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**Syllabus for  
DIPLOMA IN RADIOGRAPHIC ASSISTANT COURSE  
(TWO YEARS COURSE)**

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<b>DIPLOMA IN RADIOGRAPHIC ASSISTANT COURSE (TWO YEARS COURSE)</b>	
<b>Syllabus for First Year</b>	
<b>Paper-I</b>	<p><b><u>BASIC HUMAN SCIENCES</u></b></p> <p>A) Basics of Anatomy            B) Basics of Physiology            C) Basics of Bio-chemistry            D) Basics of Bio-statistics</p>
<b>Paper-II</b>	<p><b><u>PHYSICAL SCIENCES</u></b></p> <p>A) Basics of Pathology            B) Basics of Blood Banking            C) Basics of Microbiology            D) Basics of Central sterilization.</p>
<b>Paper-III</b>	<p>A) Hospital awareness,            B) Familiarization of different tables/tubes in surgical dept. Surgical Awareness, Preparation of patient for surgery.            C) Patient related services.            D) Communication &amp; Computer Skills,            Audio and Visual Aids</p>

**DIPLOMA IN RADIOGRAPHIC ASSISTANT COURSE  
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**Syllabus for Second Year**

**Paper-I**

- A) Radiation Hazards, Protection Preventive Measures.
- B) Dark Room Procedure,
- C) Regional Radiography, Fundamentals of X – Ray Equipments,  
Modified X – Ray Equipments For Special Purpose.
- D) Special Diagnostic Procedures

**Paper-II**

- A) Radiographic Techniques & Radiographic Anatomy, Radiological  
Physics & Equipment.
- B) Positioning Radiography & Contrast Procedure
- C) First Aid , Basic Nursing, Handling of Patients
- D) Magnetic Resonance Imaging

**Paper-III**

- A) Ultra Sound Imaging, Interventional Procedures & Angiography
- B) Basic & Advanced CT Imaging
- C) Basic & Advanced MRI Imaging
- D) Instrumentation Study, Instrument Measurement & Critical Care  
Equipment.

# 1<sup>st</sup> YEAR

## PAPER-I

### Basics of Anatomy & Physiology

#### **Basics of Anatomy**

1. Introduction to Human Anatomy
2. Cell- Tissues Properties, Different Tissues
3. Digestive System & Hepatobiliary System
4. Respiratory System
5. Cardio Vascular System
6. Lymphatic System
7. Bones and Joints
8. Nervous System
9. Endocrine System
10. Sense Organs
11. Excretory System
12. Reproductive System

#### **Basics of Physiology**

1. Introduction to Human Physiology
2. Blood
3. Cardio Vascular System
4. Lymphoid System
5. Digestive System
6. Respiratory System
7. Nervous System
8. Endocrine System
9. Excretory System
10. Reproductive System
11. Sense Organs

## **Basics of Bio – Chemistry**

1. Introduction to Basics of Bio-chemistry including code of ethics for Medical Lab Technicians and Medical Lab Organization.
2. Reception, Registration and bio-chemical parameters investigated.
3. Glassware and plastic ware used in a bio-chemical laboratory.
  - a. **Glassware:**
    - 1) Types of glass and composition.
    - 2) Types of glassware used, their identification, application & uses.
    - 3) Cleaning, drying, maintenance and storage of glassware.
  - b. **Plastic ware: Brief outline**
4. Instrumental methods of Bio-chemical analysis.
  - a. **Colorimetry :**

Visual and photoelectric methods, instrumentation, principle & laws involved construction, operation, care and maintenance, applications.
  - b. **Spectrophotometry**

Principle and theory, types, construction, & applications
5. Basic lab operations like
  - a. **Separation of solids from liquids**
    1. Centrifugation: Principle, Different types of centrifuges care and maintenance, applications.
    2. Filtration using funnel.
    3. Weighing : Different types of balances used, care and maintenance.
    4. Evaporation
    5. Distillation
    6. Refluxing
    7. Drying different salts and dessicotion.

