## JIIT NOIDA

## Syllabus for PGET for Admission in M. Sc. (Microbiology) and M. Sc. (Environmental Biotechnology)

## **GENERAL SCIENCE**

**Physics** Laws of thermodynamics, Concept of entropy, Applications to compression and expansion processes. Solution thermodynamics - Excess properties of mixtures, Concept of free energy, **Chemistry**: Concept of pH and buffer, Chemical bonding and hybridization, Atomic and molecular structure, Chemical reaction equilibrium, Chemical reaction mechanism (SN1 and SN2), Chemical kinetics (first & second order)

## **BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES**

**Biochemistry** Biomolecules and their conformation; Enzyme kinetics; Photorespiration; Mechanism of enzyme action; Enzyme kinetics; Enzyme inhibition; Allosteric enzymes; biochemical techniques

**Cell and Molecular Biology** Cell division; Cell Organelles; Cell Membrane and Cell Wall; Cell cycle, Mitosis and Meiosis; & Molecular controls; Central dogma of molecular biology; Structure of DNA and RNA, DNA super coiling, DNA damage and repair; DNA replication; DNA transcription and RNA processing; Transcription regulation in prokaryotes; Post transcriptional modification of eukaryotic mRNA; Genetic code and protein synthesis

**Genetics and Developmental Biology** Gene and genome organization, principles of inheritance, Linkage: concept, linkage maps. Crossing over: concept and significance, Types of mutations, effects of physical & chemical mutagens; Population genetics; Genetic disorders, Early Embryonic Development in plants and animal: Gametogenesis, Spermatogenesis, Oogenesis; Fertilization (External and Internal), placentation: In vitro fertilization, amniocentosis

**Immunology** Basic immunology; Cell and molecules involved in innate immunity Adaptive immunity (Cell mediated and humoral); Antibody structure; Antigen-antibody interactions, vaccines

**Physiology and bioenergetics** First and second laws of Thermodynamics; Definitions of Gibb's Free Energy, enthalpy, and entropy Diffusion gaseous exchange, Osmosis, Plasmolysis Passive transport mechanism: structure and types of ion channel. Metabolic pathways; Secondary active transport mechanism: Proton-pumps, Symport, Antiport and Uniport, Fundamentals pathways of Pyruvate formation (Embden-Meyerhof pathway (EMP)/glycolytic pathways, pentose phosphate pathway (PPP)/hexose monophosphate shunt, Entner-Doudoroff pathway). TCA cycle. Electron transport chain (ETC): components of respiratory chain. Photosynthetic microbes: Oxygenic photosynthetic bacteria: concept of PSI and PSII, Z-scheme.

**Recombinant DNA Technology** Restriction and modification enzymes; Vectors: plasmid, bacteriophage and other viral vectors, cosmids, Ti plasmid, yeast artificial chromosome; PCR and its applications

**Basic instrumentation techniques** Principle and application of microscopy; filtration; centrifugation; spectroscopy, UV/Visible, Electrophoresis; chromatography (TLC, HPLC); Western Blotting.

**Microbial growth and applications** Microbial nutrition, growth and control; Microbial metabolism (aerobic and anaerobic respiration, photosynthesis); Microbial genetics (plasmids, transformation, transduction, conjugation); Viruses; Host-pathogen interactions, role of microbes in industry, Plant-microbe interactions; Diseases caused by microbes.

**Biodiversity& Environmental Biotechnology** Biodiversity concept, national and global level significance, species and ecosystems, Biodiversity hotspots, Bio-Prospecting and Bio-Piracy, Bioremediation; Biofertilizers; Recycling of bio-degradable municipal, agricultural and Industrial wastes – biocompost making methods, types and method of vermicomposting, Environmental pollution, GMOs and related ethical issues, sustainability.