

प्रदेश लोक सेवा आयोग

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कृषि सेवा, एगू एक्सटेन्सन, हर्टिकल्चर, एग्रोनोमी, प्लान्ट प्रोटेक्सन, एगू. इको. एण्ड मार्केटिङ्ग र स्वायत्त साइन्स समूह का अधिकृतस्तर सातौं तहका पदहरूको खुला तथा अन्तरतह प्रतियोगितात्मक परीक्षाको पाठ्यक्रम

Objective exam

General Subject

General Technical Subject (40 Marks)

1. History and Current Status of Agriculture Sector in Nepal

- 1.1 History of agricultural research and development in Nepal
- 1.2 Overview of Nepalese agriculture: Current status and scope
- 1.3 Institutional arrangement of agricultural research, extension and education in Nepal
- 1.4 Agriculture Perspective Plan (APP) and its impact in Nepalese agriculture
- 1.5 Devolution of agriculture extension system and its impact in agricultural development

2. Agriculture Research, Extension and Education

- 2.1 Role of agriculture research in contemporary agriculture
- 2.2 Nepal Agricultural Research Council (NARC) and its vision
- 2.3 Agricultural education systems in Nepal
- 2.4 Academic institutions such as AFU, PU, TU
- 2.5 Non-academic institutions (CTEVT and its allied institutions)
- 2.6 Major functions of agriculture research, extension and education in Nepal
- 2.7 Linkage and coordination among research, extension and teaching in Nepal
- 2.8 Public, private, NGOs, CBOs, agricultural co-operatives and farmer groups involvement in research, extension and education
- 2.9 Participatory technology development, participatory planning, monitoring, evaluation and feedback

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3. Natural Resource, Environment Conservation, Climate Change and Disaster-Risk Management

3.1 Importance of natural resources conservation, utilization and management w. r. t. Food security, employment generation and livelihood improvement in Nepal.

3.2 Bio-diversity and agro-biodiversity: Conservation and utilization for sustainable agriculture development

3.3 Use of fertilizers and pesticides in agriculture and their implications to environment

3.4 Integrated pest, crop, and plant nutrient management systems (IPM, ICM, IPNM) and Good Agricultural Practices (GAP)

3.5 Environmental issues and sustainability of Nepalese agriculture

3.6 Organic agriculture, and organic products for export promotion and food safety

3.7 General climatic conditions of Nepal

3.8 Weather observation and instruments use in Nepal

3.9 Climate change and its impact in agriculture sector

3.10 Climate change adaptation and mitigation strategies of Nepal

3.11 Disaster (landslide, drought, flood, cold spell, earthquake, pest outbreak) management in agriculture

3.12 Rapid urbanization and change in land use pattern and their consequences in food security, environment conservation, employment generation and youth migration

3.13 Crop insurance in Nepal: Current policies and status

4. Legislations, Plan, Policies, Strategies, and Global Trade in Agriculture

4.1 Agriculture sector in current constitution

4.2 Concept, goals, target and strategies of current periodic plan

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- 4.3 Planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of agricultural projects
- 4.4 Local governance and its role in agricultural development
- 4.5 National Agriculture Policy, 2061 (2004)
- 4.6 Agro-biodiversity Promotion Policy, 2063 (2007) (first amendment, 2071)
- 4.7 Agri-business Promotion Policy, 2063 (2006)
- 4.8 Agriculture Development Strategy (ADS), 2015-2035 AD: vision, mission, target, components and its salient features, implementation status of ADS, supporting projects and institutional arrangement
- 4.9 National Seed Vision, 2013-2025 and its implementation status
- 4.10 Nepal Trade Integration Strategy (NTIS), 2016 - Agricultural commodities
- 4.11 Agricultural Extension Strategy, 2061 (2003)
- 4.12 Seeds Act, 2045 (1988) and Seeds Rules, 2069 (2013)
- 4.13 Plant Protection Act, 2064 (2007) and Plant Protection Rules, 2066 (2010)
- 4.14 Pesticides Management Act, 2076 (2019) and Regulation
- 4.15 Fertilizer Control Order, 2055
- 4.16 Food Right and Food Sovereignty Act, 2076 (2019)
- 4.17 Food Safety Policy, 2076 (2019)
- 4.18 Agro Forestry Policy, 2076 (2019)
- 4.19 World Trade Organization (WTO), Agreement on South Asian Free Trade Area (SAFTA): their implication and impact in Nepalese agriculture
- 4.20 Comparative advantage, agriculture commercialization and trading of Nepalese agricultural products.
- 4.21 Implication of Sanitary and Phyto-sanitary (SPS) measures in Nepalese agricultural trade
- 4.22 Major Agriculture projects and their outcomes in Nepal
- 4.23 Agro-tourism and its relevancy in Gandaki Province.

