# Pre-Ph.D. Course Curriculum & Syllabi - 2020 Department of Marine Sciences, Berhampur University

#### Introduction:

Department of Marine Sciences was established in the year 1978 in Berhampur University. Berhampur University is the only university in the state which offers M.Sc, M.Phil. and Ph. D/D.Sc. courses in Oceanography and Marine Biology. The prime objective to establish such a department was to prepare quality manpower in the field of Marine Sciences, both through teaching and research, to meet the demand of the state as well as the country.

# **Faculty Members:**

- 1. Dr. Pratap Kumar Mohanty, Professor (Oceanography)
- Dr. Shesdev Patro, Assistant Professor (Marine Biology)

#### **Facilities:**

P.G. Department of Marine Sciences has following facilities available for students and research scholars:

#### Seminar and Library:

Department has an independent Seminar Hall with audio-visual system where weekly students seminar are conducted under the supervision of a Teacher-In-Charge. Department has its own library with about 1200 books and several journals / newsletters.

#### Computing facilities:

The department has a centralized computer laboratory equipped with internet facility, PC and Server. Softwares such as ERDAS Imagine, Arc-view, MATLAB, Surfer, Statistica and other statistical packages are available.

#### Laboratories:

The Department has six practical laboratories viz, Marine Biology, Marine Microbiology, Marine Chemistry, Marine Geology, Physical Oceanography & Meteorology and Remote Sensing.

# Syllabus for Pre-Ph.D. (Marine Biology)

The Syllabus includes theories/dissertations/seminar presentations wherever necessary. A list of Text Books is provided against each paper for all Semesters. However, students may also make use of authentic online sources for their benefit.

#### **General Course Framework & Structure**

Total Credits- 16 & Core papers (C): 04; Elective Papers (E): 01

Course Code	Title of the Paper	Total Mark	Credit
MARB MPC1	Research Methodology	100	4
MARB MPC2	Advances in Biological Oceanography	100	4
MARB MPC3	Research and Publication Ethics	50	2
MARB MPC4	Literature Review & Seminar Presentation (Presentation with a review report based on review of 05 important published research articles of reputed journals)	50	2
MARB MPE1	Marine Plankton and Productivity	100	4
MARB MPE2	Benthic Ecology	100	4
MARB MPE3	Marine Ecology and Biodiversity Conservation	100	4
MARB MPE4	Marine Fisheries	100	4
MARB MPE5	Coastal and Marine Aquaculture	100	4
MARB MPE6	Marine Biotechnology	100	4
MARB MPE7	Marine Microbiology	100	4
	Total Marks/Credit (C 04 + E 01)	400	16

A student has to opt any one among the elective papers (E) related to their research interest

# **Details of Syllabus**

**Course Name:** Research Methodology **Course No.:** MARB MPC1

Credits: 04 Core/Elective: Core

Units	Contents	Hours
Unit 1	Statistical analysis and computer application	15
	Use of MS office word, Ms office excel, PowerPoint presentation	
	Standard deviation, mean, median, mode, simple correlation and regress analysis, analysis of variance, one way and two way ANOVA	
Unit 2	Research methodology in plankton studies	15
	Collection and preservation of phytoplankton	
	Quantitative and qualitative analysis of phytoplankton	
	Standing stock measurement and estimation of biomass of phytoplankton	
	Collection and preservation of zooplankton	
	Methods of qualitative and quantitative analysis of zooplankton	
	Standing stock measurement/biomass estimation of zooplankton	
Unit 3	Research methodology in study of benthos and ecological sensitive areas	15
	Methods of collection of benthos from rocky, sandy and muddy shore using quadrate sampling and core sampling	
	Preservation of benthos	
	Standing stock assessment of macro and meiofauna	
	Qualitative and quantitative analysis of macrofauna and meiofauna	
	Survey methodology for salt marsh, seagrass, mangrove and coral reef ecosystems	
Unit 4	Research methodology in fishery	15
	Methods of population size estimation of pelagic and demersal fishes	

Units	Contents	Hours
	Collection,	
	Transportation and preservation of fish sample for biochemical and karyological studies	
	Methods of fish seed collection from natural environment	
	Methods of transportation of seed materials	

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- 3. English, S., Wilkinson, C., Baker, V., 1997. Survey Manual for Tropical Marine Resources, Australian Institute of Marine Science, Townsville
- 4. Venkataraman, K., Sivaperuman, C. 2015. Marine faunal diversity in India: Taxonomy, ecology and conservation, Academic Press
- 5. King, M. 1995. Fisheries biology Assessment and Management. Fishery News Books.

