

**5 Year MSc in Biotechnology Course  
Paper I Syllabus (Total marks = 20)**

**English (MCQs will be based on the below mentioned topics)**

**Prose & Poetry**

- Themes, central idea, tone
- Figures of speech
- Appreciation of poems
- Character analysis

**Grammar & Language Study**

- Tenses (as per HSC grammar section)
- Voice (Active–Passive)
- Direct–Indirect Speech
- Types of sentences
- Clauses
- Prepositions & Articles

**Vocabulary**

- Synonyms / Antonyms
- Word formation
- Idioms & phrases

**Writing Skills**

- Letter writing (formal/informal)
- Report writing
- Precise writing
- Dialogue writing
- Expansion of ideas

**Reasoning (MCQs will be based on the below mentioned topics)**

**Verbal Reasoning**

- Analogy (word/number)
- Classification
- Series completion
- Coding-Decoding
- Blood relations
- Direction sense

**Logical Reasoning**

- Syllogism
- Statement–Conclusion
- Assertion–Reason
- Cause & Effect

**Non-Verbal Reasoning**

- Mirror & water images
- Paper folding
- Figure completion
- Pattern recognition

## **Aptitude (MCQs will be based on the below mentioned topics)**

### **Arithmetic**

- Percentages
- Ratio & Proportion
- Average
- Profit & Loss
- Simple & Compound Interest
- Time & Work
- Time, Speed & Distance

### **Number System**

- Divisibility rules
- HCF & LCM

### **Algebra (Basic HSC Level)**

- Linear equations
- Simplification

### **Data Interpretation**

- Tables
- Bar graphs
- Pie charts

## **General Knowledge (MCQs will be based on the below mentioned topics)**

- Science-Based General Knowledge
- Static General Knowledge
- Current Affairs

# 5 Year MSc in Biotechnology Course Paper II syllabus for Online Entrance Exam 2026

**Paper II Total Marks : 80**

**MCQs will be based on the below mentioned topics**

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## **Class 11**

### **Physics**

#### **1. Physical World and Measurement**

- Scope and importance of physics
- Fundamental forces in nature
- Units and measurements:
  - SI units
  - Fundamental and derived units
- Errors in measurement:
  - Absolute, relative, percentage error
- Significant figures
- Dimensional analysis

#### **2. Kinematics**

- Motion in one dimension:
  - Distance, displacement
  - Speed and velocity
  - Acceleration
- Equations of motion  
 $v = u + at$   
 $v^2 - u^2 = 2as$   
 $s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$
- Motion in two dimensions:
  - Projectile motion
- Relative velocity

#### **3. Laws of Motion**

- Newton's laws of motion
- Inertia and mass
- Force and acceleration
- Friction:
  - Static and kinetic friction
- Circular motion (basic idea)

#### **4. Work, Energy and Power**

- Work done by a force
- Kinetic energy
- Potential energy
- Work-energy theorem
- Law of conservation of energy
- Power

#### **5. Rotational Motion**

- Angular displacement, velocity, acceleration
- Torque and angular momentum
- Moment of inertia
- Rotational kinetic energy

- Conservation of angular momentum

## **6. Gravitation**

- Universal law of gravitation  
Acceleration due to gravity (g)
- Motion of planets and satellites
- Escape velocity

## **7. Properties of Bulk Matter**

### **A. Mechanical Properties of Solids**

- Stress and strain
- Hooke's law
- Young's modulus

### **B. Mechanical Properties of Fluids**

- Pressure
- Pascal's law
- Archimedes' principle
- Viscosity

### **C. Thermal Properties**

- Temperature and heat
- Thermal expansion
- Specific heat capacity

## **8. Thermodynamics**

- Thermal equilibrium
- Zeroth law of thermodynamics
- First law of thermodynamics
- Heat engines and efficiency
- Reversible and irreversible processes

## **9. Kinetic Theory**

- Kinetic theory of gases
- Assumptions
- Pressure of gas
- Relation between temperature and kinetic energy

## **10. Oscillations and Waves**

### **A. Oscillations**

- Simple harmonic motion (SHM)
- Displacement, velocity, acceleration in SHM
- Time period

### **B. Waves**

- Wave motion
- Types of waves
- Wave parameters:
  - Wavelength
  - Frequency
- Sound waves and their properties

## **Chemistry**

### **1. Some Basic Concepts of Chemistry**

- Nature of matter
- Laws of chemical combination:

