Ph.D Course Work Syllabus

Dept. of Biotechnology,

Bodoland University

Distribution Pattern (60 + 20+20=100)

Final Exam (60 marks) + Seminar/ Unit Test (20 Marks) + Assignment (20 Marks)=100 marks

Name of the Papers	Paper code
Research Methodology & Biostatistics	1.01
Modern trends in Biotechnology	1.02
Information and Communication Technology,	1.03
Bioinformatics and application	
Optional Papers	1.04
Research and Publication ethics	1.05

Paper-1.01
Research Methodology and Biostatistics

Unit-1	Introduction to Research Methodology	Marks
	i) Research: What is Research? Reflection, Science and	20
	Research , Basic and Applied Research, Essential steps in	
	Research.	
	ii) Literature Collection: Need for review of literature, Review	
	process and bibliography, Research Reading, Discriminative	
	Reading, Consulting Source Material, Working Bibliography,	
	Index Card and Reference Card.	
	iii) Literature Citation: Introduction, different system of Citing	
	References	
	iv) Research Methodology: An Introduction Meaning of	
	Research, Objectives of Research, Motivation in Research	
	,Types of Research ,Research Approaches ,Significance of	
	Research, Research Methods versus Methodology, Research	
	and Scientific Method ,Importance of Knowing How	
	Research is Done ,Research Process, Criteria of Good	
	Research, Problems Encountered by Researchers in India.	
	v) Defining the Research Problem: Defining Research	

Problem, Selecting the Problem ,Necessity of Defining the	
Problem ,Technique Involved in Defining a Problem ,An	
Illustration Conclusion .	

- 1) Research Methodolaogy. Methods and Techniques. Second Revised Edition. By C.R. Kothari. New Age International Publication.
- 2) Research Methodology for Biological Sciences. By N. Gurumani. MJP. Publishers.
- 3) Scientific Thesis Writing and Paper Presentation. By N. Gurumani. MJP Publishers

UNIT	Use of Statistical tools in Biological Research	20
II	i. Research Design/ Experimental Design: Meaning of Research	
	Design, Need for Research Design, Features of a Good Design,	
	Important Concepts Relating to Research Design, Different	
	Research Designs, Basic Principles of Experimental Designs,	
	Conclusion., Developing a Research Plan	
	ii. Sampling Design Census and Sample Survey, Implications of a	
	Sample Design, Steps in Sampling Design, Criteria of Selecting	
	a Sampling Procedure, Characteristics of a Good Sample Design,	
	Different Types of Sample Designs, How to Select a Random	
	Sample? Random Sample from an Infinite Universe, Complex	
	Random Sampling Designs, Conclusion.	
	iii. Methods of Data Collection Collection of Primary Data,	
	Observation Method, Interview Method, Collection of Data	
	through Questionnaires, Collection of Data through Schedules,	
	Difference between Questionnaires and Schedules, Some Other	
	Methods of Data Collection, Collection of Secondary Data.	
	iv. Processing and Analysis of Data: Processing Operations, Some	
	Problems in Processing, Elements/Types of Analysis, Statistics	
	in Research, Measures of Central Tendency, Measures of	
	Dispersion, Measures of Asymmetry (Skewness), Measures of	
	Relationship, Simple Regression Analysis, Multiple Correlation	
	and Regression, Partial Correlation, Association in Case of	
	Attributes, Other Measures.	

- v. Testing of Hypotheses-I (Parametric or Standard Tests of Hypotheses) What is a Hypothesis? Basic Concepts Concerning Testing of Hypotheses, Procedure for Hypothesis Testing, Flow Diagram for Hypothesis Testing, Measuring the Power of a Hypothesis Test, Tests of Hypotheses, Important Parametric Tests, Hypothesis Testing of Means, Hypothesis Testing for Differences between Means, Hypothesis Testing for Comparing Two Related Samples, Hypothesis Testing of Proportions, Hypothesis Testing for Difference between Proportions, Hypothesis Testing for Comparing a Variance to Some Hypothesized Population Variance, Testing the Equality of Variances of Two Normal Populations, Hypothesis Testing of Correlation Coefficients, Limitations of the Tests of Hypotheses.
- vi. Testing of Hypotheses-II (Nonparametric or Distribution-free Tests) Important Nonparametric or Distribution-free Test, Relationship between Spearman's r's and Kendall's W, Characteristics of Distribution-free or Non-parametric Tests, Conclusion.
- vii. Interpretation and Report Writing Meaning of Interpretation, Why Interpretation?, Technique of Interpretation, Precaution in Interpretation, Significance of Report Writing, Different Steps in Writing Report, Layout of the Research Report, Types of Reports, Oral Presentation, Mechanics of Writing a Research Report, Precautions for Writing Research Reports, Conclusions.
- viii. Basics of Intellectual Property Right (IPR): Type of IPR, IPR in India., IP in Animal and Plant Science, IPR Regime and Technology Advancement. IPR in context to Genetic Resource for food and agriculture., Patentable and Non patentable invention, Drafting and prosecution of Patent application in India, Infringement of Patent and Relief. Commercialization of patents through technology transfer workshops., QTL and its application for genetic improvement in livestock in IPR Era, Traditional knowledge system and IPR, Biodiversity and