**Course Name:** Advances in Biological Oceanography **Course No.:** MARB MPC2

Credits: 04 Core/Elective: Core

Units	Contents	Hours
Unit 1	Marine biodiversity, ecology and conservation	15
	Plankton: classification, distribution and factors affecting their distribution	
	Benthos: classification, distribution and factors affecting their distribution	
	Marine Ecosystems and their function: seagrass, salt marsh, mangrove and coral reef	
Unit 2	Marine Fisheries and Aquaculture	15
	Major fisheries of the world,	
	Estuarine and marine fishery resources of India,	

Units	Contents	Hours
	Status of capture fisheries from Indian seas,	
	Marine and estuarine fishery potential of Odisha coast,	
	Status of brackish water and mariculture in India and Odisha	
Unit 3	Marine Biotechnology and Molecular Biology	15
	History of genetics and mendelism	
	Structure and function of gene	
	Molecular structure of DNA and its replication	
	Molecular structure and function of RNA (m-RNA, r-RNA, t-RNA)	
	DNA as the genetic material	
	Chromosomal basis of inheritance	
	Marine biotechnology and its applications in biological oceanography	
Unit 4	Marine Microbiology	15
	General introduction to microbiology	
	marine microbiology-Definition, importance and its significance in oceanographic studies	

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- 2. Lalli & Person: Biological Oceanography, Pergamon Press, London
- 3. Barnes R. S. K, 1999, Introduction to Marine Ecology, Blackwell Science.
- 4. Venkataraman, K., Sivaperuman, C. 2015. Marine faunal diversity in India: Taxonomy, ecology and conservation, Academic Press
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**Course Name:** Research and Publication Ethics **Course No.:** MARB MPC3

Credits: 02 Core/Elective: Core

Units	Contents	Hours
Unit 1	Philosophy and ethics	3
(Theory)	Introduction to philosophy: definition, nature and scope, concept, branches	
	Ethics: definition, moral philosophy, nature of moral judgements and reactions	
Unit 2	Scientific conduct	5
(Theory)	Ethics with respect to science and research	
	Intellectual honesty and research integrity	
	Scientific misconducts: falsification, fabrication and plagiarism (FFP) Redundant publications: duplicate and overlapping publications, salami slicing	
	Selective reporting and misrepresentation of data	
Unit 3	Publication ethics	7
(Theory)	Publication ethics: definition, introduction and importance	
	Best practices/standards setting initiatives and guidelines: COPE, WAME etc	
	Conflicts of interest	
	Publication misconduct: definition, concept, problems that lead to unethical behavior and vice versa, types	
	Violation of publication ethics, authorship and contributorship	
	Identification of publication misconduct, complaints and appeals	
	Predatory publishers and journals	
Unit 4	Open access publishing	4
(Practice)	Open access publications and initiatives	
	SHERPA/RoMEO online resources to check publisher copyright & self-	

Units	Contents	Hours
	archiving policies	
	Software tool to identify predatory publications developed by SPPU	
	Journal finder/journal suggestion tools viz. JANE, Elsevier Journal Finder, Springer Journal Suggester etc	
Unit 5	Publication misconduct	4
(Practice)	A. Group discussions (2 hrs)	
	Subject specific ethical issues, FFP, authorship	
	Conflicts of interest	
	Complaints and appeals: examples and fraud from India and abroad	
	B. Software tools (2 hrs)	
	Use of plagiarism software like Turnitin, Urkund and other open source software tools	
Unit 6	Databases and research metrics	7
(Practice)	A. Databases (4 hrs)	
	Indexing databases	
	Citation databases: Web of Science, Scopus etc.	
	B. Research metrics (3 hrs)	
	Impact factor of journal as per journal citation report, SNIP, SJR, IPP, Cite score	
	Metrics: h-index, g index, i10 index, altmetrics	

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- 3. Chaddah, P. (2018) Ethics in competitive research: Do not get scooped; do not get plagiarized.
- 4. National Academy of Sciences, National Academy of Engineering and Institute of Medicine (2009). On being a scientist: A guide to responsible conduct in research: third edition. National Academic Press.

