

Paper AEC1 (a): BASIC COMPUTER SKILLS

Hours Per Week: 2

Credits: 2

Exam Hours: 1 ½

Marks: 40U+10I

Objective: to impart a basic level understanding of working of a computer and its usage.

UNIT I: UNDERSTANDING OF COMPUTER AND WORD PROCESSING:

Knowing computer: What is Computer, Basic Applications of Computer; Components of Computer System, Central Processing Unit (CPU), VDU, Keyboard and Mouse, Other input/output Devices, Computer Memory, Concepts of Hardware and Software; Concept of Computing, Data and Information; Applications of IECT; Connecting keyboard, mouse, monitor and printer to CPU and checking power supply.

Operating Computer using GUI Based Operating System: What is an Operating System; Basics of Popular Operating Systems; The User Interface, Using Mouse; Using right Button of the Mouse and Moving Icons on the screen, Use of Common Icons, Status Bar, Using Menu and Menu-selection, Running an Application, Viewing of File, Folders and Directories, Creating and Renaming of files and folders, Opening and closing of different Windows; Using help; Creating Short cuts, Basics of O.S Setup; Common utilities.

Understanding Word Processing: Word Processing Basics; Opening and Closing of documents; Text creation and Manipulation; Formatting of text; Table handling; Spell check, language setting and thesaurus; Printing of word document.

UNIT II: SPREAD SHEET, PRESENTATION SOFTWARE & INTRODUCTION TO INTERNET, WWW AND WEB BROWSERS:

Using Spread Sheet: Basics of Spreadsheet; Manipulation of cells; Formulas and Functions; Editing of Spread Sheet, printing of Spread Sheet.

Basics of presentation software: Creating Presentation; Preparation and Presentation of Slides; Slide Show; Taking printouts of presentation / handouts.

Introduction to Internet, WWW and Web Browsers:

Introduction to Internet: Basic of Computer networks; LAN, WAN; Concept of Internet; Applications of Internet; connecting to internet; What is ISP; Knowing the Internet; Basics of internet connectivity related troubleshooting.

World Wide Web: Search Engines; Understanding URL; Domain name; IP Address; Using e-governance website.

Web Browsing: Software, Communications and collaboration: Basics of electronic mail; Getting an email account; Sending and receiving emails; Accessing sent emails; Using Emails; Document collaboration; Instant Messaging; Netiquettes.

SUGGESTED READINGS:

1. Introduction to Computers, Peter Norton, Mc GrawHill , 2012.
2. Using Information Technology, Brian K williams, StaceyC.Sawyer, Tata Mc GrawHill.

Web Resources:

1. <https://online.stanford.edu/courses/soe-yccscs101-sp-computer-science-101>
2. <https://www.extension.harvard.edu/open-learning-initiative/intensive-introduction-computer-science>.