#### APPENDIX - I

# STRUCTURE AND CONTENT OF SYLLABUS (Paper I and Paper II)

# Paper I (for classes I to V) Primary Stage

#### I. Child Development and Pedagogy

**30 Questions** 

#### a) Child Development (Primary School Child)

15 Questions

- Concept of development and its relationship with learning
- Principles of the development of children
- Influence of Heredity & Environment
- Socialization processes: Social world & children (Teacher, Parents, Peers)
- Piaget, Kohlberg and Vygotsky: constructs and critical perspectives
- Concepts of child-centered and progressive education
- Critical perspective of the construct of Intelligence
- Multi Dimensional Intelligence
- · Language & Thought
- Gender as a social construct; gender roles, gender-bias and educational practice
- Individual differences among learners, understanding differences based on diversity of language, caste, gender, community, religion etc.
- Distinction between Assessment for learning and assessment of learning;
   School-Based Assessment, Continuous & Comprehensive Evaluation:
   perspective and practice
- Formulating appropriate questions for assessing readiness levels of learners; for enhancing learning and critical thinking in the classroom and for assessing learner achievement.

# b) Concept of Inclusive education and understanding children with special needs 5 Questions

- Addressing learners from diverse backgrounds including disadvantaged and deprived
- Addressing the needs of children with learning difficulties, 'impairment' etc.
- Addressing the Talented, Creative, Specially abled Learners

#### c) Learning and Pedagogy

- How children think and learn; how and why children 'fail' to achieve success in school performance.
- Basic processes of teaching and learning; children's strategies of learning; learning as a social activity; social context of learning.
- Child as a problem solver and a 'scientific investigator'
- Alternative conceptions of learning in children, understanding children's 'errors' as significant steps in the learning process.
- Cognition & Emotions
- Motivation and learning
- Factors contributing to learning personal & environmental

# II. Language I

### **30 Questions**

#### a) Language Comprehension

15 Questions

Reading unseen passages – two passages one prose or drama and one poem with questions on comprehension, inference, grammar and verbal ability (Prose passage may be literary, scientific, narrative or discursive)

#### b) Pedagogy of Language Development

15 Questions

- Learning and acquisition
- · Principles of language Teaching
- Role of listening and speaking; function of language and how children use it as a tool
- Critical perspective on the role of grammar in learning a language for communicating ideas verbally and in written form
- Challenges of teaching language in a diverse classroom; language difficulties, errors and disorders
- Language Skills
- Evaluating language comprehension and proficiency: speaking, listening, reading and writing
- Teaching- learning materials: Textbook, multi-media materials, multilingual resource of the classroom
- Remedial Teaching

# III. Language - II

**30 Questions** 

#### a) Comprehension

15 Questions

Two unseen prose passages (discursive or literary or narrative or scientific) with question on comprehension, grammar and verbal ability

#### b) Pedagogy of Language Development

- Learning and acquisition
- Principles of language Teaching
- Role of listening and speaking; function of language and how children use it as a tool
- Critical perspective on the role of grammar in learning a language for communicating ideas verbally and in written form;
- Challenges of teaching language in a diverse classroom; language difficulties, errors and disorders
- Language Skills
- Evaluating language comprehension and proficiency: speaking, listening, reading and writing
- Teaching learning materials: Textbook, multi-media materials, multilingual resource of the classroom
- Remedial Teaching

#### **IV** Mathematics

#### **30 Questions**

#### a) Content

#### 15 Questions

- Geometry
- Shapes & Spatial Understanding
- Solids around Us
- Numbers
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication
- Division
- Measurement
- Weight
- Time
- Volume
- Data Handling
- Patterns
- Money

## b) Pedagogical issues

#### 15 Questions

- Nature of Mathematics/Logical thinking; understanding children's thinking and reasoning patterns and strategies of making meaning and learning
- Place of Mathematics in Curriculum
- Language of Mathematics
- Community Mathematics
- Evaluation through formal and informal methods
- Problems of Teaching
- Error analysis and related aspects of learning and teaching
- Diagnostic and Remedial Teaching

#### V. Environmental Studies

30 Questions

Content

a)

- i. Family and Friends:
  - 1.1 Relationships
  - 1.2 Work and Play
  - 1.3 Animals
  - 1.4 Plants
- ii. Food
- iii. Shelter
- iv. Water
- v. Travel
- vi. Things We Make and Do

#### b) Pedagogical Issues

#### 15 Questions

- Concept and scope of EVS
- Significance of EVS, integrated EVS
- Environmental Studies & Environmental Education
- Learning Principles
- Scope & relation to Science & Social Science
- Approaches of presenting concepts
- Activities
- Experimentation/Practical Work
- Discussion
- CCE
- Teaching material/Aids
- Problems

# Paper II (for classes VI to VIII) Elementary Stage

# I. Child Development and Pedagogy

**30 Questions** 

#### a) Child Development (Elementary School Child)

15 Questions

- Concept of development and its relationship with learning
- Principles of the development of children
- Influence of Heredity & Environment
- Socialization processes: Social world & children (Teacher, Parents, Peers)
- Piaget, Kohlberg and Vygotsky: constructs and critical perspectives
- Concepts of child-centered and progressive education
- Critical perspective of the construct of Intelligence
- Multi-Dimensional Intelligence
- Language & Thought
- Gender as a social construct; gender roles, gender-bias and educational practice
- Individual differences among learners, understanding differences based on diversity of language, caste, gender, community, religion etc.
- Distinction between Assessment for learning and assessment of learning;
   School-Based Assessment, Continuous & Comprehensive Evaluation:
   perspective and practice
- Formulating appropriate questions for assessing readiness levels of learners; for enhancing learning and critical thinking in the classroom and for assessing learner achievement.