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ix. Essentials in Statistics: Classification of Data and Graphical Representation of Data, Test of Significance, Student's 't' test, Chi- Square test, Correlation and Regression, Binomilal and Poisson Distribution, Normal Distribution, F-test, Z-test, Analysis of Variance., Probability.

Books:

- 1) Research Methodolaogy. Methods and Techniques. Second Revised Edition. By C.R. Kothari. New Age International Publication.
- 2) Research Methodology for Biological Sciences. By N. Gurumani. MJP. Publishers
- 3) Methods in Biostatistics: For medical students and Research Workers. B.K.Mahajan. Jaypee Publishers.
- 4) Introduction to Biostatistics. Pranab Kumar Banerjee. S. Chand
- 5) Statistical Methods: By S.P Gupta. Educational Publishers New Delhi.
- 6) Basic Biostatistics. Suresh Kumar and Satya Veeri . Campus Books International Publishers.

UNIT III	Instrumentation and Biological Research	20
	 Laboratory Safety, Sterilization & Disinfection, Microscopy, Centrifugation, pH and pH meter, Chromatography, Electrophoresis, Colorimetry and Spectrophotometry, Photography, ELISA, RIA Immunodiagnostic Methods, Radioisotopes, Methods of Environmental analysis like Molecular Luminescence Methods, Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy, Organ Ablation/ Surgical 	
	Techniques. 3) Preparation of reagents and different parameters associated with it like Normality, Molality, Molarity, Formality etc 4) Management of Laboratory Animals.	

- 1) Research Methodology for Biological Sciences. By N. Gurumani. MJP. Publishers
- 2) Biotechniques. Theory & Practice. S.V.S. RANA. Rastogi Publication.

3) An Introduction to Electrophoresis. By K. Anbalagan	
4) Basic Cell Culture: J.M. Davis	
ASSIGNMENT:	20
a) Research Project Proposal Writing	
b) Presentation of Research Finding	
	20
UNIT TEST/ SEMINAR	
	100

Paper-1.02

Modern Trends in Biotechnology

Unit-1:	Environmental Biotechnology:	Marks
	Concept of Biodiversity, Biodiversity at local, national and	20
	global level. Values of Biodiversity, measurement of	
	biodiversity, threats to biodiversity, man animal conflict,	
	genetic resources in animal and plant sciences in national	
	context, global biodiversity strategy and its significance for	
	sustainable agriculture, useful genes and their prospects of	
	utilization through biotechnology, Convention on biological	
	diversity. Biotechnology, Biodiversity and IPR, in-situ and	
	ex-situ conservation, gene bank, Ramsar sites, sustainable	
	development, Environmental Impact Assessment. Radiation	
	Biology (Crompton effect, Auger effect, radiation effect on	
	subcellular system, loss of reproductive ability in cells,	
	effect on cell cycle, Effect on repair and recovery, acute	
	radiation damage, late somatic effect, radiation	
	therapy). Water purification, Rehabilitation of Natural Water	
	Bodies, Bioassay methods in context to assessment of water	
	quality, Water and its properties with special reference to	
	North East India., Cycling of Nutrients in water systems,	
	Enhanced reproductive technologies in sericulture, Algal	

Biomass estimation, Nygaard's Algal Indices, Palmer's Algal Pollution Indices, Species diversity indices, Sequential Comparison indices, waste water treatment plants, Biological Waste treatments, establishment of water monitoring laboratory. World Energy Resource Consumption Conservation. and Cryopreservation, Bioprospecting, Production of Primary and Secondary Metabolites. Production of biofertilizers, biological control of pests, pathogen and weeds, Single Cell Protein, Biofuels, Microbial Enhancement of Oil Recovery (MEOR), Conversion of Wood mass, Bioremediation, biodegradation, Removals of metal from water, biomining.

