









# Live Action Director

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## MES/Q1301: Live Action Director

## **Brief Job Description**

Individuals at this job establish and drive the execution of the creative vision of the production with the support of the production, creative and technical teams

#### **Personal Attributes**

This job requires the individual to be well-versed with the principles of film-making and cinematography and must have a good understanding of pre-production, production and post-production processes. The individual must be a good story-teller. The individual must have a clear creative vision and guide and direct efforts of the production team to achieve this vision in a collaborative manner. The individual must be involved across all stages of production (i.e. end to end

## **Applicable National Occupational Standards (NOS)**

#### **Compulsory NOS:**

- 1. MES/N2843: Evaluate production concepts & ideas
- 2. MES/N1302: Sourcing financiers
- 3. MES/N1309: Conceptualise the creative vision
- 4. MES/N1304: Communicate requirements to the team
- 5. MES/N1305: Direct the production process
- 6. MES/N1307: Direct the post-production process
- 7. MES/N2844: Manage the production's marketing and release
- 8. MES/N0104: Maintain Workplace Health & Safety

## **Qualification Pack (QP) Parameters**

Sector	Media & Entertainment
Sub-Sector	Film, Television, Advertising
Occupation	Direction, Production
Country	India









NSQF Level	6
Credits	28
Aligned to NCO/ISCO/ISIC Code	NCO 2015- 2654.0351
Minimum Educational Qualification & Experience	Graduate with 3 Years of experience OR 12th Class with 7 Years of experience
Minimum Level of Education for Training in School	12th Class
Pre-Requisite License or Training	NA
Minimum Job Entry Age	22 Years
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## **Remarks:**

This QP was approved in 2015 and NSQC Extended it in 2019 without any change in QP. Therefore, NQR code used is of 2019.









## MES/N2843: Evaluate production concepts & ideas

## **Description**

This OS unit is about evaluating production concepts and ideas and selecting an appropriate idea that the individual can deliver creatively

### Scope

The scope covers the following:

- Source innovative and creative ideas for production
- Determine the ease and/ or difficulty (financial,
- operational and technical) of executing potential ideas and the corresponding resource requirements (talent, budget and timelines)

#### **Elements and Performance Criteria**

#### Sourcing ideas for production

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

- **PC1.** source innovative and creative ideas for production, which could include animation, advertisements (commercials and public service campaigns), documentaries, feature films, short films, television series
- **PC2.** Select ideas that are aligned to one's creative vision, and that can be executed currently possible production techniques

#### Evaluating and selecting ideas

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

- **PC3.** Determine the ease and/ or difficulty (financial, operational and technical) of executing potential ideas and the
  - corresponding resource requirements (talent, budget and timelines)
- **PC4.** Consult with relevant personnel (scriptwriters, producers, technical teams) to understand these creative, financial and operational requirements

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

The individual on the job needs to know and understand:

- **KU1.** constraints such as budget, time, logistics and skills-sets
- **KU2.** the capabilities of the resources that could potentially be employed on the project
- **KU3.** the objective and expected outcomes of production such as commercial success, public service, information dissemination and/ or audience engagement









- kU4. the principles of film-making. this is a broad field and could cover aspects such as: trends in contemporary film making, different types of films being produced and appreciated around the world. major issues with regard to storytelling (genre and style) as well as cultural and socio-political issues history of films and film making current trends in international cinema history of complementary fields including fine art, literature and theatre theatre and repertory acting in order to create unique characters who interact to tell the story knowledge and appreciation of contemporary art and contemporary history of alternative arts, folk traditions, non-classical and subaltern traditions in visual art, story-telling traditions and music
- **KU5.** the technical aspects of production across all processes from pre-production to post-production
- **KU6.** the principles of script-writing and how to write a script from an idea
- **KU7.** how to visualise a story from the script
- **KU8.** the sources of procuring ideas for production
- **KU9.** how to estimate the cost, number of resources required and skill-sets that would be required to produce the idea
- **KU10.** possible avenues for showcasing the production including knowledge of prevailing content distribution norms and the film festival route
- **KU11.** relevant copyright norms and intellectual property rights
- **KU12.** relevant production software and hardware relating to cameras, film and vfx
- **KU13.** applicable health and safety guidelines

#### **Generic Skills (GS)**

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

- **GS1.** document the pros and cons for each production idea
- **GS2.** read and understand the script
- **GS3.** keep updated on the industry trends and developments and the types of productions (genre, language and budget) that are successful in the market
- **GS4.** research the profile and preferences of the target audience, the genre, culture and region of the production
- **GS5.** network with script-writers, industry experts, creative personnel, producers to source ideas
- **GS6.** work across departments within film production
- **GS7.** pitch potential ideas to the key decision makers and solicit feedback
- **GS8.** evaluate scripts and select the most feasible option for production
- **GS9.** identify the target audience for the idea and select an idea that would most appeal the targeted audience









## **Assessment Criteria**

Assessment Criteria for Outcomes	Theory Marks	Practical Marks	Project Marks	Viva Marks
Sourcing ideas for production	15	70	-	-
<b>PC1.</b> source innovative and creative ideas for production, which could include animation, advertisements (commercials and public service campaigns), documentaries, feature films, short films, television series	9	-	-	-
<b>PC2.</b> Select ideas that are aligned to one's creative vision, and that can be executed currently possible production techniques	6	-	-	-
Evaluating and selecting ideas	15	-	-	-
<ul> <li>PC3.</li> <li>Determine the ease and/ or difficulty (financial, operational and technical) of executing potential ideas and the</li> <li>corresponding resource requirements (talent, budget and timelines)</li> </ul>	9	-	-	-
<b>PC4.</b> Consult with relevant personnel (scriptwriters, producers, technical teams) to understand these creative, financial and operational requirements	6	-	-	-
NOS Total	30	70	-	-