- Law of conservation of mass
- Law of definite proportions
- Mole concept:
  - Avogadro's number
  - Molar mass
- Stoichiometry:
  - Empirical and molecular formula
  - Limiting reagent

## 2. Structure of Atom

- Discovery of electron, proton, neutron
- Atomic models:
  - Thomson model
  - Rutherford model
  - Bohr's model
- Quantum mechanical model (basic idea)
- Quantum numbers
- Electronic configuration

## 3. Classification of Elements and Periodicity

- Modern periodic law
- Periodic table trends:
  - Atomic size
  - Ionization energy
  - Electron affinity
  - Electronegativity
- Periodic classification of elements

## 4. Chemical Bonding and Molecular Structure

- Ionic bond and covalent bond
- Lewis structures
- VSEPR theory
- Hybridization:
  - $sp$ ,  $sp^2$ ,  $sp^3$
- Molecular geometry
- Hydrogen bonding

## 5. States of Matter

- Solid, liquid, gas
- Gas laws:
  - Boyle's law
  - Charles law
- Ideal gas equation
- Kinetic theory of gases
- Liquids and intermolecular forces

## 6. Thermodynamics

- System and surroundings
- Types of processes:
  - Isothermal, adiabatic
- First law of thermodynamics
- Enthalpy and heat changes
- Hess's law

## 7. Equilibrium

- Chemical equilibrium
- Law of mass action
- Equilibrium constant ( $K_c$ ,  $K_p$ )
- Le Chatelier's principle
- Ionic equilibrium:
  - pH and pOH
  - Buffer solutions

## 8. Redox Reactions

- Oxidation and reduction concepts
- Oxidation number
- Balancing redox equations
- Types of redox reactions

## 9. Hydrogen

- Position of hydrogen in periodic table
- Isotopes of hydrogen
- Hydrides:
  - Ionic, covalent, metallic
- Water:
  - Hardness and softening

## 10. s-Block Elements

- Group 1 (alkali metals)
- Group 2 (alkaline earth metals)
- Properties:
  - Physical and chemical
- Compounds:
  - NaOH,  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ , CaO,  $\text{CaCO}_3$

## 11. p-Block Elements (Group 13 & 14)

- Electronic configuration
- Trends in properties
- Important compounds:
  - Boron compounds
  - Carbon compounds

## 12. Organic Chemistry – Basic Principles

- Classification and nomenclature
- Isomerism:
  - Structural and stereoisomerism
- Electronic effects:
  - Inductive effect
  - Resonance
- Reaction mechanisms (basic idea)

## 13. Hydrocarbons

- Alkanes, alkenes, alkynes
- Aromatic hydrocarbons
- Preparation methods
- Chemical reactions:
  - Substitution
  - Addition

- Uses of hydrocarbons

## 14. Environmental Chemistry

- Environmental pollution:
  - Air, water, soil
- Greenhouse effect
- Ozone depletion
- Waste management
- Green chemistry basics

## Mathematics

### Sets and Functions

- Sets:
  - Definition and representation
  - Types of sets (finite, infinite, null, subset)
  - Venn diagrams
- Operations on sets:
  - Union, intersection, complement
- Relations:
  - Types: reflexive, symmetric, transitive
- Functions:
  - Domain, codomain, range
  - Types: one-one, onto

### 2. Trigonometric Functions

- Angles and their measurement (degrees & radians)
- Trigonometric ratios
- Unit circle approach
- Trigonometric identities
- Graphs of sin, cos, tan functions
- Trigonometric equations

### 3. Complex Numbers

- Definition and representation (Argand plane)
- Algebra of complex numbers
- Conjugate and modulus
- Polar form of complex numbers

### 4. Quadratic Equations

- Standard form of quadratic equation
- Discriminant and nature of roots  
 $D=b^2-4ac$
- Solution using formula
- Relationship between roots and coefficients

### 5. Sequences and Series

- Arithmetic progression (AP):
  - nth term
  - Sum of n terms
- Geometric progression (GP):
  - nth term
  - Sum of GP
- Special series

## 6. Straight Lines

- Cartesian coordinate system
- Slope of a line
- Equation of line:
  - Slope form
  - Point-slope form
  - Intercept form
- Distance formula
- Angle between two lines

## 7. Conic Sections

- Circle:
  - Standard equation
- Parabola:
  - Standard equation and properties
- Ellipse and hyperbola (basic idea)

## 8. Limits and Derivatives

- Concept of limit
- Basic limit formulas
- Introduction to derivatives
- Derivative of simple functions