Books:

- 1) Biological Radiation Effects: By Jurgen Kiefer.
- 2) Biodiversity. By K.C. Agarwal. Agro Botanica
- 3) Potential and Existing Ramsar Sites in India. By M. Zafar-Ul-Islam and Asad R. Rahmani.
- 4) Chemical and Biological Methods for water pollution studies. By R.K.Trivedy & P.K.Goel.
- 5) Environmental Chemistry. By Anil Kumar De. New Age International Publication.
- 6) Biotechnology. By V. Kumaresan. Saras Publication

Unit-II: Genetic Engineering and Molecular Biology Enzyme technology, Cloning system, production of transgenic plant for fungal, bacterial and viral disease resistance, drought and other abiotic stress resistance; quality parameters, nutraceuticals, edible vaccines, application of RNAi technology. Microbial pyramiding and production of enzymes, regulation of enzyme biosynthesis, extraction of enzymes. Gene cloning vectors, construction of recombinant DNA, transfer of recombinant DNA to competent cells, expression of cloned genes, Genetically Engineered Microorganisms(GEMOs), Operon Concept, Risk of Releasing Genetically engineered Organisms, DNA finger printing and DNA Foot Printing, Germplasm Storage.

Plasmid, IS Element, Transposons and Retroelements, multigene families, phenotypic expression of gene, post translational modification of protein, Regulation of gene action in Bacteria and Viruses, Regulation of gene action in Eukaryotes

Books:

- 1) Biotechnology. By V. Kumaresan. Saras Publication.
- 2) Molecular Biology. By P.S Verma and V.K Agarwal. S. Chand Publication

Unit-III: Microbiology, Probiotics and Food Biotechnology History and Scope of Microbiology, microbial nutrition, growth and control, microbial metabolism, viruses, non specific resistance and the immune response, microbial disease and their control, frmentation microbiology. Probiotics, prebiotics and functional foods, WHO guidelines for probiotics and functional foods, bioactive peptides, safety of probiotics Nutragenomics. Cereal Technology, Post harvest loss of cereal grains, processing of cereals. Legume Technology, decortications, germination, fermentation, agglomeration, toxic factors in legume.Oil Seed Technology, Extraction of oil, special treatment for edible oil, Harvesting, caring and shelling, processed productFruit and vegetable technology, Ripening of fruits, control of post harvest diseases, commercial storage operation, prepackaging operations, processing and preservation, Dairy Technology, Flesh Food Technology, Food additives, Extruded Foods, Food Irradiation, Packaging Technology.

- 1) Food Processing and Preservation.By G. Subbulakshmi, Shoba A Udipi, New Age International Publication
- 2) Prescott, Harley and Klein's Microbiology. By Joanne M. Willey, Linda M. Sherwood, Christopher J. Woolverton

ASSIGNMENT	20
Hands on technique/ sensitization of applied Biotechnology/ Bamboo	
Technology/Fermentation Technology	

UNIT &	SEMINAR	20
		100

Paper-1.03
Information and Communication Technology, Bioinformatics and their application.

UNIT-1	Information and Communication Technology	Marks
	Basic Concepts, Using the Computer and Managing Files,	20
	Word Processing, Databases, Graphics (Paint and	
	Presentation), Information and Communication, Patents and	
	ICT, Desktop Publishing, Data and its existence in	
	multimedia form, characteristics of data, information and	
	knowledge, Data gathering and evaluation methods, OMR,	
	OCR, MICR, data transmission and reception.	
UNIT-II	Fundamentals of computers	20
	History of computing, classification of computers,	
	characteristics of a computer, components of computer,	
	storage devices, connection systems, Binary number system,	
	software and its classification, procedural oriented language,	
	Object oriented programming language, compiler assembler	
	and interpreter, operating system, and their kinds, DOS,	
	WINDOS, Windows user interface system, Windows file	
	management system, Data communication and Computer	
	networks, Programming Language, Introduction to C, C++,	
	Oracle, JAVA, VISUAL BASIC, RDBMS, HTML,	
	Introduction to Networking, Standard Network Models,	
	Network categories, Network data delivery, Network media	
	and Hardware, Remote networking, Network data storage,	
	Network operating systems.	
Unit-III:	Bioinformatics	20