# **National Occupational Standards (NOS) Parameters**

NOS Code	MES/N2843
NOS Name	Evaluate production concepts & ideas
Sector	Media & Entertainment
Sub-Sector	Film, Television, Advertising
Occupation	Production
NSQF Level	7
Credits	TBD
Version	1.0
Last Reviewed Date	NA
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## **MES/N1302: Sourcing financiers**

## **Description**

This OS unit is about determining the financial resources that would be required for production and pitching the project to potential financiers. It is especially relevant in cases where the director is also the producer

#### **Elements and Performance Criteria**

#### Preparing the budget for the production

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

- **PC1.** prepare and finalise the production budget accounting for all cost components (can include actors/artists, production and post-production resources, location cost, sets, make-up, costume and props, travel and stay, logistics, equipment, food and snacks)
- **PC2.** allocating a separate budget for film enhancing/ correction based on critical evaluation (internal and external)

### Preparing a list of potential sponsors

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

**PC3.** source potential financiers whose investment philosophy/ objectives match the production *Preparing and pitching the production proposal to financiers* 

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

- **PC4.** prepare and pitch the production proposal to financiers, deploying persuasive skill and justifications to finalise the financier(s) and arrive at a final number for the overall production budget
- **PC5.** negotiate the mode of finance with the financiers
- **PC6.** prepare a docket highlighting the key choices made for production
- **PC7.** finalise contracts with financiers

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

The individual on the job needs to know and understand:

- **KU1.** the objective and outcomes of the production such as commercial success, public service, information dissemination and/or audience engagement
- **KU2.** the production genre, locations, language, culture and region
- **KU3.** the target audience and how the production would appeal to them
- **KU4.** the principles of film-making and the necessary skill sets for executing a project
- **KU5.** the various softwares used for editing, Sound Mixing, color-correction, grading, previsualization, storyboarding, 2-D and 3-D Animation; and knowledge of the possibilities that these softwares and technologies providein value-addition to any production a general knowledge of these aspects is required, and not proficiency. (Software currently being used on the industry include FCP, AVID, Adobe Premier Pro, Apple Color, Soundtrack Pro, Nuendo, ProTools, Adobe After Effects, SMOKE, Adobe Flash and FrameForge 3D)









- **KU6.** how to calculate the accurate amount of resources that would be required for production and the time that it will take to produce
- **KU7.** general understanding of the various softwares used for scheduling and budgeting productions (e.g. EP Scheduling and EP Budgeting)
- **KU8.** how to put together a proposal in accordance to industry best practices
- **KU9.** how to be a good story-teller and ensure that all stakeholders understand the story and narrative
- **KU10.** how to identify the financiers for various kinds of projects and understand their investment philosophy
- **KU11.** how to identify and project the key aspects that would attract financiers
- **KU12.** how to build a rationale/case for each individual financier, based on their investment philosophy
- **KU13.** how to defend and negotiate for finances, with reasonable justifications and persuasive skill
- **KU14.** the relevant copyright norms and intellectual property rights

## **Generic Skills (GS)**

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

- **GS1.** document the project budget including a break-up of the key components
- **GS2.** prepare a pitch presentation, to be used for discussion with key decision makers
- **GS3.** prepare a detailed proposal, that would include a detailed description of key production aspects
- **GS4.** guide the documentation and maintenance of contracts signed with financiers
- **GS5.** research various aspects of production to develop a pitch presentation for the producer and/or any other key decision makers
- **GS6.** research/delve into specific areas of the production to help detail out the proposal
- **GS7.** benchmark the budget with other productions of a similar scale/type executed in the past/available in the public domain
- **GS8.** read and interpret contractual terms
- **GS9.** network with key industry professionals to help identify financiers for the production
- **GS10.** pitch potential ideas to the financiers with appropriate reasoning and negotiate financial terms effectively
- **GS11.** finalize the production budget and its components
- **GS12.** plan the allocation of funds across the cost components of the budget e.g. location, resources, equipment and sets
- **GS13.** foresee and account for contingencies in the production budget
- **GS14.** evaluate the scale of the production in relation to the budget









## **Assessment Criteria**

Assessment Criteria for Outcomes	Theory Marks	Practical Marks	Project Marks	Viva Marks
Preparing the budget for the production	17	18	-	-
<b>PC1.</b> prepare and finalise the production budget accounting for all cost components (can include actors/artists, production and post-production resources, location cost, sets, make-up, costume and props, travel and stay, logistics, equipment, food and snacks)	10	10	-	-
<b>PC2.</b> allocating a separate budget for film enhancing/ correction based on critical evaluation (internal and external)	7	8	-	-
Preparing a list of potential sponsors	5	5	-	-
<b>PC3.</b> source potential financiers whose investment philosophy/ objectives match the production	5	5	-	-
Preparing and pitching the production proposal to financiers	28	27	-	-
<b>PC4.</b> prepare and pitch the production proposal to financiers, deploying persuasive skill and justifications to finalise the financier(s) and arrive at a final number for the overall production budget	10	10	-	-
<b>PC5.</b> negotiate the mode of finance with the financiers	3	2	-	-
<b>PC6.</b> prepare a docket highlighting the key choices made for production	10	10	-	-
PC7. finalise contracts with financiers	5	5	-	-
NOS Total	50	50	-	-









