



<b>Department of Biotechnology</b>	LP: OE22201
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UG Specialisation : Except Biotechnology	Date: 21.01.2025
Sub. Code / Sub. Name : OE22201/ Biomass Conversion and Biorefinery	
Unit : I	

**Unit Syllabus: INTRODUCTION TO BIOMASS****9 hours**

Virgin biomass production and selection; Waste biomass; Dedicated energy crops; Annual crops; Perennial herbaceous crops; Short rotation woody crops; Oil crops and their biorefinery potential; Microalgae as feedstock for biofuels; Enhancing biomass properties for biofuels, Challenges in conversion.

**OBJECTIVE:** To provide an insight into biomass, their structure and composition.

Session No *	Topics to be covered	Ref	Teaching Aids
1.	Virgin biomass production and selection	T1 (91-136)	BB & LCD
2.	Waste biomass	T1 (137-158)	BB & LCD
3.	Dedicated energy crops	T4 (61-68)	BB & LCD
4.	Annual crops and Perennial herbaceous crops	T4 (69-72)	BB & LCD
5.	Short rotation woody crops	T4 (73-78)	BB & LCD
6.	Oil crops and their biorefinery potential	T4 (47-60)	BB & LCD
7.	Microalgae as feedstock for biofuels	T4 (79-90)	BB & LCD
8.	Enhancing biomass properties for biofuels	T3 (457-475)	BB & LCD
9.	Challenges in conversion	T1 (550-551)	BB & LCD
<b>Content beyond syllabus covered (if any): Nil</b>			

\* Session duration: 50 minutes



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Unit : II

**Unit Syllabus: BIOREFINERY AND BIOMASS PRE-TREATMENT 9 hours**

Basic concept, types of biorefineries, biorefinery feedstocks and properties, economics; Barriers in lignocellulosic biomass conversion, pre-treatment technologies such as acid, alkali, autohydrolysis, hybrid methods, role of pre-treatment in the biorefinery concept.

**OBJECTIVE:** To understand various biomass pretreatment methods for effective biofuel production.

Session No *	Topics to be covered	Ref	Teaching Aids
10.	Basic concept of biorefineries	T4 (3-15)	BB & LCD
11.	Types of biorefineries	T4 (15-26)	BB & LCD
12.	Biorefinery feedstocks and properties, economics	T3 (71-88)	BB & LCD
13.	Barriers in lignocellulosic biomass conversion,	T3 (261-291)	BB & LCD
14.	Pre-treatment technologies - acid	T4 (91-110)	BB & LCD
15.	Pre-treatment technologies - alkali	T4 (91-110)	BB & LCD
16.	Pre-treatment technologies - autohydrolysis	T4 (91-110)	BB & LCD
17.	Pre-treatment technologies - hybrid methods	T4 (91-110)	BB & LCD
18.	Role of pre-treatment in the biorefinery concept	T3 (213-231)	BB & LCD
<b>Content beyond syllabus covered (if any):</b> Nil			

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Unit : III

**Unit Syllabus: CONVERSION PROCESSES 9 hours**

Physical and Thermal Conversion Processes: Types, fundamentals, equipments and applications; thermal conversion products, commercial success stories; Microbial Conversion Process: Types, fundamentals, equipments and applications, products, commercial success stories.

**OBJECTIVE:** To study about various conversion technologies such as physical, chemical and microbial.

Session No *	Topics to be covered	Ref	Teaching Aids
19.	Physical Conversion Processes: Types, fundamentals, equipment and applications	T1(159-175)	BB & LCD
20.	Physical Conversion Processes: Types, fundamentals, equipment and applications	T1(175-182)	BB & LCD
21.	Physical conversion: products, commercial success stories	T1(182-190)	BB & LCD
22.	Thermal Conversion Processes: Types, fundamentals, equipment and applications	T1 (191-224)	Video lecture & LCD
23.	Thermal Conversion Processes: Types, fundamentals, equipment and applications	T1 (225-240)	BB & LCD
24.	Thermal conversion: products, commercial success stories	T1 (271-280)	BB & LCD
25.	Microbial Conversion Process: Types, fundamentals, equipment and applications	T1 (445-456)	BB & LCD
26.	Microbial Conversion Process: Types, fundamentals, equipment and applications	T1 (457-470)	BB & LCD
27.	Microbial Conversion: products, commercial success stories.	T1 (470-482)	BB & LCD
<b>Content beyond syllabus covered (if any): Nil</b>			

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Unit : IV

**Unit Syllabus: BIOFUELS****9 hours**

Biodiesel: Diesel from vegetable oils, microalgae and syngas; transesterification; FT process, catalysts; biodiesel purification, fuel properties; Biooil and Biochar: Factors affecting biooil, biochar production, fuel properties, biooil upgradation; Bioethanol and Biobutanol: Corn ethanol, lignocellulosic ethanol, microorganisms for fermentation, current industrial ethanol production technology

**OBJECTIVE:** To know about various products such as biofuels, platform chemicals, polymers etc.

Session No *	Topics to be covered	Ref	Teaching Aids
28.	Biodiesel: Diesel from vegetable oils, transesterification; FT process, catalysts;	T3 (141-163)	BB & LCD
29.	Microalgae and syngas;	T3 (123-139)	GCR / BB & LCD
30.	Biodiesel purification, fuel properties;	T4 (205-234)	BB & LCD
31.	Biooil and Biochar: Factors affecting biooil, biochar production,	T2 (380-385)	BB & LCD
32.	Fuel properties, biooil upgradation	T2 (380-385)	BB & LCD
33.	Bioethanol and Biobutanol: Corn ethanol	T3 (185-198)	GCR / BB & LCD
34.	Bioethanol and Biobutanol: lignocellulosic ethanol,	T3 (261-291)	BB & LCD
35.	Microorganisms for fermentation,	T3 (293-310)	BB & LCD
36.	Current industrial ethanol production technology	T3 (311-330)	BB & LCD
<b>Content beyond syllabus covered (if any): Nil</b>			

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Unit : V

**Unit Syllabus: INTEGRATED BIOREFINERY**

**9 hours**

Concept, corn/soybean/sugarcane biorefinery, lignocellulosic biorefinery, aquaculture and algal biorefinery, waste biorefinery, hybrid chemical and biological conversion processes, techno-economic evaluation, life-cycle assessment.

**OBJECTIVE:** To get knowledge on integrated biorefineries and type of biorefinery



Session No *	Topics to be covered	Ref	Teaching Aids
37.	Concept - corn/soybean biorefinery	T4 (27-46)	GCR / BB & LCD
38.	Concept - sugarcane biorefinery	T4 (27-46)	BB & LCD
39.	Lignocellulosic biorefinery	T3 (261-291)	BB & LCD
40.	Aquaculture and algal biorefinery	R1 (95-115)	BB & LCD
41.	Waste biorefinery	T1 (137-151)	BB & LCD
42.	Hybrid chemical conversion processes	T1 (547-591)	GCR / BB & LCD
43.	Hybrid biological conversion processes	T1 (547-591)	BB & LCD
44.	Techno- economic evaluation	T2 (29-46)	BB & LCD
45.	Life-cycle assessment	T2 (29-46)	BB & LCD

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