Introduction to Bioinformatics, Its scopes and application, Internet and Bioinformatics, Knowledge discovery and Data Mining in Bioinformatics, Introduction to programming languages used in bioinformatics like PERL, BioPerl, Bio Java etc. Database concept, Types of Databases, Codd Rules, Data Normalization, Biological Databases, Data mining and Sequence Analysis, Database similarity search, Phylogenetic analysis, Submitting sequence in data bases. Sequence annotation, Structural Bioinformatics, Proteomic Data Analysis, Cheminformatics in biology, bioinformatics in the pharmaceutical industry and Drug designing, Sequence database searching for similar sequence, phylogenetic prediction, Prediction of RNA secondary structure, Gene prediction and regulation, Protein c;assification and structure prediction, Genome analysis. Techniques of comparison, Analysis packages, Immunotechnology, Domain Assignment and Searching, Comparative Protein modeling and Molecular Docking, Proteomics and Phenology. Genomic DNA, cDNA, rDNA, EST, GSS., PubMed, BioMed Central, Public Library of Science(PloS), CiteXplore. Sequence homology, identy and similarity, PAM and BLOSUM series, matrix derivation method and principles, Concept of sequence alignment, Needleman and Wunsch, Smith and Waterman algorithms.

- 1) Bioinformatics Sequence and Genome Analysis. By David W. Mount.CBS Publishers & Distributors(Pvt.) Ltd.
- 2) Bioinformatics. Concepts, Skills and Applications. By S.C. Rastogi, Namita Mendiratta, Parag Rastogi.
- 3) Molecular Modeling. Basic Principles and Application. By H.D.Holtje, W.Sippl, D. Rognan, G.Folkers.WILEY-VCH GmbH & Co.KGaA
- 4) Bioinformatics. A modern Approach. By Vittal R. Srinivas. Prentice Hall of India private limited.
- 5) A Tectbook of Bioinformaticss. By C. Subramanian.Dominant Publishers and Distributors

ASSIGNMENT	20
Networking/ Web Designing/ Bioprogramming/ Animation.	
UNIT & SEMINAR	
	100

Paper-1.04 Optional Papers

Sl No	Name of the Optional Papers
1	Bamboo Technology and Utilization of bamboo
2	Environmental Biotechnology and Bioresource
3	Genetic Engineering and Molecular Biology
4	Biochemistry
5	Microbiology and Food Biotechnology

Bamboo Technology and Utilization of bamboo	MARKS
UNIT-1 Geographical distribution of Bamboo in India with special reference to its biodiversity, in the north east region. Geographical Information System (GIS): Basic -Principles of GIS; History of GIS; GIS Objectives:, Basic components of GIS: Hardware, Software, Data, people and Methods; Information domain: spatial and Non-spatial; Data Models: Vector Data Model and Raster Data Model; Data products, Data layers coverage and Entry; Attribute data attachment; Query and analysis; Spatial analysis; Creating a thematic map. Bamboo anatomy	15
UNIT-II	15
Taxonomy of Bamboo: identification and characterization. Concept of priority	
species and selection criteria. Ecological function of Bamboo and its role in	
soil and water conservation Exotic species introduction and its role in	
bamboo economy.	
UNIT-III	15
Propagation of Bamboo .Cutting techniques of culm, sucker and rhizomes Vegetative Multiplication Centre (VMC). Nursery bed preparation, sapling establishment and transplantation technique, plantation strategy, field evaluation.Fertilizer: Role of fertilizer and irrigation	
UNIT-IV	15
Concept of Tissue Culture infrastructure facilities, micro-propagation	
technique, macro proliferation. Concept of Green house, net house and poly	
house and their utility. Bamboo breeding and Cytogenetics. Conservation	