# **National Occupational Standards (NOS) Parameters**

NOS Code	MES/N1302
NOS Name	Sourcing financiers
Sector	Media & Entertainment
Sub-Sector	Film, Television, Advertising
Occupation	Direction
NSQF Level	7
Credits	TBD
Version	1.0
Last Reviewed Date	29/10/2014
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## MES/N1309: Conceptualise the creative vision

## **Description**

This OS unit is about conceptualising the creative vision for the production

## Scope

The scope covers the following:

• Interpret the script and conceptualise ways to represent it creatively through visuals and sound

#### **Elements and Performance Criteria**

## Conceptualising the creative aspects to set a common vision

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

- **PC1.** interpret the script and conceptualise ways to represent it creatively through visuals and sound
- **PC2.** collaborate with the producers, supporting staff(production designers, artistic directors and music directors), technical crew (lighting, sound, set and costume designers) to ensure a common vision is communicated for the film

#### Managing creative areas

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

**PC3.** Break down the script into the following units – storyboard, shooting script, critical sequences and shot breakdown. Identify the creative and technical requirements for each of these aspects, in a manner that helps in realizing the overall creative vision

## Modifying and finalising the script

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

**PC4.** Develop/refine the script to reflect the creative vision in collaboration with the script-writers

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

The individual on the job needs to know and understand:

- **KU1.** the target audience and their tastes and preferences
- **KU2.** the production budget and timelines
- **KU3.** the principles of film-making and cinematography
- **KU4.** the creative production processes including script-writing, cinematography, production design, sound design, post-production
- **KU5.** how to translate the script into creative aspects that would need to be built into the production such as special effects, style and set design
- **KU6.** how to assess the creative aspects of production in light of their costs, technical requirements and relevance to the content
- **KU7.** how to determine the technical requirements based on the production vision and creative style









- **KU8.** the various methodologies of directing for the screen, traditional as well as newer approaches(e.g. French School, Soviet School, Indian theatrical traditions)
- **KU9.** understanding film making technologies and workflows with regard to cinematography (both celluloid and digital), audiography (location synch recording, dubbing, track laying, sound mixing, music recording and arrangement) and editing (synchronising, splicing and structuring)
- **KU10.** relevant copyright norms and intellectual property rights
- **KU11.** applicable health and safety guidelines
- **KU12.** how to defend and negotiate for finances, with reasonable justifications and persuasive skill
- **KU13.** the relevant copyright norms and intellectual property rights

## **Generic Skills (GS)**

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

- **GS1.** document the creative vision, for circulation to the production team
- **GS2.** document key aspects from the research undertaken, for circulation to the production team
- **GS3.** document aspects such as the narrative, characters profiles and turning points to help scriptwriters refine the script
- **GS4.** read and understand the script
- **GS5.** research the profile and preferences of the target audience
- **GS6.** research attributes of end-products from the genre, language, culture, region of the production to determine creative and technical attributes that may need to be reflected in the final output
- **GS7.** research creative and innovative ways to represent the script
- **GS8.** discuss and solicit ideas to refine and finalise the creative vision with the producer and key members of the production team
- **GS9.** collaborate with the scriptwriters to refine the script, if required
- **GS10.** finalise the creative vision of the production
- **GS11.** foresee technical issues that may arise during production/post-production of the idea and explore options to modify script/ resolve issues proactively
- **GS12.** conflict management and negotiaton skills









## **Assessment Criteria**

Assessment Criteria for Outcomes	Theory Marks	Practical Marks	Project Marks	Viva Marks
Conceptualising the creative aspects to set a common vision	18	70	-	-
<b>PC1.</b> interpret the script and conceptualise ways to represent it creatively through visuals and sound	9	-	-	-
<b>PC2.</b> collaborate with the producers, supporting staff(production designers, artistic directors and music directors), technical crew (lighting, sound, set and costume designers) to ensure a common vision is communicated for the film	9	-	-	-
Managing creative areas	6	-	-	-
<b>PC3.</b> Break down the script into the following units – storyboard, shooting script, critical sequences and shot breakdown. Identify the creative and technical requirements for each of these aspects, in a manner that helps in realizing the overall creative vision	6	-	-	-
Modifying and finalising the script	6	-	-	-
<b>PC4.</b> Develop/refine the script to reflect the creative vision in collaboration with the scriptwriters	6	-	-	-
NOS Total	30	70	-	-









# **National Occupational Standards (NOS) Parameters**

NOS Code	MES/N1309
NOS Name	Conceptualise the creative vision
Sector	Media & Entertainment
Sub-Sector	Film, Television, Advertising
Occupation	Direction, Production
NSQF Level	6
Credits	TBD
Version	1.0
Last Reviewed Date	NA
Next Review Date	27/01/2027
NSQC Clearance Date	27/01/2022









## MES/N1304: Communicate requirements to the team

## **Description**

This OS unit is about communicating a cohesive creative vision across teams and developing a functionwise action plan to help execute it

#### **Elements and Performance Criteria**

### Communicating the key aspects of production to the teams

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

- **PC1.** communicate the creative vision, project outcomes, functional roles, responsibilities, expectations, requirements, budget and timelines to functional heads prior to the production
- **PC2.** receive periodic updates and ensure that any major changes agreed upon are recorded and communicated to the appropriate people
- PC3. develop a function-wise action plan to help execute the vision, as appropriate
- **PC4.** ensure that the teams are aware of their role towards realizing the creative vision of the project
- **PC5.** articulate and encourage the need for team work and work standards that are expected to match the productions requirements