6. Water Chemicals and related substances
  - a. Purity of chemicals
  - b. Corrosives
  - c. Hygroscopic Substances
7. Prevention, Safety and first aid in lab accidents.
8. Collection of Specimens
  - a. **Blood:** Types of Specimens, Collection, Precautions during collection processing and preservation.
  - b. **Urine:** Types of Specimens, Collection, Precautions during collection, Processing and Preservation.
9. Urine biochemical parameters.
10. Units of measurements
11. **Solutions** : Types based on solute and solvent, Types based on method of expressing concentration, calculations.
12. **Carbohydrates:** Definitions, Biological importance, Acid value, iodine value, saponification value.
13. Amino acids and Proteins Definition, Biological importance, Classification, Qualitative tests.
14. **Diagnostic tests** : Blood sugar, Glucose tolerance test, Blood urea, Serum uric acid, Serum creatinine.
15. **Vitamins and Minerals**
  - a. **Vitamins:**  
Water Soluble vitamins, Fat Soluble vitamins, Sources, Daily requirements, Deficiency diseases.
  - b. **Minerals :**  
Sources, Daily requirements, Deficiency diseases.

# Paper-II

## **Basics of Pathology**

### **Introduction to Pathology in brief**

1. Urine – Analysis – Physical Examination – specific gravity PH, reaction,

colour.

Chemical Examination – Sugar Albumin, bile salts,

bile Pigments etc.

Microscopic,

Sediment for RBC,

WBC,

Epitheleal cells,

casts,

crystals,

parasites.

Preparation of Reagents, procedure and principle of tests.

2. **Sputum Analysis** – Physical Examination, Preparation and staining smear for Microscopic Examination.
3. **Semen Analysis** – Physical Examination Microscopy – counting, motility, staining, Morphology, abnormal and normal forms.
4. **Body Fluids** – Differential count of Peritoneal, pericardial, pleural fluids and CSF, charging chamber, Identifying and counting the cells.

# **Basics of Microbiology**

## **I. Introduction to Microbiology in brief**

Definition,  
History

## **II. Microscopy**

- a) Principle working and maintenance of compound Microscope.
- b) Principle of Fluorescent microscope, Electron Microscope, Dark Ground Microscope.

### **History**

**Types of Microscope:** (a) Light Microscope, (b) DGI, (c) Fluorescent, (d) Phase contrast.

**(e) Electron Microscope :** a). Transmission, b) Scanning, Principles of operational mechanisms of various types of Microscopes.

## **III. Sterilization and disinfection – classification and Methods of sterilization.**

### **Sterilization: Definition, types and principles of sterilization methods:**

(a) Heat (dry heat, moist heat with special reference to autoclave, (b) Radiation, (c) Filtration, efficiency testing to various sterilizers.

### **Antiseptics and Disinfectants :**

Definition, types and properties, mode of action, uses of various disinfectants, precautions while using the disinfectants, qualities of a good disinfectants, testing efficiency of various disinfectants.



- 1) Principle and Methods of sterilization by heat
  - a) By Dry Heat, flaming, Red Heat, Hot air oven, incineration.
  - b) By Moist Heat-pasteurization, Inspissation, tyndalisation, autoclave.

- 2) Filtration Methods

- 3) Ionising Radiation – Disinfection, Mode of action and uses of important chemical disinfectants – Phenol and Phenolic compounds, alcohols, halogens, dyes and acids and alkalis.

- 4) Gaseous Methods of sterilization.

- IV. Cleaning, drying & Sterilization of Glassware disposal of contaminated material i.e. clinical infective material inoculated culture media. Handling and Disposal of Biomedical waste.
- V. **Biomedical waste management in a Microbiology Laboratory** : types of the waste generated, segregation, treatment, disposal.
- VI. Morphology and classification of Bacteria Sp. of cell, capsule, flagella, spore, Anaerobic Methods of cultivation of Bacteria.

# Paper-III

## **A. Hospital Awareness**

A brief idea of hospital as an organization management different units of a hospital effective communication skills, communication channel

Maintenance of records  
Effective leadership  
General patient care  
Medical terminologies  
Vital signs  
Unit preparation  
Transporting & Transferring patients  
Sterilization Techniques  
Control of infection  
Medication – Oral & parenteral  
Admission – Discharge procedure  
Bandages

Practicals : Posted in ward & taught clinically

## **A. Surgical Department**

Familiarization of different tubes

1. Drainage tube
2. Post Operative Exercises
3. Post OP Management of Patient
4. Shock of Management
5. Changing Surgical Dressing.

