B.A.(Programme) Semester-V Generic Elective (GE) - Commerce

Commerce - Communication in Management

General Elective Course- 5.2 (GE-5.2): Communication in Management

Course title & Code	Credi ts	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibili ty	Pre- requisite
		Lectur e	Tutori al	Practical/ Practice	criteria	of the course (if any)
Communica tion in Manageme nt GE- 5.2	4	3	1	0	Pass in Class XII	NIL

Learning Objectives

The course aims to train students to enhance written as well as oral communication in management. This course will help students in understanding the principles and techniques of communication. Also, to understand the use of electronic media for communication.

Learning Outcomes

After completion of the course, learners will be able to:

- 1. Analyse basics of communication in management.
- 2. Interpret need for effective listening.
- 3. Discuss basics of written and spoken communication.
- 4. Demonstrate the role of group discussion and interviews.
- 5. Prepare business reports and proposals.

SYLLABUS OF GE-5.2

Unit 1: Introduction to Communications

Meaning and Objectives of Communication. Process of Communication. Forms of communication: formal and informal; upward, downward, diagonal and lateral. Role of a Manager. Barriers to effective Communication and Overcoming them. Effectiveness in Managerial Communication. Make use of grapevine. Role of verbal and non-verbal communication; interpreting non-verbal communication.

Unit 2: Listening

Meaning and objectives of Listening. Features of a good listener. Analysing poor listening. Effective listening skills and barriers to effective listening.

Unit 3: Spoken communication

Oral Presentation: Planning, structuring and delivering presentation. Handling queries. Challenges and etiquettes associated with Telephonic, web-conferencing and Teleconferencing communication.

Written communication: Principles and steps of effective writing. Seven Cs of Letter writing. Business Letters: inquiries, placing orders, sales letters. Job applications and resumes. Memos.

Unit 4: Group Discussion

Nature, forms and classification of Groups. Role of managers in Group Discussions. Effective Group Decision Making. Group Conflict.

Interviews: Interviewing, Nature and types of Interviewing Questions. Verbal and Non-Verbal aspects of interviewing. Types of Interviews: structured and unstructured; group and depth.

Unit 5: Meetings

Planning and conducting meetings. Meeting Process. Ways to Effectively lead a meeting. Evaluating meetings and drafting minutes of a meeting.

E-mail, Business Reports and Proposals: E-mail Etiquettes, smartness and presentation. Business Reports and proposals: Writing and purpose.

Exercises:

The learners are required to:

- 1. Learn how to summarise annual reports of companies.
- 2. Write business proposals.
- 3. Participate in group discussions and mock interviews
- 4. Smartly draft business emails.
- 5. Draft a business letter

Suggested Readings:

- Bell, R. L., & Martin, J. S. (2014). *Managerial Communication*. New York, United States: Business Expert Press.
- Lesikar, R. V., & Flatley, M. E. (2001). *Basic Business Communication Skills for Empowering the Internet Generation*. Delhi, India: Tata McGraw Hill Publishing Company Ltd.
- Meyer, C., & Dev, N. B. (2021). *Communicating for Results*. (4th ed.) Delhi, India: Oxford University Press.
- Hargie, O. D. W., Dickson, D., Tourish, D. (1999). *Communication in Management*. United Kingdom: Gower Publishing Ltd.
- Ludlow, R., & Panton, F. (1992). *The Essence of Effective Communications*. Delhi, India: Prentice Hall of India Pvt. Ltd.
- Raman, M., & Singh, P. (2012). *Business Communication*. Delhi, India: Oxford University Press.
- Bhatia, R. C. (2008). Business Communication. Delhi, India: Ane Books Pvt Ltd.
- Scot, O. (1998). Contemporary Business Communication. Delhi, India: Biztantra.

Note: Suggested readings will be updated by the Department of Commerce and uploaded on the Department's website.