



QUALIFICATIONS PACK - OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS FOR MEDIA AND ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY

What are Occupational Standards(OS)?

OS describe what individuals need to do, know and understand in order to carry out a particular job role or function

OS are performance standards that individuals must achieve when carrying out functions in the workplace, together with specifications of the underpinning knowledge and understanding

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Introduction

Qualifications Pack-Editor-in-Chief

SECTOR: MEDIA AND ENTERTAINMENT **SUB-SECTOR:** Television, Print, Radio, Digital

OCCUPATION: Journalism

REFERENCE ID: MES/ Q 1901

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The Editor-in-Chief or the Chief Editor is the senior most journalist and the head of the Editorial Department. He/ she is ultimately responsible for the choice of content, its treatment and for overseeing newsroom operations.

Brief Job Description: Individuals in this job need to have extensive experience in the field of journalism. They must know, understand and demand the highest standards of quality and adherence to the principles of journalism from their team.

Personal Attributes: This job requires the individual to have a strong background in journalism, several years of relevant experience (at least 8+) and the capability to lead by example in the newsroom. Editors-in-chief/ editors will often be required to cross-check, refine and edit the work of other members in the team. They also often contribute editorial pieces of their own and provide an overall theme/ focus to the publication/ channel/ programme. The editor is also the main person accountable for the overall quality of content and for any reader/ viewer/ listerner complaints.





Qualifications Pack Code	MES/ Q 1901		
Job Role	This job role is applicable in both national and international scenarios		ernational scenarios
Credits (NSQF)			
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Job Role	Editor-in-Chief	
Role Description	Head of the Editorial Department and responsible for overseeing the news gathering and production, and ensuring the quality of content	
NSQF level Minimum Educational Qualifications Maximum Educational Qualifications	7 Graduate Post Graduate in Journalism/ Mass Media/ Mass Communication	
Training (Suggested but not mandatory)	N.A	
Minimum Job Entry Age	18 years	
Experience	5-7 Years of work experience	
Applicable National Occupational Standards (NOS)	-	
Performance Criteria	As described in the relevant OS units	





Кеу	ywords /Terms	Description
Ass	signment Desk	The department in a news organization that tracks all stories and developments and allocates news gathering resources to them
Buc	dget	Budget is an estimate of the total cost of production that may include a break-up of cost components
Cop	pyright Laws	A legal framework linked to intellectual property and the rights given to creators of original products/ concepts
Cop	py Desk	The department in a news organization where final copy (text or script) is prepared for publishing and/ or broadcasting
Jou	ırnalism	Discipline of gathering, writing and reporting news across a range of media – Television, Print, Radio and Digital.
Scr	ipt	Script is a structured narrative of a story and or the spoken word/ narrative that accompanies a programme
Set		The background/ scenery visible through the camera (for video production) or directly to the spectator (for theatrical production)
Tar	get Audience	Group of people at whom content/ adverting is aimed. A target audience is typically defined by age, gender, economic classification, geography and any other relevant parameters
Tim	nelines	Timelines is a listing of dates by which the production milestones/stages need to be completed
Sec	ctor	Sector is a conglomeration of different business operations having similar businesses and interests. It may also be defined as a distinct subset of the economy whose components share similar characteristics and interests.
Sub	p-sector	Sub-sector is derived from a further breakdown based on the characteristics and interests of its components.
Ver	rtical	Vertical may exist within a sub-sector representing different domain areas or the client industries served by the industry.
Cor Skil	re Skills/Generic lls	Core Skills or Generic Skills are a group of skills that are key to learning and working in today's world. These skills are typically needed in any work environment. In the context of the OS, these include communication related skills that are applicable to most job roles.
Кеу	ywords /Terms	Description
NO	S	National Occupational Standard(s)
QP		Qualifications Pack
NV	EQF	National Vocational Education Qualifications Framework
NV	QF	National Vocational Qualifications Framework



Generate Ideas for Journalism Projects



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Overview

This unit is about generating new ideas for journalism projects and successfully evaluating the potential of these ideas





Generate Ideas for Journalism Projects

Unit Code	MES/ N 1901	
Unit Title (Task)	Generate Ideas for Journalism Projects	
Description	This OS unit is about generating new ideas for journalism projects and successfully evaluating the potential of these ideas	
Scope	 Generating ideas for different types of content For journalism projects across a range of media including print (newspapers and magazines), television, radio and online (web, mobile and other emerging platforms) For journalism projects across media that provide/ disseminate information at different times/ frequencies: daily – e.g. newspapers, evening news bulletins; weekly, fortnightly, monthly etc. – e.g. magazines and continuous/ Ongoing – e.g. news websites, news TV channels etc. Identifying possible constraints Effectively articulating the idea 	
Performance Criteria (F	PC) w.r.t. the Scope	
Element	Performance Criteria	
Generating ideas for different types of content	 To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to: PC1. Research and collect information from various primary and secondary sources, including daily events and occurrences, other news publications, personal contacts (colleagues, experts, contacts/ network), archives, press releases and newswires PC2. Generate a story/ idea/ concept across mediums and formats, including: A specific story – e.g. fact-based reporting, analytical, feature-writing A specific section – e.g. the "edit" or "op ed" page of a newspaper or a certain news-based show on TV or radio An entire publication – e.g. the full issue of a magazine PC3. Evaluate an idea for its suitability to the particular medium and corresponding implications on budget, time schedule and resource requirements 	
Identifying possible constraints	PC4. Identify any constraints to successfully realize the idea – including any ethical, legal, regulatory, organizational or other limitations	
Effectively articulating the idea	 PC5. Articulate ideas clearly and pitch/ present and defend ideas to an audience (e.g. during an editorial team meeting) PC6. Respond positively to feedback and any changes in creative requirements 	
Knowledge and Unders	Understanding (K)	
A. Organizational Context (Knowledge of the company / organization and	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: KA1. The target audience for the content and/or the organization/ individual that is commissioning the content KA2. Editorial standards followed by the organization/ individual that is commissioning the content (including applicable local, national or international lower) 	
its processes)	international laws) KA3. Resource limitations including any constraints on budget, resources and time availability (i.e. deadlines)	





