

# Use Basic Generic Skills for Employability Part I

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## Description

This unit is about using and displaying effective skills for employability during recruitment and selection processes and at work for improved performance

## Scope

This unit/ task covers the following:

## Elements and Performance Criteria

### *Digital Literacy*

To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to:

- PC1.** identify different types of digital devices, their features, hardware and software
- PC2.** operate and use common features of phones/smartphones correctly  
Operate: Start and shutdown, securing a device, charging the device, manage files and folders, apps, delete messages/files for restoring memory  
Common phone feature: Clock, calculator, calendar, alarm, radio, camera
- PC3.** use messaging service on phones for communications and recharging phones
- PC4.** identify common applications on the phone and their purpose
- PC5.** follow effective safety and security measures related to information sharing on digital devices and platforms
- PC6.** connect with the internet on the phone, using the phone or other available network through Bluetooth, Wi-Fi, etc.
- PC7.** use internet search engines to find required information
- PC8.** identify relevant and common social media platforms and their basic features
- PC9.** follow safe online browsing practices and display responsible online behavior
- PC10.** create a personal email account, send and process received messages as per requirement
- PC11.** follow instructions to access information on relevant government schemes and related documents

### *Financial Literacy*

To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to:

- PC12.** identify own needs for various types of financial products and services for different purposes  
Needs: Saving, Insurance, Loan, etc.  
Purposes: Education, Wedding, Home, Medical, Emergencies, Business, etc.
- PC13.** select reliable institutions for the relevant financial products and services they offer, to meet own requirements  
Financial Service Institutions: Banks, Post Office, Micro-Finance Institutions, etc.  
Financial Services: Deposits (Fixed Deposit, Saving Deposit, Recurring Deposit); other Investment (Monthly Investment Scheme, National Saving Certificate, Kisan Vikas Patra), Insurance, Loans, Tax returns, etc.
- PC14.** confirm that the savings are done by the service provider, using the correct instrument as per requirement and instruction
- PC15.** identify available and authorized sources from where one can get reliable financial advice
- PC16.** identify common components of salary on a salary slip
- PC17.** identify and use common features of debit and credit cards to transact, correctly and securely

- PC18.** deposit and withdraw money from a bank using respective slips and cheque book
- PC19.** identify passbook entries correctly and procedure for updating it
- PC20.** deposit cheques and cash in a bank or an ATM using correct procedures
- PC21.** select appropriate category of insurance as per requirement, and relevant locally available service providers of health, general and life insurance
- PC22.** record income and expenditure accurately in a basic and convenient format, for budgeting activity
- PC23.** identify locally available and reliable sources of loan
- PC24.** choose tenure and terms of loan as per requirement
- PC25.** follow safe and secure practices related to own financial information and transactions
- PC26.** transfer money using various, authorised money transfer services Money Transfer (MT) Services: Phone/Computer Apps - Unified Payment Interface (UPI), eWallets, netbanking, MT institutions (Banks, Post Office, Authorised Money Transfer Private Institutions, etc.)

### *Communication Skills*

To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to:

- PC27.** follow verbal and non-verbal communication etiquette while communicating in professional and public settings
- PC28.** use active listening techniques for effective communication Active listening techniques: eg. focus, clarifications, managing distractions, etc.
- PC29.** communicate needs, rights, disagreements and dissatisfaction, to others in a calm, polite and positive manner

### *Self-Management*

To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to:

- PC30.** maintain good standards of personal and professional hygiene
- PC31.** identify, use and display good work ethics Good work ethics: honesty, integrity, punctuality, etc.
- PC32.** develop a basic plan for achieving given tasks in the workplace
- PC33.** use prioritizing, scheduling and other techniques to ensure that time is used effectively and efficiently to achieve results
- PC34.** use basic techniques to remain positive in the face of challenges and difficult circumstances
- PC35.** use basic self-control techniques to deal with stress and anger effectively

### *Working with others*

To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to:

- PC36.** display communication and behavioural practices that respect diversity in the workplace, social and personal settings at all times
- PC37.** display interpersonal skills that help to build effective relationships with others Interpersonal skills: respecting diversity, empathy, being flexible, helping others, humour, trust, listening, tolerance, etc.
- PC38.** display initiative and take responsibility in work settings to achieve results

### *Dealing with Customers*

To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to:

- PC39.** identify different types of customers Types: new, regular, previous
- PC40.** respond to different customer requests and needs in a professional manner Professional manner: timely, efficiently, effectively, politely, calmly, etc. Needs: product and service, attention, respect, information, advice, etc.