- 5. Resnik, D.B. (2011) Wht is ethics in research and why is it important. National Institute of Environmental health Sciences, 1-10.
- 6. Beall, J. (2012) Predatory publishers are corrupting open access. Nature, 489 (7415), 179-179.
- 7. Indian National Science Academy (INSA), Ethics in science education, research and governance (2019).

Course Name: Literature Review & Seminar Course No.: MARB MPC4

Presentation

Credits: 02 Core/Elective: Core

# **Course Details**

Units	Contents	Hours
	Review of literature: meaning, significance and techniques of reviewing the literature for the specific topic/research paper.	
	Developing guidelines for review of literatures.	
	Selecting five research papers on any topic of marine sciences/marine biology and reviewing all.	
	Preparing a report on the review papers based on at least 05 research papers and presentation through PPT	

**Course Name:** Marine Plankton and Productivity **Course No.:** MARB MPE1

Credits: 04 Core/Elective: Elective

Units	Contents	Hours
Unit 1	Phytoplankton	12
	Distribution of phytoplankton in the ocean and the environmental factors affecting their distribution	
	Phytoplankton bloom, Red tide, Harmful algal bloom (HAB), causes and consequences of HABs	

Units	Contents	Hours
Unit 2	Primary productivity	12
	Definition of primary productivity	
	Factors effecting primary productivity in the marine environment	
	Methods of estimation of primary productivity- phytoplankton standing crop, analyzing the pigment (Chlorophyll estimation), estimation of dissolved oxygen, C <sup>14</sup> method	
	Comparison of primary productivity in Bay of Bengal and Arabian sea	
Unit 3	Zooplankton	12
	Holoplankton and meroplankton	
	Distribution of zooplankton and the environmental factors affecting their distribution	
	Migration of zooplankton – Dial vertical migration and seasonal vertical migration	
	Zooplankton as bioindicator	
Unit 4	Secondary productivity	12
	Methods of estimation of secondary production,	
	Factors affecting secondary production,	
	Regional difference in secondary production with special reference to the Bay of Bengal and the Arabian Sea.	
Unit 5	Plankton ecology	12
	Interrelation between phytoplankton and zooplankton	
	primary and secondary productivity in different marine ecosystems- estuary, ocean, mangrove and coastal lagoons	

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- 2. Raymont, J.E. G, 1973. Plankton and Productivity in the Ocean (Vol.-1) Pergamon Press, London.
- 3. Raymont, J.E.G. 1973. Zooplankton (Vol-II) Pergamon Press, London.

- 4. Parsons, J.R. M. Takahasi and hargrave 9lled), 1977, Biological oceanographic Processes. Pergaman Press, Oxford.
- 5. Spoel S.Vender and Heyman, R.P. 1983. Comperative atlas of Zooplankton biological patterns in the oceans, Springer, Verlag, Berlin.
- 6. Tomas, C.R., 1993. Marine phytoplankton: A guide to naked flagellates and coccoithophores. Academic Press
- 7. Mitra, A., Banerjii, K., Gangopadhyay, A., 2011, Introduction to marine plankton

Course Name: Benthic Ecology Course No.: MARB MPE2

**Credits:** 04 **Core/Elective:** Elective

Units	Contents	Hours
Unit 1	Intertidal zone	15
	The inter tidal, subtidal and deep sea	
	Ecology of Rocky shore, Sandy shore and Muddy shore communities	
	Zonation in Rocky shore	
	Sediment-Organism Interrelations	
	Ecology of Meiobenthos	
Unit 2	Subtidal zone	15
	Definition and salient features of continental shelf and slope	
	Adaptation of sub-tidal communities	
	Importance of subtidal benthos on fisheries	
Unit 3	Deep sea	15
	General characteristic features of bathyal; abyssal and hadal regions	
	Adaptation of deep sea organisms	
	Economic importance of deep sea animals	
	Methods of collection of deep sea benthos, qualitative and quantitative estimation of deep sea benthos, species diversity in the deep sea	
	Parallel level bottom communities.	