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5. Agricultural Technology and Management

- 5.1 Importance of technology generation, verification and dissemination in crop production and management
- 5.2 Seed quality assurance: Seed production, laboratory testing, processing, handling, marketing and storage
- 5.3 Variety release and registration system in Nepal
- 5.4 Food and nutrition security: Concepts, status and dimensions
- 5.5 Importance of pests and pesticides management
- 5.6 Integrated Pest Management (IPM) concepts and strategies/practices
- 5.7 Roles of pollinators in crop production
- 5.8 Importance of microbial agents (fungus, bacteria, nematodes and virus) in plant protection
- 5.9 Importance of crop diversification and commercialization in Nepal.
- 5.10 Precision and protected agriculture: Concepts and technologies
- 5.11 Agricultural crops for agro-forestry and environmental protection
- 5.12 Strategies for commercialization of high value low volume commodities
- 5.13 Concept of soil fertility and productivity
- 5.14 Essential plant nutrients and their sources (manures and fertilizers)
- 5.15 Soil reaction (pH) and soil reaction improvement
- 5.16 Concept of Integrated Plant Nutrient Systems (IPNS) and its significance
- 5.17 Contemporary agricultural extension practices in Nepal (plant clinic, mobile service, training and demonstration farm, farmer to farmer extension and pluralistic extension)
- 5.18 Role of information and communication technology (ICT) in agriculture development
- 5.19 Agricultural markets and marketing in Nepal
- 5.20 Agricultural Management Information System (AMIS) in Nepal
- 5.21 Agriculture Census, 2068
- 5.22 Linkage of agro-industries with agriculture production and marketing

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- 5.23 Role of cooperatives in agriculture development in Nepal
- 5.24 Research methodology in agriculture (basic concepts, common designs and their application)
- 5.25 Trade liberalization and its implication in Nepalese agricultural product
- 5.26 Value chain development: concepts and practices in agriculture
- 5.27 Postharvest management of agricultural commodities
- 5.28 Farming system and sustainable agriculture development
- 5.29 Gender Equity and Social Inclusion (GESI) and women's role in Nepalese agriculture
- 5.30 Conservation agriculture: concept, principles and practices
- 5.31 Mechanization of Agriculture in Nepal

Subjective Exam

Technical Subject (60 Marks)

1. Agricultural Extension

1.1 Extension Education, Training and Leadership Development

- 1.1.1 Concepts, definition, principles, philosophy and objectives of extension education
- 1.1.2 Role, scope and importance of extension education in Nepalese agricultural development
- 1.1.3 History of agricultural extension in Nepal
- 1.1.4 New direction of agricultural extension (subject matter specialist, privatization, pluralistic, collaborative, agricultural marketing, gender mainstreaming in agriculture, pocket package strategy, public private partnership)

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1.1.5 Extension teaching methods (individual, group and mass) and factors to be considered for selection of methods

1.1.6 Training need assessment, designing training module and training management

1.1.7 Leadership development and role of local leaders in Agricultural Extension, methods of discovering local leaders

1.2 Communication, Innovation, Diffusion and Technology

Transfer

1.2.1 Role of communication in agricultural extension

1.2.2 Communication models and Communication channels (mass media, inter personal, indigenous)

1.2.3 Information and Communication technologies (ICTs) and Agricultural Extension

1.2.4 Designing effective communication process

1.2.5 Barriers of effective communication

1.2.6 Innovation diffusion process (concepts, elements and stages)

1.2.7 Adopter's categories and factors affecting rate of adoption

1.2.8 Development and transfer of technology and selection of appropriate technology

1.2.9 Models of transfer of technology (e.g., Conventional, Feedback Model, Farming System Research and Extension, Farmers' Field School)

1.3 Agricultural Extension System & Extension Program Planning

1.3.1 Agriculture extension Systems of Nepal in changing context (conventional, IRD, T&V, Tuki, FSRE, block production, Group approach)

1.3.2 Role, responsibility and coordination among stakeholders involved in agricultural extension in Nepal (research station, resource centers, Agri. Laboratories, agriculture knowledge center, credit institutions, CBOS, NGOS, INGOS, AICL, Co-operative, Private inputs suppliers, Agrimarketing institutions, farmers organizations, Universities and colleges, local governments, federal agri- institutions, FNCCI etc.)

