



Agrotechnology Discipline
Khulna University, Khulna

3rd Year Term-II, Examination 2026

0811 08 AT 3201: Principles of Plant Pathology and Diseases of Field Crops

Full Marks: 60, Time: 3 hours, Credit: 03

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Section A

- List the major chemical weapons used by plant pathogens in causing disease. [L2; CLO1] 2.0
 - 'Nutrient uptake by pathogens from their host is equivalent to the damage caused by the pathogen.' Justify this statement. [L5; CLO6] 3.0
 - Define inoculum potential and discuss its role in the successful establishment and parasitism of plant pathogens. [L3; CLO1] 3.0
 - Draw the structure and function of a haustorium. Which group of plant pathogens typically produces haustoria, and how do they contribute to successful parasitism in host plants? [L2; CLO1] 2.0
- Differentiate between primary inoculum and secondary inoculum in plant disease development. Which type of inoculum is mainly responsible for the rapid spread of a disease epidemic within a single growing season? Explain your answer. [L4; CLO2] 3.0
 - 'Successful infections always result in the appearance of symptoms.' Judge this critically. [L5; CLO2] 3.0
 - List which organelle is the primary target for toxins that inhibit photosynthesis, such as Tentoxin? [L2; CLO1] 2.0
 - Victorin, a host-specific toxin (HST) produced by *Cochliobolus victoriae*, causes disease in oats. What determines whether an oat plant is susceptible or resistant to this toxin? Explain your answer with appropriate reasoning. [L4; CLO1] 2.0
- Why is free moisture (leaf wetness) considered one of the most critical environmental factors for fungal pathogens? Discuss. [L2; CLO2] 2.0
 - A greenhouse manager reduces temperature and increases ventilation to control an outbreak of *Botrytis* spp. disease. Which component of the disease triangle is being manipulated, and how does this action help suppress disease development? Explain your answer. [L4; CLO2] 3.0
 - How does host age or growth stage influence disease development? Explain. [L3; CLO3] 3.0
 - What is monoculture and why is it considered a host factor that increases disease risk? [L3; CLO3] 2.0
- For which type of plant pathogens monocyclic or polycyclic is crop rotation most effective? Justify your answer. [L4; CLO4] 2.0
 - Discuss how the following cultural practices help reduce plant disease incidence: 2.0
 - Switching from overhead irrigation to drip irrigation
 - Modifying soil pH [L3; CLO4]
 - Trichoderma species are widely used as biological control agents against soil-borne plant pathogens. Which of the following is a key mechanism by which they suppress pathogen activity? Explain your answer. [L3; CLO4] 3.0
 - What do mean by symplastic, apoplastic, and amphimobile movement of fungicides? [L3; CLO4] 3.0

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Section B

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| 5. | (a) Compare and contrast between the symptoms of:
i. Narrow brown leaf spot and bacterial leaf streak of rice
ii. Nitrogen deficiency and tungro disease of rice. [L3; CLO4] | 2+2=4.0 |
| | (b) Draw and describe the symptoms of blast and sheath blight of rice. [L3; CLO2] | 3.0 |
| | (c) Diagrammatically show the disease cycle of brown spot of rice. [L2; CLO3] | 3.0 |
| 6. | (a) Draw and describe the symptoms of black band and anthracnose of jute. [L3; CLO2] | 4.0 |
| | (b) Describe the disease cycle of stem rot of jute. [L2; CLO3] | 3.0 |
| | (c) Design a judicious control measure schedule for angular leafspot of cotton. [L3; CLO4] | 3.0 |
| 7. | (a) List four diseases of sugarcane and four diseases of oil crops along with their causal agents. [L1; CLO4] | 3.0 |
| | (b) Name cause of sugarcane smut. Describe the symptoms of sugarcane smut and explain the procedure of hot water treatment for its control. [L3; CLO4] | 4.0 |
| | (c) Distinguish between symptoms of Cercospora leaf spot and rust of groundnut. [L3; CLO4] | 3.0 |
| 8. | (a) Describe the symptoms of tikka disease in groundnut and gray leaf spot of mustard. [L3; CLO2] | 4.0 |
| | (b) Write down the suitable environmental factors for the development of gray leaf spot of mustard. [L1, L3; CLO3] | 3.0 |
| | (c) What control measures should be taken to manage gray leaf spot of mustard in the field? [L3, L5; CLO4] | 3.0 |