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B. Technical Knowledge	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: KB1. How to undertake research and collect information to generate ideas KB2. The different information sources available – including daily events and occurrences, other news publications, speaking with people (colleagues, experts, contacts/ network), archives, press releases and newswires KB3. How to build and maintain a network of contacts/ sources KB4. How to verify information, undertake background checks and confirm the accuracy of any facts used during idea development KB5. How to use storyboarding and ideation tools such as mind maps, fish bone diagrams and/ or other techniques. (This skill is most relevant for ideas generated for longer, analytical or feature-style coverage) KB6. Available resources and implications for selecting a particular idea on resources, time and budget KB7. How to prepare synopses, summaries, proposals, story outlines and other written material for pitching ideas to one's editor/ editorial supervisor KB8. The suitability of the idea for different types of content (e.g. short articles,
	 feature articles, interviews, analysis etc.) and various platforms (e.g. print, TV, radio and digital) KB9. How to evaluate an idea for risks including those to the individual's own
Skills (S)	health and safety and/ or other's around them
A. Core Skills/ Generic Skills	Writing Skills The user/ individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	 SA1. Prepare synopses, summaries, proposals, story outlines and other written material for pitching ideas to different audiences SA2. Use storyboarding and ideation tools to visually represent ideas Reading Skills
	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SA3. Undertake background research, gather references and collect information SA4. Read and analyze various sources of news including wire services and other publications/ channels/ websites/ media
	Oral Communication (Listening and Speaking skills)
	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SA5. Undertake background research and collect information by conversing with people SA6. Effectively present and defend ideas to one's editor/ editorial supervisor
B. Professional Skills	Decision Making
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SB1. Make relevant decisions related to the area of work e.g. choice of idea, confirming accuracy of information and evaluating risks
	Plan and Organize
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	 SB2. Estimate the effort associated with realizing the idea SB3. Plan own work and work for additional staff (e.g. photographers, videographers and copy desk) according to deadlines





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SB4. Manage within the agreed budget and minimize overruns	
Customer Centricity	
The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand:	
SB5. The consumption patterns and preferences of the target audience (reader/ viewer/listener)	
Analytical Thinking	
The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand:	
SB6. How to analyze a range of information sources	
Critical Thinking	
The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand:	
SB7. How to assess the suitability of an idea for the intended target audience	







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Undertake Research for Journalism Projects



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Overview

This unit is about undertaking research, collecting background information and conducting accuracy checks for journalism projects





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Unit Code	MES/ N 1902	
Unit Title (Task)	Undertake Research for Journalism Projects	
Description	This OS unit is about undertaking research, collecting background information and conducting accuracy checks for journalism projects	
Scope	 Evaluating story ideas For journalism projects across a range of media including print (newspapers and magazines), television, radio and online (web, mobile and other emerging platforms) For journalism projects across media that provide/ disseminate information at different times/ frequencies: daily – e.g. newspapers, evening news bulletins; weekly, fortnightly, monthly etc. – e.g. magazines and continuous/ Ongoing – e.g. news websites, news TV channels etc. Undertaking research for journalism projects Presenting the information gathered 	
Performance Criteria (F	PC) w.r.t. the Scope	
Element	Performance Criteria	
Evaluating story ideas	 To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to: PC1. Evaluate story ideas for their suitability to the particular medium PC2. Analyze the corresponding implications on budget, time schedule and resource requirements 	
Undertaking research for journalism projects	PC3. Conduct background research and collect information to support/ develop story ideas using various primary and secondary sources, including daily events and occurrences, other news publications, personal contacts (colleagues, experts, contacts/ network), archives, press releases and newswires	
Presenting the information gathered	PC4. Compile information, document facts and present research in a coherent and comprehensive manner	
Knowledge and Unders	tanding (K)	
A. Organizational Context (Knowledge of the company / organization and its processes)	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: KA1. The target audience for the content and/or the organization/ individual that is commissioning the content KA2. Editorial standards followed by the organization/ individual that is commissioning the content (including applicable local, national or international laws) KA3. Resource limitations including any constraints on budget, resources and time availability (i.e. deadlines) 	
B. Technical Knowledge	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: KB1. The different information sources available – including daily events and occurrences, other news publications, speaking with people (colleagues, experts, contacts/ network), archives, press releases and newswires KB2. How to build and maintain a network of contacts/ sources KB3. How to select the appropriate information source(s) based on the idea, the target audience and the platform where it will be published/ aired KB4. How to verify information, undertake background checks and confirm the 	





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	 accuracy of any facts that are gathered KB5. Available resources and implications of a particular story/ idea/ concept on resources, time and budget KB6. How to prepare background research notes, analysis, timelines, summaries and other written material to document and present one's research KB7. How to evaluate a story/ idea/ concept for risks including those to the individual's own health and safety and/ or other's around them
Skills (S)	
A. Core Skills/	Writing Skills
Generic Skills	 The user/ individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SA1. Prepare background research notes, analysis, timelines, summaries and other written material to document and present one's research
	Reading Skills
	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SA2. Undertake background research, gather references and collect information SA3. Read and analyze various sources of news including wire services and other publications/ channels/ websites/ media
	Oral Communication (Listening and Speaking skills)
	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SA4. Undertake background research and collect information by conversing with people SA5. Effectively present and defend research and information collected to one's editor/ editorial supervisor
B. Professional Skills	Decision Making
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SB1. Make relevant decisions related to the area of work e.g. choice of information source(s), confirming accuracy of information and evaluating risks
	Plan and Organize
	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SB2. Estimate the effort and time associated with conducting research for a particular story/ idea/ concept SB3. Manage within the agreed budget and minimize overruns
	Customer Centricity
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: SB4. The consumption patterns and preferences of the target audience (reader/ viewer/ listener)
	Analytical Thinking
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: SB5. How to analyze a range of information sources
	Problem Solving
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: NA





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Conduct an Interview

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Overview

This unit is about successfully conducting interviews and gathering information during interviews