Strategies.		
ASSIGNMENT	20	
UNIT & SEMINAR	20	
Environmental Biotechnology and Bioresource	MARKS	
UNIT-I Concept of Biodiversity, Biodiversity at local, national and global level. Values of Biodiversity, measurement of biodiversity, threats to biodiversity, man animal conflict, genetic resources in animal and plant sciences in national context, global biodiversity strategy and its significance for sustainable agriculture, useful genes and their prospects of utilization through biotechnology, Convention on biological diversity	15	
UNIT-II Biotechnology, Biodiversity and IPR, in-situ and ex-situ conservation, gene	15	
bank, Ramsar sites, sustainable development, Environmental Impact		
Assessment. Radiation Biology (Crompton effect, Auger effect, radiation		
effect on subcellular system, loss of reproductive ability in cells, effect on cell		
cycle, Effect on repair and recovery, acute radiation damage, late somatic		
effect, radiation therapy).		
UNIT-III.	15	
Water purification, Rehabilitation of Natural Water Bodies, Bioassay methods		
in context to assessment of water quality, Water and its properties with special		
reference to North East India., Cycling of Nutrients in water systems,		
Enhanced reproductive technologies in sericulture, Algal Biomass estimation,		
Nygaard's Algal Indices, Palmer's Algal Pollution Indices, Species diversity		
indices, Sequential Comparison indices, waste water treatment plants,		
Biological Waste treatments, establishment of water monitoring laboratory.		
World Energy Resource - Consumption and Conservation		
UNIT-IV	15	
Cryopreservation, Bioprospecting, Production of Primary and Secondary		
Metabolites. Production of biofertilizers, biological control of pests, pathogen		
and weeds, Single Cell Protein, Biofuels, Microbial Enhancement of Oil		
Recovery (MEOR), Conversion of Wood mass, Bioremediation,		
biodegradation, Removals of metal from water, biomining.		

Genetic Engineering and Molecular Biology	MARKS	
Unit-I Genome and its Organization	6	
Nuclear Genome, Chloroplast Genome, Mitochondrial Genome, Prokaryotic		
and Eukaryotic genome. Multigene family, various Psedogenome, Viral		
genome, transcriptome,		
UNIT-II Recombinant DNA and gene Splicing	6	
Conventional Genetic Recombination, Restriction Enzymes, Vectors, Probing		
and Cloning, Detection and selection of C;lones., Harvesting Recombinant		
DNA Biotechnology for Public Health Engineering like production of		
Insulin, Interferon, Somatostatin, Human Growth Hormone Somatostatin,		
vaccines		
UNIT -III Monoclonal Antibody and Hybridoma Cells	6	
Antigen-Antibody reaction, Hybridomas and preparation of Monoclonal		
Antibodies, Lymphokines, Application and Utility		
UNIT-IV Methods of Gene Transfer	6	
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genetic Elements, Direct transformation. DNA transfer in Protoplast		
UNIT-V Tool of Molecular Biology and Molecular Markers	6	
Blotting Techniques, DNA sequencing, Cell Fractionation, FISH, genomic		
Libaray, Restriction Enzymes, RFLP, RAPD, AFLP, SNP, Microsatellite,		
Minisatellite		
UNIT -VI Stem Cell Biology and Regenerative Medicines	6	
Introduction to stem cells, Reprogramming of somatic cells, Application of		
iPS technology to Regenerative medicines. Developmental hematopoiesis,		
Epigenetic regulation of stem cell fate, Cryopreservation of cells, Cord blood		
banking and Long term storage of stem cells, FACS and its application,		
Neural stem cell and differentiation, Bone and Cartilage biology, Embryonic		
stem cells, Cancer stem cells.		
UNIT-VII Nanobiotechnology	6	
Introduction, definition and historical evolution, types of nano materials,		
Properties and characterization, Application of nanobiotechnology.		
UNIT-VII Enzyme Technology	6	

Source of Enzyme, Enzyme extraction and Purification, Enzyme	
Immobilization, Biocatalysts reactors	
UNIT-VIII Gene Expression	6
Transcription, Translation, Regulation of gene expression in prokaryotes and	
Eukaryotes, Operon Concept, Alteration in genetic materials (mutation).	
Standard Reporter System	
UNIT –IX	6
PCR, Its Types and Application, LCR, Antisense RNA technology, RNA	
interference, Ribozymes, Labelling of genome.	
UNIT-X Intellectual Property Rights	6
ASSIGNMENT	20
UNIT & SEMINAR	20
	100





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प्रो. रजनीश जैन सचिव Prof. Rajnish Jain

Secretary

D.O.No.F.1-1/2018(Journal/CARE)

December, 2019

Respected Sir/Madam,

University Grants Commission in its 543rd meeting held on 9th August, 2019 approved two Credit Courses for awareness about publication ethics and publication misconducts entitled "Research and Publication Ethics (RPE)" to be made compulsory for all Ph.D. students for pre-registration course work (attached as Annexure).

In view of the above, you are requested to ensure that the above two Credit courses may be made compulsory for all Ph.D. students for pre-registration course work undertaken in your University from the forthcoming academic session.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Rajnish Jain)

TO THE VICE-CHANCELLORS OF ALL UNIVERSITIES

Course Title:

• Research and Publication Ethics (RPE)-Course for awareness about the publication ethics and publication misconducts.

