# 19AG212 ENGINEERING PROPERTIES OF **AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE**

#### Hours Per Week:

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1	0	2	2

#### Total Hours:

L	Т	Р	WA/RA	SSH/HSH	cs	SA	S	BS
15	-	30	10	45	-	-	-	-

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES:**

To acquaint and equip the students with different engineering properties and its application in design of food processing equipments.

### **COURSE OUTCOMES:**

Upon completion of the course, student will able to achieve the following outcomes:

COs	Course Outcomes	POs
1	Understand, discuss and describe different properties of agricultural produce.	
2	Apply their knowledge of properties of agricultural produce during packaging, material handling and other unit operation in industry level.	1
3	Analyse the problems which take place in industry while thermal properties of agricultural produce is considered.	3
4	Evaluate the trend and current scenario of material handling develop new idea by considering aerodynamic properties.	4
5	Apply and develop different process equipments by considering several rheological properties.	3
6	Creative the existing problems in different unit operation which is going on and replace the idea with electrical properties of agricultural produce.	7,9

#### SKILLS:

- Measure engineering properties of various agricultural products for the application of various designs in agricultural processing.
- Storage of products based on their characteristics.
- Design venturi assembly for fertigation.



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Classification and importance of engineering properties: Agricultural Produce, shape, size, roundness, sphericity, volume, density, porosity, specific gravity, surface area of grains, fruits and vegetables.

UNIT - II

Thermal properties: Heat capacity, Specific heat, Thermal conductivity, Thermal diffusivity, Heat of respiration, Co-efficient of thermal expansion.

UNIT - III

Friction in agricultural materials: Static friction, Kinetic friction, rolling resistance, angle of internal friction, angle of repose, Flow of bulk granular materials, Aero dynamics of agricultural products, drag coefficients, terminal velocity.

UNIT - IV

Rheological properties: force, deformation, stress, strain, elastic, plastic and viscous behaviour, ideal classical models, rheological models, Newtonian and Non-Newtonian liquid, Viscoelasticity, Newtonian and Non-Newtonian fluid, Pseudo-plastic, Dilatant, Thixotropic, Rheopectic and Bingham Plastic Foods. Flow curves.

UNIT - V L-3

Electrical properties: dielectric loss factor, loss tangent, A.C. conductivity and dielectricconstant, method of determination. Application of engineering properties in handlingprocessing machines and storage structures.

#### **LABORATORY EXPERIMENTS**

LIST OF EXPERIMENTS TOTAL HOURS: 30

- 1. Determination of surface area of the agricultural materials.
- 2. Determination of the shape and size of grains...
- 3. Determination of the shape and size of fruits and vegetables.
- 4. Determination of bulk density.
- 5. Determination of true density.
- 6. Determination of specific gravity.
- 7. Determination of angle of repose of grains.
- 8. Determination of the particle density/true density and porosity of solid grains.
- 9. Finding the co-efficient of external and internal friction of different crops.
- 10. Determination of filling angle of repose.
- 11. Determination of emptying angle of repose.
- 12. Finding out the terminal velocity of grain sample.
- 13. Finding the thermal conductivity of different grains.
- 14. Determination of hardness of food material.
- 15. Practical examination.

#### **TEXT BOOK:**

1. Mohesin, N.N. 1980,. "Physical Properties of Plants & Animals". Gordon & Breach Science Publishers, New York..

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- 2. Prentice, J.H. 1984, "Measurement in Rheological Properties of Food Stuffs". Elsevier Applied science Pub. Co. Inc. New York.
- 3. Rao, M. A and Rizvi, S.H.1995, "Engineering Properties of Foods". Marcel Dekker Inc. New York.
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