### *Seeking Jobs*

To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to:

- PC41.** identify various reliable and available job search services for seeking jobs  
Job search services: Employment exchange, online services, job fairs, recruitment agencies and centers, etc.
- PC42.** apply to identified job openings using relevant methods and requirements  
Methods: Registration, application, posting, requests, online, in-person, etc.
- PC43.** dress neatly and appropriately for the recruitment and selection process
- PC44.** answer questions politely, with clarity and confidence, during recruitment and selection

### **Knowledge and Understanding (KU)**

The individual on the job needs to know and understand:

- KU1.** means and methods used in the organisation to convey health, safety and security information
- KU2.** importance and components of appropriate communication protocols in professional settings
- KU3.** use of appropriate, professionally acceptable words and phrases, when interacting with others as per organisation hierarchy and protocol
- KU4.** importance of filling personal details on various forms accurately
- KU5.** types of digital devices and their main components of digital devices
- KU6.** features and utilities available on a phone
- KU7.** processes to carry out common operations on the phone and inbuilt utilities
- KU8.** applications (apps) for online payments and process to make payments through these
- KU9.** process to use and manage messages on a phone
- KU10.** recharge options available, related common terms and conditions and process to recharge pre-paid phones
- KU11.** options and processes for connecting to the internet
- KU12.** common reasons for phone related problems
- KU13.** process for searching for information using the internet
- KU14.** relevant and common social media platforms and their basic features
- KU15.** various email applications, commonly used and the process to create email accounts and send messages
- KU16.** safety precautions while using digital devices
- KU17.** security guidelines while storing, retrieving or communicating information online (through the internet or phone)
- KU18.** methods to deal with digital device related problems
- KU19.** important documents for identification and social welfare participation and how to obtain them and related information Documents: Pan Card, Aadhaar Card, Ration Card, Health Insurance Card, BPL Card, Voter Id, Birth & Death registration, etc.
- KU20.** good personal and professional hygiene and habits
- KU21.** concept of career and career development
- KU22.** importance and avenues of learning and development
- KU23.** what is self-learning and its importance
- KU24.** types of learning activities that can fulfil learning needs (online & offline)

- KU25.** available, relevant and reliable sources of learning and development for oneself
- KU26.** meaning, components and importance of good work ethics
- KU27.** importance of good planning and basic components of a good plan
- KU28.** concept, importance and techniques of time management such as prioritisation, scheduling, etc.
- KU29.** importance and techniques of recognizing and controlling emotions and their effect in interpersonal situations
- KU30.** formal and informal sources of reliable assistance for various specific types of issues, difficulties and challenges
- KU31.** importance and techniques of self-control including stress and anger
- KU32.** circumstances that may require adjustment of own behaviour, work and lifestyles in order to successfully adapt to these
- KU33.** need and techniques for adapting to cultural fitment requirements with respect to migration across organization, city, state and country
- KU34.** changes expected during work related migration to new places and related safety precautions
- KU35.** what is communication, importance of communication, elements of communication
- KU36.** types of communication such as verbal, non-verbal communication (body language, eye contact, facial expression, posture, touch space), written, based on style & purpose (formal & informal)
- KU37.** types of listening (active & passive), barrier to listening, probing as a technique for active listening
- KU38.** importance of saving money and different methods of saving money
- KU39.** types of financial services and institutions that provide these such as Banks, Post Office, etc.
- KU40.** investment and saving instruments Fixed Deposit (FD), Recurring Deposit (RD), Monthly Income Schemes (MIS), Kisan Vikas Patra (KVP), National Savings Certificate (NSC), etc.
- KU41.** safety and security guidelines for financial information and transactions
- KU42.** components of salary
- KU43.** types of taxes applicable to individuals such as Income tax, Goods and Services Tax (GST)
- KU44.** financial benefits and rights of employees Employees State Insurance (ESI), Employee Provident Fund (EPF)
- KU45.** basic arithmetic operations to do simple numeric calculations for common purposes such as salary, deductions, etc.
- KU46.** reliable sources of assistance related to financial advice and services
- KU47.** insurance, its types, importance and sources
- KU48.** methods to make money transfers
- KU49.** difference between debit/credit cards and how to use them
- KU50.** security tools and precautions to be taken while using financial instruments
- KU51.** how to build effective working relationships with others
- KU52.** diversity, its importance, types and benefits
- KU53.** common communication and behaviour practices that are a result of insensitivity to diversity
- KU54.** importance and benefits of taking initiative and responsibility, and related considerations
- KU55.** role, importance and types of customers
- KU56.** importance of customer satisfaction

