

SYLLABI & SCHEME OF EXAMINATIONS FOR :

(A) “Certificate of Proficiency in French ”

Previously - Diploma Course in French language (Beginner’s Level, Part-I).

Minimum Eligibility for Admission : (+2)/ Higher Secondary in any discipline.

The “**Certificate of Proficiency in French Language**” is a One-Year’ running course consisting of two semesters.

There shall be one written exam at the end of the First Semester, while one written and one Viva-Voce examination at the end of the Second Semester.

A short written Project Work/ assignment to be submitted by the 2nd week of February during the Second Semester of the said course shall form a part of Paper-III (Viva-Voce). The last date for submission of the Project Work may be extended by the Head of the Department in exceptional circumstances.

The pass-marks are 40% in each paper/course, and 48% in the aggregate of all the papers/ courses prescribed for the First and Second Semesters, i.e., Papers-I, II, and III. First Division will be assigned at 60% or above and the rest will be placed in the Second Division, if the candidates qualify in each course.

Aims and Objectives:

The course should aim at :

1. Developing the following language skills :
 - i) Listening to and understanding spoken language.
 - ii) Speaking : to engage in simple dialogue.
 - iii) Reading : to read and understand elementary texts.
 - iv) Writing : to write simple sentences and short paragraphs.
2. Giving the learners the mastery of and the ability to manipulate the basic grammatical structures of the language and the most essential vocabulary items.
3. Exposing the learner to the culture of the relevant country/countries.

Books Prescribed:

Any **one** of the following books to be used as the prescribed textbook/s depending upon the availability of the same in the market/ suitability.

1. “Le Nouveau Sans Frontières”- Part 1 (Indian version with Work Book for students); Methode de Français; CLE International, Paris.
2. “Le Nouvel Espaces-1”, (Indian version) with ‘Cahier d’exercices-1’ (Exercise book for the students) by Guy Capelle & Noelle Gidon ; Hachette, 1995.
3. “Campus”. Methode de Français. Part-1, with ‘Cahier d’exercices-1’: J. Giradet, J.Pécheur; CLE International, Paris.
4. “Connexions”. Methode de Français. Part-1, with ‘Cahier d’exercices-1’: R. Merieux, Y. Loiseau; Didier, Paris, 2004.

Or

Any other suitable book edited by some Indian or Foreign author, to be decided by the department.

Syllabus:

Grammaire	Notions/Actes de parole	Aspects socio-culturels
Determinants, Pronoms Temps/modes verbaux: Present, passé composé, imparfait, present progressif, futur proche, passé recent, futur, discours rapporté, subjonctif present...	saluer, présenter, identifier, s'excuser, demander / donner des informations, exprimer les gouts et les preferences, exprimer son accord / son desaccord, s'orienter, indiquer, contester, donner une opinion, exprimer la volonté et l'obligation, interdire, demander/ donner la permission, rassurer, exposer, proposer, insister, expliquer, féliciter, comparer, refuser...	Modes et rites de salutation et de présentation, comportements et attitudes, cinéma, vie quotidienne, art, fêtes et célébrations françaises, habitudes, nourriture...

- I-Semester: (i) Units 1 & 2, from the Prescribed Text-book I.
Or
(ii) 1st half of the Prescribed Text-book II.
Or
(iii) 1st half / Modules 1 & 2 of the Prescribed Text-book III.
Or
(iv) 1st half / Modules 1 & 2 of the Prescribed Text-book IV.
- II-Semester: (i) Units 3 & 4, from the Prescribed Text-book I.
Or
(ii) 2nd half of the Prescribed Text-book II.
Or
(iii) 2nd half / Modules 3 & 4 of the Prescribed Text-book III.
Or
(iv) 2nd half / Modules 3 & 4 of the Prescribed Text-book IV.

Note: Dictionaries are not allowed, but if felt necessary, the paper-setter may give a short vocabulary in case of difficult words in the unseen passage(s) for translation.

Home Reading : For II Sem. /Viva-Voce , Paper - III. : Short- Stories, Folk-tales, Jokes, Anecdotes, Poems etc. Material to be provided by the department.

Reference Books :

1. "L' Art de Conjuguer" (Verb Conjugations) : Le Bescherelle ; Hatier, Paris, 1980.
2. "Ecriture - I", by Guycapelle, Hachette, Paris, 1980.
3. "Teach Yourself French (with two audio-cassettes)" by Kiran Chaudhary, Sterling Publishers, New Delhi, 1999.

Scheme of Examination for First Semester

Time : 3 Hrs.	A. Paper I (written).	Maximum Marks : 80.
1.	Comprehension of texts selected from the text book (s) : Simple questions to be answered in French (Five to be attempted out of 7 or 8 questions).	15.
2.	Grammar (Four questions)	35.
3.	Questions on day-to-day life to be asked and answered in French. Ten (10) questions to be attempted out of the given fifteen (15). Each carrying Two (02) marks to be answered in one or two lines. (10 x 2 = 20).	20.
4.	A composition in French of about 50 – 80 words/ 08 to 10 lines.	10.
B. Internal Assessment on the basis of Tests, Home Work etc.		20.
Total - (80 + 20) =		100.
Total Marks of Paper-I, 1st Semester =		100.

Scheme of Examination for Second Semester

Time : 3 Hrs.	A. Paper II (written).	Maximum Marks : 80.
1.	Comprehension of texts selected from the text book (s) : Simple questions to be answered in French (Five to be attempted out of 7 or 8 questions).	15.
2.	Grammar (Four questions)	35.
3.	Questions on day-to-day life to be asked and answered in French. Ten (10) questions to be attempted out of the given fifteen (15). Each carrying Two (02) marks to be answered in one or two lines. (10 x 2 = 20).	20.
4.	A composition in French of about 50 – 80 words/ 08 to 10 lines.	10.
B. Internal Assessment on the basis of Tests, Home Work etc.		20.
Total - (80 + 20) =		100
Total Marks of Paper-II, 2nd Semester =		100.

Scheme of Examination for Second Semester

A. PAPER III (VIVA-VOCE)		Maximum Marks : 50
1.	Reading comprehension and Phonetics	15.
2.	Conversation in French.	15.
3.	Practical: A short written Project/Assignment of approximately 1000-1500 words in Hindi or English, on a theme of interest about contemporary France. <i>Note</i> : The material and the medium shall be approved by the Department.	10.
B. Internal Assessment on the basis of Tests, Home Work etc.		10.
Total Marks of Paper-III, 2nd Semester - (40 + 10) =		50.
Total marks of 2nd Semester =		150

Total Marks of the three Papers: i. e., Paper - I, II & III (1st Sem. & 2nd Semesters.) – 250 (Two Hundred and Fifty).

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