Course Level:

• 2 Credit course (30 hrs.)

Eligibility:

• M.Phil., Ph.D. students and interested faculty members (It will be made available to post graduate students at later date)

Fees:

• As per University Rules

Faculty:

Interdisciplinary Studies

Qualifications of faculty members of the course:

• Ph.D. in relevant subject areas having more than 10 years' of teaching experience

About the course

Course Code: CPE-RPE

Overview

This course has total 6 units focusing on basics of philosophy of science and ethics, research integrity, publication ethics. Hands-on-sessions are designed to identify research misconduct and predatory publications. Indexing and citation databases, open access publications, research metrics (citations, h-index, Impact Factor, etc.) and plagiarism tools will be introduced in this course.

Pedagogy:

Class room teaching, guest lectures, group discussions, and practical sessions.

Evaluation

• Continuous assessment will be done through tutorials, assignments, quizzes, and group discussions. Weightage will be given for active participation. Final written examination will be conducted at the end of the course.

Course structure

• The course comprises of six modules listed in table below. Each module has 4-5 units.

Modules	Unit title	Teaching hours
Theory		
RPE 01	Philosophy and Ethics	4
RPE 02	Scientific Conduct	4
RPE 03	Publication Ethics	7
Practice		
RPE 04	Open Access Publishing	4
RPE 05	Publication Misconduct	4
RPE 06	Databases and Research Metrics	7
	Total	30

Syllabus in detail

THEORY

- RPE 01: PHILOSOPHY AND ETHICS (3 hrs.)
 - 1. Introduction to philosophy: definition, nature and scope, concept, branches
 - 2. Ethics: definition, moral philosophy, nature of moral judgements and reactions
- RPE 02: SCIENTIFICCONDUCT (5hrs.)
 - 1. Ethics with respect to science and research
 - 2. Intellectual honesty and research integrity
 - 3. Scientific misconducts: Falsification, Fabrication, and Plagiarism (FFP)
 - 4. Redundant publications: duplicate and overlapping publications, salami slicing
 - 5. Selective reporting and misrepresentation of data
- RPE 03: PUBLICATION ETHICS (7 hrs.)
 - 1. Publication ethics: definition, introduction and importance
 - 2. Best practices / standards setting initiatives and guidelines: COPE, WAME, etc.
 - 3. Conflicts of interest
 - 4. Publication misconduct: definition, concept, problems that lead to unethical behavior and vice versa, types
 - 5. Violation of publication ethics, authorship and contributorship
 - 6. Identification of publication misconduct, complaints and appeals
 - 7. Predatory publishers and journals

PRACTICE

• RPE 04: OPEN ACCESS PUBLISHING(4 hrs.)

- 1. Open access publications and initiatives
- 2. SHERPA/RoMEO online resource to check publisher copyright & self-archiving policies
- 3. Software tool to identify predatory publications developed by SPPU
- 4. Journal finder / journal suggestion tools viz. JANE, Elsevier Journal Finder, Springer Journal Suggester, etc.

RPE 05: PUBLICATION MISCONDUCT (4hrs.)

A. Group Discussions (2 hrs.)

- 1. Subject specific ethical issues, FFP, authorship
- 2. Conflicts of interest
- 3. Complaints and appeals: examples and fraud from India and abroad

B. Software tools (2 hrs.)

Use of plagiarism software like Turnitin, Urkund and other open source software tools

• RPE 06: DATABASES AND RESEARCH METRICS (7hrs.)

A. Databases (4 hrs.)

- 1. Indexing databases
- 2. Citation databases: Web of Science, Scopus, etc.

B. Research Metrics (3 hrs.)

- 1. Impact Factor of journal as per Journal Citation Report, SNIP, SJR, IPP, Cite Score
- 2. Metrics: h-index, g index, i10 index, altmetrics

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National Academy of Sciences, National Academy of Engineering and Institute of Medicine. (2009). On Being a Scientist: A Guide to Responsible Conduct in Research: Third Edition. National Academies Press.

Resnik, D. B. (2011). What is ethics in research & why is it important. National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, 1–10. Retrieved from https://www.niehs.nih.gov/research/resources/bioethics/whatis/index.cfm Beall, J. (2012). Predatory publishers are corrupting open access. Nature, 489(7415), 179–179. https://doi.org/10.1038/489179a

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