1.3.3 Effective extension program planning: Principles, importance, types and process in Nepalese context

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1.3.4 Factors to be considered in executing extension program

1.3.5 Coordination among agencies involved in agricultural extension program

1.3.6 Scientific writing and proposal development

2. Agricultural Economics

2.1 Principles of Economics

2.1.1 Basic concepts on demand and supply

2.1.2 Price and income elasticity of demand, cross elasticity of demand

2.1.3 Consumer's preference and indifference curve

2.1.4 Market classification and price determination under different market condition

2.1.5 Principles of production (production function, the law of diminishing return, isoquant, product curves, production possibility curves)

2.1.6 Cost of production (explicit and implicit costs, total, average, marginal, variable and fixed costs, economies and diseconomies of size and scale)

2.1.7 Comparative and competitive advantage

2.2 Agricultural Economics

2.2.1 Farm Management

2.2.1.1 Scope and importance of farm management

2.2.1.2 Farm budgets (total and partial budgeting).

2.2.1.3 Cost and return analysis (Major food grains, cash crops and horticultural crops)

2.2.1.4 Farm plan (Resources, constraints and optimization).

2.2.1.5 Efficiency measure; farm inventory management and valuation

2.2.1.6 Time value of money, compounding and discounting techniques

2.2.1.7 Income and net-worth statement

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2.2.2 Agricultural Marketing and Agri-business

2.2.2.1 Concept, scope and role

2.2.2.2 Characteristics of agricultural market and problems of marketing in Nepal

2.2.2.3 Grading, standardization, quality control and related problems of agricultural commodities

2.2.2.4 Value chain development in agriculture

2.2.2.5 Business plan preparation

2.2.2.6 Marketing of agricultural inputs (fertilizer, seeds, saplings, chemicals) and outputs (cereals, cash crops, fruits and vegetables)

2.2.2.7 Global and regional context of agricultural marketing and trade

(WTO, SAFTA, Indo-Nepal trade)

2.2.2.8 Commodity markets in agriculture,

2.2.2.9 Market information

2.3 Agricultural Program Planning, Monitoring, Evaluation and Data Management

2.3.1 Concepts of agricultural planning, preparation of programs/projects, budgeting and project cycle

2.3.2 Feasibility studies of agricultural projects and use of B/C Ratio, IRR, Economic and Financial Rate of Return, Net Present Value

2.3.3 Risk and uncertainty

2.3.4 Monitoring and evaluation of agricultural programs/ projects

2.3.5 Logical framework in project planning and monitoring

2.3.6 Statistics and Survey Techniques

2.3.6.1 Frequency distribution and measures of central tendency, bar and pie charts

2.3.6.2 Computation of mean and standard deviation from grouped and ungrouped sets of data

2.3.6.3 Hypothesis testing and confidence interval

2.3.6.4 Regression and correlation analysis

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2.3.6.5 Estimate of errors, control of error

2.3.6.6 Agriculture Census: Sample survey and its advantage over census survey

2.3.6.7 Source of sampling and non-sampling error and measures to minimize such errors.
Sample design for collecting current agricultural statistics in Nepal

2.3.6.8 Rapid and Participatory Rural Appraisal (RRA and PRA) and crop cutting surveys

3. Soil Science

3.1 General Introduction

3.1.1 Definition of soil, profile, horizons, surface, subsoil, substratum, mineral and organic soils, components of soils, soil organic matter, soil air, soil water

3.1.2 Soil forming process, weathering

3.1.3 Physical properties of soils (texture, structure, density, porosity, consistency, soil temperature)

3.1.4 Chemical properties of soils (soil reaction, buffering capacity, electric conductivity, cation anion exchange and cation exchange capacity (CEC), percentage base saturation, fertilizers and reclamation of problematic soil: Acidic & alkaline), Liming and its response in soil and crops

3.1.5 Biological properties of soils (algae, fungi, actinomycetes, soil bacteria, soil macro animals, earthworms and vermicomposting)

3.1.6 Role of soil microorganisms in ammonification, nitrification, DE nitrification, biological nitrogen fixation (symbiotic and non-symbiotic)