Units	Contents	Hours
Unit 4	Marine borers and foulers	15
	The marine borers and foulers	
	Influence of environmental parameters in succession of fouling community.	
	Economic importance of marine fouling organisms	
	Antifouling measures for the protection of marine structures	
	Relation between fouling and corrosion.	

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- 2. Balakrishna Nair, N. and D.M. Thampy, 1980. A text book of Marine Ecology, the MacMillan Co. India Ltd. New Delhi.
- 3. Gage, J.D. and P.A. Tyler, 1991, Deep-sea Biology, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.
- 4. Hedgepetch, J.W. (Ed.) 1974, Treatise on marine Ecology and Pale ecology, Vol.II Geological Society of America, New York.
- 5. Vewell, R.C. 1970, Biology of Intertidal Animals. Marine Ecological Survey Ltd. Pavershan, Kent, U.K.
- 6. Watt. K.E.F. 1966, systems analysis in Ecology Academic Press, New York.
- 7. Nybakken, J.W. Readings in marine ecology.
- 8. Lalli & Person: Biological Oceanography, Pergamon Press, London

Course Name: Marine Ecology and Biodiversity Course No.: MARB MPE3

Conservation

**Credits:** 04 **Core/Elective:** Elective

Units	Contents	Hours
Unit 1	Introduction	10
	Introduction to marine biodiversity	
	Factors affecting marine biodiversity- environmental (salinity,	

Units	Contents	Hours
	temperature and bathymetry) and biological factors (reproduction and food availability)	
Unit 2	Marine ecology	15
	Population ecology - Population growth and factors a affecting population growth; Concept of Carrying capacity	
	Community concept - Structures and functions of ecological community, Diversity and stability in community- species diversity, species richness, species evenness	
	Ecosystem function - Energy flow in ecosystem, Food chain and food web in marine and estuarine environment; Bio-geo-chemical cycling of nutrients	
	Species interaction: Types of interactions- interspecific and intraspecific competition, Predation, Mutualism/Symbiosis, Commensalism, Ammensalism	
Unit 3	Biodiversity assessment in marine ecosystems	10
	Mapping of marine ecosystems	
	Methods for biodiversity assessment in mangrove, seagrass, salt marsh, coral reef, sand dunes – quadrat method, line transect method	
Unit 4	Threats to marine biodiversity	15
	Anthropogenic impact on marine biodiversity	
	Impact of pollution on marine biodiversity- Domestic, industrial and agricultural	
	Biological invasion	
	Eutrophication	
	Climate change impact on marine ecosystem and biodiversity	
	Habitat destruction and fragmentation	
Unit 5	Biodiversity conservation and management	10
	IUCN categories	
	Marine scheduled species of India	
	Conservation Laws and strategy – Wildlife Protection Act, 1972;	

Units	Contents	Hours
	Forest Conservation Act, 1980; Biological Diversity Act, 2002; Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, Coastal Regulation Zones (CRZ), Biosphere reserve, National Park, Sanctuary, Ramsar site	
	Ecosystem services	

- 1. Barnes R. S. K, 1999, Introduction to Marine Ecology, Blackwell Science.
- **2.** Martens et al., 2006, Marine Biodiversity Patterns and Processes, Assessment, Threats, Management and Conservation, Springer, Dordrecht
- 3. Hiscock, K. 2014. Marine biodiversity conservation: A practical approach, Routledge
- 4. English, S., Wilkinson, C., Baker, V., 1997. Survey Manual for Tropical Marine Resources, Australian Institute of Marine Science, Townsville
- 5. Venkataraman, K., Sivaperuman, C. 2015. Marine faunal diversity in India: Taxonomy, ecology and conservation, Academic Press