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0811 08 AT 3203: Crop Ecology
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Section A

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| 1. | (a) | Point out major sub-division of Ecology and define them. [L1; CLO1] | 3.0 |
| | (b) | Explain cardinal temperatures with diagram. [L2; CLO1] | 3.0 |
| | (c) | Assess the impact of light intensity variability on crop productivity. [L5; CLO1] | 4.0 |
| 2. | (a) | Suggest practices to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in Bangladesh. [L5; CLO1, CLO2] | 3.0 |
| | (b) | Briefly describe the significances of soil temperature and soil water for crop production. [L5; CLO2] | 3.5 |
| | (c) | Define integrated water resource management (UWRM). State the principles of IWRM for maximize water use efficiency. [L3; CLO1]. | 3.5 |
| 3. | (a) | Define biogeochemical cycle. Show diagrammatically phosphorus cycle in agroecosystem with significances. [L4; CLO1] | 4.0 |
| | (b) | Formulate the impacts of wind on crop production. [L2; CLO2] | 3.0 |
| | (c) | 'Ozone layer has great significances on human health and crop health.' Explain. [L2; CLO2] | 3.0 |
| 4. | (a) | 'Beneficial relationship between microbes and crop plants is called symbiosis.' Assess the statement. [L6; CLO1] | 3.0 |
| | (b) | 'Acid rain significantly influences soil fertility and productivity of agroecosystem.' Justify the statement. [L5; CLO1] | 3.0 |
| | (c) | Differentiate between i) climate change and climate variation; ii) epiphytes and parasites. [L4; CLO3] | 4.0 |

Section B

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| 5. | (a) | Enumerate the components of ecosystem in wheat field. [L2; CLO3] | 3.0 |
| | (b) | Briefly describe different types of ecological pyramid. [L4; CLO3] | 4.0 |
| | (c) | Distinguish between food chain and food web. [L2; CLO3] | 3.0 |
| 6. | (a) | Differentiate primary productivity from secondary productivity. [L2; CLO3] | 2.0 |
| | (b) | Discuss the various types of crop associations practiced by the farmers of Bangladesh. [L2; CLO3] | 3.0 |
| | (c) | Propose some guidelines of selecting crops for intercropping. [L6; CLO3] | 3.0 |
| | (d) | Clarify LER. [L2; CLO3] | 2.0 |
| 7. | (a) | Describe different pollutant types based on disposal behavior. [L2; CLO4] | 2.0 |
| | (b) | Assess environmental risks of excessive pesticide use. [L5; CLO4] | 3.0 |
| | (c) | Design a management plan to reduce environmental pollution caused by agrochemicals. [L4; CLO4] | 3.0 |
| | (d) | What is 'itai-itai' disease? [L2; CLO4] | 2.0 |
| 8. | (a) | Write a short note on bioremediation for controlling environmental pollution. [L2; CLO4] | 3.0 |
| | (b) | 'Mangrove vegetation has great significances on environmental stability in the coastal area of Bangladesh.' Explain. [L3; CLO4] | 4.0 |
| | (c) | Point out the morphological characteristics of mangrove vegetation. [L2; CLO4] | 3.0 |

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0811 08 AT 3205: Fundamentals of Extension, Communication and Leadership