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Unit Code	MES/ N 1904
Unit Title (Task)	Conduct an Interview
Description	This unit is about successfully conducting interviews and gathering information during interviews
Scope	Undertaking set-up activitiesConducting different types of interviews
Performance Criteria (F	PC) w.r.t. the Scope
Element	Performance Criteria
Undertaking set-up activities Conducting different types of interviews	 To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to: PC1. Undertake, or supervise, set-up activities to ensure the smooth running of the interview, across different mediums and formats including: Live Pre-recorded Face-to-face Over telephone/ video phone At an outdoor location (e.g. home, office, hotel or public space) In a studio PC2. Understand and identify the objectives of the interview, and its relevance to the wider audience and organization as appropriate to the role PC3. Prepare pertinent questions, and be aware of the type of interview being conducted and corresponding editorial goals across: profiles/ biopics – focused on the individual being interviewed news interviews – where the interview is used to highlight certain aspects of a larger news story PC4. Conduct the interview in a manner appropriate to one's own role and corresponding and authority– i.e. pose questions, receive answers/ information, participate in the conversation and develop open topics PC5. Understand verbal and non-verbal cues of the interviewee, successfully manage the flow of the conversation and challenge/steer the conversation as
Knowledge and Unders	appropriate to the role standing (K)
A. Organizational Context (Knowledge of the company / organization and its processes)	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: KA1. The target audience for the interview and/or the organization/ individual that is commissioning the interview KA2. Editorial standards followed by the organization/ individual that is commissioning the interview (including applicable local, national or international laws) KA3. Resource limitations including any constraints on budget, resources and time availability (i.e. deadlines)
B. Technical Knowledge	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: KB1. How to define the purpose/ objective of the interview KB2. How to correctly read and interpret the interview brief KB3. How to conduct background research on the interviewee and prepare an interviewee profile





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	KB4. How to conduct background research on the story and prepare a list of interview questions and talking points			
	KB5. How to verify information and confirm the accuracy of any facts that are researched and/ or collected during the interview itself			
	KB6. How to plan for interviews (outdoor or in the studio) – including choice of			
	setting, time, budget, resources and equipment required			
	KB7. Different interview styles and how to identify the appropriate style for each			
	interview based on the brief/ requirements			
	KB8. How to manage situations where the interviewee chooses to remain			
	anonymous or where his/ her identity needs to be protected			
	KB9. How to converse freely with the interviewee (including the necessary oral			
	communication skills, maintaining eye contact and reading body language)			
	KB10. How to write-up interview notes to ensure information is not lost (Note:			
	writing finished scripts for different media is covered under a separate			
	standard titled "Write and Edit Copy") KB11. The applicable legal and regulatory framework for different types of			
	interviews (e.g. consent, intellectual property/ ownership and possible			
	litigation risks)			
	KB12. How to evaluate the risks of conducting an interview including those to the			
individual's own health and safety and/ or other's around them				
Skills (S)				
A. Core Skills/	Writing Skills			
Generic Skills	The user/ individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:			
Generic Skills	SA1.Prepare interviewee profilesSA2.Prepare list of questions and talking pointsSA3.Write-up interview notes/ transcriptsReading Skills			
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:			
	SA4. Undertake background research, gather references and collect information			
	SA5. Read and analyze various sources of news including wire services and other			
	publications/ channels/ websites/ media			
	Oral Communication (Listening and Speaking skills)			
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:			
	SA6. Effectively converse with the interviewee and gather information required			
	SA7. Use listening skills including paying attention to non-verbal cues/ body language			
B. Professional Skills	Decision Making			
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SB1. Make relevant decisions related to the area of work e.g. choice of questions,			
	confirming accuracy of information and evaluating risks			
	SB2. Prioritize questions and redirect the conversation if needed			
	Plan and Organize			
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:			
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SB3. Plan in advance for an interview, including resource and equipment			
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	the research as necessary
S	B6. ensure that all relevant people have been briefed and liaise closely with
	appropriate team members, technical operators, camera and lighting crew,
	director, and producer
Pr	oblem Solving
Th	e user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
S	B7. React and manage unpredictable situations – e.g. change in interviewee's
	attitude or style of answering
Cr	itical Thinking
	e user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	B8. Deal practically with occasions which could harm you or your organization,
	including: the attitude or behavior of interviewees, the information they
	supply, breaches in legal, ethical or compliance codes
Cu	stomer Centricity
Th	e user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
S	B9. Manage interviews so that they meet your time limits, and keep to the
	subject; and recognise, pursue and if necessary clarify relevant issues that
-	arise, and points that need to be followed up later
1 S	B10. Establish and maintain rapport with interviewees, treat them courteously,
73	listening carefully to their answers, and differentiating between fact and
	opinion
Ar	alytical Thinking
	e user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	11. Clearly identify from the organization's brief, the purpose and focus of the
	interview





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Write and Edit Copy

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Overview

This unit is about writing and editing copy (i.e. final version of text) for a range of formats in different media





Write and Edit Copy

Unit Code	MES/ N 1906			
Unit Title (Task)	Write and Edit CopyThis OS unit is about writing and editing copy (i.e. final version of text) for a range of formats in different media			
Description				
Scope	 Undertaking copy-writing/ script-writing for various media and types of stories Note: Each of these writing and editing styles can be broken up into a specialized skill (by medium, by type of writing) and taught separately using relevant examples and practical techniques. At this stage the attempt is to set an overarching standard, and thus, a more generic approach has been adopted 			
Performance Criteria (P	PC) w.r.t. the Scope			
Element	Performance Criteria			
Undertaking copy- writing/ script-writing for various media and types of stories	 To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to: PC1. Present the facts and information in a manner that is coherent, comprehensible and appropriate for the target audience PC2. Edit a story or script based on the brief and prescribed word/ time limits PC3. Write and edit items such as: headlines, captions, intros, outros, cues and other types of links PC4. Craft an engaging narrative, conceptualise and clarify ideas and develop stories that meet the broader creative/editorial objectives of the organization, if appropriate to the role PC5. Display strong command of the language including correct grammar, spelling, sentence construction, diction and pronunciation skills PC6. Ensure that finished scripts meet legal and regulatory norms, and do not pose any risks to the individual and/ or organization 			
Knowledge and Unders	tanding (K)			
A. Organizational Context (Knowledge of the company / organization and its processes)	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: KA1. The target audience for the content and/or the organization/ individual that is commissioning the content KA2. Editorial standards followed by the organization/ individual that is commissioning the content (including applicable local, national or international laws) KA3. Resource limitations including any constraints on budget, resources and time availability (i.e. deadlines) 			
B. Technical Knowledge	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: KB1. The brief for the story/ script that needs to be written – including applicable word and time limits KB2. The relevant facts and information that have been gathered, as well as any background research that may have been undertaken. Prior domain knowledge and experience is also important in certain genres of writing (e.g. political, economic, sports, lifestyle etc.) KB3. How to structure one's thoughts and ideas and write clearly and coherently KB4. How to use a wide range of vocabulary and writing techniques to minimize repetition and create interesting pieces of work 			





