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SOFTWARE PROJECT MANAGEMENT

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Course Objectives

- To understand the Software Project Planning and Evaluation techniques.
- To plan and manage projects at each stage of the software development life cycle (SDLC)
- To learn about the activity planning and risk management principles.
- To manage software projects and control software deliverables.

UNIT I PROJECT EVALUATION AND PROJECT PLANNING

9 Hours

Importance of Software Project Management – Activities - Methodologies – Categorization of Software Projects – Setting objectives – Management Principles – Management Control – Project portfolio Management – Cost-benefit evaluation technology – Risk evaluation – Strategic program Management – Stepwise Project Planning.

UNIT II PROJECT LIFE CYCLE AND EFFORT ESTIMATION

9 Hours

Software process and Process Models – Choice of Process models - Rapid Application development – Agile methods – Dynamic System Development Method – Extreme Programming– Managing interactive processes – Basics of Software estimation – Effort and Cost estimation techniques – COSMIC Full function points - COCOMO II - a Parametric Productivity Model.

UNIT III ACTIVITY PLANNING AND RISK MANAGEMENT

9 Hours

Objectives of Activity planning – Project schedules – Activities – Sequencing and scheduling – Network Planning models – Formulating Network Model – Forward Pass & Backward Pass techniques – Critical path (CRM) method – Risk identification – Assessment – Risk Planning – Risk Management – PERT technique – Monte Carlo simulation – Resource Allocation – Creation of critical paths – Cost schedules.

UNIT IV

PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL

9 Hours

Framework for Management and control – Collection of data – Visualizing progress – Cost monitoring – Earned Value Analysis – Prioritizing Monitoring – Project tracking – Change control – Software Configuration Management – Managing contracts – Contract Management.

UNIT V

STAFFING IN SOFTWARE PROJECTS

9 Hours

Managing people – Organizational behaviour – Best methods of staff selection – Motivation – The Oldham – Hackman job characteristic model – Stress – Health and Safety – Ethical and Professional concerns – Working in teams – Decision making – Organizational structures – Dispersed and Virtual teams – Communications genres – Communication plans – Leadership.

UNIT VI

CASE STUDY

Case Study on real time application of Software Project Management

TOTAL PERIODS: 45

Course Outcomes:

At the end of the course, Students can able to

- Understand Project Management principles while developing software.
- Gain extensive knowledge about the basic project management concepts, framework and the process models.

- Obtain adequate knowledge about software process models and software effort estimation techniques.
- Estimate the risks involved in various project activities.

Text books:

1. Bob Hughes, Mike Cotterell and Rajib Mall: Software Project Management – Fifth Edition, Tata McGraw Hill, New Delhi, 2012.

Reference Books:

- 1. Robert K. Wysocki —Effective Software Project Management Wiley Publication, 2011.
- 2. Walker Royce: —Software Project Management- Addison-Wesley, 1998.
- **3.** Gopalaswamy Ramesh, —Managing Global Software Projects —McGraw Hill Education (India), Fourteenth Reprint 2013.