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Section A

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| 1. | (a) | 'Extension is a two-way channel.' Explain. [L2; CLO1] | 3.0 |
| | (b) | 'Helping people/farmers to help themselves' is the root philosophy of agricultural extension but not to help the farmers directly. Why? [L4; CLO1] | 2.0 |
| | (c) | How could we increase agricultural production in Bangladesh provided there are some limitations of horizontal expansion of land for agricultural production? [L3; CLO1] | 2.0 |
| | (d) | Explain principle of cultural difference. [L2; CLO1] | 3.0 |
| 2. | (a) | Discuss the extension teaching methods that are suitable for the adverse pandemic situation. [L2; CLO1] | 3.0 |
| | (b) | Sketch the neat flow-chart of the flow of information structure of the DAE. [L3; CLO1] | 3.0 |
| | (c) | Describe the NARS concept in Bangladesh, and illustrate it with a neat diagram showing the full names of all the research organizations. [L4; CLO1] | 4.0 |
| 3. | (a) | Explain the steps in extension teaching with a figure. [L2; CLO2] | 3.0 |
| | (b) | Differentiate the online-based teaching-learning techniques from the conventional extension. [L5; CLO2] | 4.0 |
| | (c) | Which learning theories are the best for agricultural extension and why? [L5; CLO2] | 3.0 |
| 4. | (a) | Discuss 'Pedagogy', 'Andragogy', 'Heutagogy' and 'Cyborgogy'. [L2; CLO2] | 2.0 |
| | (b) | Describe the Bloom's taxonomy of learning assessment for cognitive domain. [L2; CLO2] | 4.0 |
| | (c) | Draw and describe Maslow's open-ended and close-ended need pyramids with examples from each of the need types. [L3; CLO2] | 4.0 |

Section B

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| 5. | (a) | State the types of communication based on personnel to be contacted. [L2; CLO3] | 2.0 |
| | (b) | Compare between encoding and decoding. [L5; CLO3] | 2.0 |
| | (c) | How could a communicator play an effective role in technology transfer process? [L4; CLO3] | 3.0 |
| | (d) | Differentiate between interpersonal and mass communication channels. [L5; CLO3] | 3.0 |
| 6. | (a) | What are ways to be followed for treatment of a message? [L2; CLO3] | 3.0 |
| | (b) | What is feedback? What are the factors that hinder in getting feedback? [L1, L2; CLO3] | 3.0 |
| | (c) | State the critical factors in communication. [L2; CLO3] | 4.0 |
| 7. | (a) | When coercive and reward power are used? [L4; CLO3] | 3.0 |
| | (b) | Differentiate between autocratic and democratic leadership. [L5; CLO3] | 3.0 |
| | (c) | Which of the method is suitable for selection of local leaders when an extension agent is new in an area? State that method. [L2; CLO3] | 2.0 |
| | (d) | Point out the ways through which we can recognize the local leaders? [L2; CLO3] | 2.0 |
| 8. | (a) | Why do we need to study population education? [L2; CLO4] | 3.0 |
| | (b) | How could we integrate population education into agricultural extension program & why? [L2; CLO4] | 2.0 |
| | (c) | Estate the efforts of different agencies in controlling the population growth in Bangladesh. [L4; CLO4] | 2.0 |
| | (d) | Explain the key components and structures of extension education system in India. [L4; CLO4] | 3.0 |

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0811 08 AT 3207: Olericulture
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Section A