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	KB5. How to verify information and confirm the accuracy of any facts that are			
	being used in the story/ script			
	KB6. How to differentiate between facts and opinion/ point of view – and write in			
	a manner that makes this distinction evident to the reader/ viewer			
	KB7. How to edit a story or script based on the brief, page layout or programme			
	format and prescribed word/ time limits (Note: this skill set is most relevant			
	to staff on the copy desk)			
	KB8. Different type of audio visual aids (e.g. photographs, videos, audio clips etc.)			
	and how to write copy that complements these aids. (Note: a separate			
	standard titled "Understanding Audio Visual Aids" provides more specific			
	information on this skill set) KB9. How to write headlines, captions, intros, outros, cues and other types of links			
	KB3. The applicable legal and regulatory framework for different types of stories			
	and scripts (e.g. disclosure, consent, intellectual property/ ownership and			
	possible litigation) and writing/ editing in a manner that minimizes these risks			
	KB11. Any other risks including those to the individual's own health and safety and/			
	or other's around them			
Skills (S)				
A. Core Skills/	Writing Skills			
Generic Skills	The user/ individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:			
Generic Skills	SA1. Write stories and scripts as per the brief, or own editorial vision if appropriate			
	SA2. Edit stories and scripts as per the brief, or own editorial vision if appropriate			
	Reading Skills			
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:			
	SA3. Undertake background research, gather references and collect information			
	SA4. Read and analyze various sources of news including wire services and other			
	publications/ channels/ websites/ media			
	SA5. Proof read one's own or others' work to check for accuracy and completeness			
	Oral Communication (Listening and Speaking skills)			
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:			
	SA6. Verify information by conversing with people			
	SA7. Effectively present and defend finished stories and scripts to one's editor/			
B. Professional Skills	editorial supervisor, if appropriate Decision Making			
D. FIOIESSIONAL SKIIIS				
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:			
	SB1. Make relevant decisions related to the area of work e.g. choice of writing			
	style, confirming accuracy of information and evaluating risks SB2. Prioritize information and focus on what's important given word/ time limits			
	Plan and Organize			
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:			
	SB3. Estimate effort associated with writing and/or editing a specific story or script			
	SB4. Plan own work and work for additional staff (e.g. copy desk, art editors, video			
	editors) according to deadlines, as per role			
	SB5. Manage within the agreed budget and minimize overruns, as per role			
	Problem Solving			
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:			





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SB6. Identify any problems with successful execution of the task and resolve them in consultation with the producer/director/team members
Critical Thinking
The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
SB7. Improve work-products and performance based on feedback received and
through self-appraisal
Analytical Thinking
The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
SB8. Envision the impact of the script on different media







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Public Speaking and News Presentation

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Overview

This unit is about the public speaking and news presentation skills required to present news in an audio visual environment





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This unit/task is most applicable for the following profiles:
 Anchors and presenters in Television
 Anchor and presenters in Radio
However at certain times, journalists who are not always presenters may also be called upon to deliver news and this skill may become relevant to:
 Print journalists who are called on to provide a video or audio clip for TV, radio or digital media
 Field or desk journalists in TV, radio or digital media who in addition to filing a story are also called on to present information in an audio visual format Freelance journalists/ experts who may be called on to present information and/ or provide expert opinion
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Element	Performance Criteria
Undertaking public speaking and news presentation	 To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to: PC1. Present the facts and information in a manner that is coherent, comprehensible and appropriate for the target audience PC2. Craft an engaging narrative, conceptualise and clarify ideas and elaborate upon stories/points that meet the broader creative/editorial objectives of the organization, if appropriate to the role PC3. Communicate effectively when dealing with impromptu or wide-randing questions or discussions, and be prepared with a deep knowledge of relevant topics, if appropriate to the role PC4. Display strong command of the language including correct grammar, spelling, sentence construction, diction and pronunciation skills PC5. Present oneself to the audience in an acceptable manner including personal grooming, clothing, hair and make-up
Knowledge and Unders	standing (K)
A. Organizational Context (Knowledge of the company / organization and its processes)	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: KA1. The target audience for the content and/or the organization/ individual that is commissioning the content KA2. Editorial standards followed by the organization/ individual that is commissioning the content (including applicable local, national or international laws)





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B. Technical Knowledge	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: KB1. How to structure one's thoughts and ideas, and communicate them orally in a clear and coherent manner KB2. How to use a wide range of vocabulary and communication skills to minimize repetition and create interesting conversations KB3. Vocal skills and concepts such as speed, flow, emphasis, voice modulation, gestures, movement, pauses, breathing etc. KB4. Personal attributes and how to make oneself presentable – including clothing, hair, make-up, posture, body language and other aspects KB5. How to differentiate between facts and opinion/ point of view – and communicate in a manner that makes this distinction evident to the listener/viewer KB6. How to converse freely with participants (in the case of an anchor/ presenter) or with the anchor/ presenter (in the case of an expert/participant) – including the necessary oral communication skills, maintaining eye contact and reading body language
	 KB7. The applicable legal and regulatory framework for different types of news presentation and appearances (e.g. disclosure, consent, intellectual property/ ownership and litigation for defamation, libel or slander), and providing information and opinion in a manner that minimizes these risks KB8. Any other risks including those to the individual's own health and safety and/ or other's around them
Skills (S)	
A. Core Skills/ Generic Skills	Writing SkillsThe user/ individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:SA1. Write speaking notes to support one's presentation
	Reading Skills
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:SA2.Undertake background research, gather references and collect informationSA3.Read and analyze various sources of newsSA4.Double check one's work for accuracy and completenessOral Communication (Listening and Speaking skills)
	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SA5. Effectively converse with anchors/ presenters/ show participants and provide and/ or gather information required SA6. Use listening skills including paying attention to non-verbal cues/ body language
B. Professional Skills	Decision Making
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SB1. Prioritize information and focus on what's important given time constraints (summarization skills)
	Customer Centricity
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: SB2. The consumption patterns and preferences of the target audience (reader/ viewer/listener)





Public Speaking and News Presentation

Analyt	ical Thinking		
The us	er/individual on the job needs to know and understand:		
SB3.	How to analyze a range of information and bring it together to form a		
	coherent and comprehensible unit of verbal communication		
Plan a	Plan and Organize		
The us	er/individual on the job needs to know and understand:		
SB4.	List and prioritize the goals that you want to accomplish with your audience.		
SB5.	List the major points of information that you want to convey to your audience.		
Critica	Critical Thinking		
The us	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand:		
SB6.	Improve work-products and performance based on feedback received and		
	through self-appraisal		
Proble	Problem Solving The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand:		
The us			
SB7.	Identify any problems with successful execution of the task and resolve them		
	in consultation with the program producer and/or director		