- KU57.** customer needs, expectations and behaviour
- KU58.** principles and practices of good customer service
- KU59.** job portals and other job searching avenues and how to use them for searching for jobs
- KU60.** techniques to prepare oneself for job search different recruitment and selection processes

## **Generic Skills (GS)**

User/individual on the job needs to know how to:

- GS1.** prepare a professional CV
- GS2.** fill forms and applications accurately
- GS3.** type using a qwerty keyboard
- GS4.** type and send messages
- GS5.** read a passbook to interpret entries correctly
- GS6.** read information on websites and in advertisements to extract relevant information correctly
- GS7.** read employment offer letters and terms and conditions to extract relevant meaning and information correctly
- GS8.** speak in a respectable pitch and tone
- GS9.** use effective listening skills by focusing away from distraction and towards the speaker and seeking clarification, repetition where required
- GS10.** speak over the phone in an audible manner with the correct pitch
- GS11.** collect relevant information within a time frame to make an informed decision
- GS12.** use prioritisation based on importance and urgency to make timely decisions
- GS13.** position oneself in a manner to be best placed to hear speakers clearly
- GS14.** create short and focused personal development and learning plans for oneself
- GS15.** create to do lists to create basic action plans
- GS16.** listen to customers and co-workers attentively in order to contribute to sense of care and customer satisfaction
- GS17.** maintain professional communication etiquette such as speaking in respectable tone and pitch of voice, maintaining suitable physical distance, etc. with visitor or co-worker during conversation
- GS18.** be patient and courteous with different types of visitors and workers under all circumstances and situations
- GS19.** act as appropriate to requests or problems, based on company policy and acceptable professional practice
- GS20.** identify sources of support that can be useful in resolution of problems related to communication
- GS21.** escalate matters to appropriate personnel or resolve matters by oneself, based on nature of the issue and limits of authority required to address it

## Assessment Criteria

Assessment Criteria for Outcomes	Theory Marks	Practical Marks	Project Marks	Viva Marks
<i>Digital Literacy</i>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	-	-
<b>PC1.</b> identify different types of digital devices, their features, hardware and software	1	1	-	-
<b>PC2.</b> operate and use common features of phones/smartphones correctly Operate: Start and shutdown, securing a device, charging the device, manage files and folders, apps, delete messages/files for restoring memory Common phone feature: Clock, calculator, calendar, alarm, radio, camera	1	1	-	-
<b>PC3.</b> use messaging service on phones for communications and recharging phones	1	2	-	-
<b>PC4.</b> identify common applications on the phone and their purpose	1	1	-	-
<b>PC5.</b> follow effective safety and security measures related to information sharing on digital devices and platforms	1	1	-	-
<b>PC6.</b> connect with the internet on the phone, using the phone or other available network through Bluetooth, Wi-Fi, etc.	1	1	-	-
<b>PC7.</b> use internet search engines to find required information	1	1	-	-
<b>PC8.</b> identify relevant and common social media platforms and their basic features	1	1	-	-
<b>PC9.</b> follow safe online browsing practices and display responsible online behavior	1	1	-	-
<b>PC10.</b> create a personal email account, send and process received messages as per requirement	1	1	-	-
<b>PC11.</b> follow instructions to access information on relevant government schemes and related documents	1	1	-	-
<i>Financial Literacy</i>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	-	-

