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Senior Regional Director IGNOU Regional Centre Shimla-171005 (HP)

Dated: 27/02/2024

# Sub: Regarding practical schedule of MSc Environmental Science programme of IGNOU-submission thereof.

Sir,

In reference to your Email dated 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2024 kindly find enclosed herewith the schedule of practical of three courses namely Lab course-1 (MEVL 011), Lab course-2 (MEVL 012) and Lab course-3 (MEVL 013) of MSc Environmental Science programme. The practical of these two MEVL11,MEVL12 lab courses will be conducted in four batches (33+33+33+34) and MEVL13 lab course will be conducted in 2 batches (35+37) each of 8 hours in the labs of this department wef 18<sup>th</sup> March to 4<sup>th</sup> August 2024. This is for kind perusal and further necessary action, please.

Thanking you.

Yours sincerely,

**Professor and Head** 

# Proposed schedule for conducting practical Examination for the course MEVL 011, Lab course-1, Environmental Science w.e.f <u>18<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024</u>

(First Batch)

_	-	Venue: Department of Environmental Science, Dr YSP U		
Day	Date	Practical exercise	Theory	Hand on Exercises/ Lab Practical
1	18/03/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of minimum size of the quadrat by 'species-area-curve' method</li> </ul>		
2	19/03/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of frequency of species by line transect method and point frame method</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Relative Density, Frequency and Abundance of different species present in community and calculation of IVI</li> </ul>		
3	20/03/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Measures of central tendency, dispersion, skewness and kurtosis</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>✓ Correlation and regression analysis; analysis of variance</li> </ul>		
4	21/03/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of standing crop and biomass in Terrestrial ecosystem</li> </ul>	Morning Session	Evening Session
5	22/03/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Study on the abiotic and biotic components of an aquatic ecosystem</li> </ul>	(9:30 am -1:30 pm)	(2:00 -6:00 pm)
6	23/03/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Estimation of net primary productivity by harvest method in grassland ecosystem</li> </ul>		
7	24/03/2024	<ul> <li>Estimation of net primary productivity using light and dark bottle method in aquatic ecosystem</li> </ul>		
8	25/03/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Estimation of biodiversity indices</li> <li>✓ Weather monitoring and data analysis</li> </ul>		
9	26/03/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Study on soil profile and physical characteristics of soil</li> </ul>		
10	27/03/2024	✓ Determination of soil organic carbon		
11	28/03/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of available Nitrogen in soil</li> </ul>		
12	29/03/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Preparation of climatic maps and diagram</li> <li>✓ Identification of Igneous, Sedimentary and Metamorphic rocks</li> </ul>		
13	30/03/2024	✓ Determination of soil moisture content		
14	31/03/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of soil pH and electrical conductivity</li> <li>✓ Preparation of station based wind rose</li> </ul>	-	
		✓ Arial photographs interpretations		

# Science w.e.f <u>1<sup>st</sup> April, 2024 to 14<sup>th</sup> April, 2024</u>

Day	Date	Practical Exercise	Theory	Hand on Exercises/ Lab Practical
1	01/04/2024	<ul> <li>Determination of Electrical Conductance of a Water Sample</li> </ul>		
2	02/04/2024	✓ Determination of pH of a Water Sample		
3	03/04/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Turbidity in Water</li> </ul>		
4	04/04/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Total Solids and Total Dissolved Solids in Water</li> <li>✓ Determination of Hardness in Water Sample</li> </ul>		
5	05/04/2024	<ul> <li>Determination of Biological Oxygen Demand in Water</li> </ul>	-	
6	06/04/2024	✓ Determination of Dissolved Oxygen in Water		
7	07/04/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Chemical Oxygen Demand in Water</li> </ul>	-	
8	08/04/2024	✓ Determination of Chloride in Water Samples	Morning Session	<b>Evening Session</b>
		✓ Determination of Residual Chlorine in Water	(9:30 am -1:30 pm)	(2:00 -6:00 pm)
9	09/04/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Sulphates in Water</li> </ul>		
10	10/04/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Phosphate in Water</li> </ul>		
11	11/04/2024	✓ Determination of Nitrate Nitrogen in water sample	-	
12	12/04/2024	✓ Determination of Nitrite Nitrogen in water sample		
13	13/04/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Fluoride in Water</li> </ul>		
14	14/04/2024	✓ Determination of Oil and Grease in Water		