1. Preoperative preparation of patient
2. Preanesthetic preparation
3. Assisting in operation
4. Anaesthesia
5. CSSD
  1. Recovery room
  2. Movement of papers
  3. Scheduling of theaters
  4. Supplying of articles
  5. Specific area practices
    - a. As scrubnurse
    - b. As circulating nurse

## **D).Communication and Computer Skills, Audio & Visual Aids.**

### **COMMUNICATION**

Process  
Types of communication  
Strategies for effective Communication  
Barriers of communication

### **SOFT SKILLS**

Presentation with the use of visual aids such as power point  
Conversation  
Extempore speech, usage of effective language for communication of health work.  
Case studies and situational analysis  
Survey and Reporting

### **COMPUTER**

Computer  
basic MS –  
Office MS –  
Word  
MS – Excel  
MS – Power Point

### **INTERNET CONCEPTS**

Browsing  
Down- Loading  
Use of Slide Projector

## **PAPER - I**

### **Radiation Hazards and Protections**

1. During radiography
2. During fluoroscopy
3. Effects of radiation on human tissues
4. Permissible doses
5. Measurement of radiation doses
6. Dosages in diagnostic radiology
7. Protective gadgets in RD Department
8. Radiation safety duties of radiologist, radiographer & patient.

### **Radiation Preventive Maintenance**

1. General care
2. Maintenance of log book
3. Practical precautions
4. Brakes & locks
5. HT cables care
6. Care of meters & controls
7. Care of tube stands & tracks
8. Care of accessory equipment
9. Functional tests for any faults
10. Failure of x ray tubes
11. Failure of HT cables
12. Common trouble – shooting & remedies

### **Regional Radiography**

#### **General**

Head & neck  
Spine  
Chest  
Abdomen  
Pelvis  
Upper limbs  
Lower limbs

#### **Special**

Macro – radiography  
Xero – radiography  
Mammography  
Dental radiography  
Orthopantomogram  
High K V technique  
Subtraction techniques

## **Special Diagnostic Procedures**

GUT-IVP, RAP, RAU, MEUG, Cystography, AGP, HSG.

GIT – Sialography, Barium swallow, BM Study, BMFT, SB enema, Ba enema, SPVG.

Biliary system – pTC, T tube cholangiogram, OCG.

Respiration – Bronchography

Vascular – Angiography of limbs, aorta, carotid vessels.

Contrast media – Type, reaction, treatment.

## PAPER - II

### Positioning Radiography and Contrast Procedures

#### **General:**

Age subject types and sex, anatomical landmarks-postural variations-erect and horizontal technique-respiratory movement and diaphragm level-regional densities-preparations-and immobilization of patient-pathological conditions-injuries, fractures and dislocations congenital, localized views-periodic examination-use of dry bones-positioning terminology identification systems.

#### **Positioning Radiography – I**

##### **Skeletal System**

##### **Upper Limb:**

Techniques for hand-fingers-thumb-wrist joint-forearm-elbow joint-humerus-shoulder joint and sterno- clavicular joint.

##### **Lower Limb:**

Techniques for foot-calcaneum-ankle joint-leg-knee joint-patella-and femur (lower two thirds)

##### **Pelvic Girdle:**

Techniques for pelvic-iliac fossa-ischium-and sacro iliac joint.

##### **Vertebral Colum:**

Techniques for Atlanto-occipital articulation, cervical vertebrae, cervico-thoracic junction, thoracic vertebrae, lumbar vertebrae, lumbosacral articulation, sacrum,

##### **Bones of Thorax:**

Techniques for sternum, ribs (upper and lower).

##### **Skull:**

Techniques for cranium, facial bones, sella turcica, temporal Bone and optic foraminae, sinuses, mandible and temporo mandible joint.

## **Positioning Radiography – II**

### **Abdomen:**

Routine and radiographs on acute condition

Bedside radiography – techniques for acute chest conditions-intestinal obstruction, abdominal perforations-vertebral injuries-skull injuries-fractures immobilized.

Theatre radiography-introduction to C-arm image intensifier-exposure & training.

### **Contrast Procedures –I**

Barium swallow-Barium meal series-Barium enema-double contrast barium enema, small bowel enema, double and single contrast, ERCP,PTBD, sonograms, fistulograms, mammograms.