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

The individual on the job needs to know and understand:

- **KU1.** the creative vision of the project
- **KU2.** the production budget and timelines
- **KU3.** the roles and responsibilities of the production team
- **KU4.** the language of film-making and cinematography
- **KU5.** stage and repertory acting
- **KU6.** the various pre-production, production and post-production processes involved in creating animation
- **KU7.** how to set and communicate action areas for each team
- **KU8.** how to set realistic requirements that would be achievable within the given budget and timelines
- **KU9.** how to convey expectations and requirements in a manner that is easy to understand and adapted to each individual person
- **KU10.** applicable health and safety guidelines

#### **Generic Skills (GS)**

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









- **GS1.** document action plans including functional roles, responsibilities, expectations, requirements, budget and timelines for circulation to functional heads
- GS2. document issues, feedback and suggestions after discussions with production team
- GS3. conduct technical readings of the script with the production team
- **GS4.** communicate the creative vision and production aspects to the entire production team
- **GS5.** discuss and agree on the roles, responsibilities, expectations, requirements, budget and timelines with the functional heads of various departments
- **GS6.** solicit feedback and suggestions from the teams
- GS7. finalise action plans for all teams
- **GS8.** prepare a work schedule/ sequence of activities to help the entire production unit plan their work on a daily basis, if appropriate









## **Assessment Criteria**

Assessment Criteria for Outcomes	Theory Marks	Practical Marks	Project Marks	Viva Marks
Communicating the key aspects of production to the teams	50	50	-	-
<b>PC1.</b> communicate the creative vision, project outcomes, functional roles, responsibilities, expectations, requirements, budget and timelines to functional heads prior to the production	10	10	-	-
<b>PC2.</b> receive periodic updates and ensure that any major changes agreed upon are recorded and communicated to the appropriate people	10	10	-	-
<b>PC3.</b> develop a function-wise action plan to help execute the vision, as appropriate	10	10	-	-
<b>PC4.</b> ensure that the teams are aware of their role towards realizing the creative vision of the project	10	10	-	-
<b>PC5.</b> articulate and encourage the need for team work and work standards that are expected to match the productions requirements	10	10	-	-
NOS Total	50	50	-	-









# **National Occupational Standards (NOS) Parameters**

NOS Code	MES/N1304
NOS Name	Communicate requirements to the team
Sector	Media & Entertainment
Sub-Sector	Animation, Gaming
Occupation	Direction
NSQF Level	6
Credits	TBD
Version	1.0
Last Reviewed Date	29/10/2014
Next Review Date	27/01/2027
NSQC Clearance Date	27/01/2022









## **MES/N1305: Direct the production process**

## **Description**

This OS unit is about realising the creative vision of the project by guiding efforts of actors/ artists and production teams towards creating a cohesive product

#### **Elements and Performance Criteria**

### Guiding performance of actors/artists

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

- **PC1.** guide the actors/artists on their performance (dialogues, movements, and expressions) during rehearsals and during takes
- **PC2.** guide other departments such as camera, sound, light, set crafts and costumes to ensure they all contribute towards the common creative vision

#### Managing technical and creative areas

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

- **PC3.** sign-off on all the creative aspects of production (eg: camera, sound, lighting, production design,costumes, set design etc)
- **PC4.** ensure that decisions about new developments on creative aspects, are communicated to relevant personnel either by yourself or others as instructed

#### Directing rehearsals and actual takes

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

- **PC5.** direct rehearsals, evaluate the performance, highlight areas of improvement and ensure the performance meets requirements
- **PC6.** direct actual takes that meet creative and technical requirements
- **PC7.** collaborate creatively with the actors and technical crew to make the shot natural, changing it when necessary and allowing inspiration
- **PC8.** ensure continuity during production

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

The individual on the job needs to know and understand:

- **KU1.** the creative vision of the production
- **KU2.** the production budget and timelines
- **KU3.** roles and responsibilities of members of the production team
- **KU4.** the principles of film-making and cinematography
- **KU5.** history of cinema, narrative film making vs. avant garde filmmaking, evolution of film making over time, including: a. movements in cinema (eg. neo-realism, expressionism) b. documenatry films and their history c. theoretical approaches to the documentary film
- **KU6.** theories of filmmaking and its various components.
- **KU7.** approaches to directing for the screen: a. mise-en-scene b. montage theory c. auteur theory
- **KU8.** understanding of linear as well as non-linear narrative in film.









- **KU9.** the technical aspects of production
- **KU10.** the principles of continuity
- **KU11.** the principles of visual communication, composition and continuity in filmmaking with respect to the technological as well as technical ways of putting them into practice
- **KU12.** previsualization of the film as it will be played to an audience
- **KU13.** understanding of screen grammar, shot- breakdown, shot design, scene design and film structure
- **KU14.** how to guide and motivate the production team to realise overall production objectives cohesively as a team
- **KU15.** how to evaluate the performance each member of the production team
- KU16. how to make decisions and lead a team
- KU17. relevant copyright norms and intellectual property rights
- KU18. applicable health and safety guidelines