# Science w.e.f 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2024 to 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2024

# (First Batch)

Day	Date	Practical exercise	Theory	Hand on Exercises/ Lab Practical
1	15/04/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Suspended Particulate Matter (SPM) in Ambient Air Using High Air Sampler (HVS)</li> <li>✓ Isolation and Enumeration of Air Borne Microorganisms by All Glass Impinger Technique</li> </ul>		Tactical
2	16/04/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Sodium and Potassium in Water Using Flame Photometer</li> </ul>		
3	17/04/2024	✓ Determination of Trace Metals in Environmental Samples using Inductively Coupled Plasma Optical Emission Spectroscopy (ICP-OES)		
4	18/04/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Composting of Biodegradable Waste and determination of compost quality</li> <li>✓ Determination of Biogas Production from Organic Waste by Liquid Displacement Method</li> </ul>		
5	19/04/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Pesticides in Environmental Samples Using Gas Chromatography</li> </ul>	Morning Session	Evening Session
		✓ Separation of Amino Acids by Thin Liquid Chromatography	(9:30 am -1:30 pm)	(2:00 -6:00 pm)
6	20/04/2024	<ul> <li>Determination of Effect of Industrial Effluents on Seed Germination and Seedling Growth of Rice and Wheat</li> <li>Determination of Alcoholic fermentation from Grape Juice by Saccharomyces cerevisiae</li> </ul>		
7	21/04/2024	<ul> <li>Sterilization, Media Preparation and Isolation of Pure Culture</li> <li>Determination of Gram Staining of Bacterial Sample</li> </ul>		
8	22/04/2024	<ul> <li>Isolation and Characterization of Bacteria from Soil Samples</li> <li>Isolation and Characterization of Actinomycetes from Soil Samples</li> </ul>		
9	23/04/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Isolation of Pure Culture by Streak Plate Method, Pour Plate Method and Spread Plate Method</li> </ul>		
10	24/04/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Isolation and Characterization of Fungi from Soil Samples</li> </ul>		
11	25/04/2024	✓ Determination of Metabolic Activities of Bacteria through Biochemical Tests		
12	26/04/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Biological Activity of Soil by Dehydrogenase Assay</li> </ul>		
13	27/04/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Isolation of Bio-Surfactant Producing Bacteria from Environmental Samples</li> </ul>		
14	28/04/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Detection of Coliform in Water Samples by Membrane Filter Technique</li> </ul>		

# Science w.e.f 29<sup>th</sup> April 2024 to 12<sup>th</sup> May 2024

# (Second Batch)

Day	Date	Practical exercise	Theory	Hand on
				Exercises/ Lab Practical
1	29/04/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of minimum size of the quadrat by 'species-area-curve' method</li> </ul>		
2	30/04/2024	<ul> <li>Determination of frequency of species by line transect method and point frame method</li> <li>Determination of Relative Density, Frequency and Abundance of different species present in community and calculation of IVI</li> </ul>		
3	01/05/2024	<ul> <li>Measures of central tendency, dispersion, skewness and kurtosis</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>✓ Correlation and regression analysis; analysis of variance</li> </ul>		
4	02/05/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of standing crop and biomass in Terrestrial ecosystem</li> </ul>	Morning Session	Evening Session
5	03/05/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Study on the abiotic and biotic components of an aquatic ecosystem</li> </ul>	(9:30 am -1:30 pm)	(2:00 -6:00 pm)
6	04/05/2024	<ul> <li>Estimation of net primary productivity by harvest method in grassland ecosystem</li> </ul>		
7	05/05/2024	<ul> <li>Estimation of net primary productivity using light and dark bottle method in aquatic ecosystem</li> </ul>		
8	06/05/2024	<ul><li>✓ Estimation of biodiversity indices</li><li>✓ Weather monitoring and data analysis</li></ul>		
9	07/05/2024	✓ Study on soil profile and physical characteristics of soil		
10	08/05/2024	✓ Determination of soil organic carbon		
11	09/05/2024	✓ Determination of available Nitrogen in soil		
12	10/05/2024	<ul> <li>Preparation of climatic maps and diagram</li> <li>Identification of Igneous, Sedimentary and Metamorphic rocks</li> </ul>		
13	11/05/2024	✓ Determination of soil moisture content		
14	12/05/2024	<ul> <li>Determination of soil pH and electrical conductivity</li> <li>Preparation of station based wind rose</li> </ul>		
		✓ Arial photographs interpretations		

