

**Paper AEC1 (a): BASIC COMPUTER SKILLS****Hours Per Week:** 2**Credits:** 2**Exam Hours:** 1 ½**Marks:** 40U+10I**Objective:** to impart a basic level understanding of working of a computer and its usage.**UNIT I: UNDERSTANDING OF COMPUTER AND WORD PROCESSING:**

**Knowing computer:** What is Computer, Basic Applications of Computer; Components of Computer System, Central Processing Unit (CPU), VDU, Keyboard and Mouse, Other input/output Devices, Computer Memory, Concepts of Hardware and Software; Concept of Computing, Data and Information; Applications of IECT; Connecting keyboard, mouse, monitor and printer to CPU and checking power supply.

**Operating Computer using GUI Based Operating System:**What is an Operating System; Basics of Popular Operating Systems; The User Interface, Using Mouse; Using right Button of the Mouse and Moving Icons on the screen, Use of Common Icons, Status Bar, Using Menu and Menu-selection, Running an Application, Viewing of File, Folders and Directories, Creating and Renaming of files and folders, Opening and closing of different Windows; Using help; Creating Short cuts, Basics of O.S Setup; Common utilities.

**Understanding Word Processing:**Word Processing Basics; Opening and Closing of documents; Text creation and Manipulation; Formatting of text; Table handling; Spell check, language setting and thesaurus; Printing of word document.

**UNIT II: SPREAD SHEET, PRESENTATION SOFTWARE & INTRODUCTION TO INTERNET, WWW AND WEB BROWSERS:**

**Using Spread Sheet:**Basics of Spreadsheet; Manipulation of cells; Formulas and Functions; Editing of Spread Sheet, printing of Spread Sheet.

**Basics of presentation software:** Creating Presentation; Preparation and Presentation of Slides; Slide Show; Taking printouts of presentation / handouts.

**Introduction to Internet, WWW and Web Browsers:**

**Introduction to Internet:**Basic of Computer networks; LAN, WAN; Concept of Internet; Applications of Internet; connecting to internet; What is ISP; Knowing the Internet; Basics of internet connectivity related troubleshooting.

**World Wide Web:** Search Engines; Understanding URL; Domain name; IP Address; Using e-governance website.

**Web Browsing:** Software, Communications and collaboration: Basics of electronic mail; Getting an email account; Sending and receiving emails; Accessing sent emails; Using Emails; Document collaboration; Instant Messaging; Netiquettes.

**SUGGESTED READINGS:**

1. Introduction to Computers, Peter Norton, McGrawHill , 2012.
2. Using Information Technology, Brian K williams, StaceyC.Sawyer, Tata McGrawHill.

**Web Resources:**

1. <https://online.stanford.edu/courses/soe-yccscs101-sp-computer-science-101>
2. <https://www.extension.harvard.edu/open-learning-initiative/intensive-introduction-computer-science>.