Course Name: Marine Fisheries Course No.: MARB MPE4

**Credits:** 04 **Core/Elective:** Elective

Units	Contents	Hours
Unit 1	Fishing gears and crafts	10
	Common fishing crafts and gears with special reference to Indian coast,	
	Indigenous crafts used along the Odisha coast, design and construction of fishing crafts and fishing boats.	
	Methods of detection of fish in the sea, Fish Aggregating Device (FAD)	
	Seine net, trap net, drop net, cast net, gill net, fixed net, bag net, scoop net, hooks and lines	
Unit 2	Anatomy and physiology	15
	Basic anatomy of fishes	

Units	Contents	Hours
	Detail structure and function of gills	
	Types of air breathing organs in fishes	
	Structure and function of swim bladder	
	Food and feeding habit of pelagic and demersal fishes	
	Reproductive system in fishes and reproductive mechanism	
	Endocrine organ and their functions	
Unit 3	Fish Ecology	15
	General attributes of fish population growth	
	Mortality and recruitment of the fishes in the oceans	
	Principle of tagging in fish population studies and their significance	
	Hydrography in relation to fisheries, Factors affecting the maturation and spawning of fishes	
	Age determination in fishes	
Unit 4	Fish products and their preservation	10
	Diversified fish products and by products dried and cured	
	Fish meal and oil, fish oils, fish liver oil, liver rinsed fish insilage, fish maws and isinglass	
	Fish preservation, canning mechanism, freezing of fish, spoilage of wet fish and causative factors	
Unit 5	Fishery resources of India	10
	Acts of overfishing and its effect on sustenance of marine fisheries	
	The major marine fishery resources of Indian seas- Sardine, Mackerel, Pomfrets, Tuna and Hilsha fishery resources	
	The fisheries of Chilika lake	
	Estuarine fishery resources of Odisha	
	Methods of resource assessment, Survey of fish eggs and fish larvae with reference to fish population features	

- 1. Nedelee: FAO catalogue at small scale fishing gear.
- 2. Sohile: FAO catalogue of fishing gear designs.
- 3. Trgung: Fishing boats of the world, Vol.1, 2 & 3
- 4. K.F, Lagler T.E. Bardach and R.R. Miller, 1962. Ichthyology. John Wiley and Sons and Inc. New York.
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- 6. King, M. 1995. Fisheries biology Assessment and Management. Fishery News Books.
- 7. Jones, E.R.H. 1980. Fish Migration Edward Arnold Ltd, London.
- 8. Nikolski, G.V. 1969. Theory of fish population dynbamics as th biological background for rational exploitation and management of fishery resources. Otto Roeltz Science publishers. Berling.
- 9. Saint and Shury: Commercial fishery methods.
- 10. D.V. Bal and K.V. Rao, 1984: Marine Fisheries.

11. Jhingran, J.V: Fish and Fisehries of India.

**Course Name:** Coastal and Marine Aquaculture **Course No.:** MARB MPE5

**Credits:** 04 **Core/Elective:** Elective

Units	Contents	Hours
Unit 1	Introduction	10
	Fundamentals of aquaculture	
	Types of aquaculture	
	scope and importance of coastal aquaculture	
Unit 2	Construction of aquaculture farm and hatchery	15
	Design and construction of fish farm	
	Design and construction of shrimp hatchery	
	Site selection, factors of consideration and development of infrastructure	
Unit 3	Seed Production and transportation	15
	Methods of seed collection- Induced breeding and wild	

Units	Contents	Hours
	Packing and transportation of fish seed	
Unit 4	Culture	10
	Mono culture and poly culture, Traditional, Extensive, semi-intensive and intensive	
	System of culture, Cages, Pen and Raft culture, Culture of mullets, milk fish, ornamental fish, prawn, crabs, oysters, mussels and seaweeds, Culture of live feeds	
Unit 5	Maintenance of aquaculture farm	10
	Common aquatic weeds in fish farm and their methods of control	
	Fish diseases in culture fishes and their control	
	Effect of pollution on aquaculture	

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- 2. Chen, T.P. 1976, Aquaculture Practices in Taiwan Fishing News (Books) Ltd. London.
- 3. Chapman V.J. 1980: Sea weeds and their uses, Chapmans Hall, London.
- 4. Kurien C.V. and Subastian, V.O. 1982, Prawn and Prawn fisheries of India, Hindustan Publishing Corporation (India), Delhi.
- 5. Pillay, T.R. ed. 1982, Coastal aquaculture in Indo-Pacific region, Fishing News (Books) Limited London.
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- 10. Nayak. L. 2001, Recent trends in aquaculture, Berhampur University.