## 9. Statistics

- Measures of central tendency:
  - Mean
  - Median
  - Mode
- Measures of dispersion:
  - Range
  - Variance
  - Standard deviation

## 10. Probability

- Random experiments and events
- Sample space
- Types of events
- Probability of an event

## Biology

### 1. Diversity in Living World

#### A. Living World

- Characteristics of living organisms
- Diversity in living organisms
- Taxonomy and systematics
- Binomial nomenclature

#### B. Biological Classification

- Five kingdom classification
- Kingdoms:
  - Monera
  - Protista
  - Fungi

- Plantae
- Animalia

### **C. Plant Kingdom**

- Algae, Bryophytes, Pteridophytes
- Gymnosperms and Angiosperms
- Life cycles

### **D. Animal Kingdom**

- Classification based on:
  - Symmetry
  - Coelom
  - Segmentation
- Phylum-wise classification (Porifera → Chordata)

## **2. Structural Organization in Plants and Animals**

### **A. Morphology of Flowering Plants**

- Root, stem, leaf
- Inflorescence
- Flower structure
- Fruit and seed

### **B. Anatomy of Flowering Plants**

- Tissue systems:
  - Epidermal
  - Ground
  - Vascular
- Secondary growth

### **C. Structural Organization in Animals**

- Animal tissues:
  - Epithelial
  - Connective
  - Muscular
  - Nervous
- Cockroach morphology (important for exams)

## **3. Cell Structure and Function**

### **A. Cell Theory**

- Cell as basic unit of life
- Prokaryotic vs eukaryotic cells

### **B. Cell Organelles**

- Nucleus, mitochondria, ribosomes
- Endoplasmic reticulum, Golgi apparatus
- Lysosomes, plastids

### **C. Cell Cycle and Division**

- Mitosis
- Meiosis (very important)

## **4. Plant Physiology**

### **A. Transport in Plants**

- Diffusion, osmosis
- Xylem and phloem transport

### **B. Mineral Nutrition**

- Essential elements
- Deficiency symptoms

### **C. Photosynthesis**

- Light and dark reactions
- C3 and C4 pathways

### **D. Respiration in Plants**

- Glycolysis
- Krebs cycle
- Electron transport chain

### **E. Plant Growth and Development**

- Plant hormones:
  - Auxins
  - Gibberellins
  - Cytokinins
  - Ethylene
  - ABA

## **5. Human Physiology**

### **A. Digestion and Absorption**

- Human digestive system
- Enzymes and digestion process

### **B. Breathing and Exchange of Gases**

- Respiratory system
- Mechanism of breathing

### **C. Body Fluids and Circulation**

- Blood and its components
- Heart structure and function
- Cardiac cycle

### **D. Excretory Products and Elimination**

- Kidney structure
- Urine formation

### **E. Locomotion and Movement**

- Muscles and bones
- Types of joints

### **F. Neural Control and Coordination**

- Nervous system
- Reflex action

### **G. Chemical Coordination and Integration**

- Endocrine glands
- Hormones and functions

# Class 12

## Physics

### 1. Electrostatics

- Electric charges and their properties
- Coulomb's law
- Electric field and field lines
- Electric dipole and dipole moment
- Electric potential and potential difference
- Equipotential surfaces
- Capacitance:
  - Parallel plate capacitor
  - Series and parallel combinations
- Energy stored in a capacitor

### 2. Current Electricity

- Electric current and drift velocity
- Ohm's law
- Resistance and resistivity
- Series and parallel combinations of resistors
- Kirchhoff's laws
- Wheatstone bridge
- Potentiometer and its applications

### 3. Magnetism

- Magnetic field and field lines
- Biot-Savart law
- Ampere's circuital law
- Force on moving charge and current-carrying conductor
- Motion of charged particle in magnetic field
- Magnetic properties of materials

### 4. Electromagnetic Induction

- Faraday's laws of electromagnetic induction
- Lenz's law
- Self and mutual inductance
- Eddy currents

### 5. Alternating Current

- AC voltage and current
- RMS and peak values
- Reactance and impedance
- LC, LR, LCR circuits
- Resonance
- Power in AC circuits (power factor)

### 6. Electromagnetic Waves

- Displacement current
- Nature of EM waves
- Electromagnetic spectrum
- Properties and applications of EM waves

## **7. Optics**

### **A. Ray Optics**

- Reflection and refraction
- Mirror formula
- Refraction through lenses
- Lens maker's formula
- Total internal reflection
- Optical instruments (microscope, telescope)

