

Course Title: Geophysics	Course code: 24MJPH4S
Total Contact Hours: 30	Course Credits: 02
Internal Assessment Marks: 10 marks	Duration of SEE: 1.5 hours
Semester End Examination Marks: 40 marks	

Course Outcomes:

By the end of this course, students will be able to:

1. Understand fundamental geophysical concepts and Earth's physical properties.
2. Explain principles of seismic, gravitational, and electrical geophysical methods.
3. Apply geophysical techniques in earthquake studies, resource exploration, and environmental monitoring.

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Unit	Description	Hours
Unit 1	Introduction to Geophysics & Earth's Interior Introduction to Geophysics: Definition, branches, and applications, Earth's Internal Structure: Crust, mantle, and core (composition and properties), Seismology & Earthquakes: Types of seismic waves (P, S, Surface waves), Earthquake magnitude and intensity (Richter & Mercalli scales), Seismographs and earthquake monitoring, Plate Tectonics & Geodynamics: Continental drift, seafloor spreading, and tectonic activity (6 h) Hands on Session: Use of 1) Magnetometer, 2) GPS, and 3) soil testing parameters Modelling: Earth's Internal Structure. Survey of earthquake events (10 h)	16
Unit 2	Gravity, Properties of Earth and Environmental geophysics Gravity & Earth's Shape: Gravity anomalies and their significance, Isostasy and buoyancy, Geomagnetism & Paleomagnetism: Earth's magnetic field, Magnetic reversals and their geological significance, Electrical Properties of Earth: Conductivity, resistivity, and electromagnetic properties, Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) and its environmental applications. Environmental geophysics (landfill detection, groundwater contamination), Engineering Geophysics: Geophysical techniques in civil engineering, tunnel & dam site investigations (6 h) Hands on Session: 1) Measurement of g, 2) measurement of B_H 3) water testing parameters Modelling: 1) Tunnel & 2) Dam (8 h)	14

Reference Books:

1. Telford, W. M., Geldart, L. P., & Sheriff, R. E. (1990). *Applied Geophysics*. Cambridge University Press.
2. Fowler, C. M. R. (2005). *The Solid Earth: An Introduction to Global Geophysics*. Cambridge University Press.
3. Dobrin, M.B. (1988). *Introduction to Geophysical Prospecting*. McGraw Hill.