Objectives

• This part of the syllabus helps the students to understand the ethical, social, legal aspects in biology and bio containment

Unit 1: Bioethics

(8hrs)

- Bioethics legal and socioeconomic impacts
- ethical concerns of biological research and innovation,
- Bioethics committees and guidelines for biosafety, stem cell research, RCGM

Unit 2: Intellectual Property Rights

(10hrs)

Intellectual property rights-Definition, Types

- Patent
- Copyright
- Trade mark
- Trade Related Aspects in Intellectual Property(TRIPS)
- General Agreement on Tariffs and Trades (GATT)
- Plant Breeders Rights (PBR)
- World Trade Organization (WTO)

Unit 3: Patents and Patent Laws

(10hrs)

- Patenting laws-Legal development
- Patentable subjects and protection in biology
- The patenting of living organisms

Unit 4: Biosafety

(10hrs)

- GLP Containment facilities
- Biosafety levels Genetically modified organisms and its release
- Genetically modified foods

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- Biosafety guidelines in India
- International guidelines

Unit 5: Biodiversity

(9hrs)

- Elements of Biodiversity
- Ecosystem Diversity
- Genetic Diversity
- Species Abundance & Diversity

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