**Course Name:** Marine Biotechnology **Course No.:** MARB MPE6

Credits: 04 Core/Elective: Elective

Units	Contents	Hours
Unit 1	Introduction	10
	Marine biotechnology - History and its applications in marine biology	
Unit 2	Basics of genetic engineering	15
	Plasmid and bacteriophages	
	DNA isolation and cloning	
	Insertion of foreign DNA into host cell	
	Recombinant DNA technology	
Unit 3	Marine natural products	15
	Bioactive marine natural products - anti tumor compounds, anti inflammatory / analgesic compounds, anti viral agents	
	Isolation of bioactive compound- liquid extraction, membrane separation, chromatography	
	Identification of marine bioactive compounds- IR, UV, NMR and mass spectroscopy	
	Commercial development of marine natural products- Agar, chitin	
Unit 4	Application of biotechnology in aquaculture	10
	Induced breeding in marine organisms,	
	In-vitro fertilization, cryopreservation,	
	Chromosome manipulation in aquaculture – hybridization; Ploidy induction; Gynogenesis, Androgenesis and sex reversal in commercially important fishes.	
Unit 5	Tools and techniques in marine biotechnology	10
	RIA, ELISA, FISH, PCR Gene probes	

- 1. Italy, E (Eds). 1998, New Developments in Marine Biotechnology, Plenum Pub. Corp.
- 2. Milton Fingerman and Rachakonda Nagabhushanam, 1996, Molecular Genetics of Marine Organisms, Science Pub Inc.
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- 5. Rita R. Colwell 1984. Biotechnology in the Marine Sciences (Advances in Marine Science & Biotechnology) Wiley Interscience.
- 6. Scheupr, P.J. (Ed.), 1984. Chemistry of Marine Natural Products, Chemical and Biological Perspectives. Vol. I III, Academic Press, New York.

Course Name: Marine Microbiology Course No.: MARB MPE7

**Credits:** 04 **Core/Elective:** Elective

Units	Contents	Hours
Unit 1	Diversity and distribution of marine microbes	10
	Ecology of coastal, shallow and deep sea microorganism - importance and their significance	
	Diversity of microorganism - Archaea, bacteria, cyanobacteria, algae, fungi, viruses and actinomycetes in the mangroves and coral environment	
Unit 2	Culture method and identification	15
	Methods of collection of water and sediment samples for microbiological studies	
	Methods of isolations and culture of marine bacteria	
	Enumeration of marine bacteria by total and viable counts	
	Identification of marine bacteria by total and viable counts	
	Identification of marine bacteria based on their morphological, physiological and biochemical characteristics	
	Structure and biology of marine bacteria	

Units	Contents	Hours
Unit 3	Microbial nutrition	10
	Common nutrient requirements of microbes	
	Requirement for carbon, hydrogen and oxygen	
	Nutritional types of microorganisms	
	Requirements of nitrogen, phosphorus and sulfur, uptake of nutrients by cell	
Unit 4	Ecological role of microbes	15
	Microbial role in cycling of N, P, S, and C	
	Concept of microbial loop in relation to marine food web dynamics	
	Role of micro-organisms in DOM production and consumption	
	Role of marine microbes sequestering of carbon dioxide	
	Pollution indictor and pathogenic marine microbes	
Unit 5	Microbial genomics	10
	Principles and applications of TFF for microbial molecular analysis	
	DNA/RNA extraction, principles and methods	
	Principles and applications of PCR	
	GEL electrophoresis, DNA purification and visualization techniques	

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- 6. Kirchman, L Microbial Ecology of the Oceans 2000 John Wiley and Sons.
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