

**ABILITY ENHANCEMENT COURSE - TAMIL**  
(For students who have not studied the language)

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**AEC (B)-I: Basic Tamil**

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**Credit distribution, Eligibility and Pre-requisites of the Course**

| Course title & Code | Credits | Credit distribution of the course |          |                     | Eligibility criteria                             | Pre-requisite of the course |
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|                     |         | Lecture                           | Tutorial | Practical/ Practice |                                                  |                             |
| Basic Tamil         | 02      | 2                                 | 0        | 0                   | (for students who have not studied the language) | NIL                         |

**Learning Objectives :** The primary objective of this Course is to facilitate Non-Tamil students to acquire fully well the four skills (speaking, listening, reading & Writing) of the written, spoken & varieties of triglossic Tamil Language for day-to-day conversation and to provide a wider knowledge of Tamil Language, literature and society of Tamil Nadu, India & Abroad.

**Allotted classes: 30 hours**

**Credits: 02**

**Marks: 50**

**Unit -I**

- Introduction to sounds along with sound –images (Alphabets and Numbers)
- Script introduction
- Introduction of Numerals (up to 100 )

**Unit -II**

- Introduction to Noun, Pronoun & Prepositions
- Introducing basic simple Tamil sentence formation  
e.g.: Noun Phrase- Noun Phrase construction (NP – NP structure)

Unit –III

Everyday Vocabulary:

**Essential/ recommended readings:**

1. *Arokianathan, S. Spoken Tamil for Foreigners, (Lesson 1-5) A-team Info Media Publishers Pvt. Ltd, Chennai. 2012.*
2. *Tamil Alphabet in Hart, Kausalya. Tamil for Beginners Part I & II, (Lesson 1- 5 & 10) Centre for South and South East Asia, University of California at Berkeley, 1992.*
3. *Hart, Kausalya. Tamil for Beginners Part I & II, (Lesson 1- 5 & 10) Centre for South and South East Asia, University of California at Berkeley, 1992.*
4. *Asher, R.E. Colloquial Tamil, Routledge (Lesson 1), London. 2002.*
5. *Karunakaran, K. & Balakrishnan.R. Elementry Tamil (Introductory Course), Sabanayagam Printers, Chidambaram, 2001.*
6. *Rajaram, S. An Intensive Course in Tamil (Unit. 4), CIIL, Mysore, 1987.*
7. *Arangarajan. Maruthur. Thavarinrrith Thamizh Ezhutha, Ainthinaip Pathippagam, Chennai, 2007*

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**Examination scheme and mode: Subject to directions from the Examination Branch/University of Delhi from time to time.**