II B.A

Semester –III (Paper-III)

Computing Basics and its Applications I

Theory: 50 Practical: 40 Viva-Voce: 10 (Internal Assessment in Theory component only)

Unit-I

World of Computers: Characteristics of Computers, Evolution and Generation of Computers, Hardware and Software Components, Operating System: types, functions and characteristics. Examples: Windows etc., Networking basics and Internet Concepts.

Unit II

Advanced Concepts of Networks and Internet: Keywords: URL, IP address, Hyperlinks, Web pages, Home page, web sites, WWW, Dial-up ,Broadband, Dedicated, ISP, Browser, DSL, DNS, Gateways, Chat rooms, Downloading and Uploading, Wi-Fi. Working with Microsoft Internet Explorer: Opening a web page, opening multiple browser windows, opening multiple tabs in a single browser windows and their management, working offline, deleting temporary files, exploring Internet Options, Net Etiquettes, Searching the Web: Meaning of Search Engines and Keywords,

Unit III

Database Management System (DBMS): Meaning and need of a database, Advantages, Limitations of databases, Applications of Database, Meaning and need of DBMS, Database Components: Tables, Rows, Columns, Attributes, Queries, Record, Primary Key, Foreign Key, Relationship between tables.

Unit IV

E-Typewriting: Meaning and uses of Touch Method (The student is required to achieve proficiency in e-typewriting with touch method of typewriting,) Method of speed calculation (The minimum accurate speed to be attained is 30 words per minute).

Unit V

Word Processing: Meaning of Word Processor, Need and Uses of Word Processing, Advantages and Limitations of Word Processing, Software used for Word Processing, Why MS-Word and which version? Starting Word: MS Word interface, opening a blank document, hiding and showing toolbars, templates. Working in Word: selecting text, editing text, finding and replacing text, formatting text, checking and correcting spellings, Justification and Alignment, Bullets and Numbering, Tabs, Paragraph formatting, Indent, Page Formatting, Header and Footer & Word Count. Working with a Document: Page Setup of a document, viewing a document, switching between documents, saving a document, print preview, printing document. Finishing Touch to a document: Inserting date and time, Special effects such as Bold, Scripts, etc., Inserting and deleting a comment, Inserting Clip Arts.

Note: The relevant short cut keys of MS Word to be discussed.

Suggested Readings

- 1. Absolute Beginner's Guide to Computer Basics, Michael Miller.
- 2. Fundamental of Computers, AkashSaxena, Kartika Gupta.
- 3. Fundamentals of Information Technology, Alexis and Mathew.
- 4. Computer Fundamentals, P.K. Sinha.
- 5. Principles of Typewriting, D.P. Bhatia and S.S. Sangal.
- 6. Microsoft Word 2010 Step by Step(Microsoft) by Joyce Cox and JoanLambert.
- 7. MS Word 2000 Thumb Rules and Details, Snigdha Banerjee.
- 8. Word 2010 All-in-One for Dummies, Doug Lowe and Ryan C. Williams.

GUIDELINES FOR THE CONDUCT OF PRACTICAL EXAMINATION

Computing Basics & Its Applications -I

Practical

Time: 35 Minutes (Excluding Viva-Voce) Maximum Marks: 50

Ques No.	Description of Question	No. of	Marks	Time Allowed
		Words		
1	E-Typewriting	300	20	5 Minutes
2	A Question on MS-Word	150	20	30 Minutes
	comprising of simple formatting of			
	passage/letter e.g. bold, italics, etc.			
	Generate mail merge for the letter			
	so created to send it to multiple			
	recipients at the same time.			
	Total		40	35 Minutes
	Viva-Voce		10	
	Total Marks		50	

NOTE:

- 1. There will be no Internal Assessment in the Practical component of this paper.
- 2. 10 Minutes time may be given to the examiners for adjustment of computers before the practical.
- 3. The examinees will have to produce hard copies of above questions for evaluation.