### **Generic Skills (GS)**

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

- **GS1.** track the action plans and schedules during the production process
- **GS2.** read the script, dialogues and narratives
- **GS3.** work collaboratively with members of the production team to achieve the common production vision
- **GS4.** develop a good working relationship with the entire production team
- **GS5.** discuss scene-wise expectations i.e. dialogues, movements, expressions and timing with the actors/artists
- **GS6.** manage work according to the requirements and agreed timelines
- **GS7.** manage within the agreed budget and minimize overruns
- **GS8.** foresee/address key issues in the production process and provide guidance on ways to resolve them
- **GS9.** conflict management and negotiation skills
- **GS10.** analyze the quality of shoots to ensure it will meet the requirements of post-production
- **GS11.** appraise the quality of the production to ensure it is in line with the expected quality standards and suggest areas of improvement and re-takes, if required









## **Assessment Criteria**

Assessment Criteria for Outcomes	Theory Marks	Practical Marks	Project Marks	Viva Marks
Guiding performance of actors/artists	20	10	-	-
<b>PC1.</b> guide the actors/artists on their performance (dialogues, movements, and expressions) during rehearsals and during takes	10	5	-	-
<b>PC2.</b> guide other departments such as camera, sound, light, set crafts and costumes to ensure they all contribute towards the common creative vision	10	5	-	-
Managing technical and creative areas	5	5	-	-
<b>PC3.</b> sign-off on all the creative aspects of production (eg: camera, sound, lighting, production design,costumes, set design etc)	3	2	-	-
<b>PC4.</b> ensure that decisions about new developments on creative aspects, are communicated to relevant personnel either by yourself or others as instructed	2	3	-	-
Directing rehearsals and actual takes	25	35	-	-
<b>PC5</b> . direct rehearsals, evaluate the performance, highlight areas of improvement and ensure the performance meets requirements	5	5	-	-
<b>PC6.</b> direct actual takes that meet creative and technical requirements	5	5	-	-
<b>PC7.</b> collaborate creatively with the actors and technical crew to make the shot natural, changing it when necessary and allowing inspiration	5	5	-	-
PC8. ensure continuity during production	10	20	-	-
NOS Total	50	50	-	-









# **National Occupational Standards (NOS) Parameters**

NOS Code	MES/N1305
NOS Name	Direct the production process
Sector	Media & Entertainment
Sub-Sector	Film, Television, Advertising
Occupation	Direction
NSQF Level	7
Credits	TBD
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Last Reviewed Date	29/10/2014
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## MES/N1307: Direct the post-production process

## **Description**

This OS unit is about directing and guiding the finalisation of the end-product during post-production

#### **Elements and Performance Criteria**

#### Managing and guiding the post production process

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

**PC1.** guide/direct the entire post-production process to ensure that the final output is in line with the creative vision (can include editing, special effects, colour grading, dubbing, rendering, rotoscopy, compositing, wire removal, chroma, sound design, sound editing, music and sound mixing)

#### Preparing the final version including correction of the screenplay (if required)

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

- **PC2.** identify any gaps/deficiencies through critical feedback
- **PC3.** guide/direct the relevant post-production processes to ensure the final version incorporates all changes
- **PC4.** prepare a directors cut of the film (optional)

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

The individual on the job needs to know and understand:

- **KU1.** the creative vision of the production
- **KU2.** the target audience and their tastes and preferences
- **KU3.** the production budget and timelines
- KU4. roles and responsibilities of members of the post-production team
- **KU5.** the technical aspects of post-production
- **KU6.** the principles of continuity
- **KU7.** the post-production process, techniques and activities
- **KU8.** technologies of post production and the various workflows involved in editing, sound post production, color correction, animation, VFX and printing
- **KU9.** the impact of each activity on the entire process workflow
- **KU10.** how to make decisions and lead a team
- **KU11.** how to guide and motivate the post-production team to work cohesively to realise overall production objectives
- **KU12.** how to promote and project the film to the right audiences
- **KU13.** how to protect the confidentiality of the entire production process
- **KU14.** relevant copyright norms and intellectual property rights
- **KU15.** applicable health and safety guidelines









## **Generic Skills (GS)**

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

- **GS1.** document notes/links/suggestions to assist the post-production team
- GS2. track the action plans and schedules during the post-production process
- GS3. research and gather references from already executed projects/available in the public domain
- **GS4.** communicate preferred takes and sequence of activities to the editors to help guide the editing process
- **GS5.** manage work according to the requirements and agreed timelines
- GS6. manage within the agreed budget and minimize overruns
- **GS7.** how to resolve any technical problems during post-production
- **GS8.** appraise the quality of the final product to ensure it is in line with the expected quality standards and suggest areas of improvement









## **Assessment Criteria**

Assessment Criteria for Outcomes	Theory Marks	Practical Marks	Project Marks	Viva Marks
Managing and guiding the post production process	15	15	-	-
<b>PC1.</b> guide/direct the entire post-production process to ensure that the final output is in line with the creative vision (can include editing, special effects, colour grading, dubbing, rendering, rotoscopy, compositing, wire removal, chroma, sound design, sound editing, music and sound mixing)	15	15	-	-
Preparing the final version including correction of the screenplay (if required)	35	35	-	-
<b>PC2.</b> identify any gaps/deficiencies through critical feedback	15	15	-	-
<b>PC3.</b> guide/direct the relevant post-production processes to ensure the final version incorporates all changes	20	20	-	-
PC4. prepare a directors cut of the film (optional)	-	-	-	-
NOS Total	50	50	-	-









# **National Occupational Standards (NOS) Parameters**

NOS Code	MES/N1307
NOS Name	Direct the post-production process
Sector	Media & Entertainment
Sub-Sector	Animation, Gaming
Occupation	Direction
NSQF Level	6
Credits	TBD
Version	1.0
Last Reviewed Date	29/10/2014
Next Review Date	27/01/2027
NSQC Clearance Date	27/01/2022