# Science w.e.f <u>13<sup>th</sup> May 2024 to 26<sup>th</sup> May 2024</u>

(Second Batch)

Day	Date	Practical Exercise	Theory	Hand on Exercises/ Lab Practical
1	13/05/2024	<ul> <li>Determination of Electrical Conductance of a Water Sample</li> </ul>		
2	14/05/2024	✓ Determination of pH of a Water Sample		
3	15/05/2024	✓ Determination of Turbidity in Water	-	
4	16/05/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Total Solids and Total Dissolved Solids in Water</li> <li>✓ Determination of Hardness in Water Sample</li> </ul>	-	
5	17/05/2024	<ul> <li>Determination of Biological Oxygen Demand in Water</li> </ul>	-	
6	18/05/2024	✓ Determination of Dissolved Oxygen in Water		
7	19/05/2024	<ul> <li>Determination of Chemical Oxygen Demand in Water</li> </ul>	-	
8	20/05/2024	✓ Determination of Chloride in Water Samples	Morning Session	<b>Evening Session</b>
		✓ Determination of Residual Chlorine in Water	(9:30 am -1:30 pm)	(2:00 -6:00 pm)
9	21/05/2024	✓ Determination of Sulphates in Water		
10	22/05/2024	✓ Determination of Phosphate in Water		
11	23/05/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Nitrate Nitrogen in water sample</li> </ul>	-	
12	24/05/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Nitrite Nitrogen in water sample</li> </ul>		
13	25/05/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Fluoride in Water</li> </ul>		
14	26/05/2024	✓ Determination of Oil and Grease in Water		

# Science w.e.f 27<sup>th</sup> May 2024 to 09<sup>th</sup> June 2024

# (Second Batch)

Day	Date	Practical exercise	Theory	Hand on Exercises/ Lab Practical
1	27/05/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Suspended Particulate Matter (SPM) in Ambient Air Using High Air Sampler (HVS)</li> <li>✓ Isolation and Enumeration of Air Borne Microorganisms by All Glass Impinger Technique</li> </ul>		
2	28/05/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Sodium and Potassium in Water Using Flame Photometer</li> </ul>		
3	29/05/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Trace Metals in Environmental Samples using Inductively Coupled Plasma Optical Emission Spectroscopy (ICP-OES)</li> </ul>		
4	30/05/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Composting of Biodegradable Waste and determination of compost quality</li> <li>✓ Determination of Biogas Production from Organic Waste by Liquid Displacement Method</li> </ul>		
5	31/05/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Pesticides in Environmental Samples Using Gas Chromatography</li> </ul>	Morning Session	Evening Session
		<ul> <li>✓ Separation of Amino Acids by Thin Liquid Chromatography</li> </ul>	(9:30 am -1:30 pm)	(2:00 -6:00 pm)
6	01/06/2024	<ul> <li>Determination of Effect of Industrial Effluents on Seed Germination and Seedling Growth of Rice and Wheat</li> <li>Determination of Alcoholic fermentation from Grape Juice by Saccharomyces cerevisiae</li> </ul>		
7	02/06/2024	<ul> <li>Sterilization, Media Preparation and Isolation of Pure Culture</li> <li>Determination of Gram Staining of Bacterial Sample</li> </ul>		
8	03/06/2024	<ul> <li>Isolation and Characterization of Bacteria from Soil Samples</li> <li>Isolation and Characterization of Actinomycetes from Soil Samples</li> </ul>		
9	04/06/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Isolation of Pure Culture by Streak Plate Method, Pour Plate Method and Spread Plate Method</li> </ul>		
10	05/06/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Isolation and Characterization of Fungi from Soil Samples</li> </ul>		
11	06/06/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Metabolic Activities of Bacteria through Biochemical Tests</li> </ul>		
12	07/06/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Biological Activity of Soil by Dehydrogenase Assay</li> </ul>		
13	08/06/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Isolation of Bio-Surfactant Producing Bacteria from Environmental Samples</li> </ul>		
14	09/06/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Detection of Coliform in Water Samples by Membrane Filter Technique</li> </ul>		