### **B. Wave Optics**

- Huygens' principle
- Interference (Young's double slit experiment)
- Diffraction
- Polarization

## **8. Dual Nature of Radiation and Matter**

- Photoelectric effect
- Einstein's photoelectric equation
- Wave-particle duality
- de Broglie wavelength

## **9. Atoms and Nuclei**

- Rutherford's model
- Bohr's atomic model
- Energy levels and spectra
- Radioactivity ( $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$  decay)
- Nuclear reactions
- Mass-energy relation

## **10. Semiconductors**

- Types: intrinsic and extrinsic
- p-n junction diode
- Diode as rectifier
- Transistors (basic idea)
- Logic gates (AND, OR, NOT)

## **11. Communication Systems**

- Elements of communication system
- Analog and digital communication
- Modulation (amplitude modulation)
- Transmission and reception

## **Chemistry**

### **1. Solid State**

- Types of solids: crystalline & amorphous
- Crystal lattice and unit cell
- Types of unit cells (primitive, body-centered, face-centered)
- Packing efficiency
- Density of unit cell
- Imperfections in solids (defects)
- Electrical and magnetic properties

### **2. Solutions**

- Types of solutions

- Concentration terms: molarity, molality, mole fraction
- Solubility and factors affecting solubility
- Vapour pressure and Raoult's law
- Ideal and non-ideal solutions
- Colligative properties:
  - Relative lowering of vapour pressure
  - Elevation of boiling point
  - Depression of freezing point
  - Osmotic pressure

### **3. Electrochemistry**

- Electrochemical cells (galvanic & electrolytic)
- Electrode potential and EMF
- Nernst equation (very important)
- Conductance:
  - Specific conductance
  - Molar conductance
- Kohlrausch's law
- Batteries and fuel cells
- Corrosion and prevention

### **4. Chemical Kinetics**

- Rate of reaction
- Rate law and rate constant
- Order and molecularity
- Integrated rate equations (0, 1, 2 order)
- Half-life of reactions
- Effect of temperature (Arrhenius equation)
- Activation energy

### **5. Surface Chemistry**

- Adsorption:
  - Physisorption vs chemisorption
- Factors affecting adsorption
- Catalysis:
  - Homogeneous & heterogeneous
- Colloids:
  - Types and properties
  - Tyndall effect
  - Emulsions

### **6. Metallurgy**

- Occurrence of metals
- Concentration of ores
- Extraction methods:
  - Roasting
  - Calcination
  - Reduction
- Refining of metals:
  - Electrolytic refining
- Important ores and processes

### **7. Haloalkanes and Haloarenes**

- Classification and nomenclature

- Preparation methods
- Physical and chemical properties
- Reactions:
  - Nucleophilic substitution (SN1, SN2)
  - Elimination reactions
- Uses and environmental effects (CFCs)

## 8. Alcohols, Phenols and Ethers

- Classification and nomenclature
- Preparation of alcohols and phenols
- Physical properties (H-bonding – important)
- Chemical reactions:
  - Oxidation
  - Dehydration
  - Esterification
- Distinction between alcohols, phenols, ethers

## 9. Aldehydes, Ketones and Carboxylic Acids

- Structure and nomenclature
- Preparation methods
- Chemical reactions:
  - Nucleophilic addition
  - Oxidation and reduction
- Tests:
  - Tollens' test
  - Fehling's test
- Properties of carboxylic acids

## 10. Amines

- Classification (primary, secondary, tertiary)
- Nomenclature
- Preparation methods
- Chemical properties:
  - Basic nature
  - Reactions (diazotization – important)
- Uses of amines

## 11. Biomolecules

- Carbohydrates:
  - Glucose, fructose
- Proteins:
  - Structure and functions
- Enzymes
- Vitamins
- Nucleic acids (DNA, RNA – basics)

## 12. Polymers

- Classification of polymers
- Types:
  - Addition polymers
  - Condensation polymers
- Important polymers:
  - Nylon
  - Bakelite

- PVC
- Biodegradable polymers
- Chemistry in Everyday Life

## Mathematics

### 1. Relations and Functions

- Types of relations: reflexive, symmetric, transitive, equivalence
- Functions: domain, codomain, range
- Types of functions: one-one, onto, bijective
- Composition of functions
- Invertible functions

### 2. Inverse Trigonometric Functions

- Definition and principal value branches
- Domain and range
- Graphs of inverse trigonometric functions
- Properties and identities
- Solving equations using inverse trigonometric functions

