

Preface to Latest (NSQF Level-4/5 Compliant) Edition

Directorate General of Training (DGT) under the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, being the apex organization for development and coordination of vocational training at the national level, undertakes steps from time to time to improve its various aspects in line with changing market and industry requirements. In 2015, DGT initiated the process of incorporating the concept of competency based curricula. Presently curriculum of all CTS trades stand revised, updated and made NSQF compliant at appropriate levels. The curriculum for Fashion Design and Technology trade has been fixed at level 4.

Keeping these latest changes in view, all topics in NSQF Level-4 curriculum have been covered in this book. As per DGT order No. MSDE–18011/DGT/2017 TTC dated 19th April, 2018 trade tests are to be held annually starting with trainees admitted in August 2018 session, the semester system having been done away with. However, it further clarified in this order as follows:

“First annual exam has to be conducted after completing the training as per syllabus of both semester I & II combined. Similarly second annual exam has to be conducted after completing the training as per syllabus of both Semester III & IV combined”

The above order therefore, makes it amply clear that whereas trade tests are to be held annually, but the syllabus still continues to be semester-based. Trainees are accordingly advised to study the subject matter given in this book for Semester I & II when preparing for Annual Trade Test.

This book, after introducing the trainees to the trade and basic equipment for fashion designing, inspires them to create various patterns of clothing, along with giving them thorough knowledge about different types of fabrics. It also covers a lesson on how to use CorelDraw for fashion designing. The second half of the book puts more focus on making students aware of various career opportunities available in the field of fashion. Lastly, the Practical part covers a complete guide for Cutting and Drafting garments for kids, ladies and gents.

Hence, covering a wide range of knowledge about fashion, this book not only serves the needs of Instructors and trainees, but can also serve as a reference book for self-learners.

In our endeavour to keep the quality and usefulness for learners, both instructors and trainees, we have given Theory, Assignment/Test (MCQs) and Practical together in this volume, which we hope, will be of great help and use in preparing for the trade test and achieve still better success in the final examination.

Undoubtedly suggestions are welcome from our esteemed readers for further improvement of this volume.

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