3.1.7 Soil organic matter and carbon nitrogen ratio

3.2 Soil Fertility and Plant Nutrition

3.2.1 Plant Nutrition

3.2.1.1 Essential plant nutrients and their functions

3.2.1.2 Visual symptoms of nutrient deficiencies and nutrient disorders, indicator plants

3.2.1.3 Nutrient cycle (C, N, P, and S) and its component

3.2.1.4 Nutrient requirements, uptake mechanism

3.2.1.5 General soil fertility status of Nepal and major causes of declining soil fertility

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3.2.1.6 Soil testing, plant analysis and diagnostic techniques for improved soil fertility management

3.2.1.7 Integrated Plant Nutrient Systems and its significance in sustainable soil management in the Nepalese context

3.2.1.8 Soil Digital mapping and its importance

3.2.2 Manures and Fertilizers

3.2.2.1 Different types of chemical fertilizers and their application,

3.2.2.2 Sources and types of organic manures

3.2.2.3 Green manuring benefits and constraints

3.2.2.4 Bio-fertilizers, inoculants and their use in Nepalese agriculture

3.2.2.5 Fertilizers available in Nepalese market and their use and fertilizer calculation

3.2.2.6 Fertilizer regulation, marketing and quality control mechanism in Nepal

3.3 Soil survey and Water conservation

3.3.1 Soil Survey

3.3.1.1 Importance of soil survey and types

3.3.1.2 General soil classification

3.3.1.3 Major soils of Nepal and their characteristics (suborder/great group levels of USDA taxonomy).

3.3.1.4 Soil fertility mapping and tools used

3.3.2 Soil, Water and Plant Relationship

3.3.2.1 Hydrological cycle

3.3.2.2 Water infiltration and percolation

3.3.2.3 Soil permeability and Hydraulic conductivity

3.3.2.4 Saturation percentage, permanent wilting point, field capacity and plant available soil water

3.3.2.5 Soil moisture retention curve

3.3.2.6 Crop water requirements, evapo-transpiration and irrigation requirements, and water balance

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3.3.2.7 Soil water conservation, management, water stress (drought, water logging)

3.3.2.8 Soil Erosion, Slopping Agriculture Land Technology (SALT) and terracing

4. Agronomy

4.1 Basics of crop production

4.1.1 Farming system

4.1.1.1 Introduction, system approach in agriculture, component /determinants of farming system

4.1.1.2 Farming System Research Methodology (FSR)

4.1.1.3 Framework of FSR methodology

4.1.2 Resource conservation technologies (RCT) in crop production 4.1.3 Tillage

4.1.3.1 Objective, significance and importance of tillage in crop production

4.1.3.2 Zero tillage, minimum tillage and optimum tillage

4.1.3.3 Condition of soil suitable for cultivation

4.1.4 Seed Technology

4.1.4.1 Seed formation, development and physiology of seed

4.1.4.2 Seed quality and seed classes

4.1.4.3 Principles and practices of seed production,

4.1.4.4 Seed processing, handling and storage

4.1.4.5 Seed testing principles

4.1.4.6 Seed certification procedures and seed standards of major crops in Nepal

4.1.4.7 Importance of Varietal Replacement, Seed Replacement Rate and seed rate calculation

4.1.4.8 Seed self-sufficiency and seed production programs in Nepal

4.2 Crop production technology

4.2.1 Production practices of cereals, pulses, oil seeds, cash and industrial crops with respect to:

4.2.1.1 Importance, distribution, origin and classification

4.2.1.2 Morphology and growth stages

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4.2.1.3 Recommended varieties

4.2.1.4 Climate and soil

4.2.1.5 Cultural practices and post-harvest technology

4.2.2 Underutilized crops and their importance in food and nutritional security

4.3 Plant breeding and research design

4.3.1 Definition, importance, history and achievement of plant breeding

4.3.2 Methods of crop improvement and breeding methods in field crops

4.3.3 Classification of crops according to mode of pollination

4.3.4 Germplasm collection, characterization, evaluation and utilization

4.3.5 Variety development procedure in Nepal

4.3.6 Maintenance breeding of varieties/germplasms.

4.3.7 Hybrid variety development and hybrid seed production.

4.3.8 Use of biotechnology in plant breeding

4.3.9 Research design and application

5. Horticulture

5.1 Horticulture, branches and importance

5.2 Classification of fruits and vegetables

5.3 Policies, strategies and constraints of horticulture development in Nepal

5.4 Layouts, orchard establishments and managements.

5.5 Training and pruning in Horticultural crops

5.6 Cultivation practices of major horticultural crops

5.6.1 Fruits: Citrus group, Evergreen and Deciduous fruits

5.6.2 Vegetables: Cole crops, legumes, cucurbits, Leafy vegetables, root crops, bulbs, tubers, fruits vegetables

5.6.3 Spice crops: Ginger (*Zingiber officinale*), Turmeric (*Curcuma longa*) and Cardamom (*Ammomum subulatum*)

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5.6.4 Flower: Rose (*Rosa spp.*), carnation (*Dianthus caryophyllus*), gladiolus (*Gladiolus spp.*) and Gerbera (*Gerbera jamesonii*)

