HOME SCIENCE (68)

CLASS IX

There will be one written paper of two hours duration carrying 100 marks and Internal Assessment of 100 marks.

PART I: THEORY

The paper will be divided into two Sections, A and B.

Section A will consist of questions requiring short answers and will cover the entire syllabus. There will be no choice of questions.

Section B will consist of questions requiring longer answers. Candidates will be required to answer four questions. There will be a choice of questions.

1. Concept and Scope of Home Science

(i) Introduction to the five streams in Home Science and how they integrate to form a meaningful whole.

Understanding that Home Science is a field of Applied Sciences, made up of five streams, i.e. Foods & Nutrition, Resource Management, Human Development, Textiles & Clothing and Communication & Extension.

(ii) Significance of the study of Home Science in different spheres of life.

An understanding that Home Science is a multi-disciplinary subject which helps in development of life-skills to deal with various situations in different spheres of life.

2. Food and Health

(i) Food and its functions. Basic Cookery Terms. Health benefits of common food items.

Definition of: food, nutrient, nutrition, balanced diet, health, malnutrition and optimum nutrition. Functions of food: physiological, psychological and social functions.

Meaning of basic cookery terms: Cutting, chopping, grating, kneading, heating, peeling, stringing julienne, mashing, cut and fold in, blending, dusting.

Health benefits of common food items - to be done briefly:

- Herbs: Mint, coriander, celery, basil, curry leaves, saffron, thyme, lemon grass;
- Spices: cardamom, cinnamon, cloves, turmeric, fenugreek, cumin, fennel, carrom, asafoetida, ginger, garlic.


Classification of nutrients according to their sources and functions:

(a) Energy giving: Fats and carbohydrates;
(b) Body building: Proteins and minerals;
(c) Protective: Vitamins (A, D, E and K, Vitamin B -Thiamine, Riboflavin and Niacin and Vitamin C); Minerals (calcium, iron and iodine);
(d) Regulatory: Water and roughage.

Deficiency diseases associated with the above nutrients.

3. Growth and Development of Children from Birth to Five Years

(i) Principles of development; milestones of development.

Meaning of the terms growth and development; difference between growth and development. Principles of development. Meaning of developmental milestones;

Milestones of development: meaning and characteristics of physical, motor, social, emotional, cognitive and language development.

(ii) Diseases and their prevention.

Common childhood diseases (0-5 years): Tuberculosis, mumps, measles, chickenpox, diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, rubella, polio: names only and associated vaccines;

Definition and importance of immunisation.

4. The Home and its Maintenance

(i) Colour and its application in the Home.

Dimensions of colour – hue, value and intensity. Prang colour wheel (primary,
secondary and tertiary colours); neutral, warm cool and metallic colours.

Colour schemes: related (monochromatic/one hue colour, analogous /adjacent), contrasting (complementary, double complementary, split complementary, triad and tetrad) colour schemes and their applications in the home – drawing/living room, bed room, dining room and kitchen.

(ii) Lighting in the Home.

Types of lighting (general and local or task, direct and indirect); sources of light: natural and artificial; choice of adequate lighting for different rooms.

(iii) Sustainable utilisation of Fuel and Energy in the Home.

Sustainable use of fuel and energy with emphasis on the need and methods for the conservation of cooking gas, water and electricity in the house.

(iv) Maintenance of Sanitation and Hygiene inside and outside the House.

Importance of the five Rs (reduce, refuse, reuse, recycle and reinvent) for environmental conservation.

5. Textile Science and Fabric Construction

Fibres: Properties and uses

Meaning of the term fibre; classification of fibres: natural, man-made and synthetic;
Natural fibres (cotton, silk and wool): brief idea of origin; man-made fibres (rayon: raw materials); synthetic fibres: nylon and polyester: raw materials;
Identification of fibres: microscopic appearance and burning tests. Properties of cotton, silk, wool, rayon, nylon, polyester and their uses.

6. Communication & Extension

Communication: meaning, functions and importance; elements of communication; interpersonal communication.

Meaning, functions and importance of communication; elements of communication (sender, message, medium, receiver, feedback: brief idea); meaning of interpersonal communication; acquiring interpersonal communication skills (listening, speaking, reading and writing).

PART II: INTERNAL ASSESSMENT

Please note the guidelines for Internal Assessment as given for Class X.