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Report in a Difficult or Hostile Environment



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Overview

This unit is about undertaking field based reporting from exceptionally harsh, difficult or hostile environments





Report in a Difficult or Hostile Environment

Unit Code	MES/ N 1910		
Unit Title(Task)	Report in a Difficult or Hostile Environment		
Description	This unit is about undertaking field based reporting from exceptionally harsh, difficult or hostile environments		
Scope	 Undertaking reporting in difficult or hostile environments: Conflict zones, during war and civil unrest, on extreme weather conditions, on natural or manmade disasters and other harsh/ hostile situations 		
Performance Criteria (F	PC) w.r.t. the Scope		
Element	Performance Criteria		
Undertaking reporting in difficult or hostile environments			
Knowledge and Unders			
A. Organizational	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand:		
Context (Knowledge of the company / organization and	 KA1. The target audience for the content and/or the organization/ individual that is commissioning the content KA2. Editorial standards followed by the organization/ individual that is commissioning the content (including applicable local, national or international laws) 		
its processes)	KA3. The risks that are considered acceptable by the organization/ individual and any limitations on how far the organization/ individual will go to support the specific instance of reporting in a difficult or hostile environment (e.g. any limits on insurance, liability and medical care)		
B. Technical Knowledge	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: KB1. How to define the purpose/ information requirements from the field KB2. How to conduct background research on the location and assess the logistical/ planning requirements KB3. How to evaluate a location for risks – e.g. climate, weather, disease, nature, mobs, armed forces, civilian unrest etc. KB4. Risk mitigating equipment and clothing e.g. bullet proof vests, safety harnesses, bullet proof vehicles etc. KB5. Where to seek shelter in case the situation worsens KB6. How to communicate with one's editorial supervisor and remain in contact with someone at all possible points in time KB7. Applicable entry and exit rules e.g. e.g. visas, permits, photography/ videography permissions, requirements for public vs. private property KB8. One's own personal limitations (including risks to physical or mental wellbeing) and when the situation calls for an exit KB9. How to identify signs of stress or stress-related disorders (in oneself or other members of the crew) and to seek professional help at the earliest 		





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	 KB10. One's legal status and rights in that specific location (e.g. arrest, release, repatriation, deportation, bodily harm, access to medical treatment etc.) KB11. How to anticipate events on the ground and manage situations of conflict, resource limitations etc. KB12. In certain cases – basic first aid and resuscitation skills will also be an asset KB13. Any other applicable legal and regulatory requirements for reporting in difficult or hostile requirements KB14. Minimizing risks, in whatever manner or measure possible, to the individual's own health and safety and/ or other's around them 		
Skills (S)			
A. Core Skills/ Generic Skills	Writing SkillsThe user/ individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:SA1. Prepare reporting objectives and information requirementsSA2. Prepare field notes		
	Reading SkillsThe user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:SA3. Undertake background research, gather references and collect informationSA4. Read and analyze various sources of newsOral Communication (Listening and Speaking skills)The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:SA5. Effectively converse with interview subjects, crew, local authorities and bystanders to gather information (manage potential conflicts		
B. Professional Skills	Decision Making The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SB1. Make relevant decisions related to the area of work e.g. choice of location, approach to information gathering and evaluating risks SB2. Prioritize questions/ reporting objectives and redirect efforts if needed Plan and Organize The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SB3. Plan in advance for field reporting, including resource and equipment requirements and logistical details SB4. Manage within the agreed budget and minimize overruns Problem Solving The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SB5. React and manage unpredictable situations – e.g. change in external environment, equipment failure or other types of resource limitations Critical Thinking The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SB6. Think ahead and plan for all contingencies you may encounter whilst in the hostile environment Analytical Thinking The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:		
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand now to: SB7. Conduct a comprehensive assessment of risks in the hostile environment Customer Centricity The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: NA		





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Develop the Editorial Vision

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Overview

This unit is about about developing the editorial vision and strategy of the organization and taking steps to implement it





Develop the Editorial Vision

	Unit Code	MES/ N 1911		
	Unit Title (Task)	Develop the Editorial Vision		
	Description	This OS unit is about developing the editorial vision and strategy of the organization and taking steps to implement it		
	Scope	 This unit/task covers the following: Conceptualizing the editorial vision of the organization 		
		Achieving the editorial vision of the organization		
Performance Criteria (PC) w.r.t. the Scope				
	Element	Performance Criteria		
	Conceptualizing the editorial vision of the organization	 To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to: PC1. Understand the organization's established traditions, supplementary properties, prior editorial strategies and the creative vision and objectives of key stakeholders, which may include board members and major investors PC2. Research and liaise with business executives and senior editors to understand audience demands and industry trends, so as to create an editorial brand/ positioning that is viable in the marketplace and attractive to the public PC3. Create a detailed vision of the organization's editorial course and positioning over short, medium and long terms, in conjunction with key stakeholders This may involve outlining the style of content (investigative pieces, opeds), format of news gathering (original vs aggregated), periodicity (daily/weekly/monthly), scope and budget of the strategy, target audiences etc. PC4. Critically evaluate the editorial vision with respect to ratings/circulation strength, audience satisfaction, editorial awards and make changes to the vision, as required, in conjunction with key stakeholders 		
	Achieving the editorial vision of the organization	 PC5. Communicate effectively the conceptualized editorial vision to senior/managing editors and other relevant personnel by arranging regular team meetings, and assign responsibilities as appropriate PC6. Oversee, provide feedback and approve all content, which may include layouts, designs, tone, writing style, narrative thrust etc, to ensure that it successfully matches the desired vision, mission and scope PC7. Prioritize content and stories that best reflect the vision of the organization (eg: which story form headlines and key news stories of the day, which stories are highlighted etc.) PC8. Supervise/provide inputs into the budgeting process and allocate resources, to ensure the creation of content that is aligned to the editorial strategy PC9. Supervise/provide inputs into the editorial hiring process in order to ensure the recruitment of editors, correspondents and journalists that fit the editorial goals of the organization PC10. Supervise/provide inputs into marketing campaigns and advertising, and ensure that the desired editorial qualities are projected to the appropriate audiences PC11. Set out the ethical framework, plagiarism policies, regulations and health and safety guidelines for the organization 		