Assessment Criteria for Outcomes	Theory Marks	Practical Marks	Project Marks	Viva Marks
<b>PC12.</b> identify own needs for various types of financial products and services for different purposesNeeds: Saving, Insurance, Loan, etc.Purposes: Education Wedding, Home, Medical, Emergencies, Business, etc.	1	1	-	-
<b>PC13.</b> select reliable institutions for the relevant financial products and services they offer, to meet own requirementsFinancial Service Institutions: Banks, Post Office, Micro-Finance Institutions, etc.Financial Services: Deposits (Fixed Deposit, Saving Deposit, Recurring Deposit); other Investment (Monthly Investment Scheme, National Saving Certificate, Kisan Vikas Patra), Insurance, Loans, Tax returns, etc.	1	1	-	-
<b>PC14.</b> confirm that the savings are done by the service provider, using the correct instrument as per requirement and instruction	1	1	-	-
<b>PC15.</b> identify available and authorized sources from where one can get reliable financial advice	1	1	-	-
<b>PC16.</b> identify common components of salary on a salary slip	1	1	-	-
<b>PC17.</b> identify and use common features of debit and credit cards to transact, correctly and securely	1	1	-	-
<b>PC18.</b> deposit and withdraw money from a bank using respective slips and cheque book	1	1	-	-
<b>PC19.</b> identify passbook entries correctly and procedure for updating it	1	1	-	-
<b>PC20.</b> deposit cheques and cash in a bank or an ATM using correct procedures	1	1	-	-
<b>PC21.</b> select appropriate category of insurance as per requirement, and relevant locally available service providers of health, general and life insurance	1	1	-	-
<b>PC22.</b> record income and expenditure accurately in a basic and convenient format, for budgeting activity	1	1	-	-
<b>PC23.</b> identify locally available and reliable sources of loan	1	2	-	-

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<b>PC24.</b> choose tenure and terms of loan as per requirement	1	1	-	-
<b>PC25.</b> follow safe and secure practices related to own financial information and transactions	2	1	-	-
<b>PC26.</b> transfer money using various, authorised money transfer services Money Transfer (MT) Services: Phone/Computer Apps - Unified Payment Interface (UPI), eWallets, netbanking, MT institutions (Banks, Post Office, Authorised Money Transfer Private Institutions, etc.)	1	2	-	-
<i>Communication Skills</i>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	-	-
<b>PC27.</b> follow verbal and non-verbal communication etiquette while communicating in professional and public settings	1	1	-	-
<b>PC28.</b> use active listening techniques for effective communication Active listening techniques: eg. focus, clarifications, managing distractions, etc.	1	1	-	-
<b>PC29.</b> communicate needs, rights, disagreements and dissatisfaction, to others in a calm, polite and positive manner	1	1	-	-
<i>Self-Management</i>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	-	-
<b>PC30.</b> maintain good standards of personal and professional hygiene	1	1	-	-
<b>PC31.</b> identify, use and display good work ethics Good work ethics: honesty, integrity, punctuality, etc.	1	1	-	-
<b>PC32.</b> develop a basic plan for achieving given tasks in the workplace	1	1	-	-
<b>PC33.</b> use prioritizing, scheduling and other techniques to ensure that time is used effectively and efficiently to achieve results	1	1	-	-
<b>PC34.</b> use basic techniques to remain positive in the face of challenges and difficult circumstances	1	2	-	-
<b>PC35.</b> use basic self-control techniques to deal with stress and anger effectively	1	2	-	-
<i>Working with others</i>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	-	-

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<b>PC36.</b> display communication and behavioural practices that respect diversity in the workplace, social and personal settings at all times	1	1	-	-
<b>PC37.</b> display interpersonal skills that help to build effective relationships with others Interpersonal skills: respecting diversity, empathy, being flexible, helping others, humour, trust, listening, tolerance, etc.	1	2	-	-
<b>PC38.</b> display initiative and take responsibility in work settings to achieve results	1	2	-	-
<i>Dealing with Customers</i>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	-	-
<b>PC39.</b> identify different types of customers Types: new, regular, previous	1	1	-	-
<b>PC40.</b> respond to different customer requests and needs in a professional manner Professional manner: timely, efficiently, effectively, politely, calmly, etc. Needs: product and service, attention, respect, information, advice, etc.	1	2	-	-
<i>Seeking Jobs</i>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	-	-
<b>PC41.</b> identify various reliable and available job search services for seeking jobs Job search services: Employment exchange, online services, job fairs, recruitment agencies and centers, etc.	1	1	-	-
<b>PC42.</b> apply to identified job openings using relevant methods and requirements Methods: Registration, application, posting, requests, online, in-person, etc.	1	2	-	-
<b>PC43.</b> dress neatly and appropriately for the recruitment and selection process	1	2	-	-
<b>PC44.</b> answer questions politely, with clarity and confidence, during recruitment and selection	1	2	-	-
<b>NOS Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>55</b>	-	-

## National Occupational Standards (NOS) Parameters

<b>NOS Code</b>	MEP/N9994
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<b>Minimum Educational Qualification &amp; Experience</b>	
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