### **Contrast Procedures – II**

IVU, retrograde pyelogram, MCU,AUG, Opposing Urethrogram, Dacrography, Sialogram, HSG,T-Tube cholangiogram, operative cholangiogram (on table in theatre).

## **Radiographic Technique and Radiographic Anatomy**

**Contrast media:** Barium preparation, Iodine preparation, Air-Oxygen.

**Skeletal system:** Upper limb, lower limb, shoulder, girdle and thorax, vertebral column, pelvic girdle and hip region. Teeth jaw.

**Accessory nasal sinuses:** Lachrymal system

**Cardiovascular system:** Upper respiratory passage, lungs, pleura, diaphragmatic excursion, Mediastinum, bronchography, artificial pneumothorax.

**Genioto-urinary system:** Straight X-ray of abdomen, pyelography, cystography, urethrography, gas insufflation, pneumo-peritonium.

**Obstetrics and Gynaecology:** Radiation protection, pregnancy, pelvimetry, hystero salpingography, placentography.

**Central nervous system:** Routine and special projections of skull, ventriculography and encephalography, cerebral angiography, myelograph.

**Alimentary system:** Barium suspension, Barium-meal and follow through Barium enema.

**Liver and spleen:** Spleno-portal venography.

**Silvery glands:** Sialography.

Arthrography, sialography, Lymphangiography, Operation theatre technique and ward radiography.

Stereoscopy, Magnification, High and Low K.V. technique and Mammography.

## **First Aid, Basic Nursing, Handling of Patients**

Shock, convulsion, asphyxia, artificial respiration, Administration of Oxygen, Burns and scalds. Electric shock and burns. Wound, haemorrhage, pressure points, Tourniquet, Injuries to Bones, Joints and muscles, Dressing of Bandages, Plaster of Paris technique, Splints, Drug reaction, Poisons, Basic Nursing.

**Drug in Department:** Storage labeling. Checking, Regulation regarding dangerous drugs, Units of measurement.

**Medical Ethics:** Ethical law and professional etiquettes applied to members of profession associated with medicine.

**Nursing and Handling of patients:** Hospital and Departmental procedure, Hospital staffing and organization. Records and departmental statistics. Medico-legal aspects. Appoints. Stock taking and stock keeping.

**Care of patients:** Reception, Elementary hygiene.

**Nursing Care:** Temperature, pulses and respiration. Application of sterile dressings.

**Preparation of patients for General X-ray examination:** Departmental instructions to out-patients or ward-staff. Instructions for various special investigations. Nursing care before and after special X-ray. Drug allergy.

**Principles of asepsis:** Methods of sterilization. Care and identification of instruments. Setting of trays and trolleys. Elementary operating theatre procedure.

**Tomography -**

**History:**

Basic principle and data acquisition/C.T. generations, Gantry and patient table - Travel Speed, Load capacity, X-ray tubes.

Rotating anode; cooling system; Collimator; Pencil beam; Fan beam Anode heat storage capacity; Detector system: Type, number, Efficiency  
Generator, UPS & Voltage Stabilizer. Rectifier.

## **Magnetic Resonance Imaging**

**History:**

Basic Physics

Magnets - Types, Powers, Magnetism; Nuclear Spin, Proton density;

Larmor equation; Radio Frequency (RF) Pulse;

T1 (Longitudinal relaxation time)

T2 [Transverse relaxation time]

Free induction decay

TR [time to repeat] and TE [time to echo] Flip Angle

Imaging process

Fourier transformation, Pixel, Matrix, Gantry and different types of coils,

Magnets and field gradients RF pulse and pulse sequences

Partial saturation & saturation recovery sequences

Inversion reversion sequence, Spine-echo sequence

Fast imaging sequence

Selection of slices; Slice thickness; Image storage; Contrast agents,

MR angiography & Dynamic MR Spectroscopy; Hazards and safety.



## **PAPER – III**

### **BASIC AND ADVANCED ULTRASOUND IMAGING**

#### **Ultrasound – Generation, Properties and Interaction:**

Basic Acoustics, Ultrasound terminologies: acoustic pressure, power, intensity, impedance, speed, frequency, dB notation: relative acoustic pressure and relative acoustic intensity.