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| 1. | (a) | Define 'vegetables' and 'olericulture'. Draw a pen picture on present status of production and export of vegetables in Bangladesh. [L1; CLO1] | 1+3=4.0 |
| | (b) | Discuss the factors affecting amounts of nutrients present in vegetables. [L3; CLO1] | 3.0 |
| | (c) | Classify vegetables based on salt and heat tolerance. [L4; CLO2] | 3.0 |
| 2. | (a) | Write down the botanical name and family of swamp cabbage, knolkhol, snake gourd, yam, teasel gourd, and okra. [L2; CLO1] | 3.0 |
| | (b) | 'Vegetables plays an important role as a source of income and self-employment.' Justify. [L5; CLO1] | 4.0 |
| | (c) | Analyze the role of water and temperature on vegetables cultivation. [L4; CLO2] | 3.0 |
| 3. | (a) | Describe the soil and climate requirements for brinjal and potato. [L2; CLO3] | 3.0 |
| | (b) | 'Soil temperature has effects on vegetables cultivation.' Justify. [L6; CLO3] | 4.0 |
| | (c) | Explain the extreme conditions in respect of water as a factor for vegetables cultivation. [L5; CLO3] | 3.0 |
| 4. | (a) | Explain the scope and climate requirements for cultivation of mushroom and asparagus in Bangladesh. [L5; CLO3] | 4.0 |
| | (b) | Is it possible to produce the seeds of cole crops in Bangladesh? Explain. [L5; CLO3] | 3.0 |
| | (c) | Analyze the scope of extending drumstick cultivation in Bangladesh. [L4; CLO3] | 3.0 |

Section B

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| 5. | (a) | Classify mineral nutrients according to biochemical function. Why is the requirement of nitrogen for plant higher than any other minerals? Analyze. [L4; CLO 4] | 1+2=3.0 |
| | (b) | List the calcium deficiency disorders of vegetables. How can you overcome them? [L2, L4; CLO4] | 1+2=3.0 |
| | (c) | Make a SWOT analysis of organic farming in Bangladesh. [L6; CLO4] | 4.0 |
| 6. | (a) | Appraise the suitability of hydroponic vegetables cultivation in Bangladesh. [L5; CLO4] | 2.0 |
| | (b) | Show the gap between the demand and supply of vegetable seed in Bangladesh. Propose five strategies to increase the supply of vegetable seed. [L2, L6; CLO5] | 2+3=5.0 |
| | (c) | Describe U's triangle regarding natural evolution of vegetables. [L2; CLO4] | 3.0 |
| 7. | (a) | How can use of growth regulators affect vegetable production in Bangladesh? Explain. [L4; CLO4] | 4.0 |
| | (b) | Which BARI vegetable production model is suitable for Khulna region and why? Describe the model. [L2; CLO4] | 1.5+2.5=4.0 |
| | (c) | Differentiate between hydroponics and aeroponics. [L6; CLO4] | 2.0 |
| 8. | (a) | Describe the seed production procedure for radish. [L2; CLO5] | 5.0 |
| | (b) | How is <i>Bt</i> brinjal developed? How does it work against the target insect? Is there any ecological concern regarding <i>Bt</i> brinjal cultivation? Explain. [L1, L6; CLO5] | 1+2+2=5.0 |

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0588 08 RM 3255: Research Methodology
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Section A

1. (a) What is research? Enlist the characteristics of research. [L1; CLO1] 4.0
 (b) Classify research on the basis of objectives. [L4; CLO1] 2.0
 (c) Differentiate between basic research and applied research. [L4; CLO1] 2.0
 (d) Assess the limitations of the research process. [L5; CLO1] 2.0
2. (a) What is a questionnaire? Briefly explain the different types of questionnaires. [L1, L5; CLO2] 4.0
 (b) Illustrate the procedure of preparation of a questionnaire. [L2; CLO2] 3.0
 (c) Analyze interviewer bias and its effects on research outcomes. [L4; CLO2] 3.0
3. (a) Distinguish between i) Population and sample. ii) Sample and sampling. [L4; CLO2] 2.0
 (b) Which of the sampling is used for crop cutting experiment? How is it done? [L1; CLO2] 3.0
 (c) Differentiate between standard deviation and standard error. [L2; CLO2] 2.0
 (d) Assess the impact of sample size on standard error and precision. [L5; CLO2] 3.0
4. (a) Explain the term 'Scientific report.' What should be the characteristics of 'Objective' section of a scientific report? [L2; CLO3] 3.0
 (b) Prepare a format of a Research proposal for hunting fund from KU Research and Innovation Centre. [L4; CLO3] 3.0
 (c) Analyze the relationship between objectives and methodology. [L4; CLO3] 2.0
 (d) Outline the salient features of an abstract. [L2; CLO1, CLO3] 2.0

