

Insect Systematic, Ecology and Applied entomology

Course I: Entomology (Systematic and Applied entomology) (MSZO-610)

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 - 1.4.1.7 Paleogene
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- 3.4 Preservation
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- 5.4 Collembola
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- 5.6 Phthiraptera (Anoplura and Mallophaga)
- 5.7 Orthoptera (Acrididae, Tettigonidae, Gryllidae)
- 5.8 Phase theory of Locust
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Unit 6: Generalized structure habit and habitat of the following Orders with Families:

- 6.1 Objectives
- 6.2 Introduction
- 6.3 Heteroptera (Pentatomidae, Pyrrhocoridae, Coreidae, Reduviidae, Nepidae, and Belostomatidae)
- 6.4 Homoptera (Fulgoridae, Membracidae, Cicadidae, Aphidae, Coccidae)
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Unit 7: Generalized structure habit and habitat of the following Orders with Families:

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- 7.2 Introduction
- 7.3 Lepidoptera (Noctuidae, Sphingidae, Bombycidae, Nymphalidae, Pieridae, Papilionidae, Pyralidae and Saturniidae)
- 7.4 Hymenoptera (Ichneumonidae, Chalcididae, Braconidae, Vespidae, Apidae, Formicidae)
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- 8.4 Factors affecting the abundance of insect pests
- 8.5 Types of insect pest
- 8.6 Pests of stored grains: *Sitophilus*, *Trogoderma*, *Rhyzopertha*, *Tribolium*, *Bruchus*.
- 8.7 Pests of Sugarcane: *Pyrilla*, *Chilo*, *Emmalocera*, *Scirpophaga*
- 8.8 Pests of Cotton: *Dysdercus*, *Earias* and *Pectinophora*, *Sylepta*
- 8.9 Pests of Cereals: *Heliothis*, *Leptocorisa varicornis*, *Hieroglyph*, *Tryporyza*
- 8.10 Pests of Vegetables: *Epilachna*, *Aulacophora foveicollis*, *Pteris brassicae*, *Thrips tabaci*
- 8.11 Pests of Fruits: *Dacus cucurbitae*, *Papilio demoleus*, *Idiocerus atkinsoni*, *Anomala*

- 8.12 Polyphagous insect pest: locusts, termites, cutworms, gram pod borer, aphids
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 - 10.4.3 Control measures
- 10.5 Lice: systematic position
 - 10.5.1 Causes/Mode of parasitism
 - 10.5.2 Disease /Effectuated host
 - 10.5.3 Control measures
- 10.6 Fleas: systematic position
 - 10.6.1 Causes/ mode of parasitism
 - 10.6.2 Disease/ Effectuated host
 - 10.6.3 Control measures
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 - 10.7.1 Causes/Mode of parasitism
 - 10.7.2 Disease/ Effectuated host
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- 17.8 Natural Enemies of Lac Insects and their Management
- 17.9 Lac extraction
- 17.10 Summary
- 17.11 Terminal Questions and Answers

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