5.6.5 Plantation crops: Tea (*Camellia sinensis*) and Arabica coffee (*Coffea arabica*)

5.7 Vegetable Seed production technology

5.7.1 Vegetable seed production zones of Nepal

5.7.2 Classification and types of seeds (breeder, foundation, certified and improved; Open pollinated, hybrids, True Potato Seed and Pre-basic Seed)

5.7.3 Hybrid seed production of tomato in Nepal and seed production of open pollinated crops (Cole crops, legumes, cucurbits, Leafy vegetables, root crops, bulbs, tubers, fruits vegetables)

5.8 Postharvest management of horticultural crops

5.8.1 Post harvest physiology: transpiration, respiration and ripening of fruit and vegetables

5.8.2 Causes of postharvest loss and their management

5.8.3 Storage of potato and fruits: principles, importance and different storage structures

5.8.4 Preservation of fruits and vegetables

5.9 Nursery management in fruits and vegetables

5.9.1 Sexual and asexual propagation techniques of horticultural crops

5.9.2 Nursery types and its use in horticultural crop production including hi-tech nurseries

5.9.3 Use of rootstocks in horticulture

5.9.4 Care and management of plants in nursery

5.10 Modern technologies in horticulture

5.10.1 Organic farming, soilless farming, tissue culture technology for tuber and sapling production, high density planting, modern irrigation technologies, use of machineries in horticulture, Hydroponics, aeroponics, multistoried cropping

5.10.2 Precision and protected horticultural technology

5.10.3 Urban farming technologies (roof top, vertical farming and home garden)

5.10.4 Use of plant growth regulators and hormones in horticulture

5.11 Plant growth and development

5.11.1 Seed germination: mechanism and controlling factors

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5.12.2 Flowering, pollination, fruit set, fruit drop and fruit maturity

5.12.3 Fruit ripening and senescence: mechanism and controlling factors

5.12.4 Tuber and bulb formation: mechanism and controlling factors

6. Plant Protection

6.1 General Plant Protection

6.1.1 Importance of crop pests & disease

6.1.2 Climate change and implication on crop pest & disease

6.1.3 Plant protection principle and approaches

6.1.4 Importance, issues, challenges and role of plant quarantine in Nepalese agriculture

6.1.5 Importance of pest survey and surveillance in disease/pest forecasting and early warning

6.1.6 Types of sprayers, duster and seed treatment Equipments

6.1.7 Use of equipment, calibration, dose calculation

6.1.8 Biological control of pests and diseases

6.1.9 Tools used for pest monitoring

6.1.10 Insect predators, pathogens and parasitoids

6.1.11 Bio pesticides & Bio fungicides in pest & disease control

6.1.12 Type of Pesticide formulation

6.1.13 WHO classification of pesticide by hazard

6.1.14 Banned pesticides in Nepal

6.1.15 Safe use of pesticides

6.1.16 Status of pesticide use in Nepal

6.1.17 Symptoms and treatment of pesticide poisoning

6.1.18 Different methods of pesticide residue monitoring

6.1.19 Weed management

6.1.20 Rodents and their management

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6.2 Entomology

6.2.1 Importance of Agricultural entomology, role of insects in agriculture and classification of insects

6.2.2 Industrial Entomology

6.2.2.1 Importance of industrial entomology

6.2.2.2 Biology of silkworm and honey bee, lac insect

6.2.3 Agricultural Insect Pests of National Importance and their Management

6.2.3.1 **Cereals:** Stem borers (*Chilo partellus*; *Chilo suppressalis*; *Sesamia inferens*; *Scirpophaga incertulas*); Green leaf hopper (*Nephotettix nigropictus*); Brown plant hopper (*Nilaparvata lugens*); Gundhi bug (*Leptocoris chinensis*); White grubs (*Melolontha spp.*; *Phyllophaga spp.*; *Holotrichia spp.*); white fly in rice, Fall Armyworm (*Spodoptera frugiperda*)

