THESES OF THE MONTH

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

A List of doctoral theses accepted by Indian Universities (Notifications received in AIU during the month of April-May, 2017)

AGRICULTURAL & VETERINARY SCIENCES

Agroforestry

1. Bammanahalli, Shivaputra. Productivity and carbon storage in prevalent agroforestry systems in sub tropical region of Himachal Pradesh. (Dr. K S Pant), Department of Agroforestry, Dr Y S Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni, District Solan.

Agronomy

1. Todar Mal. Productivity of maize-based cropping systems in relation to tillage, mulching and fertilizer management practices. Department of Agronomy, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana.

Biochemistry

1. Satinder, Kour. Re-established desiccation tolerance as a mechanism of stress tolerance in wheat. Department of Biochemistry, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana.

Entomology

1. Sharma, Urvi. Bioecology and management of rice hispa, Dicladispa armigera (Oliver) under mid-hill conditions of Himachal Pradesh. (Dr. Ajay Srivastava), Department of Entomology, CSK Himachal Pradesh Krishi Vishvavidyalaya, Palampur.

Food Science & Technology

1. Patwari, Kanwaki. Enzymatic hydrolysis of rapeseed meal protein and study of the functional properties of its isolates and hydrolysates. (Prof. Charu Lata), Department of Food Engineering and Technology, Tezpur University, Napaam, Tezpur.

2. Seth, Dibyakanta. Spray dried *Misti Dahi* (Sweetened yoghurt) powder: Process technology, encapsulation of bacterial cells, texture improvement and sorption studies. (Prof. S C Deka), Department of Food Engineering and Technology, Tezpur University, Napaam, Tezpur.

3. Verma, Arti. Inheritance of quantitative and qualitative traits and downy mildew resistance in cauliflower (*Brassica oleracea L Var botrytis*). (Dr. Youdvir Singh), Department of Vegetable Science & Floriculture, CSK Himachal Pradesh Krishi Vishvavidyalaya, Palampur.

Microbiology

1. Kaundal, Kirti. Characterization of bioactive metabolities producing strains *pseudomonas* species for survival and growth promotion of replanted apple. (Dr. Mohinder Kaur), Department of Microbiology, Dr Y S Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni, District Solan.

2. Sood, Bhavish. Development of diagnostic protocol for assessment of microbiological quality of fresh vegetables. Department of Microbiology, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana. Soil Science

1. Dhiman, Shilva. Soil plant water dynamics and soil health as affected by nutrient management practices under gram-maize cropping sequence. (Dr. Y P Dubey), Department of Soil Science, CSK Himachal Pradesh Krishi Vishvavidyalaya, Palampur.

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

Biotechnology

1. Deshpande, Jyoti Amol. Standardization of in-vitro culture of plumbago Sp for optimization of plumbagin production and therapeutic studies of plumbagin along with in-silico designing and docking of plumbagin analogs. (Dr. M B Khetmalas), Faculty of Biotechnology, Dr D Y Patil Vidyapeeth, Kolhapur.

Botany

1. Sasidharan, Swapna. Characterization of dioecy in nutmeg (Myristica fragrans houtt). (Dr. Y Saideswara Rao and Dr. K Mary Mathew), Department of Botany, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam.

2. Sindhu, Sukhpreet Kaur. Assessment of germplasm for variation in acquisition and utilization of phosphorus in pigeonpea [*Cajanus cajan* (L) Millsp]. Department of Botany, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana.

Microbiology

1. Sultana, Uzma. Development of diazotrophic bioinoculants for improved nutrition and plant growth in sorghum and pigeonpea. (Dr. Suseelendra Desai and Prof.Gopal Reddy), Department of Microbiology, Osmania University, Hyderabad.

EARTH SYSTEM SCIENCES

Environmental Science

1. Bhuyan, Pranamika. Chemical characterization of rainwater over Brahmaputra Valley. (Prof. R R Hoque), Department of Environmental Science, Tezpur University, Napaam, Tezpur.

2. Deka, Jyoti Prakash. Imprints of long range transported pollution on Eastern Himalayan high Altitude Lakes through geochemical, isotopic and anthropogenic signature. (D Manish Kumar), Department of Environmental Science, Tezpur University, Napaam, Tezpur.

Geology

1. Das, Sohini. Structural pattern and kinematic framework of deformation in the Eastern sector of Kaladgi Basin, Bagalkot District, Karnataka, South-Western India. (Dr. Mrinal Kanti Mukherjee), Department of Applied Geology, Indian School of Mines University, Dhanbad.

2. Swain, Sagar Kumar. Stable isotope and geochemical