### 3. Matrices

- Types: row, column, square, zero, identity
- Matrix operations: addition, multiplication
- Transpose of a matrix
- Symmetric and skew-symmetric matrices

### 4. Determinants

- Determinant of a matrix (up to  $3 \times 3$ )
- Properties of determinants
- Minors and cofactors
- Adjoint and inverse of a matrix
- Solving linear equations using matrices (Cramer's rule)

### 5. Continuity and Differentiability

- Continuity of functions
- Differentiability
- Derivatives of:
  - Trigonometric functions
  - Inverse trigonometric functions
  - Exponential and logarithmic functions
- Chain rule, product rule, quotient rule

### 6. Applications of Derivatives

- Rate of change
- Increasing and decreasing functions
- Maxima and minima (very important)
- Tangents and normals

### 7. Integrals

- Integration as inverse of differentiation
- Standard integrals
- Methods:
  - Substitution
  - Integration by parts
  - Partial fractions

## 8. Applications of Integrals

- Area under curves
- Area between two curves

## 9. Differential Equations

- Definition and order/degree
- Formation of differential equations
- Solution of:
  - Variable separable equations
  - Homogeneous equations
  - Linear differential equations

## 10. Vectors

- Vector algebra (addition, scalar multiplication)
- Dot product (scalar product)
- Angle between vectors

## 11. 3D Geometry

- Direction cosines and ratios
- Equation of line in space
- Angle between lines
- Shortest distance between lines

## 12. Linear Programming

- Linear inequalities
- Objective function
- Graphical method of solution
- Feasible region and optimal solution

## 13. Probability

- Conditional probability
- Multiplication theorem
- Independent events
- Bayes' theorem (basic idea)

## Biology

### 1. Reproduction

#### A. Reproduction in Organisms

- Asexual reproduction (binary fission, budding, fragmentation)
- Sexual reproduction (gamete formation, fertilization)
- Life cycles and lifespan

#### B. Reproduction in Plants

- Structure of flower (anther, ovule)
- Microsporogenesis & megasporogenesis
- Pollination (types, agents)
- Fertilization (double fertilization – very important)
- Seed and fruit formation

#### C. Human Reproduction

- Male and female reproductive systems
- Gametogenesis (spermatogenesis, oogenesis)
- Menstrual cycle

- Fertilization, implantation, pregnancy
- Parturition and lactation

#### **D. Reproductive Health**

- Contraceptive methods
- Sexually transmitted diseases (STDs)
- Infertility and assisted reproductive technologies (IVF, etc.)

## **2. Genetics and Evolution**

### **A. Principles of Inheritance**

- Mendel's laws (law of dominance, segregation, independent assortment)
- Monohybrid and dihybrid crosses
- Test cross

### **B. Molecular Basis of Inheritance**

- DNA structure and replication
- RNA types and functions
- Genetic code
- Protein synthesis (transcription & translation)

### **C. Evolution**

- Theories of evolution (Lamarckism, Darwinism)
- Evidence of evolution (fossils, homologous organs)
- Hardy-Weinberg principle
- Human evolution

## **3. Biotechnology**

### **A. Principles and Processes**

- Genetic engineering
- Recombinant DNA technology
- Tools:
  - Restriction enzymes
  - Vectors (plasmids)
  - Host cells

### **B. Applications**

- Medical (insulin production, vaccines)
- Agriculture (GM crops)
- Environmental (bioremediation)

### **C. Ethical Issues**

- Biosafety
- Bioethics
- Genetically modified organisms (GMOs)

## **4. Ecology**

### **A. Organisms and Environment**

- Abiotic factors (temperature, water, light)
- Adaptations

### **B. Ecosystem**

- Structure and function
- Food chain and food web
- Ecological pyramids

### **C. Biodiversity and Conservation**

- Levels of biodiversity
- Hotspots
- Conservation methods (in-situ, ex-situ)

#### **D. Environmental Issues**

- Pollution (air, water, soil)
- Global warming
- Ozone depletion

### **5. Human Health and Disease**

#### **A. Pathogens and Diseases**

- Bacterial, viral, protozoan diseases
- Examples: malaria, tuberculosis

#### **B. Immunity**

- Innate and acquired immunity
- Antigen–antibody interaction
- Vaccination

#### **C. Health and Lifestyle**

- Balanced diet
- Exercise
- Mental health

#### **D. Drugs and Alcohol Abuse**

- Effects on body
- Prevention and control