## MES/N2844: Manage the production's marketing and release

## **Description**

This OS unit is about managing the productions marketing, public relations and initiatives and managing media relations during its release/ airing

### Scope

The scope covers the following:

• preparation of a press -kit (including aspects such as the making, bloopers, key moments and challenges) to use during the film's promotion

#### **Elements and Performance Criteria**

#### Preparing for marketing and promotion of the production

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

**PC1.** guide the preparation of a press-kit (including aspects such as the making, bloopers, key moments and challenges) to use during the films promotion

### Participating in promotional initiatives and crowding activities

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

- **PC2.** prepare a communication strategy for promotion on each medium and guide artists and other key members to project the key messages effectively
- **PC3.** Research and identify appropriate promotional activities, in conjunction with producers and the marketing team

#### Directing rehearsals and actual takes

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

**PC4.** Participate actively in the marketing and public relations campaign to project the production's unique elements i.e. Story, performances and statistics

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

The individual on the job needs to know and understand:

- **KU1.** attributes and unique elements of the production including the storyline, budget, time taken, key moments and statictics of the production
- **KU2.** tastes and preferences of the productions target audience
- **KU3.** the storyline, unique elements, artists, attributes and budget of other productions with a similar storyline and of those released/ running during the same time period
- **KU4.** marketing and communication channels used during promotion
- **KU5.** components of a press-kit
- **KU6.** attributes of other productions within the same genre
- **KU7.** how to study the statistics such as collections, advertising revenues, downloads and dvd sales related to a production









KU8. applicable health and safety guidelines

## **Generic Skills (GS)**

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

- **GS1.** prepare material for press-interviews and written interviews
- **GS2.** adapt stance on the basis of the reviews, feedback and inputs from agencies, and consultants
- GS3. study all production related statistics, feedback and reviews
- **GS4.** understand competition activities to incorporate findings into key messages, develop unique posisitioning for own production or prepare responses to media questions
- **GS5.** effectively communicate aspects such as the productions unique selling points, funny moments and bloopers to drive audiences to watch the production
- **GS6.** appear for public events, award shows and performances
- **GS7.** plan calendar to accommodate time for public appearances, events and interviews for the films promotion
- **GS8.** plan communication strategy, messages and responses for each medium
- **GS9.** critically appraise own production and prepare responses for statements that may need to be made in response to difficult questions









## **Assessment Criteria**

Assessment Criteria for Outcomes	Theory Marks	Practical Marks	Project Marks	Viva Marks
Preparing for marketing and promotion of the production	9	70	-	-
<b>PC1.</b> guide the preparation of a press-kit (including aspects such as the making, bloopers, key moments and challenges) to use during the films promotion	9	-	-	-
Participating in promotional initiatives and crowding activities	16	-	-	-
<b>PC2.</b> prepare a communication strategy for promotion on each medium and guide artists and other key members to project the key messages effectively	10	-	-	-
<b>PC3.</b> Research and identify appropriate promotional activities, in conjunction with producers and the marketing team	6	-	-	-
Directing rehearsals and actual takes	5	-2	-	-
<b>PC4.</b> Participate actively in the marketing and public relations campaign to project the production's unique elements i.e. Story, performances and statistics	5	-	-	-
NOS Total	30	70	-	-









# **National Occupational Standards (NOS) Parameters**

NOS Code	MES/N2844
NOS Name	Manage the production's marketing and release
Sector	Media & Entertainment
Sub-Sector	Film, Television, Advertising
Occupation	Production, Direction
NSQF Level	6
Credits	TBD
Version	1.0
Last Reviewed Date	NA
Next Review Date	27/01/2027
NSQC Clearance Date	27/01/2022









# MES/N0104: Maintain Workplace Health & Safety

## **Description**

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

#### **Elements and 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 organizations 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

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

- **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

#### Identifying and reporting risks

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

- **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 individuals authority to the relevant person in line with organizational procedures and warn other people who may be affected

#### Complying with procedures in the event of an emergency

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

- **PC11.** follow organizations 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 individuals authority

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

The individual on the job needs to know and understand:









- **KU1.** Organizations norms and policies relating to health and safety
- **KU2.** Government norms and policies regarding health and safety and related emergency procedures
- **KU3.** Limits of authority while dealing with risks/ hazards
- **KU4.** The importance of maintaining high standards of health and safety at a workplace
- **KU5.** The different types of health and safety hazards in a workplace
- **KU6.** Safe working practices for own job role
- **KU7.** Evacuation procedures and other arrangements for handling risks
- **KU8.** Names and contact numbers of people responsible for health and safety in a workplace
- **KU9.** How to summon medical assistance and the emergency services, where necessary
- **KU10.** Vendors or manufacturers instructions for maintaining health and safety while using equipment, systems and/or machines

