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Introduction to Agricultural Engineering

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Objective

To enable the students to have basic idea on different agricultural engineering applications and the machinery involved in different farm operations, post-harvest and allied activities

Theory

Agricultural Engineering as a discipline; Major divisions of Agricultural Engineering; Importance of Agricultural Engineering for today's agriculture; Different sectors of employment for Agricultural Engineers; Scope of research and higher studies in Agricultural Engineering in India and abroad.

Farm mechanization needs and strategy; Classification of farm machinery on the basis of unit operations; Principles of selection of machinery for different sizes of land and matching power sources; Different types of equipment for tillage, sowing, planting and transplanting, fertilizer application, weed control, plant protection; Harvesting and threshing equipment for rice, wheat, maize, cotton, sugarcane, fruits, tuber crops and other locally important crops; Functions and capabilities of tractor and power tillers; Introduction to the IC engine systems, fuel and air supply systems, cooling and lubricating systems, and electrical systems in a tractor; Basic parts of a power tiller; Hitching system.

Introduction to renewable energy systems; Types of biogas plants, Types of solar energy collectors; Solar water heating systems, solar dryers, solar photovoltaic systems; Wind mills and their different parts.

Importance of soil and water conservation; Different agronomic measures for control of water erosion, mixed cropping, crop rotation, tillage practices, mulching; Different engineering measures; gully control measures.

Use of topographical survey and contour maps.

Different types of water harvesting structures.

Introduction to soil-plant-water relationship; Equipment for measurement of irrigation water, viz. weirs, notches, orifices and mouth pieces; Introduction to different surface irrigation methods as border, furrow and check basin, sprinkler, drip irrigation and their different components; Underground water conveyance methods in pipes; Introduction to planning of drainage systems; Introduction to centrifugal pumps and different components.

Different types of agricultural structures; Introduction to planning and layout of farmsteads, animal houses, poultry houses; Different types of grain storage structures; Greenhouse and its different parts; Low cost protected structures.

Classification of different types of agricultural commodities as durables, perishables, etc.; Moisture content and its importance in grain storage; Common reasons of food spoilage, food preservation methods; Different primary processing operations and their necessity; Methods and equipment used for cleaning, washing, sorting, grading, peeling, size reduction; Different types of traditional and modern storage structures; Storage of perishable commodities; Different types of packaging materials and their suitability for various food products; Basic principles of value addition of food as drying and dehydration, evaporation, thermal processing, refrigerated and frozen storage, chemical preservation and other novel methods.

Practical

Study of various implements (tillage, sowing, planting, weeding, fertilizer application); Study of farm implements (pesticide application, harvesting and threshing); Study of various components of tractor and matching implements; Study of various components of power tiller and matching implements; Study of various types of biogas plants and operational parameters; Study of various solar energy application systems; Study on various components of sprinkler and drip irrigation; Study on various components centrifugal pump; Study of various post-harvest operations; Study of different food processing equipment; Value addition of common crops; Visit to a greenhouse with modern irrigation system; Visit to implement manufacturing unit; Visit to a mechanized farm; Visit to a watershed; Visit to a food processing industry.

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Surveying and Levelling

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Objective

To enable the students to conduct the survey work for any area and also to prepare layout of engineering structures

Theory

Surveying: introduction, classification and basic principles; Linear measurements, chain surveying, cross staff survey, compass survey, planimeter; Errors in measurements, their elimination and correction; Plane table surveying, methods, advantages and disadvantages.

Levelling, levelling difficulties and error in levelling, contouring, computation of area and volume.

Theodolite traversing, introduction to setting of curves; Total station, electronic theodolite; Introduction to GPS survey.

Practical

Linear measurements using different instruments; Reconnaissance survey in the field; Use of field book; Study on various types of chain used in chain survey and its components; Study of errors in chain surveying; Use of ranging rods and ranging in the field; Obstacles during chaining; Offsets in chain survey; Cross Staff; Survey of an area; Preparation of map; Study on various types of compass; Compass survey of an area; Plotting of compass survey; Plane table surveying and different methods; Study on various types of levels and its components; Setting up of dumpy level in the field; Computation of various methods for RL; Study on Levelling, L section and X sections and its plotting; Measurement of slope in the field; Study on contour and its characteristics; Contour survey of an area and preparation of contour map; Introduction of software in drawing contour; Theodolite surveying; Ranging by Theodolite; Height of object by using Theodolite; Setting out curves by Theodolite; Use of minor instruments; Use of total station, EDM in the field; Use of modern computers for surveying

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