# b) Concept of Inclusive education and understanding children with special needs 5 Questions

- Addressing learners from diverse backgrounds including disadvantaged and deprived
- Addressing the needs of children with learning difficulties, 'impairment' etc.

Addressing the Talented, Creative, Specially abled Learners

#### c) Learning and Pedagogy

10 Questions

- How children think and learn; how and why children 'fail' to achieve success in school performance.
- Basic processes of teaching and learning; children's strategies of learning; learning as a social activity; social context of learning.
- Child as a problem solver and a 'scientific investigator'
- Alternative conceptions of learning in children, understanding children's 'errors' as significant steps in the learning process.
- Cognition & Emotions
- Motivation and learning
- Factors contributing to learning personal & environmental

# II. Language I

**30 Questions** 

#### a) Language Comprehension

15 Questions

Reading unseen passages – two passages one prose or drama and one poem with questions on comprehension, inference, grammar and verbal ability (Prose passage may be literary, scientific, narrative or discursive)

#### b) Pedagogy of Language Development

15 Questions

- Learning and acquisition
- Principles of language Teaching
- Role of listening and speaking; function of language and how children use it as a tool
- Critical perspective on the role of grammar in learning a language for communicating ideas verbally and in written form;
- Challenges of teaching language in a diverse classroom; language difficulties, errors and disorders
- Language Skills
- Evaluating language comprehension and proficiency: speaking, listening, reading and writing
- Teaching- learning materials: Textbook, multi-media materials, multilingual resource of the classroom
- Remedial Teaching

# III. Language – II

30 Questions

#### a) Comprehension

15 Questions

Two unseen prose passages (discursive or literary or narrative or scientific) with question on comprehension, grammar and verbal ability

#### b) Pedagogy of Language Development

15 Questions

- Learning and acquisition
- Principles of language Teaching
- Role of listening and speaking; function of language and how children use it as a tool
- Critical perspective on the role of grammar in learning a language for communicating ideas verbally and in written form;
- Challenges of teaching language in a diverse classroom; language difficulties, errors and disorders
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- Teaching learning materials: Textbook, multi-media materials, multilingual resource of the classroom
- Remedial Teaching

### IV. Mathematics and Science

**60 Questions** 

# (i) Mathematics

30 Questions

#### a) Content

20 Questions

### Number System

- Knowing our Numbers
- Playing with Numbers
- Whole Numbers
- Negative Numbers and Integers
- Fractions

#### Algebra

- Introduction to Algebra
- Ratio and Proportion

#### Geometry

- Basic geometrical ideas (2-D)
- Understanding Elementary Shapes (2-D and 3-D)
- Symmetry: (reflection)
- Construction (using Straight edge Scale, protractor, compasses)

#### Mensuration

#### Data handling

# b) Pedagogical issues

#### 10 Questions

- · Nature of Mathematics/Logical thinking
- Place of Mathematics in Curriculum
- Language of Mathematics
- Community Mathematics
- Evaluation
- · Remedial Teaching
- Problem of Teaching

## (ii) Science

30 Questions

#### a) Content

20 Questions

- Food
  - · Sources of food
  - · Components of food
  - Cleaning food
- Materials
  - · Materials of daily use
- The World of the Living
- Moving Things People and Ideas
- How things work
  - Electric current and circuits
  - Magnets
- Natural Phenomena
- Natural Resources

#### b) Pedagogical issues

- Nature & Structure of Sciences
- Natural Science/Aims & objectives
- Understanding & Appreciating Science
- Approaches/Integrated Approach
- Observation/Experiment/Discovery (Method of Science)
- Innovation
- Text Material/Aids
- Evaluation cognitive/psychomotor/affective
- Problems
- Remedial Teaching

#### V. Social Studies/Social Sciences

#### **60 Questions**

#### a) Content 40 Questions

#### History

- When, Where and How
- The Earliest Societies
- The First Farmers and Herders
- The First Cities
- Early States
- New Ideas
- The First Empire
- Contacts with Distant lands
- Political Developments
- Culture and Science
- New Kings and Kingdoms
- Sultans of Delhi
- Architecture
- Creation of an Empire
- Social Change
- Regional Cultures
- The Establishment of Company Power
- Rural Life and Society
- Colonialism and Tribal Societies
- The Revolt of 1857-58
- Women and reform
- Challenging the Caste System
- The Nationalist Movement
- India After Independence

#### Geography

- Geography as a social study and as a science
- Planet: Earth in the solar system
- Globe
- Environment in its totality: natural and human environment
- Air
- Water
- Human Environment: settlement, transport and communication
- Resources: Types-Natural and Human
- Agriculture

#### Social and Political Life

- Diversity
- Government
- Local Government
- Making a Living
- Democracy
- State Government
- Understanding Media
- Unpacking Gender
- The Constitution
- Parliamentary Government
- The Judiciary
- Social Justice and the Marginalised

### b) Pedagogical issues

20 Questions

- Concept & Nature of Social Science/Social Studies
- Class Room Processes, activities and discourse
- Developing Critical thinking
- Enquiry/Empirical Evidence
- Problems of teaching Social Science/Social Studies
- Sources Primary & Secondary
- Projects Work
- Evaluation

Note: For Detailed syllabus of classes I-VIII, please refer to NCERT syllabus and textbooks