ST.JOSEPH'S COLLEGE FOR WOMEN (AUTONOMOUS), VISAKHAPATNAM VII SEMESTER BIOTECHNOLOGY TIME: 3 Hrs/ Week BTH 7704 (3) MICROBIAL CULTURING TECHNIQUES Max. Marks: 100 (Core course)

W.e.f 20AH Batch

OBJECTIVES: To enable the students to –

- Create novel methods to isolate the microorganisms
- Know the tools and advanced methodologies in microbiology
- Get familiar preservation methods
- Study the nutrition and sustainability of microorganisms

I. Learning outcomes:

- 1. Will develop skill of isolation of microorganisms
- 2. Could equip with the knowledge on tools and techniques in microbiology
- 3. Should acquire expertise in culture preservation
- 4. Understand the nutritional requirements of microorganisms

UNIT-I: Laboratory organization

- 1. Requirements for establishment of microbial laboratory, Laminar air flow, autoclave, hot air oven, centrifuge- basic principle, functioning and applications.
- 2. Methods of sterilization: Physical methods Dry heat, moist heat, radiation method, filtration methods, Chemical methods and their application.

UNIT - II: Microbial Media

- 1. Medium definition, Types of media (liquid media, solid media, semisolid media).
- 2. Bacterial and fungal media.
- 3. Composition of Simple, complex, differential and, enriched media.
- 4. Preparation of stock solutions. Disbursing and sterilization of media.

UNIT – III: Isolation techniques

- 1. Isolation of microorganisms from soil, water and air.
- 2. Serial dilution technique, Pour plate, streak plate, spread plate methods.
- 3. Concept of pure culture, Methods of pure culture isolation, Enrichment culturing techniques, single cell isolation, and pure culture development.

UNIT – IV: Staining techniques

- 1. Stains used in microbiology, acidic stains, basic stains, neutral stains.
- 2. Staining methods –Simple staining, Grams staining, negative staining, and differentialstaining.
- 3. Spore staining and flagella staining.

UNIT V: Identification and preservation

- 1. Morphological, biochemical and molecular methods used in bacterial identification.
- 2. Preservation of microbial cultures: sub culturing, overlaying cultures with mineral oils.
- 3. Lyophilisation and storage at low temperature.

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