# Science w.e.f <u>10<sup>th</sup> June 2024 to 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2024</u>

<b>D</b> -	Data	Venue: Department of Environmental Science, Dr YSP U		المتحاد :
Day	Date	Practical exercise	Theory	Hand on Exercises/ Lab Practical
1	10/06/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of minimum size of the quadrat by 'species-area-curve' method</li> </ul>		
2	11/06/2024	<ul> <li>Determination of frequency of species by line transect method and point frame method</li> <li>Determination of Relative Density, Frequency and</li> </ul>		
		Abundance of different species present in community and calculation of IVI		
3	12/06/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Measures of central tendency, dispersion, skewness and kurtosis</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>✓ Correlation and regression analysis; analysis of variance</li> </ul>		
4	13/06/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of standing crop and biomass in Terrestrial ecosystem</li> </ul>	Morning Session	Evening Session
5	14/06/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Study on the abiotic and biotic components of an aquatic ecosystem</li> </ul>	(9:30 am -1:30 pm)	(2:00 -6:00 pm)
6	15/06/2024	<ul> <li>Estimation of net primary productivity by harvest method in grassland ecosystem</li> </ul>		
7	16/06/2024	<ul> <li>Estimation of net primary productivity using light and dark bottle method in aquatic ecosystem</li> </ul>		
8	17/06/2024	<ul> <li>Estimation of biodiversity indices</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>Weather monitoring and data analysis</li> </ul>		
9	18/06/2024	✓ Study on soil profile and physical characteristics of soil		
10	19/06/2024	✓ Determination of soil organic carbon		
11	20/06/2024	✓ Determination of available Nitrogen in soil		
12	21/06/2024	<ul> <li>Preparation of climatic maps and diagram</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>✓ Identification of Igneous, Sedimentary and Metamorphic rocks</li> </ul>		
13	22/06/2024	✓ Determination of soil moisture content		
14	23/06/2024	<ul> <li>Determination of soil pH and electrical conductivity</li> <li>Preparation of station based wind rose</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>Arial photographs interpretations</li> </ul>		
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# Science w.e.f 24<sup>th</sup>June 2024 to 07<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Day	Date	Practical Exercise	Theory	Hand on Exercises/ Lab Practical
1	24/06/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Electrical Conductance of a Water Sample</li> </ul>		
2	25/06/2024	✓ Determination of pH of a Water Sample		
3	26/06/2024	✓ Determination of Turbidity in Water		
4	27/06/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Total Solids and Total Dissolved Solids in Water</li> <li>✓ Determination of Hardness in Water Sample</li> </ul>		
5	28/06/2024	<ul> <li>Determination of Biological Oxygen Demand in Water</li> </ul>		
6	29/06/2024	✓ Determination of Dissolved Oxygen in Water		
7	30/06/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Chemical Oxygen Demand in Water</li> </ul>	-	
8	01/07/2024	✓ Determination of Chloride in Water Samples	Morning Session	Evening Session
		$\checkmark$ Determination of Residual Chlorine in Water	(9:30 am -1:30 pm)	(2:00 -6:00 pm)
9	02/07/2024	✓ Determination of Sulphates in Water		
10	03/07/2024	✓ Determination of Phosphate in Water		
11	04/07/2024	✓ Determination of Nitrate Nitrogen in water sample	-	
12	05/07/2024	✓ Determination of Nitrite Nitrogen in water sample		
13	06/07/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Fluoride in Water</li> </ul>		
14	07/07/2024	✓ Determination of Oil and Grease in Water		