Develop the Editorial Vision

Knowledge and Understanding (K)			
B. Organizational	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand:		
Context	KA1. The organization's established traditions and the editorial visions/strategies it		
(Knowledge of the	employed in the past		
company /	KA2. The parent firm's additional properties, and the organization's supplementary		
organization and	properties and their respective creative visions		
its processes)	KA3. Key internal and external stakeholders and their objectives and requirements		
its processes)	KA4. The target audience and their tastes and preferences		
	KA5. The necessity of critically evaluating an organization's mission and brand, and		
	defining metrics (ratings/circulation, audience satisfaction, awards etc) that will be used for such an avaluation		
	will be used for such an evaluation		
	KA6. The importance of buy-in to the defined vision by key editorial personnelKA7. How to effectively and persuasively explain the organization's strategy to key		
	editorial personnel		
	KA8. How to maintain an open dialogue and schedule meetings with key editorial		
	personnel, through which the vision may be clarified		
B. Technical	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand:		
Knowledge	KB1. How to set the editorial mission keeping all stakeholders objectives in mind		
Kilowiedge	KB2. How to evaluate competitors' editorial visions and identify market gaps		
	KB3. The attractiveness of different types of editorial visions to various audience		
	segments		
	KB4. How to layout and define conceptual ideas/strategies in a concrete manner,		
	which may include outlining desired content styles, news gathering formats,		
	resources required etc		
	KB5. How to evaluate the suitability of content to the desired editorial strategy,		
	across layouts, designs, tone, writing style, narrative thrust etc		
	KB6. How to shape editorial hiring processes and marketing initiatives so that they		
	are aligned with the desired vision		
	KB7. Relevant norms, regulations and policies pertaining to journalism, and how to set these standards for the entire organization		
	KB8. Applicable health and safety guidelines		
Skills (S) (<u>Optional</u>)	Roo. Appliedole realer and safety guidennes		
C. Core Skills/	Writing Skills		
Generic Skills	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:		
	SA1. Document precisely the desired editorial vision		
	SA2. Provide written suggestions and feedback to senior editors and		
	correspondents		
	Reading Skills		
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:		
	SA3. Conduct extensive research across a variety of print and media resources to help conceptualize the editorial vision		
	SA4. Research the profile and characteristics of the target audience		
	SA4. Research the editorial profile and characteristics of the target addience		
	competitors		
	SA6. Critically read all relevant or major editorial content		
	Oral Communication (Listening and Speaking skills)		
	Oral Communication (Listening and Speaking skills)		





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		The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:		
		SA7. Liaise with key stakeholders and understand their creative vision and		
		objective		
		SA8. Present, discuss and solicit feedback on the editorial strategy from key		
		stakeholders and editorial personnel		
		SA9. Communicate requirements across journalism departments		
D.	Professional Skills	Analytical Thinking		
		The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:		
		SB1. Envision the impact of the conceptualized vision across editorial, business and		
		regulatory aspects of the organization		
		Critical Thinking		
		The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:		
		SB2. Generate innovative and appropriate ideas for content and treatment, that		
		are relevant to the target audience, and that make effective use of the range		
		of platforms available for publication or transmission		
		SB3. Critically evaluate editorial content across a host of parameters, to ensure it is		
		aligned with the editorial mission		
		Problem Solving		
		The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:		
		SB4. Identify any problems with the successful implementation of the editorial		
		vision, and resolve them in conjunction with relevant senior personnel		
		Decision making		
		The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:		
		SB5. Accurately judge the value to your target audience of ideas for editorial		
		content, and assess their suitability for further development across different		
		platforms, as required		
		Plan and organize		
		The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:		
		SB6. Seek appropriate advice to address any legal, ethical, or health and safety		
		issues		
		Customer Centricity		
		The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:		
		NA		





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Comply with Applicable Law and Regulation

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Overview

This unit is about complying with various laws and regulations applicable to the journalism industry (including codes of conduct for various media)





Comply with Applicable Law and Regulation

Unit Code	MES/ N 1912
Unit Title (Task)	Comply with Applicable Law and Regulation
Description	This OS unit is about complying with various laws and regulations applicable to the journalism industry (including codes of conduct for various media)
Scope	 Familiarizing oneself with each of the applicable legal and regulatory norms, codes of conduct and ethics Complying with the legal and regulatory requirements of the specific organization/ individual commissioning the content
Performance Criteria (F	PC) w.r.t. the Scope
Element	Performance Criteria
Familiarizing oneself with each of the applicable legal and regulatory norms, codes of conduct and ethics Complying with the legal and regulatory requirements of the specific organization/ individual commissioning the content Knowledge and Unders	 To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to: PC1. Understand the applicable legal and regulatory framework that apply to one's work using the respective source documents and training material PC2. Identify instances where either one's own or someone else's work may not comply fully with the framework PC3. Understand the risks of non-compliance for oneself and the organization PC4. Ensure that the legal and regulatory requirements specific to the organization are being adhered to PC5. Escalate instances of non-compliance to one's editorial supervisor and/ or compliance officer as applicable
A. Organizational Context (Knowledge of the company / organization and its processes)	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: KA1. Editorial standards, code of conduct and other ethical norms followed by the organization/ individual that is commissioning the content KA2. The mechanism for reporting non-compliance and what to do in instances where one's direct supervisor may also be non-compliant
B. Technical Knowledge	 The user/individual on the job may need to know and understand one or more of the following legal and regulatory concepts, and their implications: KB1. Press Council of India, Norms of Journalistic Conduct, 2005 KB2. Code of ethics and core values such as impartiality, communal harmony and secularism KB3. Personal attacks/ commentary on an individual and potential litigation risks e.g. defamation, libel and slander KB4. What kind of information can and cannot be disclosed (e.g. matters that are sub judice, events that could ignite communal unrest etc.) KB5. Where the identify of a specific individual must not be disclosed (e.g. victims of rape and other grievous harm) KB6. How to correctly represent minority communities such as women, AIDS patients and other sections of society in a manner that is progressive, inclusive and maintains their dignity





