## AMH21 BREEDING OF VEGETABLE, TUBER AND SPICE CROPS

## **UNIT-1 THEORY**

- 1.1 Vegetable Breeding- History and importance of vegetables, tubers and spices production, distribution, domestication and adaptation of commercially important vegetables,
- 1.2 Tubers and spices, variability for economic traits, breeding strategies, clonal selection, mutation, mutagenesis and its application in crop improvement-ploidy manipulations-in vitro breeding tools (important vegetables, tubers and spices crops).
- 1.3 Centres of origin, plant biodiversity and its conservation.
- 1.4 Models of reproduction, pollination systems and genetics of important vegetable, tuber and spice crops.
- 1.5 Self-incompatibility and male sterility, its classification and application in vegetable crop improvement.
- 1.6 Principles of breeding self-pollinated crops, pure line selection, mass selection, heterosis breeding, hybridization, pedigree method, mass pedigree method, bulk method, modified bulk method, single seed descent method and back cross method.
- 1.7 Polyploidy breeding.
- 1.8 Mutation breeding.
- 1.9 Principles of breeding cross pollinated crops, mass selection, recurrent selection, heterosis breeding, synthetics and composits.
- 1.10 Application of biotechnology in crop improvement.
- 1.11 Crops: Solanaceous vegetables, cole crops, cucurbits, bulb crops, root crops, leafy vegetables, okra, leguminous crops, Seed Spices.

## **UNIT-2 PRACTICAL**

- 2.1 Floral biology and pollination mechanism in self and cross pollinated vegetables, tuber crops and spices.
- 2.2 Working out phenotypic and genotypic heritability, genetic advance. GCA, SCA, combining ability, heterosis, heterobeltosis, standard heterosis,
- 2.3 GxE interactions (stability analysis) Preparation and uses of chemical and physical mutagens. Polyploidy breeding and chromosomal studies.
- 2.4 Techniques of F1 hybrid seed production.
- 2.5 Maintenance of breeding records.

## **Reference Books:**

- 1. Hari Hara Ram, 2013. Vegetable Breeding: Principle and Practices. Kalyani Publishers. Ludhiana.
- 2. Vishnu Swaroop, 2014. Vegetable Science & Technology in India. Kalyani Publishers. Ludhiana.
- 3. Kallo.G, 1998. Vegetable Breeding (Vol.I to IV). CRC Press. Florida. 1988.