

MANGALORE UNIVERSITY

Department of Biosciences
MSc Biosciences

OPEN ELECTIVE COURSES

BSE 511 POLLUTION AND BIOREMEDIATION

39hrs

Course Outcomes:

After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

- Gain a good knowledge in environmental pollution and bioremediation.
- Know air, water and land pollutants and their impacts.
- Realize the impacts of water pollution on aquatic biota and human health.
- Know what causes and how we are responsible for acid rain, photochemical smog, global warming, ozone depletion and haze.
- Understand the concept of bioremediation and how to use microorganisms, plants and enzymes to detoxify contaminants.
- Know how to do biological treatment of liquid wastes and solid wastes.

UNIT I (13 hours)

Environmental pollution: Types of pollution – Air, water, land, sound and radioactive pollution.

Water pollutants: Major sources- Domestic, municipal, industrial and agriculture; types and standards; Impact of water pollution on aquatic biota and human health.

UNIT II (13 hours)

Atmospheric Pollutants: Major sources, types and standards; Primary pollutants- Carbon monoxide, sulphur oxides, nitrogen oxides, particulate matter, hydrocarbons, asbestos and CFC's; Secondary pollutants; Impact of air pollutants on climate-Acid rain, photochemical smog, global warming, ozone depletion and haze.

UNIT III (13 hours)

Remediation: Types of remediation- Physical, chemical and biological; Bioremediation- *in-situ* and *ex-situ* bioremediation; Phytoremediation; Microbial remediation; Biological treatment of liquid wastes and solid wastes.

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