6.2.3.2 **Vegetables:** Cutworm (*Agrotis ipsilon*; *A. segetum*); Pumpkin fruit fly (*Bactrocera cucurbitae*); Aphids (*Myzus persicae*; *Aphis fabae*; *A. gossypii*; *A. craccivora*; *Brevicoryne brassicae*); Red ants (*Dorylus orientalis*); Shoot and fruit borer (*Leucinodes orbonalis*); Large white butterfly (*Pieris brassicae nepalensis*); Fruit borer (*Helicoverpa armigera*); Tobacco caterpillar (*Spodoptera litura*); Potato tuber moth (*Phthorimaea operculella*); Diamondback moth (*Plutella xylostella*); White fly (*Bemisia tabaci*); South american leaf miner (*Tuta absoluta*)

6.2.3.3 Cash Crops

6.2.3.3.1 White stem borer of coffee (*Xylotrechus quadripes*)

6.2.3.3.2 Sugarcane plassey borer (*Chilo tumidicostalis*)

6.2.3.3.3 Pink bollworms (*Pectinophora gossypiella*)

6.2.3.4 Fruits

6.2.3.4.1 **Sub- tropical fruits:** Citrus fruit fly (*Bactrocera spp.*); Scale insects (*Aspidiotus destructor*, *Aonidiella aurantii*); Citrus green stinkbug (*Rhynchocoris poseidon*)

6.2.3.4.2 **Tropical fruits:** Mango hoppers (*Idioscopus clypealis*, *I. nitidulus* and *Amritiodus atkinson*); Banana stem weevil (*Odoiporus longicollis*); Bananarhizome weevil (*Cosmopolites sordidus*); Litchi leaf curl mite (*Aceria litchii*)

6.2.3.4.3 **Temperate fruits:** Apple wooly aphid (*Eriosoma lanigerum*); San Jose scale (*Quadraspidiotus perniciosus*)

6.2.3.4.4 **Ornamental and Flowers:** Red Spider Mite (*Tetranychus spp.*)

6.3 Plant Pathology:

6.3.1 Introduction and importance of plant diseases

6.3.2 Mechanism of infection by plant pathogen, Host Plant Resistance

6.3.3 Defense mechanisms of host plants

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6.3.4 Genetics and disease resistance in plants

6.3.5 Plant disease epidemiology and forecasting

6.3.6 Agricultural Crop Diseases of National Importance and Their Management

6.3.6.1 Cereals: Rice blast (*Pyricularia oryzae*); Bacterial blight (*Xanthomonas campestris pv oryzae*); Stalk rot (*Erwinia carotovora*); Leaf blight (*Helminthosporium turcicum*); Rusts (*Puccinia graminis tritici*, *P. recondita*, *P. striiformis*); Loose smut (*Ustilago tritici*)

6.3.6.2 Vegetables and spices: Late blight (*Phytophthora infestans*); Bacterial wilt (*Ralstonia solanacearum*); Alternaria leaf spots (*Alternaria brassicicola*, *A. brassicae*); Damping off of seedlings (*Pythium spp.*, *Fusarium spp.*); Club root (*Plasmodiophora brassicae*); Root knot (*Meloidogyne spp.*); Anthracnose (*Colletotrichum spp.*); Tomato yellow leaf curl virus; Rhizomes rot of ginger and cardamom (*Pythium spp.*, *Fusarium spp.*)

6.3.6.3 Fruits and others: Foot and root rot (*Phytophthora citrophthora*, *P. nicotianae*); Citrus greening (*Huanglongbing*) – (*Liberibacter asiaticum*); Pink disease (*Pellicularia samonickii*); Scab (*Venturia inaequalis*); Powdery mildew (*Levulera taurica*); Panama wilt of banana (*Fusarium oxysporum*); Coffee rust (*Hemalia vestatrix*); Septoria blight of marigold (*Septoria apicola*)

6.4 Mushroom cultivation

6.4.1 Edible and Non-Edible Mushroom in Nepal.

6.4.2 Cultivated species of mushroom in Nepal

6.4.3 Cultivation techniques of *Pluerotus spp.* and *Agaricus spp.* *Lentinula edodes*

6.5 Laboratory Techniques & production

6.5.1 Isolation

6.5.2 Culture and preservation

6.5.3 Mounting & culturing

6.5.4 Sterilization

6.5.5 Different media used

6.5.6 Production technique of *Metarhizium anisopliae*, *Beauveria bassiana* & *Trichoderma harzianum* *T. viridae*
