

CBSE | DEPARTMENT OF SKILL EDUCATION

CURRICULUM FOR SESSION 2021-2022

FRONT OFFICE OPERATIONS (CODE NO. - 410)

JOB ROLE: FRONT OFFICE EXECUTIVE

CLASS – X

INTRODUCTION:

The Hospitality industry is a broad category of fields within the service industry that includes lodging, event planning, theme parks, transportation, cruise line and additional fields within the tourism industry. The hospitality industry is a several billion dollar industry that mostly depends on the availability of leisure time and disposable income. A hospitality unit such as a restaurant, hotel, or even an amusement park consists of multiple groups such as facility maintenance, direct operations (servers, housekeepers, porters, kitchen workers, bartenders, management, marketing, and human resources etc.).

This course is an overview of the management practices utilized to direct, operate and control front office. This course will teach practical knowledge of appropriate service behaviors for a variety of guest types, understand the concept and techniques of good service and demonstrate the skills acquired and capacity and demonstrate various service techniques.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

1. To develop interest and attitudes in hospitality industry.
2. To develop sufficient trained manpower for Hotels, Motels, Restaurants, Railway Catering Services, Flight Catering Services etc.
3. To assist in the tourism development programmes.
4. To develop necessary employability skills in the students.
5. To develop entrepreneurship.

CURRICULUM:

This course is a planned sequence of instructions consisting of Units meant for developing employability and Skills competencies of students of Class IX and X opting for Skills subject along with other subjects.

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CLASS – X (SESSION 2021-2022)

Total Marks: 100 (Theory-50 + Practical-50)

	Term	Units	No. of Periods for Theory and Practical 260		Max. Marks for Theory and Practical 100
Part A	Employability Skills				
	Term I	Unit 1: Communication Skills-II	10	05	
		Unit 2: Self-management Skills-II	10		
		Unit 3: Information and Communication Technology Skills-II	10		
	Term II	Unit 4: Entrepreneurial Skills-II	15	05	
		Unit 5: Green Skills-II	05		
	Total	50	10		
Part B	Subject Specific Skill		Theory	Practical	
	Term I	Unit 1: General Awareness	20	5	09
		Unit 2: Grooming and Hygiene	10	10	08
		Unit 3: Qualities of front office staff	09	02	03
	Term II	Unit 3: Qualities of front office staff	11	03	04
		Unit 4: Front office	30	10	12
		Unit 5: Role of computers	20	20	04
	Total	100	50	40	
Part C	Practical Work				
		Practical Examination	--	15	
		Written Test	--	10	
		Viva Voce	--	10	
		Total	--	35	
Part D	Project Work/Field Visit				
		Practical File/Student Portfolio	--	10	
		Viva Voce	--	05	
		Total	--	15	
		Grand Total			100

DETAILED CURRICULUM/TOPICS:

Part-A: EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

S. No.	Units	Duration in Hours
1.	Unit 1: Communication Skills-II	10
2.	Unit 2: Self-management Skills-II	10
3.	Unit 3: Basic Information and Communication Technology Skills-II	10
4.	Unit 4: Entrepreneurial Skills-II	15
5.	Unit 5: Green Skills-II	05
	TOTAL	50

NOTE: For Detailed Curriculum/ Topics to be covered under Part A: Employability Skills can be downloaded from CBSE website.

Part-B – SUBJECT SPECIFIC SKILLS

S. No.	UNITS	SUB-TOPICS	PRACTICAL
1	General Awareness	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Importance of reading Newspaper• Major Countries, Currencies, Capitals• Airlines• States of India – Capitals and Chief Ministers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prepare a collage on tourism & Hotels• Article reading• Identification of flags
2	Grooming and Hygiene	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Importance of grooming and hygiene in hospitality industry• Grooming standards for hospitality professionals : Male and Female	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Collect pictures of staff of different• Departments of hotels• Discussion on the importance of hygiene in hospitality industry
3	Qualities of Front Office Staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Punctuality• Pleasing personality• Positive attitude• Good communication skills• Team work• Patience	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Team building activities
4	Front Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Staff organization of Front office: hierarchy• Section in Front office• Front office functions• Layout of hotel lobby	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prepare an organizational chart of Small & Large hotels• Collect the pictures of lobbies of different hotels• Shapes of reception counter
5	Role of Computers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Importance of computers	