#### **Generic Skills (GS)**

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

- **GS1.** how to write and provide feedback regarding health and safety to the concerned people
- **GS2.** how to write and highlight potential risks or report a hazard to the concerned people
- **GS3.** read instructions, policies, procedures and norms relating to health and safety
- **GS4.** highlight potential risks and report hazards to the designated people
- **GS5.** listen and communicate information with all anyone concerned or affected
- **GS6.** make decisions on a suitable course of action or plan
- **GS7.** plan and organize people and resources to deal with risks/ hazards that lie within the scope of ones individual authority
- **GS8.** apply problem solving approaches in different situations
- **GS9.** understand hazards that fall within the scope of individual authority and report all hazards that may supersede ones authority
- **GS10.** apply balanced judgments in different situations
- **GS11.** How to write and provide feedback regarding health and safety to the concerned people
- **GS12.** How to write and highlight potential risks or report a hazard to the concerned people
- **GS13.** Read instructions, policies, procedures and norms relating to health and safety
- **GS14.** Highlight potential risks and report hazards to the designated people
- **GS15.** Listen and communicate information with all anyone concerned or affected
- **GS16.** Make decisions on a suitable course of action or plan
- **GS17.** Plan and organize people and resources to deal with risks/ hazards that lie within the scope of ones individual authority
- **GS18.** Apply problem solving approaches in different situations
- **GS19.** build and maintain positive and effective relationships with colleges and customers
- **GS20.** analyze data and activites
- **GS21.** Understand hazards that fall within the scope of individual authority and report all hazards that may supersede ones authority









**GS22.** Apply balanced judgments in different situations









## **Assessment Criteria**

Assessment Criteria for Outcomes	Theory Marks	Practical Marks	Project Marks	Viva Marks
Understanding the health, safety and security risks prevalent in the workplace	15	15	-	-
<b>PC1.</b> understand and comply with the organizations current health, safety and security policies and procedures	5	5	-	-
<b>PC2.</b> understand the safe working practices pertaining to own occupation	5	5	-	-
<b>PC3.</b> 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	3	2	-	-
<b>PC4.</b> participate in organization health and safety knowledge sessions and drills	2	3	-	-
Knowing the people responsible for health and safety and the resources available	10	10	-	-
<b>PC5.</b> identify the people responsible for health and safety in the workplace, including those to contact in case of an emergency	5	5	-	-
<b>PC6.</b> identify security signals e.g. fire alarms and places such as staircases, fire warden stations, first aid and medical rooms	5	5	-	-
Identifying and reporting risks	18	17	-	-
<b>PC7.</b> identify aspects of your workplace that could cause potential risk to own and others health and safety	5	5	-	-
<b>PC8.</b> ensure own personal health and safety, and that of others in the workplace though precautionary measures	5	5	-	-
<b>PC9.</b> identify and recommend opportunities for improving health, safety, and security to the designated person	3	2	-	-









Assessment Criteria for Outcomes	Theory Marks	Practical Marks	Project Marks	Viva Marks
<b>PC10.</b> report any hazards outside the individuals authority to the relevant person in line with organizational procedures and warn other people who may be affected	5	5	-	-
Complying with procedures in the event of an emergency	7	8	-	-
<b>PC11.</b> follow organizations emergency procedures for accidents, fires or any other natural calamity in case of a hazard	5	5	-	-
<b>PC12.</b> identify and correct risks like illness, accidents, fires or any other natural calamity safely and within the limits of individuals authority	2	3	-	-
NOS Total	50	50	-	-









## **National Occupational Standards (NOS) Parameters**

NOS Code	MES/N0104
NOS Name	Maintain Workplace Health & Safety
Sector	Media & Entertainment
Sub-Sector	Film, Television, Animation, Gaming, Radio, Advertising
Occupation	Ad sales/Account Management/Scheduling/Traffic
NSQF Level	5
Credits	2
Version	1.0
Last Reviewed Date	30/12/2021
Next Review Date	24/02/2027
NSQC Clearance Date	24/02/2022

## Assessment Guidelines and Assessment Weightage

## **Assessment Guidelines**

- 1. Criteria for assessment for each Qualification Pack will be created by the Sector Skill Council. Each Element/ 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 Element/ PC.
- 2. The assessment for the theory part will be based on knowledge bank of questions created by the SSC.
- 3. Assessment will be conducted for all compulsory NOS, and where applicable, on the selected elective/option NOS/set of NOS.
- 4. Individual assessment agencies will create unique question papers for theory part for each candidate at each examination/training center (as per assessment criteria below).
- 5. Individual assessment agencies will create unique evaluations for skill practical for every student at each examination/ training center based on these criteria.
- 6. To pass the Qualification Pack assessment, every trainee should score the Recommended Pass % aggregate for the QP.
- 7. In case of unsuccessful completion, the trainee may seek reassessment on the Qualification Pack.









Minimum Aggregate Passing % at QP Level: 70

(**Please note**: Every Trainee should score a minimum aggregate passing percentage as specified above, to successfully clear the Qualification Pack assessment.)

# **Assessment Weightage**

## Compulsory NOS

National Occupational Standards	Theory Marks	Practical Marks	Project Marks	Viva Marks	Total Marks	Weightage
MES/N2843.Evaluate production concepts & ideas	30	70	0	0	100	5
MES/N1302.Sourcing financiers	50	50	-	-	100	15
MES/N1309.Conceptualise the creative vision	30	70	0	0	100	15
MES/N1304.Communicate requirements to the team	50	50	-	-	100	15
MES/N1305.Direct the production process	50	50	-	-	100	15
MES/N1307.Direct the post- production process	50	50	-	-	100	15
MES/N2844.Manage the production's marketing and release	30	70	0	0	100	10
MES/N0104.Maintain Workplace Health & Safety	50	50	-	-	100	10
Total	340	460	0	0	800	100









# Acronyms

NOS	National Occupational Standard(s)
NSQF	National Skills Qualifications Framework
QP	Qualifications Pack
TVET	Technical and Vocational Education and Training