Interaction of US with matter: reflection, transmission, scattering, refraction and absorption, attenuation and attenuation coefficients.

Production of ultrasound: Piezoelectricity, Medical ultrasound transducer: Principle, Construction and Working, Characteristics of US beam.

#### **Image Formation, Display and Quality:**

Ultrasound display modes: A,B,M, T-M mode, B-scan, Scan-converters: Analog and Digital, Image Quality: Axial, Lateral and Elevational resolutions, US Machine Controls, US Focusing.

Real-time ultrasound: Line density and frame rate, Real-time ultrasound transducer : mechanical and electronic arrays, Ultrasound Artifacts.

#### **Techniques:**

Techniques for imaging different anatomic areas, Patient preparation for Doppler, Vascular sonography, Quantitative ultrasound densitometry.

#### **Doppler Ultrasonography:**

Doppler Effect, Doppler ultrasound techniques: Continuous Wave Doppler, pulsed Doppler, Duplex scanning, Doppler spectrum, Color Doppler, Power Doppler.

Harmonic imaging

Extended FOV imaging

3D US imaging: acquisition methods & reconstruction

4D & 5D US imaging.

## **INTERVENTIONAL PROCEDURES AND ANGIOGRAPHY**

### **Principle & Instrumentation:**

Digital Subtraction Angiography: Instrumentation, Principle of Digital Subtraction Angiography, Various Digital Subtraction Techniques.

### **Basics of Invasive Radiology:**

Procedure of image guided biopsies and drainage procedure.

### **Invasive Angiography & Venography:**

4 Vessel DSA

Aortogram

Selective Angiogram

Venogram

### **Invasive Monitoring:**

NIBP, Pulseoximetry, Cardiac resuscitation measures, IBP, ECG, Management of Shock.

### **Interventional Procedures:**

PTBD, Stenting, PTA + stenting, stent graft, Embolisation TIPS, drainage procedure.

### **Neuro Interventional Procedures:**

Embolisation,

GDC

Glue embolisation

Vertebroplasty

Direct puncture

### **Adult & Pediatric Invasive Cardiology:**

Basics of cardiac catheterization

Invasive monitoring

Coronary angiogram

## **BASIC AND ADVANCED CT IMAGING**

### **CT Imaging – Principle:**

Basic principle of Computed Tomography, Comparison of CT with Conventional Radiography and Tomography, Generations of CT.

### **Instrumentation:**

Gantry, Patient couch, X-ray tube, Filters, Collimators, Detectors, Data Acquisition System (DAS).

### **Image Formation:**

Image Formation in CT, CT Image Reconstruction, Hounsfield Unit, Windowing, CT image display, CT Image Quality, CT artifacts.

### **Advances in Ct Imaging:**

Helical CT scan : Slip ring technology, Advantages, Multi Detector CT, Cone-Beam geometry, Reconstruction of helical CT images, CT Fluoroscopy, HRCT, Post Processing Techniques : MPR, MIP, Min IP, 3<sup>D</sup> rendering : SSD and VR, Ct Dose.

### **Patient Preparation & Protocols:**

Patient preparation, Imaging techniques and protocols for various parts of body, CT contrast enhanced protocols – CT angiography: Aortogram, Selective angiogram head, neck and peripheral, Image documentation: Filling, Maintenance.

## **BASIC AND ADVANCED MRI (MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING)**

### **MRI Imaging- Principle:**

Basic Principle and concepts of MRI, the need for MRI, Role of hydrogen in MR Imaging, Advantages and disadvantages of MRI,

### **Instrumentation:**

MR architecture, magnet system and gradient system, patient screening before scanning, Safety aspects, types of magnets and RF coils,

### **Protocols:**

Different types of pulse sequence, Protocols in MRI for whole Body.

### **Image Formation:**

Fourier transformation, K space imaging, Image formation in MRI, Gating mechanism in MRI,

### **Advanced MRI Techniques:**

MR Angiography, (TOF, phase contrast and dynamic contrast MR angiography), Functional MRI, MR Spectroscopy, Recent advancement in MRI and open MRI.

### **Practicals:**

- a) Basic ultrasound techniques.
- b) Practical based on theory.
- c) Invasive monitoring
- d) Interventional procedures technique
- e) Positioning Radiography
- f) Contrast Procedures.