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	KB7. How to respect intellectual property, and the implications of using copyrighted material, infringement and plagiarism
	KB8. Understand the penalties (e.g. fines and imprisonment) for not complying with these norms. In certain cases, fines may also extend to the employee's organization and/ or senior officials
	 KB9. Keep updated with the legal and regulatory framework to ensure that non-compliance does not happen due to lack of knowledge/ awareness of a change in norms KB10. How to evaluate any risks of non-compliance to the individual's own health
	and safety and/ or other's around them
Skills (S)	
A. Core Skills/	Writing Skills
Generic Skills	The user/ individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SA1. Prepare written notes/ justification on compliance if needed
	Reading Skills
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SA2. Read and comprehend applicable laws and codes of conduct
B. Professional Skills	Decision Making
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SB1. Make relevant decisions related to the area of work
	Problem Solving
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand:
	SB2. How to identify aspects of one's work that may not comply – and how to evaluate/ change the course of action accordingly
	Critical Thinking
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand:
	SB3. How to critically evaluate one's own or someone else's work for non-
	compliance
	Analytical Thinking
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SB4. Undertake thorough research and double-check your sources and source information for relevance and reliability, especially where the information has
	significant consequences for any ongoing legal investigation or active case
	Plan and Organize
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	SB5. Recognize when you need expert advice on regulatory and ethical issues, and
	seek this advice from appropriately qualified and experienced people
	SB6. Maintain up-to-date knowledge of the law and legal developments relevant
	to your work as a journalist Customer Centricity
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	NA





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Maintain workplace health and safety

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Overview

This unit is about contributing towards maintaining a healthy, safe and secure working environment





Maintain workplace health and safety

	Unit Code	MES/ N 1913
	Unit Title (Task)	Maintain workplace health and safety
	Description	This OS unit is about contributing towards maintaining a healthy, safe and secure working environment
	Scope	 This unit/task covers the following: Understanding the health, safety and security risks prevalent in the workplace Knowing the people responsible for health and safety and the resources available Identifying and reporting risks Complying with procedures in the event of an emergency
	Performance Criteria (P	PC) w.r.t. the Scope
	Element	Performance Criteria
	Understanding the health, safety and security risks prevalent in the workplace	 To be competent, the user/individual on the job must be able to: PC1. Understand and comply with the organisation's current health, safety and security policies and procedures PC2. Understand the safe working practices pertaining to own occupation PC3. Understand the government norms and policies relating to health and safety including emergency procedures for illness, accidents, fires or others which may involve evacuation of the premises PC4. Participate in organization health and safety knowledge sessions and drills
	Knowing the people responsible for health and safety and the resources available Identifying and reporting risks	 PC5. Identify the people responsible for health and safety in the workplace, including those to contact in case of an emergency PC6. Identify security signals e.g. fire alarms and places such as staircases, fire warden stations, first aid and medical rooms PC7. Identify aspects of your workplace that could cause potential risk to own and others health and safety PC8. Ensure own personal health and safety, and that of others in the workplace though precautionary measures PC9. Identify and recommend opportunities for improving health, safety, and security to the designated person PC10. Report any hazards outside the individual's authority to the relevant person in line with organisational procedures and warn other people who may be
_	Complying with procedures in the event of an emergency	affected PC11. Follow organisation's emergency procedures for accidents, fires or any other natural calamity in case of a hazard PC12. Identify and correct risks like illness, accidents, fires or any other natural calamity safely and within the limits of individual's authority
	Knowledge and Unders	
	A. Organizational Context (Knowledge of the company / organization and its processes)	 The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand: KA1. Organisation's norms and policies relating to health and safety KA2. Government norms and policies regarding health and safety and related emergency procedures KA3. Limits of authority while dealing with risks/ hazards KA4. The importance of maintaining high standards of health and safety at a workplace





MES/ N 1913	Maintain workplace health and safety
B. Technical	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand:
Knowledge	KB1. The different types of health and safety hazards in a workplace
	KB2. Safe working practices for own job role
	KB3. Evacuation procedures and other arrangements for handling risks
	KB4. Names and contact numbers of people responsible for health and safety in a
	workplace
	KB5. How to summon medical assistance and the emergency services, where
	necessary
	KB6. Vendors' or manufacturers' instructions for maintaining health and safety while using equipments, systems and/or machines
Skills (S) (<u>Optional</u>)	
A. Core Skills/	Writing Skills
Generic Skills	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	SA1. How to write and provide feedback regarding health and safety to the
	concerned people
	SA2. How to write and highlight potential risks or report a hazard to the concerned
	people
	Reading Skills
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	SA3. Read instructions, policies, procedures and norms relating to health and
	safety
	Oral Communication (Listening and Speaking skills)
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	SA4. Highlight potential risks and report hazards to the designated people
	SA5. Listen and communicate information with all anyone concerned or affected
B. Professional Skills	Decision making
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	SB1. Make decisions on a suitable course of action or plan
	Plan and Organize
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	SB2. Plan and organize people and resources to deal with risks/ hazards that lie
	within the scope of one's individual authority
	Problem Solving
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	SB3. Apply problem solving approaches in different situations
	Critical Thinking
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	SB4. Understand hazards that fall within the scope of individual authority and
	report all hazards that may supersede one's authority
	SB5. Apply balanced judgements in different situations
	Customer Centricity
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to: SB6. build and maintain positive and effective relationships with colleges and
	customers
	Analytical Thinking
	The user/individual on the job needs to know and understand how to:
	SB7. analyze data and activites





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Annexure

Nomenclature for QP and NOS



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The following acronyms/codes have been used in the nomenclature above:

Sub-sector	Range of Occupation numbers			

Sequence	Description	Example
Three letters	Media and Entertainment	MES
Slash	/	/
Next letter	Whether Q P or N OS	Q
Next two numbers	Post Production	35
Next two numbers	QP number	02





CRITERIA FOR ASSESSMENT OF TRAINEES Job Role: Editor-in-Chief

Qualification Pack: MES Q 1901

Sector Skill Council: Media and Entertainment Skills Council

	NOS	NOS NAME	Weightage
1	MES/ N 1901	Generate Ideas for Journalism Projects	15%
2	MES/ N 1902	Undertake Research for Journalism Projects	10%
3	MES/ N 1904	Conduct an Interview	15%
4	MES/ N 1906	Write and Edit Copy	10%
5	MES/ N 1909	Public Speaking and News Presentation	10%
6	MES/ N 1910	Report in a Difficult or Hostile Environment	10%
7	MES/ N 1911	Develop the Editorial Vision	10%
8	MES/ N 1912	Comply with Applicable Law and Regulation	10%
9	MES/ N 0104	Maintain workplace health and safety	10%
			100%

Guidelines for Assessment:

1. Criteria for assessment for each Qualification Pack will be created by the Sector Skill Council. Each Performance Criteria (PC) will be assigned marks proportional to its importance in NOS. SSC will also lay down proportion of marks for Theory and Skills Practical for each PC.