# Glossary

Sector	Sector is a conglomeration of different business operations having similar business and interests. It may also be defined as a distinct subset of the economy whose components share similar characteristics and interests.
Sub-sector	Sub-sector is derived from a further breakdown based on the characteristics and interests of its components.
Occupation	Occupation is a set of job roles, which perform similar/ related set of functions in an industry.
Job role	Job role defines a unique set of functions that together form a unique employment opportunity in an organisation.
Occupational Standards (OS)	OS specify the standards of performance an individual must achieve when carrying out a function in the workplace, together with the Knowledge and Understanding (KU) they need to meet that standard consistently. Occupational Standards are applicable both in the Indian and global contexts.
Performance Criteria (PC)	Performance Criteria (PC) are statements that together specify the standard of performance required when carrying out a task.
National Occupational Standards (NOS)	NOS are occupational standards which apply uniquely in the Indian context.
Qualifications Pack (QP)	QP comprises the set of OS, together with the educational, training and other criteria required to perform a job role. A QP is assigned a unique qualifications pack code.
Unit Code	Unit code is a unique identifier for an Occupational Standard, which is denoted by an 'N'
Unit Title	Unit title gives a clear overall statement about what the incumbent should be able to do.
Description	Description gives a short summary of the unit content. This would be helpful to anyone searching on a database to verify that this is the appropriate OS they are looking for.
Scope	Scope is a set of statements specifying the range of variables that an individual may have to deal with in carrying out the function which have a critical impact on quality of performance required.









Knowledge and Understanding (KU)	Knowledge and Understanding (KU) are statements which together specify the technical, generic, professional and organisational specific knowledge that an individual needs in order to perform to the required standard.
Organisational Context	Organisational context includes the way the organisation is structured and how it operates, including the extent of operative knowledge managers have of their relevant areas of responsibility.
Technical Knowledge	Technical knowledge is the specific knowledge needed to accomplish specific designated responsibilities.
Core Skills/ Generic Skills (GS)	Core skills or Generic Skills (GS) are a group of skills that are the key to learning and working in today's world. These skills are typically needed in any work environment 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.
Electives	Electives are NOS/set of NOS that are identified by the sector as contributive to specialization in a job role. There may be multiple electives within a QP for each specialized job role. Trainees must select at least one elective for the successful completion of a QP with Electives.
Options	Options are NOS/set of NOS that are identified by the sector as additional skills. There may be multiple options within a QP. It is not mandatory to select any of the options to complete a QP with Options.
BUDGET	Budget is an estimate of the total cost of production that may include a break-up of cost components
COLOUR GRADING	Colour grading is the process of modifying/enhancing the colour of productions
COMPOSIITNG	Compositing is the process of combining layers of images/elements into a single frame
COMPUTER-GENERATED EFFECT	Computer-generated effects is the process of creating illusionary images for use in productions
CONTINUITY	Continuity represents the seamless transition from one shot to another
COPYRIGHT LAWS	A legal framework linked to intellectual property and the rights given to creators of original products/ concepts









CREATIVE BRIEF	Creative brief is a document that captures the key questions that serve as a guide for the production including the vision, objective of the project, target audience, timelines, budgets, milestones, stakeholders etc.
DIGITAL INTERMEDIATE	Digital Intermediate is the process of altering the colour characteristics of a digital version of the production
EDITING	Editing is the process of cutting, organising and putting together audio, visual footage to prepare an accurate, condensed and consistent final output
FINENCER	An entity (individual or organization) that provides financing for a project
FUNCTION	Function is an activity necessary for achieving the key purpose of the sector, occupation, or area of work, which can be carried out by a person or a group of persons. Functions are identified through functional analysis and form the basis of OS.
INGEST	Ingest is the process of importing the relevant audio visual files and/or images to the computer's hard disk and uploading them to the editing software
JOB ROLE	Job role defines a unique set of functions that together form a unique employment opportunity in an organization.
MODELING	Modeling is the process of creating three-dimensional models for animation using a specialised software application.
NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS (NOS)	NOS are Occupational Standards which apply uniquely in the Indian context.
OCCUPATION	Occupation is a set of job roles, which perform similar/related set of functions in an industry
OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS (OS)	OS specify the standards of performance an individual must achieve when carrying out a function in the workplace, together with the knowledge and understanding they need to meet that standard consistently. Occupational Standards are applicable both in the Indian and global contexts.
PERFORMANCE CRITERIA	Performance Criteria are statements that together specify the standard of performance required when carrying out a task
QUALIFICATION PACK CODE	Qualifications Pack Code is a unique reference code that identifies a qualifications pack.









QUALIFICATION PACK (QP)	Qualifications Pack comprises the set of OS, together with the educational, training and other criteria required to perform a job role. A Qualifications Pack is assigned a unique qualification pack code.
RENDERING	Rendering is the process of converting three-dimensional models into two-dimensional images with 3D effects
ROTOSCOPY	Rotoscopy is the process of breaking down content into individual frames, tracing out individual images and altering content according to requirements
SCREEN CONVERSION	Screen conversion is the process of conversion from 2D to 3D
SCRIPT	Script is a structured narrative of a story
SECTOR	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.
SOUND EDITING	Sound editing
SUB-FUNCTION	Sub-functions are sub-activities essential to fulfill the achieving the objectives of the function.
SUB-SECTOR	Sub-sector is derived from a further breakdown based on the characteristics and interests of its components.
TARGET 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
TIMELINES	Timelines is a listing of dates by which the production milestones/stages need to be completed
VERTICAL	Vertical may exist within a sub-sector representing different domain areas or the client industries served by the industry.
VISUAL EFFECTS	Visual effects is the process of integrating live-action footage with computer-generated effects