Section B

5. (a) Differentiate scientific method from mathematical method? [L2; CLO4, CLO5] 2.5
 (b) Identify the characteristics of a well-planned experiment. [L3; CLO4, CLO5] 2.5
 (c) Assess the variability in field experimentation. [L5; CLO4, CLO5] 3.0
 (d) Analyze how does repetition of treatments minimize experimental error. [L4; CLO4, CLO5] 2.0
6. (a) Clarify analysis of variance. [L2; CLO4, CLO5] 1.5
 (b) Judge the importance of plot size and shape in obtaining precision in field experiments. [L5; CLO4, CLO5] 2.5
 (c) Assuming soil fertility as a basis, design the blocking techniques in the field with neat labeled diagram. [L6; CLO4, CLO5] 4.0
 (d) Outline the ANOVA table of Latin Square Design. [L3; CLO4, CLO5] 2.0
7. (a) Summarize the procedure of Least Significant Test (LSD). [L2; CLO4, CLO5] 3.0
 (b) An experiment was conducted to study the effect of five nitrogen doses on the yield of wheat using a Randomized Complete Block Design with four replications. The wheat grain yield (q ha⁻¹) along the treatments are given below: 5.0

Nitrogen doses (kg ha ⁻¹)	Grain yield (q ha ⁻¹)			
	R ₁	R ₂	R ₃	R ₄
0	20	22	21	23
50	25	27	26	28
100	30	32	31	33
150	34	36	35	37
200	33	35	34	36

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0588 08 RM 3255: Research Methodology
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Test the effects of nitrogen on grain yield of wheat. The tabulated value of F with 4 and 12 df is 3.26 and 5.41 at 5% and 1% level of probability, respectively. The tabulated value of F with 3 and 12 df is 3.49 and 5.95, respectively at 5% and 1% level of significance. The value of $t_{(0.05)}$ with 12 df is 2.179. [L3; CLO4, CLO5]

- (c) Propose how can you calculate CV (9%) from ANOVA table. [L3; CLO4, CLO5] 2.0
8. (a) Analyze the allocation pattern of main plot and sub-plot treatments in a Split Plot design. [L4; CLO4, CLO5] 3.0
- (b) An experiment was conducted to find the combined effect of K and N on rice yield ($t \text{ ha}^{-1}$) with a 3×3 Factorial RCBD with 3 replications. Factor A: Potassium (K): $K_1 = 0 \text{ kg K ha}^{-1}$, $K_2 = 10 \text{ kg K ha}^{-1}$, $K_3 = 20 \text{ kg K ha}^{-1}$. Factor B: Nitrogen (N): $N_1 = 0 \text{ kg N ha}^{-1}$, $N_2 = 60 \text{ kg N ha}^{-1}$, $N_3 = 120 \text{ kg N ha}^{-1}$. Test significance of K and N on grain yield of rice. 4.0

Treatment	Rep I	Rep II	Rep III
K_1N_1	3.2	3.3	3.1
K_1N_2	3.8	3.9	3.7
K_1N_3	4.0	4.1	3.9
K_2N_1	3.6	3.7	3.5
K_2N_2	4.4	4.5	4.3
K_2N_3	4.8	4.9	4.7
K_3N_1	3.9	4.0	3.8
K_3N_2	4.6	4.7	4.5
K_3N_3	5.0	5.1	4.9

The tabulated value of F with 2 and 6 df is 3.63 and 6.23, respectively at 5% and 1% level of significance. The tabulated value of F with 4 and 16 df is 3.01 and 4.77, respectively at 5% and 1% level of significance. The tabulated value of F with 8 and 16 df is 2.59 and 3.89, respectively at 5% and 1% level of significance. [L3; CLO4, CLO5]

- (c) Assess the necessity of data transformation. [L5; CLO4, CLO5] 2.0