codon assignment;
 Wobble hypothesis.
- Extra-nuclear inheritance: Kappa particles in Paramoecium.

UNIT-III

- Mutations: Spontaneous and induced mutations; Physical and chemical mutagens; Detection of mutations in Drosophila.
- Inborn errors of metabolism in man: (Phenylketonuria, Alcaptonuria and Albinism); Somatic mutations and carcinogenesis.
- Regulation of gene expression in prokaryotes (operon model) and in eukaryotes.

UNIT-IV

- **Population Genetics :** Equilibrium of gene frequencies and Hardy-Weinberg Law.
- Genetic recombination in bacteria (Conjugation, Transduction and Transformation); Plasmids.
- Applied Genetics: Recombinant DNA; Genetic cloning and its applications in medicine and agriculture; DNA finger printing.

SCHEME OF EXAMINATION

SEMESTER-VI

Nomeclature of Paper	Time	Theory Paper	Internal	Total
			Assessment	Marks
Paper–I : Genetics (Code : ZOO-601)	3 Hours	36	04	40

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SETTING OF THEORY PAPER

- Nine questions are to be set.
- Question No. 1 is compulsory consisting of short answer type questions covering the whole syllabus. It will have 8 parts of one mark each.
- Two questions are to be set from each unit. One question is to be attempted from each unit.
- 50% of the questions are to be split into 2–4 sub-parts.
- In all, five questions are to be attempted including the compulsory one.