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

The teaching and training activities have to be conducted in classroom, laboratory/ workshops and field visits. Students should be taken to field visits for interaction with experts and to expose them to the various tools, equipment, materials, procedures and operations in the workplace. Special emphasis should be laid on the occupational safety, health and hygiene during the training and field visits.

CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES

Classroom activities are an integral part of this course and interactive lecture sessions, followed by discussions should be conducted by trained teachers. Teachers should make effective use of a variety of instructional or teaching aids, such as audio-video materials, colour slides, charts, diagrams, models, exhibits, hand-outs, online teaching materials, etc. to transmit knowledge and impart training to the students.

PRACTICAL WORK IN LABORATORY/WORKSHOP

Practical work may include but not limited to hands-on-training, simulated training, role play, case based studies, exercises, etc. Equipment and supplies should be provided to enhance hands-on learning experience of students. Only trained personnel should teach specialized techniques. A training plan that reflects tools, equipment, materials, skills and activities to be performed by the students should be submitted by the teacher to the Head of the Institution.

SKILL ASSESSMENT (PRACTICAL)

Assessment of skills by the students should be done by the assessors/examiners on the basis of practical demonstration of skills by the candidate, Practical examination allows candidates to demonstrate that they have the knowledge and understanding of performing a task. This will include hands-on practical exam and viva voce. For practical, there should be a team of two evaluators. The same team of examiners will conduct the viva voce.

Project Work (individual or group project) is a great way to assess the practical skills on a certain time period or timeline. Project work should be given on the basis of the capability of the individual to perform the tasks or activities involved in the project. Projects should be discussed in the class and the teacher should periodically monitor the progress of the project and provide feedback for improvement and innovation. Field visits should be organised as part of the project work. Field visits can be followed by a small-group work/project work. When the class returns from the field visit, each group might be asked to use the information that they have gathered to prepare presentations or reports of their observations. Project work should be assessed on the basis of practical file or student portfolio.

Student Portfolio is a compilation of documents that supports the candidate's claim of competence. Documents may include reports, articles, photos of products prepared by students in relation to the unit of competency.

Viva voce allows candidates to demonstrate communication skills and content knowledge. Audio or video recording can be done at the time of viva voce. The number of external examiners would be decided as per the existing norms of the Board and these norms should be suitably adopted/adapted as per the specific requirements of the subject. Viva voce should also be

conducted to obtain feedback on the student's experiences and learning during the project work/field visits.

ORGANISATION OF FIELD VISITS/ EDUCATIONAL TOURS

In field visits, children will go outside the classroom to obtain specific information from experts or to make observations of the activities. A checklist of observations to be made by the students during the field visits should be developed by the teachers for systematic collection of information by the students on the various aspects. Principals and teachers should identify the different opportunities for field visits within a short distance from the school and make necessary arrangements for the visits. At least three field visits should be conducted in a year.

LIST OF EQUIPMENT/ MATERIALS:

The list given below is suggestive and an exhaustive list should be compiled by the teacher(s) teaching the subject. Only basic tools, equipment and accessories should be procured by the Institution so that the routine tasks can be performed by the students regularly for practice and acquiring adequate practical experience.

1. Lobby Desk
2. Computer with Internet Facility
3. Printer
4. Property Management System
5. Foreign Currency Exchange Board
6. Credit Card Imprinter / EDC Machine
7. Luggage Rack
8. Luggage Trolley
9. Key Rack
10. Message Rack
11. Information Rack
12. Bell Desk
13. Reception Counter
14. Projector
15. Pen
16. Pencil
17. Ruler
18. Register
19. Note Pads
20. Sketch Pens
21. Charts