2. The assessment for the theory & Practical part will be based on knowledge bank of questions created by the AA and approved by SSC.

3. Individual assessment agencies will create unique question papers for theory part for each candidate at each examination/training center (as per assessment criteria below)

4. Individual assessment agencies will create unique evaluations for skill practical for every student at each examination/training center based on this criteria.

5. To pass the Qualification Pack , every trainee should score a minimum of 70% cumulatively (Theory and Practical).



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Assessment Outcomes	Assessment Criteria for Outcomes	Total Mark	Out Of	Theory	Skills Practical
	 PC1. Undertake, or supervise, set-up activities to ensure the smooth running of the interview, across different mediums and formats including: Live, • Pre-recorded Face-to-face, • Over telephone/ video phone At an outdoor location (e.g. home, office, hotel or public space), • In a studio 		20	10	
	PC2. Understand and identify the objectives of the interview, and its relevance to the wider audience and organization, as appropriate to the role		20	10	
MES/ N 1904 (Conduct an Interview)	 PC3. Prepare pertinent questions, and be aware of the type of interview being conducted and corresponding editorial goals across: profiles/ biopics – focused on the individual being interviewed news interviews – where the interview is used to highlight certain aspects of a larger news story 	100	20	10	50
	PC4. Conduct the interview in a manner appropriate to one's own role and corresponding standing and authority– i.e. pose questions, receive answers/ information, participate in the conversation and develop open topics		20	10	
	PC5. Understand verbal and non-verbal cues of the interviewee, successfully manage the flow of the conversation and challenge/steer the conversation as appropriate to the role		20	10	
		Total	100	50	50
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Assessment	Assessment Criteria for Outcomes	Total	Out	Theory	Skills
Outcomes		Mark	Of	10	Practical
	PC1. Present the facts and information in a manner that is coherent, comprehensible and appropriate for the target audience		20	10	
	PC2. Edit a story or script based on the brief and prescribed word/ time limits		20	10	
MES/ N 1906 (Write and Edit	PC3. Write and edit items such as: headlines, captions, intros, outros, cues and other types of links		20	10	
Сору)	PC4. Craft an engaging narrative, conceptualise and clarify ideas and develop stories that meet the broader creative/editorial objectives of the organization, if appropriate to the role	100	20	10	50
	PC5. Display strong command of the language including correct grammar, spelling, sentence construction, diction and pronunciation skills		10	5	
	PC6. Ensure that finished scripts meet legal and regulatory norms, and do not pose any risks to the individual and/ or organization		10	5	
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	manner that is coherent, comprehensible and				
	appropriate for the target audience				
	PC2. Craft an engaging narrative, conceptualise		20	10	
	and clarify ideas and elaborate upon				
	stories/points that meet the broader				
	creative/editorial objectives of the organization,				
MES/ N 1909	if appropriate to the role	-			
(Public	PC3. Communicate effectively when dealing with	100	20	10	50
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News	discussions, and be prepared with a deep				
Presentation)	knowledge of relevant topics, if appropriate to the role				
Fresentation	PC4. Display strong command of the language		20	10	
	including correct grammar, spelling, sentence		20	10	
	construction, diction and pronunciation skills				
	PC5. Present oneself to the audience in an		20	10	
	acceptable manner including personal grooming,		20	10	
	clothing, hair and make-up				
		Total	100	50	50
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Assessment	Assessment Criteria for Outcomes	Total	Out	Theory	Skills
Outcomes		Mark	Of		Practical
	PC1. Understand the risks of reporting in these		20	10	
	conditions and ensure that the highest quality of				
	planning is undertaken				
MES/ N 1910	PC2. Think on one's feet, react quickly and		20	10	
(Report in a	manage unpredictable situations – e.g. change in				
Difficult or	external environment, equipment failure or				
Hostile	other types of resource limitations	100			50
Environment)	PC3. Determine when risks outweigh the		20	10	
,	benefits of reporting	-			
	PC4. How to cease reporting/ return safely back		20	10	
	to a base location	-	20	10	
	PC5.Respond promptly to instructions from guides, security etc		20	10	
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Assessment	Assessment Criteria for Outcomes	Total	Out	Theory	Skills
Outcomes		Mark	Of		Practical
	PC1. Understand the applicable legal and regulatory framework that apply to one's work using the		20	10	
	respective source documents and training material				
	PC2. Identify instances where either one's own or		20	10	
MES/ N 1912	someone else's work may not comply fully with the framework				
(Comply with Applicable	PC3. Understand the risks of non-compliance for	100	20	10	50
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Regulation)	requirements specific to the organization are being				
	adhered to				
	PC5. Escalate instances of non-compliance to one's		20	10	
	editorial supervisor and/ or compliance officer as applicable				
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Assessment outcomes	Assessment criteria for outcomes	Total mark	Out of	Theory	Skills Practical
MES/ N 0104 (Maintain workplace health and safety)	PC1. Understand and comply with the organisation's current health, safety and security policies and procedures.	100	10	5	
	PC2. Understand the safe working practices pertaining to own occupation.		10	5	
	PC3. Understand the government norms and policies relating to health and safety including emergency procedures for illness, accidents, fires or others which may involve evacuation of the premises.		5	3	50
	PC4. Participate in organization health and safety knowledge sessions and drills.		5	2	
	PC5. Identify the people responsible for health and safety in the workplace, including those to contact in case of an emergency.		10	5	
	PC6. Identify security signals e.g. fire alarms and places such as staircases, fire warden stations, first aid and medical rooms.		10	5	
	PC7. Identify aspects of your workplace that could cause potential risk to own and others health and safety.		10	5	
	PC8. Ensure own personal health and safety, and that of others in the workplace though precautionary measures.		10	5	
	PC9. Identify and recommend opportunities for improving health, safety, and security to the designated person.		5	3	



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authority to the relevant person in line with organisational procedures and warn other people who may be affected. PC11. Follow organisation's emergency procedures		10	5	
for accidents, fires or any other natural calamity in case of a hazard.		10	5	
PC12. Identify and correct risks like illness, accidents, fires or any other natural calamity safely and within the limits of individual's authority.		5	2	
	Total	100	50	50