### Science w.e.f 08<sup>th</sup>July 2024 to 21<sup>st</sup>July 2024

### <u>(Fourth Batch)</u>

Day	Date	Venue: Department of Environmental Science, Dr YSP UI Practical exercise	Theory	Hand on
,			,	Exercises/ Lab Practical
1	22/07/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of minimum size of the quadrat by 'species-area-curve' method</li> </ul>		
2	23/07/2024	<ul> <li>Determination of frequency of species by line transect method and point frame method</li> <li>Determination of Relative Density, Frequency and Abundance of different species present in community</li> </ul>		
3	24/07/2024	<ul> <li>and calculation of IVI</li> <li>✓ Measures of central tendency, dispersion, skewness and kurtosis</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>✓ Correlation and regression analysis; analysis of variance</li> </ul>		
4	25/07/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of standing crop and biomass in Terrestrial ecosystem</li> </ul>	Morning Session	Evening Session
5	26/07/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Study on the abiotic and biotic components of an aquatic ecosystem</li> </ul>	(9:30 am -1:30 pm)	(2:00 -6:00 pm)
6	27/07/2024	<ul> <li>Estimation of net primary productivity by harvest method in grassland ecosystem</li> </ul>		
7	28/07/2024	<ul> <li>Estimation of net primary productivity using light and dark bottle method in aquatic ecosystem</li> </ul>		
8	29/07/2024	<ul> <li>Estimation of biodiversity indices</li> <li>Weather monitoring and data analysis</li> </ul>		
9	30/07/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Study on soil profile and physical characteristics of soil</li> </ul>		
10	31/07/2024	✓ Determination of soil organic carbon		
11	01/08/2024	✓ Determination of available Nitrogen in soil		
12	02/08/2024	<ul> <li>Preparation of climatic maps and diagram</li> <li>Identification of Igneous, Sedimentary and Metamorphic rocks</li> </ul>		
13	03/08/2024	✓ Determination of soil moisture content		
14	04/08/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of soil pH and electrical conductivity</li> <li>✓ Preparation of station based wind rose</li> </ul>		
		✓ Arial photographs interpretations		

# Science w.e.f <u>22<sup>nd</sup>July 2024 to 04<sup>th</sup> August 2024</u>

Day	Date	Practical Exercise	Theory	Hand on Exercises/ Lab Practical
1	05/08/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Electrical Conductance of a Water Sample</li> </ul>		
2	06/08/2024	✓ Determination of pH of a Water Sample		
3	07/08/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Turbidity in Water</li> </ul>	-	
4	08/08/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Total Solids and Total Dissolved Solids in Water</li> <li>✓ Determination of Hardness in Water Sample</li> </ul>		
5	09/08/2024	<ul> <li>Determination of Biological Oxygen Demand in Water</li> </ul>	-	
6	10/08/2024	✓ Determination of Dissolved Oxygen in Water		
7	11/08/2024	<ul> <li>Determination of Chemical Oxygen Demand in Water</li> </ul>		
8	12/08/2024	✓ Determination of Chloride in Water Samples	Morning Session	<b>Evening Session</b>
		✓ Determination of Residual Chlorine in Water	(9:30 am -1:30 pm)	(2:00 -6:00 pm)
9	13/08/2024	✓ Determination of Sulphates in Water		
10	14/08/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Phosphate in Water</li> </ul>	-	
11	15/08/2024	✓ Determination of Nitrate Nitrogen in water sample	-	
12	16/08/2024	<ul> <li>✓ Determination of Nitrite Nitrogen in water sample</li> </ul>		
13	17/08/2024	✓ Determination of Fluoride in Water		
14	18/08/2024	✓ Determination of Oil and Grease in Water		